

#### Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi raji'un

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Supported by Birmingham Muslim Burial Council



# *"How people die remains in the memory of those who live on."*



## **ISLAMIC PERSPECTIVE**

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Ahmad and Tirmidhi report on the authority of Ali ibn Abu Talib that the Prophet (saws) said:

"O Ali, never delay three things: prayer when its time approaches, the funeral when death is confirmed, and marrying a widow or a divorcee when a suitable match is found for her."



#### BEREAVEMENTS

- What is Bereavement?
- How many people have experienced Bereavement recently?
- Bereavement Experience & Support received
- Do you know how many deaths were registered in 2018?
- Do you know the cost of burial?
- Now imagine a person with no family or no support
- Bereavement Cases



# **INTRODUCTION TO CSMA BIRMINGHAM**

Cutchi Sunni Muslim Association Birmingham (CSMA Birmingham)

Formed in 2010 in Birmingham, started off providing a small community religious knowledge

But after recognising a range of issues faced by multi-faith communities such as Bereavements, Funerals and Poverty we started offering the following services for free:

- Bereavement Support
  Food Banks
- After Care Support

Religious Knowledge

• Muslim Burial Fund



### **OBJECTIVES**

- Rapid Release Policies in Hospitals
- Access to GP'S and Hospital Doctors/Consultants
- Access to the Coroner
- Access to MRI/CT Scan instead of POST MORTEM
- Weekend/Bank Holiday Burials
- Muslim Graveyard Facilities
- 7 Day Access to Register Office/Coroner Office
- Educating the Public on the Burial Procedures and Policies

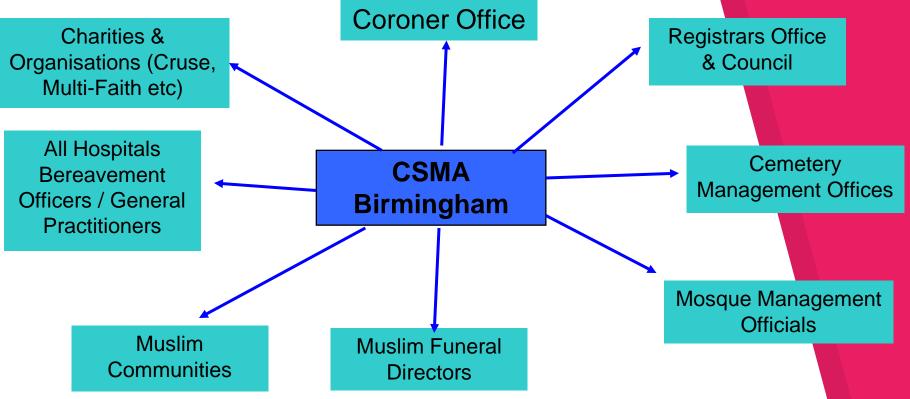


# GOALS

- Quicker Release of Deceased Body (Rapid Release)
- Improve communication and relationship between Doctors, Coroner, Hospitals and relevant authorities
- Relieve the bereaved family of anxiety and stressful aspects of burying their loved one
- Reduce abuse to Medical staff, Bereavement officers and other stakeholder service staff
- Reduce large volume of enquiries from Family & Friends creating further delays at the Coroner Office etc



### STRUCTURE





# **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT**

- Hospital Bereavement Support
- Coroner Referral or Inquest
- Burial Procedure
- Digital Autopsy
- Death Registration
- Cemeteries
- Out of England (Avoid Embalming)



#### **How it Works**

- CSMA Birmingham will only take instructions from the Next of Kin and work with the Funeral Director with the bereavement
- CSMA Birmingham will give guide and support with instructions on the relevant process required for the case
- Next of Kin/Funeral Director will be responsible for the quick release of the body and complete relevant paper work (Supported by CSMA Birmingham representative)
- Please remember we are not funeral directors we work with them and give relevant advice.



#### **CSMA BIRMINGHAM**

- Free Bereavement Service, work with partnership agencies e.g. BMBC
- Free Advisory Support with step-by-step instructions
- Free Burial Service for the needy (after full case assessed)
- Free After Care Support for families of the deceased
- Free Workshops, Training and Seminars
- Work with other organisations and charities such as Cruise etc



# **USEFUL CONTACTS**

**Coroners (Sheffield)** 

Medico-Legal Centre, Watery St, Sheffield S3 7ES Tel: 0114 273 8721

Register Office (Sheffield) Town Hall, Pinstone Street, Sheffield, S1 2HH Tel: 0114 203 9427 Sat, Sun and Bank Holidays 9am-5pm: 07802 864178, or 07764 661143

#### IGene (Sheffield)

Medico-Legal Centre, Watery St, Sheffield S3 7ES Tel: 0114 278 0712



# **MUSLIM BURIAL FUND PROJECT**

How can you help? Donate only £5 a month and get a lifetime of sawab (reward) by helping a brother or sister at their time of death.

CSMA Birmingham Barclays Bank Sort: 20-07-82 Account: 73573982

Remember - "Charity begins at home"

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