



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
<b>From</b>	Day 01	Month 07	Year 2024	<b>To</b>	Day 30	Month 06	Year 2025

### 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	
<b>Postcode</b>	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	Mandatt Kaur	Chair		
3	Ghagan-Raj Singh Duggal			
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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)

In furtherance of its objects, the charity delivered a programme of religious, educational, and community activities throughout the year. Regular prayer meetings, religious observances, and the public celebration of Sikh festivals provided the community with ongoing opportunities for worship and spiritual enrichment. The Sikh Community Kitchen (Langar) provided free meals to all throughout the year, reflecting the Sikh principle of selfless service.

Weekly educational sessions at May Park Primary School served nearly 100 students in Sikh studies, Gurmukhi language, scriptural studies, and martial arts. A number of students also commenced formal training in Indian classical music in accordance with Sikh teachings. Progress on the permanent community hub, including planning permission secured and construction commenced, will provide a lasting base for these activities. The trustees confirm that they have had regard to the Charity

Commission's guidance on public benefit in planning and delivering the charity's activities during the year, and are satisfied that these activities provide direct and meaningful public benefit in accordance with the charity's objects.

## 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**

The year ending June 2025 represented a remarkable period of growth and progress across all areas of the charity's work, underpinned by the continued generosity and dedication of the wider Sikh community.

In education, the charity maintained consistent delivery of its weekly learning programme at May Park Primary School, providing close to 100 young people with structured teaching in Sikh studies, Gurmukhi language, scriptural studies, Sikh philosophy, and martial arts. The programme continued to grow in its depth and impact, offering young people a meaningful connection to their faith, language, and cultural heritage. A notable achievement this year was the introduction of formal Indian classical music training for a number of students, directly advancing the charity's object of providing training in classical and contemporary Indian musical arts in accordance with Sikh teachings, and further enriching the educational experience offered to the community's young people.

The Sikh Community Kitchen (Langar) continued to operate throughout the year, providing free nutritious meals to all who attended regardless of background or circumstance. The Langar remains one of the charity's most visible expressions of the Sikh values of equality, humility, and selfless service, and its continued operation throughout the year is a testament to the commitment of the charity's volunteers and supporters.

The most significant achievement of the year was the successful progression of the charity's permanent community hub project. Following an extensive period of consultation, the commissioning of environmental, noise pollution, and asbestos assessments, and engagement with the relevant planning authorities, the charity secured the necessary planning permission — a milestone that represented the culmination of considerable effort and dedication from trustees, advisers, and the wider community. Construction commenced in January 2025, with all groundworks completed by June and the steel structure for the hub well underway, marking a truly historic moment in the charity's development. The building is expected to be fully complete by July 2026, at which point the charity will for the first time have a permanent and purpose-built home from which to serve the community.

Supporting this construction programme, the year saw a significant surge in fundraising activity, with the community rallying behind the hub project with exceptional generosity. This collective commitment has not only enabled the construction to progress but has demonstrated the depth of support for the charity's long-term vision of a permanent home from which it can advance Sikh values, education, and community service for generations to come.

The trustees are deeply grateful for the continued generosity, faith, and dedication of all who have supported the charity during the year and look forward to building on this momentum as the community hub project moves towards completion.

## Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

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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.

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## Section F Other optional information

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## Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>M Kaur</i>	<i>IK Dhesi</i>
Full name(s)	Mandatt Kaur	Inderpal Kaur Dhesi
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Trustee - DSL
Date	29/04/2026	



# 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 2025

**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:**

29/04/2026

**Name:**

Harmeet S. Gill

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

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<b>Address:</b>	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 <b>Bristol Gurmat Class</b>	No (if any) 1182218
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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 1/7/24	To	Period end date 30/06/25
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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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	71,246	119,209	-	190,455	93,219
Gift Aid	20,742		-	20,742	-
Interest	147			147	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>92,135</b>	<b>119,209</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>211,344</b>	<b>93,219</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>92,135</b>	<b>119,209</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>211,344</b>	<b>93,219</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Smagams and camps	7,402	-	-	7,402	26,653
Classes	4,441	-	-	4,441	21,043
Admin & IT/Phone/Website	5,468	-	-	5,468	2,559
Media/Publishing costs	3,227	-	-	3,227	4,260
Property costs (Class rents and utility costs)	36,151	-	-	36,151	24,109
Transport costs	1,085	-	-	1,085	420
Langar costs	3,891	-	-	3,891	8,793
Banking/Finance charges	142	-	-	142	
Insurance	1,627	-	-	1,627	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>63,433</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>63,433</b>	<b>87,836</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases</b>	28,336	119,209	-	147,545	5,546
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>91,769</b>	<b>119,209</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>210,978</b>	<b>93,383</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>- 163</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	144	-	-	144	307
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>144</b>

### 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>			
Cash at Bank and on hand	510	-	144
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>144</b>
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>			
Details	-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			
Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			
Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
IT and langar equipment	Unrestricted	5,546	5,546
Gurdwara construction in progress	Unrestricted	28,336	-
Gurdwara construction in progress	Restricted	119,209	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			
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

Print Name

Date of approval

M Kaur	Mandatt Kaur
J-R Singh D	Ghagan-Raj Singh Duggal

April 29 2026
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