

ASSET TRANSFER UNDER THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT ACT

MODEL: NOTICE OF ASSET TRANSFER REQUEST

An asset transfer request has been made to **West Lothian Council** under Part 5 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

The request has been made by **Sarajia Islamic Studies and Community Centre Limited** and relates to:

- St David House, 20 South Bridge Street Bathgate EH48 1TT.
- 22 South Bridge Street Bathgate EH48 1TL (ground floor retail unit).
- 24 South Bridge Street Bathgate EH48 1TL (ground floor former café unit).

The request is for full ownership of the land/building.

The proposed use of the land/building is for:

- A Mosque for worship and religious learning and spiritual/ personal development.
- A multipurpose community space for activities and events for community cohesion and wellbeing.
- Retail and enterprise to provide employment, training and an income to sustain the charitable objectives.

The documents relating to this request can be viewed online at <https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/community-asset-transfer> or by contacting Rachel Donald (Community Empowerment and Property Modernisation Officer, West Lothian Council) at Rachel.Donald2@westlothian.gov.uk

Anyone may make representations about this request to West Lothian Council. Representations must be in writing and include the name and address of the person making it. A copy of the representation will be given to the organisation making the request.

Representations must be made by **close of business on 21 November 2023**. They should be sent to Rachel Donald (Community Empowerment and Property Modernisation Officer, West Lothian Council) at Rachel.Donald2@westlothian.gov.uk

General information about the asset transfer scheme is available at:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/community-empowerment/asset-transfer/>