

MAJLISH ANSARULLAH NORTH WEST UK

## **NEW ANSAR FORUM** 18<sup>TH</sup> February 2024

On Sunday 18 February 2024, Majlis Ansarullah North West hosted the New Ansar Forum at Dovestone Reservoir, just outside Oldham and the village of Greenfield in Greater Manchester. Dovestone Reservoir is a tranquil spot on the western edge of the Peak District National Park, offering a leisurely and scenic walk suitable for all.

At the suggestion of the Naib Sadar Majlis Ansarullah UK, Hafiz Ijaz Tahir Sahab, this event was held outdoors in the scenic Peak District to meet and greet new Ansar. The main focus was to take our Ansar brothers out of their confirmation zone and participate in a walk to get to know each other. This idea was appreciated and enjoyed by all.

The programme started at 11:30 am with a meeting and greeting at the car park. After a brief introduction, all Ansar set off at 12:00 pm for a 5 km circular walk around Dovestone Reservoir, led by Naib Sadar Sahab. 63 Ansar participated and enjoyed the scenic walk. By 13:00 everyone had returned to the



car park from where they proceeded to a local community hall to offer zuhar and asar namaz followed by dinner.

After dinner, Naib Sadar Ansarullah UK, Hafiz Ijaz Tahir Sahab, addressed the Ansar brothers, emphasising the importance of mental and physical health, which

can only be achieved by getting out of one's comfort zone. In his address, he gave examples of Hazrat Muhammad **ﷺ** and Sahaba-e-Karaam how they used to pray at night and participate in war in defence of Islam during the day, which reflects their spiritual and physical health. Hafiz Sahab gave reference of Huzur e Agdas last 4 years Khutba Jumma about Sahaba-e-Karaam, their sacrifices and

love for Islam.

The session ended with Q&A and feedback from Ansar brothers. Some of the feedback is given below:

> "I have been living in Manchester for the last 4 years and before this event I did not know that



there are such beautiful places near Manchester. Jazakallah for organising this programme and giving me a chance to meet my fellow brothers".

- Valdon Mustafa

"The forum successfully provided a platform to engage in meaningful discussions and share experiences. It really led to reducing the distance with the Jamaa't position holders (عہدے داران)"

– Nasir Ahmad

"I have a difficult personality and I struggle to communicate with people. By attending this event I felt a difference in myself and I really enjoyed meeting other Ansar brothers. Jazakallah for this event"

-Annonymous (does not wish to be named)