



Joint Statement from the Association of Pakistani Physicians of Northern Europe (APPNE) and the Association of Pakistani Physicians and Surgeons UK (APPS UK) on the tragic killing of Henry Nowak.

the Association of Pakistani Physicians and Surgeons UK (APPS UK) and The Association of Pakistani Physicians of Northern Europe (APPNE) express their profound sorrow and unequivocal condemnation following the tragic killing of Henry Nowak. This senseless act of violence has caused immense grief to his family, friends, and the wider community. We extend our heartfelt condolences to all those affected during this deeply difficult time.

We wish to state clearly and responsibly that this crime must not be attributed to any faith, race, ethnicity, or community. Acts of violence are the responsibility of individuals alone and should never be used to stigmatise entire groups or fuel prejudice. In moments of tragedy, it is essential that society remains guided by facts, compassion, and unity rather than speculation, misinformation, or division.

We are also deeply concerned by reports that members of the Sikh community have faced hostility and hateful rhetoric in the aftermath of this incident. Such reactions are entirely unacceptable and must be unequivocally condemned. Targeting any community in response to the actions of an individual only deepens suffering, fosters mistrust, and undermines the principles of justice, equality, and social cohesion.

APPNE and APPS UK are further concerned by attempts from certain political voices to exploit this tragedy in order to advance divisive narratives. The use of such events to inflame tensions, spread fear, or target communities for political gain is deeply irresponsible and contrary to the values of a democratic and inclusive society. We strongly condemn any efforts to weaponise this loss to promote discrimination, hatred, or social division.

As healthcare professionals, we remain firmly committed to the principles of inclusivity, mutual respect, and evidence-based discourse. We call upon public leaders, media organisations, and members of the public to act with restraint, integrity, and empathy, ensuring that this tragedy does not become a catalyst for further harm.

At this difficult time, we reaffirm our commitment to fostering understanding, strengthening community cohesion, and supporting a society built on justice, dignity, and respect for all.

From

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