

# THE THAKARKI TRUST

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting

Date: 20 September 2015	Time: 13.00 hrs (UK)	Location: Park Avenue, Nuneaton
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Attendees:	Committee: Gurmukh Singh (GS), Jasbir Kaur (JK), Narendar Kaur (NK), Peter Singh (PS), Mohinder Singh (MohS) Membership: Jasbir S, Brian S, Parmjit S, Tara S, Gurdev S, Surjit S, Gurdip S, Sheila K.
Chair: Gurmukh Singh	Minutes taken by: NK
Apologies: Proxy (4)	Non attendance: 15

Item	Summary of Discussion
1	<p>The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Thakarki Trust was opened by Chairman Gurmukh Singh.</p> <p>Chairman thanked the members for attending.</p> <p>Chairman stated that there are 32 members at present.</p> <p>Statement is attached in English and Punjabi.</p>
2	<p>The vote was conducted in accordance with the rules, items listed 1-8.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To receive the Annual Report and Accounts</li> <li>2. To re-elect: Gurmukh Singh -Chairman</li> <li>3. To re-elect: Peter Singh - Treasurer</li> <li>4. To re-elect: Narendar Kaur - Secretary</li> <li>5. To re-elect: Manjit Singh - Committee Member</li> <li>5. To re-elect: Jasbir Kaur - Committee Member</li> <li>5. To re-elect: Mohinder Singh - Committee Member</li> <li>6. To approve the committees amendments to the Constitution</li> <li>7. To approve the committeeess recommendations for changes to the Constitution</li> <li>8. To approve the assistance in funding for the construction of The Panchayat Garh for the village.</li> </ol> <p>2 non committee members were asked to count the votes. 17 members voted in total (including 4 votes received by proxy). 15 members did not return proxy votes.</p> <p>There were 3 abstentions regarding the funding of the Panchayat Ghar.</p> <p>The resolutions were carried with a majority decision.</p>

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3	<p>Panchayat Garh.</p> <p>Members approved the assistance in funding for the construction of the Panchayat Garh for the village. There were 3 abstentions.</p> <p>Members expressed concerns regarding planning and costings to be made available asap. Request Sarpanch Sahib to apply for government grant with NRI support for the construction with a date for commencing the project.</p>
4	<p>Shappar wall</p> <p>There was general concern about the shappar wall which was demolished during the construction of the septic tank. The absence of a barrier is seen as potentially dangerous for traffic especially in the dark. Members requested that dialogue be opened with a view to constructing a barrier wall as a matter of priority for the village. Request Sarpanch Sahib to apply for a grant to construct a barrier with NRI support.</p>
5	<p>Janj Ghar</p> <p>Membership were in principle in favour of repair however clarification of ownership has not been received by the committee following the communication with Sarpanch Sahib 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2015.</p> <p>The matter remains unresolved.</p>
6	<p>New members.</p> <p>Chairman encouraged current members to request other NRI's join the trust.</p> <p>Committee welcomed 6 new members:</p> <p>Manjit Kaur w/o Jasbir Singh  Jagdish Kaur w/o Manjit Singh  Satia Kaur w/o Mohinder Singh  Phulwinder Kaur w/o Peter Singh  Surinder Kaur w/o Brian Singh  Kashmir Kaur w/o Tara Singh</p> <p>Membership total: 38</p>

All existing members are respectfully reminded that subscriptions are due 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015 for the next 12 months.

The Chairman and the committee would like to thank everyone for their support.

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### Annual General Meeting 20 September 2015 Chairman's Statement

The Committee would like to thank you all for taking time out today to attend the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") at Gurdwara Nuneaton.

The Committee would also like to thank the Gurdwara Committee Nuneaton for allowing The Thakarki Trust ("TTT") to hold its AGM meeting.

Over the last 12 months we have held 9 conference call meetings to discuss the Trust's strategy, issues raised in the village and connecting other countries to TTT. The Committee has made positive progress but it has been relatively slow.

The Committee is pleased to announce that we have had 5 conference call meetings with members from Canada who have agreed to support the Panchayat and raise funds in Canada and America.

We have been raising funds since 2010 and have a balance of 311.282 Rupees in a fixed deposit and 101.655 Rupees in a current account held at 'The Bhanoki Co-Op Agri. Multipurpose Society Ltd'.

TTT in the UK holds a balance of £2329.82 in Barclays Bank.

The Committee has agreed that Peter and Narendar will be the account holders and will both authorise any withdrawal from the accounts with agreement from the Committee.

On 30 March 2015 we met the Thakarki Panchayat at Thakarki School to share our views with them and they have agreed to cooperate with TTT.

The Panchayat highlighted to TTT 12 areas where we could make a difference to the village. From those 12 areas we narrowed them down to 4 areas where TTT can support the Panchayat. At present the Panchayat need a new building for Panchayat Ghar where their main meetings can be held. The Committee has requested that the village Panchayat enquires as to whether they can get a grant from the Punjab Government and an approximate cost for the building. The Committee are awaiting a reply from the Panchayat.

#### ***Current Committee members -***

Gurmukh S, Manjit S, Mohinder S, Peter S, Jasbir K and Narendar K.

The officers are:

Chairman: Gurmukh Singh

Treasurer: Peter Singh

Secretary: Narendar Kaur

We have a total of 32 members so far in TTT.

Once again the Committee would like to thank you all for attending Sukhmani Sahib Paath & the AGM Meeting. Your membership & generosity is key to the success of "THE THAKARKI TRUST".