

1<sup>st</sup> November 2020

## **New National Restrictions from 5 November 2020**

*Waheguru ji ka Khalsa, Waheguru ji ki Fateh*

The Prime Minister, Rt Hon Boris Johnson announced a raft of new national restrictions last evening 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020 to combat the rising number of Covid-19 cases. These take effect midnight Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

SA has issued this short summary of the elements directly relevant to the opening and accessibility of the Gurdwaras to the Sangat. Please take care to understand the situation, keep each other safe and help prevent further spread of Covid-19.

We shall endeavour to keep the UK Sikh community abreast of any further developments or changes as they are issued by government.

### **Anand Karaj**

- Anand Karaj ceremonies will not be permitted to take place except in exceptional circumstances.

### **Funeral Services**

- Funerals can be attended by a maximum of 30 people, and it is advised that only close friends and family attend.
- Ash scatterings can also continue with up to 15 people in attendance.
- Anyone working is not included.
- Social distancing should be maintained between people who do not live together or share a support bubble.

### **Places of Worship Will Open For The Following**

- Funerals
- To broadcast acts of worship
- Individual prayer
- Formal childcare or where part of a school
- Essential voluntary and public services, such as blood donation or food banks
- Other exempted activities such as some support groups

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