The Immanuel Project

Charity number 1152419

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 28 February 2026



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Trustees' report for the year ended 28 February 2026

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
Janet Bannister	Chair	
Brian Noble		
John Bottomley		
Anthony Chapman		
Sarah Hutchinson		

Charity number 1152419 Registered in England and Wales

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Independent examiner
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Structure, governance and management

The charity is governed by a deed of governance adopted on 15 April 2013 as amended on the 15 September 2014.

Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

New trustees are appointed by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting.

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects

The relief of those in need by running a Christian faith based drop in centre to provide meals, care and support, in particular but not exclusively for the homeless or others suffering loss, pain, addiction and abuse.

The charity's main activities

Based in our Community Hub in the Bradford city centre, we offer a safe and secure environment to those in our community who are most in need. We provide meals, clothing, physical, health, emotional and pastoral care. In addition our Outreach support, includes outdoor activities and experiences, home and hospital visits. All our activities are designed to improve the confidence and wellbeing of the most vulnerable in our community.

Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular the help and support of vulnerable members of our community, including the homeless, those with life controlling issues, fallen on hard times, requiring help with mental illness or with substance and alcohol dependencies

Achievements and performance

The Immanuel Project continues to play a vital role in supporting some of the most vulnerable individuals across Bradford and the wider district. Since the last reporting period, The Immanuel Project has seen a significant growth in demand, increasing complexity of need, and a strong, resilient response from our team.

Over the past year, we have seen a substantial rise in the number of people accessing our services. We are now supporting an average of 725 guest visits per week. This reflects both the escalating challenges faced by our community and the trust placed in The Immanuel Project as a safe and reliable source of support.

In total, we have we seen over 36,000 guest visits, served more than 62,000 meals, and provided approximately 150,000 drinks. Alongside this, over 1,000 guest visits have participated in wellbeing and engagement activities designed to reduce isolation and improve confidence.

Our work goes beyond immediate provision. Through strong partnerships with local agencies, we actively support guests in accessing healthcare, housing, addiction services, and other specialist support. This collaborative approach ensures that individuals receive not only crisis support but also pathways towards longer-term stability and recovery.

Alongside rising demand, the year also required us to address safeguarding and community safety challenges. As part of this response, and to protect guests, staff, volunteers and the wider community, we temporarily adapted our service model, moving to a takeaway-only provision from January 2026. This period is enabling us to strengthen safeguarding procedures, enhance staff training including the use of Naloxone in emergency situations, and implement service improvements that reinforce our commitment to safety.

We have also developed new initiatives, including a partnership with Bradford Council to deliver over 1,200 food parcels to individuals and families, further extending our reach into the community.

Despite ongoing challenges - including increasing demand and limitations of our current premises - we remain committed to providing a safe, welcoming environment where people are treated with dignity, compassion, and respect.

Financial review

The net payments for the year were £33,545, including net payments of £19,100 on unrestricted funds and net payments of £14,445 on restricted funds after transfers.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, at the year end were £70,948.

Reserves comprise The Immanuel Projects unrestricted funds that are freely available to spend on any of our charity's purposes.

The Immanuel Project seeks to maintain reserves equal to 6 to 12 months at all times, made up of the following items:

- Unforeseen emergency costs;
- Unforeseen day-to-day operational costs;
- Provision for non renewal of a source of income; and
- The need to fund short-term deficits in a cash budget.

Based on the trustees' calculations and taking the current situation into account, the trustees have decided to set the total reserves target between £49,077 and £98,154.

Approved by the board of trustees on 28/07/2026

Anthony Chapman (Trustee)

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Immanuel Project

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 28 February 2026, which are set out on pages 6 to 9.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity 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 charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act;
2 the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Sarah Edwards FCA

08/09/2026

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Receipts and payments account
for the year ended 28 February 2026

	Notes	2026 Unrestricted funds £	2026 Restricted funds £	2026 Total funds £	2025 Total funds £
Receipts					
Grants and donations	(2)	19,421	123,898	143,319	139,870
Fundraising and online sales		2,247	-	2,247	14,277
Bank interest		1,621	-	1,621	-
Total receipts		23,289	123,898	147,187	154,147
Payments					
Salaries NI and pensions		-	114,046	114,046	92,223
Food and food consumables		5,710	16,635	22,345	13,697
Rent and rates		16,452	-	16,452	7,129
Insurance		1,079	-	1,079	1,071
Cleaning, repairs and maintenance		3,185	314	3,499	5,775
Other costs		724	-	724	505
Christmas and activity costs		12	33	45	2,629
Independent examination		1,056	-	1,056	957
Utilities		13,858	950	14,808	16,066
Fund raising costs		74	-	74	744
Volunteer and other staff expenses		3,153	-	3,153	3,170
Telephone, internet and IT costs		1,543	-	1,543	1,933
Equipment and furniture		764	1,144	1,908	1,307
Total payments		47,610	133,122	180,732	147,206
Net receipts / (payments)		(24,321)	(9,224)	(33,545)	6,941
Transfers between funds	(3)	5,221	(5,221)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(19,100)	(14,445)	(33,545)	6,941
Fund balances brought forward		90,048	23,761	113,809	106,868
Fund balances carried forward	(3)	70,948	9,316	80,264	113,809

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Statement of assets and liabilities
as at 28 February 2026

	2026 Unrestricted £	2026 Restricted £	2026 Total £	2025 Total £
Cash funds				
Cash at bank	70,098	9,316	79,414	113,615
Cash in hand	850	-	850	194
Total cash funds	70,948	9,316	80,264	113,809

Debtors and prepayments	2026 £
Prepayments	636
	636

Assets retained for the charity's own use
Kitchen equipment
Computer equipment
Musical equipment
Projector and sound system
Furniture

Liabilities	2026 £
Creditors	899
Accruals	1,088
	1,987

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 28/07/2026

Anthony Chapman (Trustee)

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Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 28 February 2026

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting
The trustees have taken advantage of section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and have prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.
There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.
No changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

Taxation
As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

2 Grants and donations

	2026 Unrestricted funds £	2026 Restricted funds £	2026 Total funds £	2025 Total funds £
BMDC - Household Support Fund	-	16,050	16,050	-
BMDC Warm spaces	-	950	950	1,653
Leeds Building Society	-	1,000	1,000	-
National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF)	-	105,898	105,898	89,797
Groundwork UK - Tesco	-	-	-	3,500
Skipton Building Society	-	-	-	1,500
The Albert Hunt Trust	-	-	-	7,000
The Wharfedale Foundation	-	-	-	10,000
Other donations	19,421	-	19,421	26,420
	19,421	123,898	143,319	139,870

3 Restricted funds

	Balance b/f £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
NLCF - Spreading the Light	22,684	105,898	114,045	(5,221)	9,316
Skipton Building Society	1,077	-	1,077	-	-
BMDC - Household Support Fund	-	16,050	16,050	-	-
BMDC - Warm Spaces	-	950	950	-	-
Leeds Building Society	-	1,000	1,000	-	-
	23,761	123,898	133,122	(5,221)	9,316

Fund name	Purpose of restriction
NLCF - Spreading the Light	Towards providing a safe space and hot food for those in need and towards salary costs. The transfer relates to allocating food costs, which were originally paid in 2023.
Skipton Building Society	Towards wellbeing resources.
BMDC - Household Support Fund	Towards provision of meals and food parcels.
BMDC - Warm Spaces	To enable the provision of warm and welcoming spaces from our
Leeds Building Society	Towards costs including running costs, staff time, project delivery and essential equipment.

4 Related party transactions

Donations from trustees and related parties

The total aggregate value of unconditional donations to the charity from the trustees or related parties was £500 (2025: £1,020).

Trustee expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this or the previous year.