

19<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Assalāmu ‘Alaykum Wa Raḥmatullāhi Wa Barakātuh,

Respected Brothers in Islam,

Praise be to Allah SWT, Lord of the Worlds, and peace and blessings on his final Messenger, Muhammad ﷺ. We ask Allah SWT to grant us patience, to strengthen our reliance on Him, and to increase us in our faith and good deeds during these difficult times.

After very careful consideration by our Imams in consultation with Islamic scholars we have taken the difficult decision to suspend ALL congregational prayers after **Isha on Thursday 19th March 2020** due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. The actions are required in line with the most recent advice from the Government and medical professionals in our community. We will continue to broadcast the Adhan at the usual time, on our radio transmitter In sha’Allah.

The community should perform Ṣalāh at home in congregation with their families and make their own arrangements for Jum’uah with their family members and some neighbours (Minimum four adult males including the Imam). Details and short Khutbah are available on our website. Should this not be possible please perform Ṣalāh.

The Madressa also remains suspended until further notice.

We will always keep the situation under constant review, and ensure our congregation is informed through our website and social media, In sha’Allah. May Allah SWT help us all in this time of trial; we should turn to him and increase in devotion through prayers, dua and reading the Holy Qur’an.

If you have any questions, concerns or require any assistance please email the Imams on [info@ilfordmuslimsociety.org](mailto:info@ilfordmuslimsociety.org)

Yours faithfully  
IMS Committee