



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	24	02	2025		30	10	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Ethan's Journey

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1212269

Charity's principal address

28 Brickiln Street

Brownhills

Walsall

Postcode

WS8 6AU

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Laura Adams	Chair		
2	Carl Adams			
3	Guy Snead			
4	Matthew Herman		Feb 25 – July 26	
5	Nikki Prince	Secretary	Feb 25 – May 25	
6	Lindsay Moore		Feb 25 – Oct 25	
7	Claire Finlay	Secretary	June 26 - Present	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Bank	Co-operative	The co-operative bank – Business, PO box 4931 SN4 4PL

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CIO
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Foundation model
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by all trustees at meetings. Trustees can bring names forward at meetings and all names will be considered and voted in.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The charity is governed by a board of four trustees who meet regularly to review the charity's activities, finances, risks and governance arrangements. The meetings take place in person or over video call.

Trustees are provided with appropriate induction and training and are aware of their legal and regulatory responsibilities. Conflicts of interest are declared and managed appropriately.

The trustees keep the charity's governance, risk management and safeguarding arrangements under regular review and consider them appropriate for the charity's size and activities.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The relief of suffering from cancer and those undergoing chemotherapy treatment in particular but not exclusively by the provision of toys, equipment and food vouchers on wards 18 & 19 at Birmingham Children's Hospital.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The charity's main fundraising activities during the year were a sponsored bike ride from John O'Groats to Land's End in September 2025. This event saw Ethan's dad Carl and trustee Matt cycle 1000 miles. The event was featured on BBC news where we interviewed outside Birmingham Children's Hospital at the half way point.

Ethan's Annual Truck Show, held in September each year. The truck show is a local community event organised in close partnership with a local business, bringing the community together

Both events were organised to raise funds and awareness in support of the charity's objectives.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The charity's objective is to support its beneficiaries through fundraising and community activities. During the year, funds were raised through the John O'Groats to Land's End sponsored bike ride and Ethan's Annual Truck Show.

The truck show is a local community event, organised in close partnership with a local business, and provides an opportunity for the wider community to come together in support of the charity. The trustees aim to continue developing these activities and exploring further fundraising opportunities to support the charity's objectives.

The charity does not currently operate a grant-making programme or undertake programme-related investments.

The charity's activities are supported by volunteers who give their time to help organise and run fundraising events, including the annual truck show and sponsored fundraising activities. The trustees are grateful for the valuable contribution made by all volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the year, the charity successfully organised and completed a sponsored bike ride from John O'Groats to Land's End in September 2025, raising funds and awareness for the charity's objectives.

Ethan's Annual Truck Show was also successfully held in September as a local community event, organised in close partnership with a local business. The event brought together members of the local community and helped raise funds and awareness for the charity.

The charity also hosted a community boxing event in partnership with a local sports club, which raised £500. A further donation of £250 was received in connection with the event, bringing the total raised to £750.

An additional boxing event was put on in aid of our charity which raised £2500.

The trustees are grateful to everyone who took part, volunteered, donated and supported the charity's activities during the year.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity aims to maintain sufficient unrestricted reserves to meet its ongoing running costs and to provide a reasonable level of financial security in the event of unexpected expenditure or a temporary reduction in income.

The trustees review the level of reserves regularly and consider the charity's current and future financial commitments when deciding whether reserves are adequate.

Due to the charity only having one big annual spend per year the funds are accumulated for this purpose. Funds can be used during the year if the hospital require anything before.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Our bank account is in credit; we don't have significant unpaid debts. We haven't spent restricted money for purposes it wasn't allowed to be used for. We have no negative balance.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The charity's principal sources of funds during the year were fundraising activities, including the sponsored bike ride from John O'Groats to Land's End, Ethan's Annual Truck Show, and a community boxing event held in partnership with a local sports club. The charity also received individual donations and other community support.

Expenditure during the year was focused on supporting the charity's objectives, including the costs associated with organising fundraising and community events. The trustees continue to monitor expenditure carefully to ensure that funds are used appropriately and provide the greatest possible benefit in support of the charity's objectives.

The charity does not currently hold any investments and therefore has no specific investment policy.

Section F

Other optional information

The trustees will continue building on the charity's successful fundraising and community activities during the coming year. This will include organising Ethan's Annual Truck Show, as well as a community car show planned for June 2026, alongside a pop-up market giving local businesses and individuals an opportunity to showcase their products, services and talents.

The trustees will continue to work closely with local businesses, sports clubs and community groups to develop further fundraising opportunities, increase community involvement and raise awareness of the charity.

The charity will continue to review its activities and explore new opportunities to generate funds and maximise the benefit to those it supports.

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	L Adams	C Finlay
Full name(s)	Laura Adams	Claire Finlay
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair/Trustee	Secretary/Trustee
Date	10 Aug 26	

	Bank Statement No	In	Out	Donations
Apr-25	one	1305.73	223.41	275.73
May-25	two	4051.11	577.04	1080
Jun-25	three	660.45	260.69	390.99
Jul-25	four	2235.84	1341.21	567.03
Aug-25	five	2596.76	1433.63	241.49
Sep-25	six	2148.37	1732.66	902.25
Oct-25	seven	7975.38	166.8	2760.47
Oct-25	eight	2340.12	8389.69	2281.71
Total		23313.76	14125.13	8499.67
Purchases	Company	Invoice	Purchase	Cost
April	Bizay	524	stock	120.91
	Nikki	9	stock	48.25
	Nikki	10	stock	54.25
	Nikki	11	stock	200
	Post office		Postage	4.05
May	Nikki	12	stock	79
	Pen Carrie		stock	126.35
	Morrisons		Tables	50
	Shien		Stock	70.14
	Nikki	13	stock	47.5
	Niki	14	stock	125
	Ebay		Envelopes	18.22
	nikki	15	stock	50
June	Kieran Binns		Haydock Stall fee	50
	Surf n Turf		Gazebo	587.7
	R W print		Sponsor forms	12
	Shien		stock	53.83
	Nikki	15	stock	91
	L H Motor homes		Deposit	1611.75
	B&M		Stationary	15.99
	Tesco			30
July	Bizay		Posters	79.85
	Amazon			10.99
	Shien		stock	38.2
	AYP Limited		Calendars	668
	Micheal Winter			100
	Post office		postage	8.1
	Dye Sublimations		stock	111.74
	Pencarrie		stock	210.44
	Grssmere Gardens		stall fee	40
	Cardentity		ID cards	27.9
Aug	Amazon			35.97
	Multiprint uk		Logo printing	202
	Pancarrie		stock	246.27
	Amazon			10.99

Sept	Multiprint uk	printing	129.8
	Pencarrie	stock	159.91
	Decathlon	cycling equip	67.97
	Dye Sublimations	stock	164.11
	Pencarrie	stock	266.61
	David Magatis	Truck stickers	150
	Post office	Postage	8.19
	Diamond	Fuel bike ride	247.86
	Cash point	Bike ride funds	250
	R W print	Poster/flyers	57.6
	Banana Print	Flyers	34.9
	Tesco	Fuel bike ride	65.21
	Pencarrie	stock	97.55
	Bizay	Stock	133.78
	Tesco	Fuel bike ride	78.78
	Tesco	Food bike ride	19.75
	Cash point	Bike ride funds	250
	Morrisons	Fuel bike ride	53.55
	Multiprint uk	stock printing	351.25
	BP filing station	Fuel bike ride	84.24
Oct	Pencarrie	Stock	166.8
	Tubiecheeks	Hospital donation	500
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Grants	Card sales	Card Fees	Purchase
0	0		.
600	124.11		.
0	423.27		.
0	297.6		.
0	269.27		.
0	1016.12		.
0	2501.48		.
0	.		.
600	4631.85		8574.25

sales via bacs	Sales & raffles
1030	493.27
1567	80
70	243.89
169.04	743.19
94	436.88
0	4497.35
20	309.65
20	407.61
2970.04	7211.84