

SANDWELL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

**THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SANDWELL (VAISAKHI IN VICTORIA PARK,
SMETHWICK – PROCESSION) (TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES)**
ORDER 2026

1. In order to facilitate road closures associated with a procession being held in association with 2026's Vaisakhi in Victoria Park event and in order to ceremoniously transport the Sikh Holy scriptures, Sri Guru Granth Sahib, from the Guru Nanak Gurdwara to Victoria Park, Smethwick in a culturally significant manner, the Borough Council of Sandwell in exercise of its powers under Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and after informing all other enabling bodies intends on 7th May 2026 to make the following Order: -
2. Except as provided in Clauses 4 and 5 below on 10th May 2026 between 09.00hrs and 11.30hrs no person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed along or to wait in the following roads in Smethwick:

High Street (B4169) – between Stony Lane and High Street (A4030)
High Street (A4030) – between High Street (B4169) and Newlands Green
3. Except as provided in Clauses 4 and 5 below on 10th May 2026 between 11.00hrs and 18.00hrs no person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed along or to wait in the following roads in Smethwick:

Suffrage Street
Victoria Avenue
4. The provisions of Clauses 2 and 3 shall not apply to any motor vehicle which is being used by the Police, Ambulance Service or Fire Service in pursuance of their statutory powers and duties or any motor vehicle which is being used by a statutory undertaker in an emergency, such as the loss of supplies of gas, electricity or water in the area, which necessitates the bringing of vehicles into the roads specified in Schedule 1 of this Order.
5. The provisions of Clauses 2 and 3 shall not apply to anything done with the permission of or at the direction of a Constable in uniform.
6. In this Order, “motor vehicle” has the same meaning as in Section 136 of The Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

7. This order may be cited as the Borough Council of Sandwell (Vaisakhi in Victoria Park, Smethwick – Procession) (Temporary Road Closures) Order 2026.

Dated this 30th day of April 2026

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