

The 1970's

1973

The Khoja Shia Ithna-Asheri Muslim Community (K.S.I.M.C.) of Leeds was formed by a handful of families who had migrated from Uganda, East Africa. For their first six years majalis were held at the homes of member families.

1974

The Jamaat formally approved and adopted a constitution for the K.S.I.M.C. of Leeds and elected Mr. Javed Naqvi as its first President.

1979

The K.S.I.M.C. of Leeds was formally constituted.

The 1980's

28 April 1980

The Jamaat purchased an end-terraced house at 168 Beeston Road, Leeds, which was converted into an Imambragah and Alim's residence, thereby, providing a focal point and facilities for community members to gather and hold majalis in accordance with the Shia calendar.

During the same year the Jamaat became a full member of the World Federation of the K.S.I.M.C.

6 October 1981

The Jamaat appointed its first full-time Resident Alim, Maulana Khalil Abbas Rizvi, under the presidency of Marhum Anverali Dharas, thereby, expanding its activities to holding regular Thursday evening majalis, Friday prayers and Madrassa for children.



The founding members of K.S.I.M.C. of Metro Leeds.



Early majalis at the home of a member family.



168 Beeston Road, Leeds.