

OAKHANGER PROJECT CHAIRMAN OF THE TRUSTEES REPORT – FEB 2026

Dear Members, Supporters and Friends,

I am honoured to be writing my first report as Chairman of the Oakhanger Project, having recently taken over the role from Annabel. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I would like to thank Annabel for her leadership, commitment and the strong foundation she has helped build. Her work has ensured the continued success and stability of the charity, and I am pleased to continue that direction.

Following on from the successes of 2025, this year promises to be another exciting and productive period for the Project. We are planning a full programme of camps, kayaking activities and a wide range of outdoor and social opportunities that remain central to our mission. These activities continue to provide a safe and supportive environment where children, carers and young people can develop confidence, independence and social connections. The impact of these experiences on personal growth remains at the heart of everything we do.

We are particularly grateful for the generous funding received from a number of organisations through the Vantage funding programme. This support has been instrumental in enabling the expansion and sustainability of our work. We are hopeful that this funding will continue to grow throughout 2026, allowing us to invest further in activities, equipment and the infrastructure needed to support even more participants. Continued financial backing ensures that we can widen access and maintain the high standards of safety and quality that define the Oakhanger Project.

My vision for 2026 is to strengthen how we plan and support our activities by enabling more accurate forecasting across the Project. Improved forecasting will allow us to request funding through Vantage in a more targeted and evidence-based way, recognising that funding provided by supporting organisations must be used for the specific purposes for which it is requested. By aligning our activity planning closely with funding applications, we can ensure that resources are allocated effectively, appropriately and transparently. Alongside this, we are working to make key documentation and operational materials more readily available online, improving accessibility, collaboration and continuity. This will help streamline administration, support volunteers and trustees, and ensure that information can be accessed quickly whenever it is needed.

None of our achievements or aspirations would be possible without the dedication of our volunteers, staff, supporters and partner organisations. Their time, energy and commitment enable us to deliver meaningful experiences to those who benefit from our services. The Board remains committed to responsible governance and to supporting the long-term future of the charity.

We look forward to another year of progress, inclusion and opportunity, and to building on the strong momentum established in recent years.

Jason Roberts

Chairman of the Trustees, Oakhanger Project

THE OAKHANGER PROJECT

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR YEAR 2025

	31st December 2025	31st December 2024
Income	£	£
Grants Received	27165.00	250.00
Gifts/Donations	11345.00	2159.00
Fund Raising/Sponsorship	0.00	0.00
Fees Charged	5666.00	6456.00
Interest	0.00	0.00
Total receipts	<u>44176</u>	<u>8865</u>
Expenditure		
Activity costs	785.01	70.00
Equipment purchase/hire	2076.83	1695.90
Sessional worker fees	1539.50	0.00
Training costs	965.90	1981.40
Travel costs	1494.83	1055.14
Accommodation/catering	42.25	802.86
OMC usage	1208.55	1200.00
Donations/Sponsorship	0.00	0.00
Insurance	1234.81	945.56
Publicity Marketing	4045.00	0.00
Administration/Accountants	22.79	950.13
Other/Sundries	0.00	0.00
Bank Transfer	<u>31240.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total expenditure	<u>44655.47</u>	<u>8700.99</u>
Net expenditure for the year	-479.47	164.01
Cash and bank balances to date	12853.73	12630.77
Cash remaining out of the Bank Transfer	14895.79	
Interest Deposit a/c	<u>182.71</u>	<u>58.95</u>
Cash and bank balances at	<u><u>27452.76</u></u>	<u><u>12853.73</u></u>
Deposit A/C	19201.45	4122.95
Current A/C	8251.31	8730.78
	27452.76	12853.73



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

OAKHANGER PROJECT

On accounts for the year ended

31st December 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1189721

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

14th January 2026

Name:

Roger Pask

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Company Director (Retired)

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