Paper Petition Details

Slough Nagar Kirtan April 2014

We, the undersigned, hereby declare that we are against the change of route of the Slough Vaisakhi Nagar Kirtan to be held in April 2014. We recommend, as per the previous years, that the Nagar Kirtan starts from Sri Guru Singh Sabha Gurdwara and finishes at Ramgarhia Gurdwara.

This petition was received on 13th January, 2014.

This petition was passed to the Commission Manager on 13th January, 2014.

This petition was responded to by the Communications Manager on 17th January, 2014.

Final Results	
Number of Signatures	1,236

Council Response

At its meeting on Wednesday 15th January, the multi-agency Safety Advisory Group (SAG) looked at the new proposed route for the parade (Sheehy Way to Falcon Centre) in detail and this discussion included the council's events, traffic and health and safety teams, Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue and Thames Valley Police.

All traffic, safety and policing considerations were taken into account. The petition was not taken into account as SAG is concerned only with the safety aspects of the event proposal.

However, the group was unanimous in its decision not to support the new proposed route.

As you may be aware, the events policy of Slough Borough Council states that if SAG does not support an event, the council will not grant permission for that event to take place whether it is on council land or on the public highway.

As such, the proposed route has been refused permission and the proposers have been advised of this decision.

There is now no firm proposal for a Nagar Kirtan event in Slough, so if you and previous organisers wish to apply for an event along the original route, this will obviously be considered by SAG as usual.

Our Events Officer, or I will be happy to provide appropriate booking forms but if you wish to apply I would urge you to do this as quickly as possible as timescales are now quite tight.

Thank you again for your letter and petition and I hope we can continue to work with you for a successful community event.