



Ramanbhai Barber MBE DL

Ramanbhai Barber is President and founder member of Shree Sanatan Mandir.

He is an assistant secretary of the Leicester Hindu Festival Council and organiser of the Diwali lights celebration in Leicester, which is the largest such festival celebrated outside India. He is also an Executive member of the Leicester Council of Faiths and a past spiritual advisor to the Lord Mayor of Leicester.

At a national level Ramanbhai contributes to the National Council of Hindu Temples UK, as General Secretary, and to the Hindu Forum of Britain, as Vice President. He also works with the Interfaith Network at a national level and serves as a member of the Hindu Christian Forum of UK.



Ramanbhai is well known for his voluntary community engagement work with all areas of the community to promote cultural diversity, inter-faith understanding, and community cohesion.

He has been a key instigator and facilitator in the hosting of religious visits and events in Leicester and has played host to the Archbishop of Canterbury and HRH The Earl of Wessex, who have both visited the Shree Sanatan Mandir. He has organised interfaith dialogue forums and also arranged educational visits to the temple for the host community and school children from all over the County.

In 2010 Ramanbhai was awarded the MBE in recognition of his services to the Asian community of Leicester and was appointed as a Deputy Lieutenant in 2013.

Ramanbhai is a retired social worker and is married to Khushmanben.