Commission seeks new trustees at Sikh Channel charity

Press release

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The charity was established to advance the religious and charitable work of the Sikh religion and community. This work includes broadcasting via the Sikh Channel. The charity is subject to an <u>ongoing statutory inquiry</u>.

To progress its inquiry and address the misconduct and/or mismanagement in the charity's administration, the Commission is seeking to appoint additional trustees to the charity.

The Commission is inviting applications particularly from those with experience in broadcasting, finance, and/or charity fundraising and governance. As the charity is based in Birmingham and exists to advance the Sikh faith, the Commission is also interested to hear from those in or close to Birmingham and familiar with the Sikh faith.

The Commission appointed an Interim Manager to take over the management and administration of the charity to the exclusion of its trustees in March this year. The trustees of the charity challenged this decision and on 31 July 2020 the <u>charity tribunal</u> quashed the Commission's appointment of the Interim Manager. The Commission's intention is therefore to pursue the alternative approach of appointing new trustees.

Applicants should submit a cover letter and CV to sikhchanneltrustees@charitycommission.gov.uk by 16 October 2020.

The Commission's inquiry continues.

Ends.

Notes to editors:

• The Commission would encourage anyone interested in applying to read its Trustee Welcome Pack, which explain being a charity trustee entails and includes links to key guidance for charity trustees.

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