

# **PUBLIC STATEMENT**

**From: Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple  
(Birmingham, UK)  
Date: 5th July 2025**



**Waheguru Ji Ka Khalsa,  
Waheguru Ji Ki Fateh.**

**Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple (SDST) has issued an attached urgent public statement regarding serious disturbances that occurred on 4th July 2025 at the Gurdwara, related to a wedding ceremony disrupted by external interference, intimidation, and misinformation led primarily by Mr. Monty Singh (Sikh Army) and Mr. Amman Singh (Sikh Awareness Society).**

**Despite the couple's full compliance with the Sikh Council UK Guidelines and sincere commitment to the Sikh faith, they were subjected to bullying, pressure, and emotional harm, resulting in disruption of the agreed Reduced Ceremony as explained in the full attached statement.**

**SDST strongly condemns these actions and has issued a formal Cease and Desist Notice within this public statement to all in reference to this matter.**

**No further public comments will be made as the matter is now under active legal review.**

**We sincerely thank West Midlands Police and KBG Security for their professional support in protecting the Sangat and maintaining peace.**

**The full 6-page statement is attached and available here:  
[www.dasmeshsikhtemple.com/statement](http://www.dasmeshsikhtemple.com/statement)**

**Please read all to understand the truth.**

## PUBLIC STATEMENT

### Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple (SDST) Official Statement to the Sangat and Wider Public

Date: 5<sup>th</sup> July 2025

6 Pages

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With great responsibility and sadness, the Management Committee of Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple (SDST) issues this public statement regarding the Anand Karaj that was scheduled to take place at 10.30am on Friday, 4th July 2025, but **was forcibly halted** due to external intimidation, misinformation, and interference, primarily from Mr. Monty Singh (who claims to be representing an organisation called the Sikh Army) and Mr. Amman Singh (who said he was a member of the Sikh Awareness Society - SAS).

#### 1. Background

The couple involved - a senior Sikh bride and a groom (senior Gujarati gentleman) who sincerely accepted the Sikh faith have suffered abuse for many days, even after fully complying with the “**Sikh Council UK Marriage Guidelines**” - a nationally recognised framework adopted by many Gurdwaras. These guidelines require the completion of a **Declaration Form - appendix 1 of the Guidelines** (which was forwarded by Mr. Monty Singh himself on Sat 28<sup>th</sup> June 2025 after having his first meeting with the Gurdwara on Fri 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025) affirming the couple’s shared commitment to live as Sikhs and raise any children in the Sikh faith.

*These are the words of that Declaration Form which the couple accepted.*

*I (name) ..... voluntarily declare and affirm that:*

- 1. I am a Sikh, that I believe in the tenets of the Sikh faith and that I owe no allegiance to any other faith.*
- 2. I have or I will adopt Singh (for male) or Kaur (for female) in my name as my middle name or surname.*
- 3. The Anand Karaj ceremony will be the only religious ceremony that I will take part in for the purposes of marriage.*
- 4. I will endeavour to bring up any children from my marriage as Sikhs, to give them the middle name or surname Singh (for male) or Kaur (for female), to teach them Punjabi and the tenets of the Sikh faith.*

#### 2. The Couple’s Sincere Efforts

The couple:

1. Both signed the Declaration of faith and intent.
2. Participated in two Anand Karaj Explanation Meetings with the Gurdwara Registrar.
3. Received Hukamnama, performed Ardas, and were presented with Gutka Sahib and Kara as spiritual blessings accepting the faith.
4. Submitted personal statements describing how they embraced Sikhi together at Sri Harmandir Sahib in “Jan 2023”, where they performed ishnan and took Kadhey in preparation for a married life in the Sikh faith, provided picture evidence of this to SDST.
5. Provided evidence that they had made a “Sukia” to have Akhand Paath at Sri Harmandir Sahib after their Anand Karaj later this year.

### 3. **Deliberate Undermining and Misinformation**

Despite these sincere and lawful steps, Mr. Monty Singh and Mr. Amman Singh, (who attended meetings at Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple and were shown this paperwork) acting on behalf of the platforms such as Sikh Army and BeadbiUK, used information from these meetings and undertook a deliberate campaign to undermine the **Sikh Council UK Guidelines**.

They misrepresented their intent, discredited the lawful marriage process followed by the Temple, and ultimately coerced a compliant and sincere couple into abandoning their scheduled Anand Karaj ceremony for their guests to attend.

They (Mr Monty Singh and Mr Amman Singh):

1. Were shown all documentation by the Gurdwara Committee, including signed declarations and personal statements.
2. Were welcomed into two meetings at the Gurdwara, where they saw the truth that the couple's commitment was genuine.
3. Instead of seeing compliance and showing compassion, they threatened to bring 6 coachloads of protestors to disrupt the sacred Anand Karaj. A room full of 16 witnesses heard Mr Monty Singh say, 6 coaches are coming, and later, that he will make a post to back away from this matter. He then went on to say that he will provide the bride protection should she proceed with the Anand Karaj, indirectly setting the tone for harassment.
4. They continued to circulate defamatory posts and pictures up until Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025, a day before the event. After this their entrance to gurdwara became restricted as they were taking sensitive information and using it to incite trouble. The evidence of their defamatory posts has spread worldwide and is all available online, on the social media sites they control or have influence over.

These individuals have not shown any evidence of legal authority, are not representatives of the Akal Takht, the Sikh Council UK, or SDST. Yet, they launched a social media campaign spreading misinformation, including edited photos falsely suggesting the bride was marrying a man who was her father and naming him as the groom, causing humiliation and severe emotional distress for the whole family ruining the event they had planned. This, combined with other cyber defamatory posts, and threats from Monty and Amman of mobilising coachloads of strangers, instilled fear in the couple and their families.

As a result, on the evening of Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July, the couple felt so bullied and intimidated that they were forced to accept, in accordance with Appendix 2 of the Sikh Council UK Guidelines, a Sukhmani Sahib Paath, Ardas, and Kirtan blessings a "Reduced Ceremony" in place of the Anand Karaj they had lovingly planned. That evening, the bride, who had known Mr. Mohan Singh of the Sikh Awareness Society for over four years as a trusted individual and communicator, reached out to him once more. Mr. Mohan Singh had previously been contacted and was instrumental in helping remove defamatory content posted by BeadbiUK. The bride explained that, in the interest of safety and to defuse tensions that could escalate during the Reduced Ceremony on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> July, urgent steps were needed to diffuse the situation. She urged Mr. Mohan Singh to intervene and help calm both Sikh Army and BeadbiUK. Mr. Mohan Singh acknowledged her concern, said he would pass the message on, and advised her to remain vigilant, even after the Reduced Ceremony.

The bride, is a senior lady and a devout Sikh who has worked with Mr Mohan Singh, has contributed years of seva with Sikh Channel, Baru Trust, and other Sikh organisations was left devastated.



#### **4. Escalation on the Wedding Day** - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Things did not stop.

As a precaution, the couple's family employed security to protect their guests. Between 9am and 10am, Mr. Monty Singh was stopped as were all uninvited guests but was allowed access to give him peace of mind and to stop him from posting misleading information, to confirm to his followers that no Anand Karaj was taking place.

He was asked not to film the family's private event, which consisted of a Sukhmani Sahib Paath, Kirtan, and Ardas.

After giving him permission to enter, he opted not to enter the gurdwara, (this is evidenced in a recording), but instead continued to stay outside to watch and incite unrest by misleading others to turn up under the false belief that an Anand Karaj was occurring.

#### **We now ask: What is the purpose of these actions, if not to disrupt and intimidate?**

**A Line Has Been Crossed** - The actions of Mr. Monty Singh and Mr. Amman Singh constitute:

1. Interference in lawful religious and civil proceedings;
2. Incitement of public unrest in a place of worship;
3. Emotional harm and coercion directed at a sincere couple;
4. Cyber Bullying, Misuse of social media to stir fear, confusion, and division.

**5. Our Position - The Gurdwara Committee**, having acted transparently, legally, and in full compliance with Sikh Maryada, condemns these actions in the strongest terms.

We reserve the right to report these matters to the police and to pursue legal remedies under UK law for:

1. Religious harassment
2. Defamation
3. Threats and intimidation

#### **6. Our Commitment**

Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple stood by the couple, it has all legal and lawful rights to conduct Anand Karaj marriages.

On Tuesday, 1st July 2025, with all legal paperwork in hand the Committee passed a resolution to conduct the Anand Karaj in compliance with the **Sikh Council UK Guidelines** .

However, by Thursday, 4th July, following the circulation of manipulated images falsely portraying the bride and her father as the marrying couple disseminated by BeadbiUK, and

continued defamatory actions and threats of protest promoted by both Sikh Army and BeadbiUK, the family felt bullied and emotionally pressured into abandoning the planned Anand Karaj in the interest of their family's and public safety. Instead, they proceeded with a reduced spiritual blessing for their guests and family to avoid confrontation and preserve the dignity and security of all present and even that was desecrated by a handful of masked young men.

Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple chose to step back to help the day proceed as peacefully as possible. The Committee also refrained from reacting to social media posts, recognising that any response would have only added fuel to the fire being stirred by Mr Monty Singh and Mr Amman Singh, potentially escalating tensions and creating safety concerns for the Sangat and for the couple on their special day.

## **7. The Temple will continue to:**

1. **Conduct legal and lawful Anand Karaj ceremonies** in accordance with the Sikh Council UK Guidelines and established Gurdwara practices.
2. **Uphold Sikh values** of truth, compassion, humility, and justice.
3. **Provide a safe and respectful environment** for all members of the Sangat.
4. **Resist any unlawful or self-serving attempts** to interfere in the governance of the Gurdwara.
5. **Defend the right of sincere individuals** to embrace the Sikh faith without fear, pressure, or discrimination.

## **8. Public Advisory – Who Are Mr. Monty Singh and Mr. Amman Singh?**

### **Who Are Mr. Monty Singh and Mr. Amman Singh?**

What are their real names, and what formal authority, if any, do they hold within any recognised Sikh institutions such as the Akal Takht, Sikh Council UK, or within the governance of this or any Gurdwara?

Despite being welcomed in good faith to observe Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple's process, it has become clear that both individuals have misused that trust. They are not accountable to any official Sikh authority, have no recognised religious or institutional mandate, and do not represent the will or values of the wider Panth.

Their actions, based on social media activism rather than sanctioned seva, have created confusion, division, and harm within the Sangat. They recognize themselves as "social media investigators" and "content specialists" reveal not religious leadership, but online activism driven by personal agendas. They have openly acknowledged that social media can be dangerous, a tool that can be weaponised. And weaponise it they did. Through inflammatory posts, doctored images, and misleading claims, they:

- Targeted a sincere couple who approached the Gurdwara with humility and faith;
- Mised the public by spreading manipulated content and false narratives;
- Created division within the Sangat, fuelling confusion and distrust; and
- Incited unrest, provoking confrontation on Gurdwara grounds and endangering the peace.



By encouraging people to attend under false pretences, they created a volatile atmosphere. Young men arrived in face coverings, some recorded swearing at and threatening security guards. They violently tried to thug and push themselves into the gurdwara premises to disturb the Reduced Ceremony that the couple took to avoid trouble, these are not acts of devoted mature Sikh principles. These are acts of intimidation.

**Let us be clear:** had the 6 coaches they threatened to bring actually arrived, of such young men, the day could have descended into violence and chaos. People, possibly the very men they provoked into attending could also have been injured and harmed. Their behaviour endangered the safety of innocent guests, forced the couple to abandon their sacred timed Anand Karaj as advertised on their wedding card, and tarnished the peace of our Gurdwara.

We hold Mr. Monty Singh and Mr. Amman Singh responsible for disturbing the peace and the damage caused and any further consequences that may arise. The police and our legal team are now reviewing these matters seriously. The actions of these individuals are not just disruptive, they are dangerous, divisive, and deeply contrary to Sikh values of humility, compassion, and truth.

#### **9. Acknowledgement of Security and Police Support**

Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple extends its sincere appreciation to **KBG Security** and **West Midlands Police** for their professional, impartial, and effective support on Friday, 4th July 2025. KBG Security's calm and disciplined presence ensured that the safety of the Sangat, invited guests, and Gurdwara premises was preserved. We also thank the West Midlands Police for their timely intervention and strong presence, which helped to prevent any escalation of conflict, especially in light of tensions fueled by the misinformation and disruptive actions of Mr. Monty Singh and Mr. Amman Singh.

Thanks to the coordinated efforts of both the security team and the police, **the day passed without any physical harm to anyone**, and the dignity of the Gurdwara was maintained.

Their service is deeply appreciated by the Management Committee and wider Sangat.

#### **10. We call upon Sangat to:**

- Stand for unity;
- Reject divisive intimidation from individuals with no authority;
- Protect the rights of people to marry in peace in accordance with the prescribed Declaration Form;
- Preserve the honour of Guru Granth Sahib Ji and the sanctity of the Gurdwara.

**11. We urge all Gurdwaras** to remain vigilant against individuals who deliberately mislead the public that create the disturbance of peace in order to gain social media attention, profit from online engagement, and incite hatred or create division within the Panth.



## 12. **Cease and Desist Notice**

Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple (SDST) hereby issues a formal **cease and desist** notice to any individual, entity, group, or platform currently engaged in, or intending to engage in, the circulation of **defamatory, misleading, or personal information** relating to the recent incidents that created disturbances at Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – Including, but not limited to, references to the **bride and groom, their families, Gurdwara staff, or any individuals associated with this matter**. This notice is intended to and is addressed to all those who have or intend to create, broadcast and/or share content, via **podcasts, social media platforms, video channels**, or in any **other public or private forums**.

SDST formally respectfully requests all parties to **immediately withdraw and remove** any such content already published, currently circulating, or intended for future circulation, discussion, broadcast, or use in any form of media or social engagement to avoid further necessary legal action.

This notice is issued to protect the **dignity, privacy, and safety** of all individuals involved, and to prevent **further harassment or disruption of public order**. Any individual or platform found to be **inciting hatred, disturbing the peace**, or engaging in **targeted defamation, harassment, or propaganda-driven commentary** will be reported to the appropriate authorities.

**Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple (SDST) reserves the right to pursue all appropriate civil and criminal remedies to the fullest extent available.**

The purpose of this notice is **not to restrict lawful or respectful public discussion** on matters of genuine community interest. It is directed solely at those engaging in circulating malicious, defamatory and false statements which are intended to create unrest amongst the community for personal gain and recognition at the expense of others.

All parties are strongly urged to act responsibly, respect privacy, and **immediately refrain** from fuelling further division or commentary related to this issue.

**Waheguru Ji Ka Khalsa, Waheguru Ji Ki Fateh**

**Management committee and Action committee of Sri Dasmesh Sikh Temple.**