

Appeal number: CA/2016/0008

FIRST-TIER TRIBUNAL
GENERAL REGULATORY CHAMBER
(CHARITY)

**Appellant** 

## **CAMBRIDGE ISLAMIC COLLEGE**

- and -

THE CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND
WALES
Respondent
CAMBRIDGE MUSLIM COLLEGE
Respondent

TRIBUNAL: JUDGE ALISON MCKENNA

Sitting in Chambers on 2 February 2017

## **DIRECTIONS**

Upon reading the Notice of Appeal, the Response and supporting documents And upon the application of Cambridge Muslim College to be joined to these proceedings

## IT IS DIRECTED THAT:

- 1. Cambridge Muslim College is joined to these proceedings as the Second Respondent, pursuant to rule 9 of The Tribunal Procedure (First-tier Tribunal) (General Regulatory Chamber) Rules 2009;
- 2. If the Appellant wishes to file a Reply to the Charity Commission's Response it must do so within 28 days of being sent the Response;
- 3. The Second Respondent is to file its Response within 28 days of the date appearing below. The Appellant may file a Reply within 28 days thereafter;
- 4. The parties are to use their best endeavours to agree Directions aimed at bringing this matter to an oral hearing in July 2017. It is anticipated that the hearing will last one day and be held in Cambridge. The parties are to inform the Tribunal of any dates in July 2017 when they will not be available by 5pm on 28 February 2017.
- 5. The parties are to use their best endeavours to agree a chronology and schedule of agreed facts to assist the Tribunal and reduce the amount of oral evidence required.

## **REASONS**

- 1. This appeal concerns the Charity Commission's direction made on 12 September 2016 pursuant to s. 42 (1) of the Charities Act 2011. This required the Appellant charity to change its name.
- 2. The Cambridge Muslim College has applied to join these proceedings as a party and neither the Appellant nor the Charity Commission has objected.
- 3. I note that Cambridge Muslim College made a complaint to the Charity Commission which resulted in the Direction which is the subject of this appeal. I consider it fair and just to join the Cambridge Muslim College to these proceedings so that its point of view is placed before the Tribunal.
- 4. However, I remind the parties that the Tribunal's overriding objective requires the Tribunal to have regard to the anticipated costs and the resources of the parties. The parties must assist the Tribunal in meeting the overriding objective. I am concerned that the joinder of an additional party in the context of a dispute about charity names could risk increasing costs and delaying the determination of the appeal. I have therefore asked the parties to agree directions and a schedule of agreed facts with a view to bringing this matter to a focussed one-day oral hearing in July 2017.

(Signed) Alison McKenna Principal Judge Dated: 2 February 2017

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