Closing date: 10 March 2017

Interview dates: **27 March 2017 to 14 April 2017**Anticipated start date: **15 May 2017**

Salary: negotiable depending on experience

In the name of Allah, the extensively merciful, the intensively merciful

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED FOR THE POST OF IMAAM

The Management of North London Mosque Trust (NLMT) is seeking to appoint an Imaam, who follows the fiqh of Imaam Abu Hanifa, to lead our organisation.

NLMT, also known as Masjid-e-Quba, is situated in Stamford Hill, North London. It has been catering for the needs of local Muslims since 1970. The local Muslim population is mainly from Gujarat, India and came to the area as early as the 1950's. The locality now has many Muslims from Bangladesh, Pakistan, Somalia, Turkey and various Arab countries.

The main prayer hall holds approximately 700 worshippers. Combined with the space on the upper floors, the Masjid can hold in excess of 1,800 worshippers.

The Madressa has approximately 300 students. Children between the ages of 5-15 attend the Madressa with classes run on weekday evenings, lasting three hours. The Madressa provides a structured and challenging curriculum. Subjects covered include: rudimentary knowledge of Islam; recitation and memorisation of the Quran; and exploring age appropriate jurisprudential issues.

The Imaam we are looking for will ideally:

- be certified as an Aa'lim by a reputable Islamic institution and ideally be a Hafiz or Qari
- have a comprehensive knowledge of Islamic shari'ah, Quran, Hadith, seerah and Islamic jurisprudence
- be able to lead congregational prayers competently and punctually, including alternate Jumma salaah
- be fluent in English, Arabic and in Urdu or Gujarati and have excellent verbal and written communication
- be dynamic, innovative, forward thinking, committed and able to attend to the spiritual needs of the local Muslims
- encourage performance of Islamic rites and active participation in the wider community
- organise regular educational programs for all members of the local Muslim community
- arrange weekly consultation sessions, answer questions on Islam, and offer advice and guidance on Islamic issues
- fulfil the needs of the Muslim youth by helping them to develop a good understanding of Islam and practicing it
- be skilled in interfaith matters with more than a basic understanding of Christianity, Judaism and other religions
- attend meetings with local authority representatives, the police and other service providers
- take an active role in the Madressa and set the highest standards for teaching and learning in the Madrassa
- take pride in Islamic excellence, whilst maintaining our commitment to an enriched curriculum
- demonstrate an unrelenting passion for driving standards to outstanding and beyond
- have an ability to engage and contribute to the development of other staff members
- · work effectively with staff and Management for continuous improvement in Masjid and Madrassa activities

We offer:

- 28 days paid leave
- the option of accommodation close to the Masjid
- a highly dedicated and supportive Management team striving to achieve excellence in serving the community
- professional development support at all levels to further the expertise and qualifications of staff

To apply please send your current CV to cv@mequba.com Please note that newly qualified Aa'lims will be considered for this Post.

Should you require further information please contact us on info@masjidequba.org.uk

NLMT is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. The successful candidate will be required to undertake an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check.

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