



(Left to Right: Mr Tauseef Anwar and Mr Ashtaq Arain)

Lewisham Islamic Centre and Political Engagement

We must engage to make life better for all

Lewisham Islamic Centre (LIC) has always impressed upon the community the importance of active involvement in wider society. In fulfilling LIC's charitable objectives and helping Muslims fulfil their Islamic and civic duties, the Trustees and Imams have always encouraged political participation and engagement. This has included registering to vote, lobbying and engaging in open and transparent discussions about policies and processes affecting the Muslim community.

Where LIC has been at the forefront of honest discourse challenging negative stereotypes and speaking out against policies lacking an evidence base, we are also keen to promote the many positive projects and events we see in Lewisham and beyond. Alhamdulillah (Praise be to God), we have been informed that Mr Tauseef Anwar and Ms Sakina Sheikh have been selected to stand as Councillors in the London Borough of Lewisham in next year's local elections. We hope and look forward to Mr Anwar and Ms Sheikh joining Mr Ashtaq Arain, who to our knowledge was Lewisham Borough's first Muslim Councillor.

We pray that Allah (God) Almighty blesses Mr Tauseef Anwar and Ms Sakina Sheikh and uses them as a means to help the weak, oppressed, downtrodden and the marginalised in society. We also pray that Allah (God) Almighty will use them to make Lewisham an exemplary borough which is a safe and prosperous place for all of its residents.

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