## <u>Press release: Interim Manager</u> <u>appointed to Sikh charity</u>

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Interim Manager appointed to The Central Gurdwara (British Isles) London Khalsa Jatha (258324).

The Charity Commission has appointed an Interim Manager to <u>The Central</u> <u>Gurdwara (British Isles) London Khalsa Jatha</u>. The appointment comes as part of the regulator's inquiry into the charity, which began in July 2015.

The inquiry is examining a range of concerns, including the trustees' failure to comply with a previous action plan set by the Commission, and concerns about potential unauthorised trustee benefit and unmanaged conflicts of interest. A statement about the investigation is available on <u>GOV.UK</u>.

The Commission has now appointed Tom Murdoch of Stone King as Interim Manager of the charity. His task is limited to determining the membership of the charity. The charity's trustees remain responsible for the day-to-day management of the charity, including its financial management.

The Interim Manager was appointed on 26 January 2016.

The Commission's investigation continues. It is the Commission's policy, after it has concluded an inquiry, to publish a report detailing what issues the inquiry looked at, what actions were undertaken as part of the inquiry and what the outcomes were. Reports of previous inquiries are available on GOV.UK.

The charity's registered number is 258324.

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## Notes to editors

- 1. The Charity Commission is the independent regulator of charities in England and Wales. To find out more about our work, see our <u>annual</u> report.
- 2. Search for charities on our <u>online register</u>.

- 3. Section 46 of the Charities Act 2011 gives the Commission the power to institute inquiries. The opening of an inquiry gives the Commission access to a range of investigative, protective and remedial legal powers.
- 4. The Commission's decision to announce the opening of a statutory inquiry is based on whether it is in the public interest to do so and with consideration of our objective to increase public trust and confidence in charities.