



**CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

**From 11th May 2023 Period start date to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 Period end date**

**Charity name: SIRI GURU SINGH SABHA, CROYDON**

**Charity registration number: 1203036**

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>Advancement of the Sikh religion; to have regular prayer meetings; to tutor younger children and adults Gurmukhi, the Sikh religion, Kirtan (music); to promote the younger children and youth to take active participation in the prayers and running of events including the kitchen, organising, and stepping forward with ideas for fund raising and community activities.</p> <p>To provide a warm and welcoming place for the elderly to meet; to promote interfaith understanding; to perform the Anand Karaj wedding ceremony; to create a religious, healthy atmosphere and a spirit of selfless service based on Sikhi</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Daily prayers are held and attended by the community.</p> <p>Akhand Jaap's a 6-hour recital of prayers as part of special events.</p> <p>Funeral – ceremonies</p> <p>Anand Karaj (The Sikh wedding ceremony) are regularly performed.</p> <p>There are regular classes where Gurmukhi, Sikhism, Kirtan, (Dilruba / Harmonium and Tabla instruments) are taught.</p> <p>All attendees (whether for prayer or otherwise) may access 'langar', the community kitchen for a free hot meal.</p> <p>Our trustees and members regularly attend inter-faith group meetings, council meetings and other charity-related meetings and events across the interfaith spectrum.</p> <p>We manage local school visits to the Gurdwara as part of their Religious Education curriculum and encourage students to learn about the teachings of our Gurus</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity	Para 1.18	<p>All 9 trustees and members of Siri Guru Singh Sabha, Croydon had full regard to the guidance issued by charity commission on public benefit.</p>

Commission on public benefit		Since then, the charity has been able to continue in its day-to-day activities and focus on progression for better services for the community.
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### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	<p>We view langar, the Sikh open kitchen, as a welcoming and simple investment in our local community.</p> <p>We are blessed with a wonderful team of resolute kitchen assistants who have undertaken their Food Hygiene Training to provide hot food to the community, all worshippers and the needy.</p>
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>Building &amp; Maintenance. Fulfilment of Ceremonial Duties (e.g., the weekly changing of sheets and ceremonial dressing of the holy Guru Granth Sahib Ji) Cooking &amp; Cleaning. Web Design / social media IT Infrastructure</p>
Other		

### Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The charity houses the only Gurdwara in Croydon. The surrounding Gurdwaras are in Crawley, Tooting, and Southfields. Therefore, we attract Sikhs and non-Sikhs from a fair radius and for these families to celebrate lifetime events and worship together as a community. We celebrate all the key calendar birth dates relating to our Gurus and other events such as Diwali and Bandi Chhor.</p> <p>The charity has a fully equipped kitchen and provides daily hot meals and snacks to all attendees and the wider community as part of our langar.</p> <p>The beneficiaries are kept abreast of local and new information by way of the charity website, services are streamed via a YouTube channel and daily WhatsApp forum messages allow for the community to communicate their needs and for us to serve them in the spirit of seva</p>

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The charity has overall, been fortunate in that it has worked hard to maintain contact with beneficiaries and especially those who are vulnerable, elderly or alone without family nearby.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>The committee undertook very little fundraising for most of the year. Initiatives have been put forward by members by individuals in the management team and escalated for positive work was a priority</p> <p>Pending Bank Account and registration for HMRC, Gift aid was not claimed.</p>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		The current Trustees have worked continuously to serve the beneficiaries without disruption, to promote the aims and objectives of the charity and engender a sense of calm and caring for all those who seek assistance, advice, support, spiritual peace, and prayer

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>Dormant</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Dormant</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>Dormant</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>Issues faced with arranging a new bank account under CIO status.</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		



## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>By-Laws May 2023</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>CIO - ASSOCIATION</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	9 Trustee Selection process every 3 years.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	<p>Trustees are guided to the Charity trustee. Trust board meetings are held regularly, and any best practices discussed with regards to developments in the charity sector.</p> <p>Specific induction and all training will be provided by external agencies such a Strengthening Faiths Institute and Gurdwara Aid and Online courses.</p>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<p>The charity is a member of Strengthening Faiths Institutes and Gurdwara Aid.</p> <p><b>The only gurdwara in UK that has been awarded Safer Centre Award in June 2022.</b></p> <p>The charity coordinates with other UK and International Gurdwaras.</p>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	<p>We enjoy a very healthy relationship with the local Borough Council in Croydon Trustee Mrs Surinder Kaur Sahota, is regularly involved with Faiths Together in Croydon and engaging on Sikh spiritual matters. We are also positive dealings with the Metropolitan Police and the local community safety officers</p>
Other		<p>Regular interaction with Faiths Together in Croydon and Croydon Communities Consortium (CCC) and connected with the SACRE team of Croydon</p>

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	<b>SIRI GURU SINGH SABHA, CROYDON</b>
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	<b>1203036</b>

Charity's principal address	NANAK COMMUNITY CENTRE, 176 ST. JAMES ROAD, CROYDON CRO 2BU

**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	Kamaljit Kaur	GENERAL MANAGER	11/5/23 – present	
2	Sundeeep Singh Sokhi	EVENT MANAGER	11/5/23 – present	
3	Kuljit Singh Chana	FINANCE MANAGER	11/5/23 – present	
4	Surinder Kaur Sahota	COMPLIANCE MANAGER	11/5/23 – present	
5	Jaspreet Singh Gill	LANGAR MANAGER	11/5/23 – present	
6	Sukhwinder Singh	BUILDING MANAGER	11/5/23 – present	
7	Satnaam Singh Khera	IT MANAGER	11/5/23 – present	
8	Nirmal Singh Kalsi	EDUCATION MANAGER	11/5/23 – present	
9	Sawaraj Singh Cheema	ADMIN MANAGER	11/5/23 – present	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

#### 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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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information



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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	NIRMAL SINGH KALSI	SUNDEEP SINGH SOKHI
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TRUSTEE	TRUSTEE
Date	12/1/2025	

# **Siri Guru Singh Sabha Croydon**

## **Dormant Accounts**

(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

11<sup>th</sup> May 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

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## Legal and administrative information

Charity number

1203036

Registered  
address

176 ST JAMES'S ROAD  
CROYDON  
SURREY  
CR0 2BU

Trustees

SURINDER KAUR SAHOTA  
KAMALJIT KAUR  
SUNDEEP SINGH SOKHI  
NIRMAL SINGH KALSI  
JASPREET SINGH GILL  
SUKHWINDER SINGH  
SAWARAJ SINGH CHEEMA  
KULJIT SINGH CHANA  
SATNAAM SINGH KHERA

BANK NAME: BARCLAYS BANK



## **Siri Guru Singh Sabha Croydon**

### **Trustees' Report**

The Trustees present their annual report and accounts for the first period ended from 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

During this period, the charity had dormant accounts.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

The Charity is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) Foundation, as a body corporate under Part 11 of the Charities Act 2011 on the 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023. The CIO registered with the Charity Commission on the same day.

Trustees are legally responsible for the governance and management of the charity. Trustees are responsible of setting strategies and policies for ensuring these are implemented.

#### **Risk management**

The charity's trustees have considered the major risks to which the charity is exposed and have reviewed potential risks. Systems and procedures have been put in place to manage the risks and to mitigate any adverse outcomes.

#### **Objectives and activities**

The governing scheme defines the charity's objects as being to:

- a) Advancement of Sikh Religion
- b) Have regular prayer meetings
- c) Teaching of Gurumukhi, Sikh Religion, Kirtan to young children
- d) Provide place for elderly persons to meet
- e) Promote interfaith understanding
- f) To perform marriages
- g) Create a religious atmosphere and a spirit of service
- h) Character development and how to become a good citizens for young children
- i) To further such other charitable purposes according to the law of England and Wales as may from time to time be determined by the trustees.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

The CIO was dormant during this period.

#### **Financial review**

No transaction took place during this period.

#### **Future plans**

Siri Guru Singh Sabha Croydon will focus on developing and expanding it's objectives and activities as set out above.

### **Trustees' responsibilities statement**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities

This report was approved by the trustees on  
signed on their behalf by:



KULJIT SINGH CHANA

Trustee

Siri Guru Singh Sabha Croydon

Balance Sheet as at 31<sup>st</sup> March

2024

Dormant Accounts

	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Tangible assets		
Total fixed assets		0
<b>Current assets</b>		
Stock and work in progress	0	
Debtors	0	
Cash at bank and in hand	0	
	0	
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	0	
	0	
Net current assets		0
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year		0
Provision for liabilities		0
Net assets		0
Reserves		0

Approved by the Board on  
And signed on its behalf by



KULJIT SINGH CHANA

Trustee

## **Notes forming part of the financial statements for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

### **1. Accounting policies**

#### **(a) Basis of preparation**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the receipts and payments basis in accordance with the Charity Commission guidance.

#### **(b) Charity status**

Siri Guru Singh Sabha Croydon was established under a CIO Foundation constitution and is a registered with the Charity Commission under the reference of 1203036. The Trustees are appointed and function in accordance with the Constitution.

#### **(c) Fund accounting**

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **(d) Receipts**

All incoming resources are included in the Receipt & payment Accounts when the charity actually obtains legally entitled income.

#### **(e) Payments**

All expenditure is accounted for on payments basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

### **2. Member liabilities**

The members of the CIO have no liability to contribute to its assets and no personal responsibility for settling its debts and liabilities.

### **3. Debt outstanding**

There is no particulars of any debt outstanding at the date the statement of assets and liabilities which is owed by Siri Guru Singh Sabha Croydon and which is secured by an express charge on any of the assets of the Siri Guru Singh Sabha Croydon.

### **4. Related Parties**

#### **Controlling entity**

The charity is controlled by the trustees. During the period the Trustees received no emoluments or incurred any expenses using Trust funds.