

Partnership of Oxford Ramallah Twinning (ORT) with Oxford Ramallah Friendship Association [ORFA]

The objectives of the Partnership Agreement are to promote the partnership relationship between the cities of Oxford and Ramallah and their environs by:

- i) fostering cooperation and support between schools and institutions of higher education, cultural institutions, associations, clubs, societies, and informal educational organisations.
- ii) encouraging a greater understanding of each other's cultures, history, and traditions.
- iii) supporting environmental protection and sustainable development, and the local groups and community organisations which are active in these fields.
- iv) encouraging the development of the local economy, particularly through activities which are based on sustainable development.
- v) promoting human rights (as set out in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and subsequent United Nations conventions and declarations), social inclusion and upholding the principles of dignity and respect as embodied in Oxford's status as a city of Sanctuary.

ORT and ORFA together will encourage, promote and participate in joint events and activities in Ramallah and in Oxford.

ORT and ORFA commit to regular coordination meetings on at least a bi-monthly basis to plan events and activities and make decisions on how they will be implemented. The accounts of ORT and ORFA will be kept together, by the same treasurer.

The Chair and Secretary of both organisations are responsible for ensuring that decisions are in the best interests of both organisations and the functioning of this partnership agreement.

Signed

Joe Carter

Tony Richardson

Chair: Oxford Ramallah Twinning

Chair: Oxford Ramallah Friendship Association

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