



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	07	2022		30	06	2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Bristol Gurmat Class

Other names charity is known by BGC

Registered charity number (if any) 1182218

Charity's principal address 15 ELDERBERRY WAY

ALMONDSBURY

BRISTOL

Postcode

BS32 4FH

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Inderpal Kaur Dhesi			
2	Permenderjeet Bhambra			
3	Karanjit Singh			
4	Mandatt Kaur	Chair		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Trust deed

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Trust

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Trustees are appointed at the AGM each year

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The Charity appoints trustees who are professional, with good standing within their local communities and who are active in promoting and supporting the work of the charity.

The charity has continued to build strong relationships with other Sikh Charities and interfaith groups across the UK.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or any other benefit.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Advance the sikh religion in the United Kingdom but especially in the south-west of england and wales for the benefit of the public through the holding of prayer meetings, lectures, public celebration of religious festivals, producing and/or distributing literature to enlighten others about the sikh religion.

The benefit of this is to provide the general public with knowledge on the sikh faith. activities will also include: ·the provision of education of the gurmukhi language for people of all ages; ·education on the subject of sikh scriptural studies and sikh philosophy and ·the provision of training in classical and contemporary indian musical arts in accordance with the teachings of the sikh religion.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Bristol Gurmat Class held weekly classes teaching the Gurmukhi language and Sikh Scripture to around 100 individuals. Free Food (Langar) is offered to all our participants and is cooked and prepared by our volunteers. Indian Classical Music was taught by a specialist tutor for the first time and we were able to increase our inventory of Indian Classical Instruments vastly. Safeguarding, Martial Arts, mental health and other workshops were held and organised by Bristol Gurmat Class.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

A great contribution is made by all volunteers who help Bristol Gurmat Class. We are grateful to all those who have supported the charity.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

In May 2022 we began hiring different community venues in Bristol to hold our classes bi-weekly. Although this was logistically challenging for our team, this was a great success and the number of children attending classes increased. With no permanent base, this arrangement continued for the subsequent academic year (September 2022- July 2023). Langar (free meals) for our students and their families continued throughout this process.

In order to keep the wider community engaged, we held monthly kirtan samagams (hymn singing events) at a local community Centre and attendance was always above 150 people.

We were able to purchase lots of cooking equipment, lite-deck staging and many decor items.

Our biggest event was Bristol's first Sikh Open-Air marquee event in the grounds of May Park Primary School.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not applicable

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Mandatt Kaur

Full name(s)

Mandatt Kaur

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

26/04/2024



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Bristol Gurmat Class

**On accounts for the year
ended**

30 June 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1182218

Set out on pages

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**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Harmeet Singh Gill

Date:

26/04/2024

Name:

Harmeet S. Gill

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

ACA

Address:	58 Bourne Avenue
	Hayes
	UB3 1QW

Section B	Disclosure
Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	None to Report



Charity Name Bristol Gurmat Class	No (if any) 1182218
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/07/2022	To	Period end date 30/06/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	71,583	-	-	71,583	24,654
Sub total	71,583	-	-	71,583	24,654
A2 Asset and investment sales	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	71,583	-	-	71,583	24,654
A3 Payments					
Smagams and camps	37,677	-	-	37,677	16,418
Classes	29,957	-	-	29,957	6,310
Admin & IT	3,746	-	-	3,746	
Bank Fees	560	-	-	560	
Media costs	700	-	-	700	
Other Projects	-	-	-	-	7,393
Sub total	72,640	-	-	72,640	30,121
A4 Asset and investment purchases	-	-	-	-	
Total payments	72,640	-	-	72,640	30,121
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,056	-	-	- 1,056	- 5,467
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,363	-	-	1,363	6,831
Cash funds this year end	307	-	-	307	1,363

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds			
Cash at Bank and on hand	307	-	-
Total cash funds	307	-	-
B2 Other monetary assets			
Details	-	-	-
B3 Investment assets			
Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			
Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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B5 Liabilities			
Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature Mandatt Kaur	Print Name Mandatt Kaur	Date of approval 26/04/2024