ANNUAL REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2026

THE HOPE FOUNDATION

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1189513

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1189513
DATE OF REGISTRATION	15th May 2020
START OF FINANCIAL YEAR	1st April 2025
END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	31st March 2026
TRUSTEES AT 31ST MARCH 2026	Jack Garriock Maria Robertson Sarah Olushonde Susan Alison Golightly
LEGAL STATUS	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	CIO - Foundation Registered 15th May 2020.

OBJECTS

a) To relieve poverty among the homeless and those at risk of homelessness by providing accommodation, grants and services including advocacy and advice. **b)** To work collaboratively with other agencies and organisations to assist the individuals supported by the Charity to live independently with the community. **c)** To advance the Christian Faith by providing group discussion, studies, lectures and outreach in the local community and through the projects of the organisation.

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS	42 - 44 Townsend Lane Anfield Liverpool L16 0BA
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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2026

Introduction
The trustees present their annual report, together with the financial statements of The Hope Foundation and its projects, for the year ended 31 March 2026.

The year has been one of continuing to lay strong and stable foundations for the charity while making a significant difference amidst increasing demand for our services.

Despite pressures caused by the cost of living, a challenging funding environment, staffing changes and delays affecting some areas of our work, The Hope Foundation continued to provide practical, relational and meaningful support to people experiencing homelessness, poverty, isolation and other forms of hardship.

During the year, more than 750 people received support through our housing, community, resettlement, crisis support and Christmas projects. The trustees are particularly encouraged by the outcomes achieved through our residential housing support, the continued transformation seen through our community projects, and another highly successful Christmas Meal Project.

Mission Statement
We seek to relieve poverty and provide support to anyone in need. Motivated and driven by faith, we aim to share the love and blessings of God with all people.

Public Benefit Statement
In planning and delivering our activities the trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, particularly the prevention and relief of poverty. Our services are open to people regardless of background, faith, or circumstance, and are delivered on the basis of need.

The trustees believe that the charity continues to provide clear public benefit by preventing and relieving homelessness and poverty, supporting people into greater independence, reducing isolation and providing practical assistance to individuals and families experiencing hardship.

Objectives and Activities
The Hope Foundation exists to help people who find themselves in need of support. During 2025–26, our work continued to combine direct practical assistance with longer-term support designed to address the underlying causes of hardship.

Our work included:
1. Providing residential accommodation and wraparound support to people experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

2. Supporting refugee families to settle successfully into their new communities.

3. Providing advice, advocacy, social activities, training, digital inclusion and practical support through the Community Hope Project.

4. Providing small crisis grants and practical assistance through our Acts 435 partnership and other forms of direct support.

5. Providing food, furniture, clothing and other essential items to people experiencing hardship.

6. Delivering our annual Christmas Meal Project.

7. Working collaboratively with councils, landlords, schools, community organisations and other partners to identify and respond to unmet need.

Our approach remains holistic. Wherever possible, we seek not only to meet an immediate need but to build relationships and provide the support necessary to help people achieve greater stability and independence.

Our Projects in 2024–25: Activities, Achievements & Performance

1) Hope Housing
Our approach continued to focus on helping individuals build the stability, confidence and practical skills necessary to sustain accommodation and progress towards greater independence. During the year, the charity also entered into a new property lease to provide longer-term, sustainable residential accommodation. This represented a further investment in our ability to provide good-quality housing and respond to continuing demand. We were also able to provide assistance, advice and emergency accommodation to another 18 individuals, helping to prevent long term homelessness and ensure routes into stable accommodation. The trustees are extremely encouraged by the outcomes of the project and believe that stable housing combined with appropriate relational and practical support continues to provide a strong pathway away from homelessness.

2) Refugee Resettlement Project
The Hope Foundation continued its refugee resettlement work in partnership with the local council and other services. During the year, we supported the continued resettlement of 18 people across two families and two properties. In addition to securing suitable accommodation, our team provided support with community integration and helped families adjust to their new surroundings and establish themselves within the community.

The charity also supported a further 19 cases involving settlement and visa-related matters. Our relationship with the local council remained positive, allowing us to continue contributing to the successful resettlement and integration of families.

3) Acts 435 Partnership (Crisis Grants)
Our partnership with Acts 435 continued to provide rapid and targeted assistance to people experiencing immediate financial hardship. Almost £3,000 was provided directly through Acts 435 during the year, benefiting more than 25 individuals and households. Support was provided for a wide variety of needs, including emergency temporary accommodation, food, school uniforms, essential travel expenses and other urgent costs.

Alongside Acts 435, The Hope Foundation continued to provide practical assistance through other sources. This included furniture, clothing, food and other essential items for individuals and families experiencing hardship. These relatively small interventions can make a significant difference, particularly where an individual has little or no financial capacity to respond to an unexpected expense or crisis.

4) Community Hope Project
The Community Hope Project continued to be one of the charity's largest points of contact with the local community. More than 500 people accessed activities, advice or support through the project during the year. Activities included drop-in advice and support, social groups, art classes, parent and toddler groups, holiday packed lunches for school children, family days and trips, breakfast mornings, digital inclusion support, cooking classes and other community activities.

Our community hub continued to provide a safe and welcoming place where people could access practical help while also building relationships and reducing isolation. At least 88% of cases requiring direct support were resolved within three months. This represents an important improvement in the charity's ability to respond effectively and promptly to the needs brought to us. Beyond measurable case outcomes, trustees have seen significant personal transformation through the project's social and community activities. People who initially approached the charity for immediate support have subsequently developed relationships, increased their confidence and became more engaged within their community.

5. Christmas Meal Project
Our Christmas Meal Project once again provided a major opportunity to demonstrate hospitality, dignity and practical care to people who may otherwise have experienced Christmas alone or in hardship. A total of 223 people were provided for on Christmas Day. Of these, 138 guests joined us around the table for the Christmas meal, with the remaining guests supported through Christmas hampers and provision to enjoy at home.

More than 30 volunteers helped make the project possible. Guests were welcomed, cared for and able to enjoy Christmas in a warm and supportive environment. The trustees are extremely grateful to everyone who volunteered, donated, prepared food, provided transport or otherwise contributed to what was another fantastic Christmas Day.

Volunteering, Gifts-in-Kind and Partnerships
Volunteers continue to be fundamental to the work of The Hope Foundation. During 2025–26, 47 volunteers were registered with the charity and collectively contributed approximately 2,754 hours of voluntary service. Volunteers supported community activities, practical projects, administration, events, food provision, befriending and numerous other areas of the charity.

This contribution was particularly important during a year in which organisational capacity was stretched by increasing demand and staffing changes. The charity also continued to benefit from donations of furniture, clothing, food and other goods, allowing practical assistance to be provided without placing additional pressure on charitable funds. We remain grateful for our relationships with local authorities, landlords, community organisations, schools, churches, donors and other partners.

External Factors Affecting Delivery
The wider operating environment remained challenging throughout 2025–26. Cost-of-living pressures continued to increase demand for support while simultaneously increasing the costs involved in delivering our services. Grant funding also became increasingly competitive and difficult to secure. As a result, the charity relied to a greater extent upon sustainable income generated through its own activities. Delays involving local authority processes created additional pressures in some areas of delivery.

Staffing changes also affected organisational capacity during the year. Despite these challenges, the charity was able to maintain services, carefully manage expenditure and continue delivering strong outcomes. The trustees are particularly grateful for the contribution of our volunteer team, whose commitment significantly increased the charity’s capacity during this period. Throughout these challenges, the trustees have sought to manage the organisation prudently while continuing to trust in provision and remain focused on meeting the needs of those we serve.

Staffing and Organisational Development
At the end of the financial year, The Hope Foundation employed two members of staff:

- a full-time Chief Executive Officer; and•
- a part-time Community Engagement Worker working 22.5 hours per week.

The charity's Support Worker left during the year, prior to the appointment of the Community Engagement Worker. Managing this transition while maintaining service delivery required additional flexibility from the wider team and volunteers. During the year, the charity also undertook a substantial review of its organisational policies. Policies were updated and refreshed to ensure that they remained aligned with current legal requirements, regulatory expectations and good practice.

This work covered the charity's wider governance and operational framework and formed part of the trustees' commitment to ensuring that organisational development keeps pace with the growth and changing work of the charity.

Financial Review
Final financial figures remain subject to completion and approval of the charity's annual accounts. Current figures indicate total income for the year of approximately £145,000 and total expenditure of approximately £101,000. The funding environment was more challenging during 2025–26, with grant income becoming increasingly competitive. The charity therefore relied more heavily upon income generated through its activities and other sustainable sources.

Although overall income was lower, trustees maintained careful control of expenditure while responding to rising operating costs and increasing demand. The trustees believe this demonstrates the importance of continuing to develop a balanced funding model which combines grants and donations with appropriate sustainable income-generating activities. The charity will continue to pursue larger and longer-term funding opportunities while maintaining careful financial management.

Reserves Policy
The trustees recognise the importance of maintaining appropriate unrestricted reserves to protect the charity against unexpected expenditure, fluctuations in income and other operational risks. During the year, the trustees continued working towards strengthening the charity's reserves and improving its longer-term financial resilience.

The charity will continue to pursue this through prudent budgeting, careful cost control, sustainable income-generating activities and a diversified approach to fundraising. Building stronger reserves remains an important medium-term objective for the Board.

Going Concern
The trustees remain confident in The Hope Foundation's financial position and its ability to continue delivering its charitable activities. The trustees recognise the wider challenges facing the sector, including increasing costs, growing demand and a more competitive funding environment.

However, through careful financial management, sustainable income from our activities and continued efforts to diversify funding, we remain positive about the charity's financial outlook. The trustees will continue to monitor finances closely, manage commitments responsibly and work to strengthen the charity's financial resilience for the future.

Structure, Governance and Management
The Hope Foundation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by its Constitution. The trustees are responsible in law for the governance and strategic direction of the charity. Day-to-day management is delegated to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the charity's governance arrangements and Scheme of Delegation.

The trustees serving at the end of the financial year were:

- Sarah Olushonde
- Alison Go-Lightly
- Maria Robertson
- Jack Garriock

The Board continues to keep its composition and skills under review. Trustees serve on an unpaid basis.

Charitable Objects
In accordance with the Constitution, the charity's objects include:

1. To relieve poverty among the homeless and those at risk of homelessness by providing accommodation, grants, and services including advocacy and advice.

2. To work collaboratively with other agencies and organisations to assist individuals supported by the charity to live independently within the community.

3. To advance the Christian faith by providing group discussion, studies, lectures and outreach in the local community and through the projects of the organisation.

Risk Management
The trustees recognise their responsibility to identify and manage the principal risks facing the charity.

Key areas of risk continue to include:

- Safeguarding;
- Housing and property compliance;
- Financial resilience;
- Data protection;
- Health and safety;
- Staffing and organisational capacity; and
- Wider regulatory compliance.

During the year, safeguarding matters arose as would reasonably be expected within an organisation supporting people experiencing vulnerability and hardship. These were managed appropriately in accordance with the charity's safeguarding procedures and did not meet the applicable thresholds for external regulatory reporting.

No serious safeguarding or regulatory matters requiring disclosure arose during the year. The charity's wider policy framework was comprehensively reviewed and updated during 2025–26, with policies aligned with current legal and regulatory expectations. Trustees continue to review risks and controls and seek to ensure that appropriate systems, training and procedures are in place.

Fundraising Statement
The charity does not employ professional fundraisers. Fundraising is undertaken by staff, trustees and volunteers and the charity remains committed to responsible and ethical fundraising practices.

The increasingly challenging grant environment experienced during the year has reinforced the importance of maintaining a diversified approach to income generation and avoiding excessive dependence upon any single source of funding.

Plans for the Year Ahead – 2026–27
The trustees intend to build upon the stability and foundations established over recent years while increasing organisational capacity to respond to growing need.

Our priorities include:

Housing
The charity will transition its housing work away from the previous supported accommodation model towards longer-term residential lettings. This development is intended to provide sustainable accommodation and greater long-term stability while allowing The Hope Foundation to continue helping people who have experienced or are at risk of homelessness.

Organisational Capacity
A significant priority will be continuing to build a strong staff and volunteer team. Demand for our services continues to grow, and the trustees recognise that developing organisational capacity will be essential if the charity is to respond sustainably without compromising the quality of support provided.

Community Hope Project
We will continue developing the Community Hope Project as a safe, welcoming and practical source of support. The charity intends to respond to increasing demand while continuing its social activities, advice, practical assistance and community engagement. A particular priority will be progressing the Community Food Hub from its development stage into delivery.

Premises and Long-Term Sustainability
The charity will explore opportunities to purchase its current premises. The trustees believe that securing the charity's long-term base could provide greater organisational stability and potentially strengthen the charity's financial sustainability and ability to plan for the future. Any decision to proceed will be subject to appropriate financial assessment, due diligence and trustee approval.

Income and Funding
The charity will continue developing sustainable sources of income while seeking larger grant opportunities that can support the next stage of its development. Trustees recognise the importance of balancing growth with financial sustainability and will continue to ensure that new commitments are made prudently.

Continuing What Works
Alongside organisational development, the trustees remain committed to continuing to do well the things that already make a demonstrable difference. Our focus remains on providing practical help, strong relationships, good-quality housing and community support to people experiencing hardship. Growth will therefore be pursued where it strengthens our charitable impact rather than simply increasing the size of the organisation.

Acknowledgements
The trustees would like to express their sincere gratitude to the volunteers, donors, staff, partners, funders and supporters who made the work of The Hope Foundation possible throughout 2025–26. Particular recognition should be given to our volunteers, who collectively contributed approximately 2,754 hours during the year. Their commitment allowed the charity to continue responding to increasing demand during a period of staffing change and financial pressure.

Most importantly, we recognise the individuals and families who trusted The Hope Foundation to support them during difficult periods of their lives. Whether through providing a home, helping somebody move towards independence, resolving a crisis, welcoming somebody into the community, providing practical assistance or simply creating somewhere people feel that they belong, our purpose remains the same: to offer hope and practical support to people when they need it most.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice GAAP).

The Law applicable to Charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Governing Document requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the CIO will continue to operate.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Governing Document. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees on 26/10/2026

Signed on their behalf by Trustee S A Golightly

Printed Name: Susan Alison Golightly

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2026

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2025/26 £	TOTAL 2024/25 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming Resources from Generated Funds					
Donations, Grants & Legacies	**3a**	67,342	29,500	96,842	145,189
Charitable Activities	**3b**	1,010	2,945	3,955	4,605
Activities for Generating Funds	**3c**	43,918	-	43,918	55,868
Other Incoming Resources	**3d**	484	-	484	1,498
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		**112,754**	**32,445**	**145,199**	**207,160**
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Costs of Generating Funds					
Cost of Charitable Activities	**4a**	110,733	30,228	140,961	181,865
Governance Costs	**4b**	1,885	-	1,885	3,240
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		**112,618**	**30,228**	**142,846**	**185,105**
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		**136**	**2,217**	**2,353**	**22,055**
Funds Brought Forward		24,876	1,244	26,120	4,065
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		**25,012**	**3,461**	**28,473**	**26,120**

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 12 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST MARCH 2026

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 31-Mar-26 £	TOTAL 31-Mar-25 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	2	-	-	-	-
Investments	6	-	-	-	-
Total Fixed Assets		-	-	-	-
Current Assets					
Debtors & Prepayments	8	-	-	-	-
Cash at Bank and in Hand	7	26,512	3,461	29,973	27,200
Total Current Assets		**26,512**	**3,461**	**29,973**	**27,200**
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	1,500	-	1,500	1,080
NET CURRENT ASSETS		25,012	3,461	28,473	26,120
TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities		**25,012**	**3,461**	**28,473**	**26,120**
Creditors: Amounts falling due in more than one year	10	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS		**25,012**	**3,461**	**28,473**	**26,120**
Funds of the Charity					
General Funds		25,012	-	25,012	24,876
Restricted Funds	5	-	3,461	3,461	1,244
Total Funds		**25,012**	**3,461**	**28,473**	**26,120**

Approved by the Trustees on 26/10/2026

Signed on their behalf by Trustee S.A. Golightly

Printed Name: Susan Alison Golightly

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2026

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation & Assessment of Going Concern

Basis of Preparation
The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015) (Second Edition, effective 1st January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Assessment of Going Concern
Preparation of the accounts is on a going concern basis. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Incoming Resources

Recognition of Incoming Resources
These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:
- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure
Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resource and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.

Grants and Donations
Grants and Donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Tax Reclaims on Donations and Gifts
Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SOFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants
This is only included in the SOFA once the related goods or services has been delivered.

Gifts in Kind
Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SOFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Donated Services and Facilities
These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

Volunteer Help
The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income
This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Investment Gains and Losses
This included any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition
Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance Costs
Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of the trustees meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Grants with Performance Conditions
Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SOFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

Grants Payable without Performance Conditions
These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to a grant which remain in control of the charity.

Investments
Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at trustees' best estimate of market value.

Unrestricted Funds
These funds can be used for the general objectives of the charity as set out in the trustees report. The movements of the unrestricted funds are given in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Restricted Funds
These funds are where the donor has specified a purpose for the donation made. These restrictions often arise as a result of appeals for special offerings for specific purposes.

Designated Funds
These funds are funds set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted general funds for particular purposes or projects.

Fixed Assets
Fixed Assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £1,500. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation Expense
Depreciation is calculated at a rate to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives. The rates applied are as follows:

Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment	25% - Reducing Balance Basis

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

The CIO held no fixed assets during this or the previous financial year.

The annual commitments under non-cancelling operating leases and capital commitments are as follows:

31st March 2026 : None
31st March 2025 : None

3. INCOMING RESOURCES

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2025/26 £	TOTAL 2024/25 £
a) Donations, Grants & Legacies					
Gift Aid Tax		413	-	413	1,355
Gifts & Donations		2,279	-	2,279	10,466
Grants Received	**5**	64,650	29,500	94,150	133,368
		67,342	**29,500**	**96,842**	**145,189**
b) Charitable Activities					
Activities & Events		1,010	-	1,010	-
ACTS 435	**5**	-	2,945	2,945	4,605
		1,010	**2,945**	**3,955**	**4,605**
c) Activities for Generating Funds					
Rental Income		43,918	-	43,918	55,868
		43,918	**-**	**43,918**	**55,868**
d) Other Incoming Resources					
Management Fees		-	-	-	800
Sundry Income		484	-	484	698
		484	**-**	**484**	**1,498**

4. RESOURCES EXPENDED

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**TOTAL 2025/26** £	**TOTAL 2024/25** £
a) Cost of Charitable Activities					
Activities & Projects		6,519	-	6,519	14,081
ACTS 435	**5**	-	728	728	6,136
Advertising & Publicity		359	-	359	297
Bank Charges		249	-	249	66
Conference Costs		1,664	-	1,664	2,207
Equipment Costs		9,597	-	9,597	16,102
Gifts & Donations		4,503	-	4,503	5,134
Hospitality Costs		5,634	-	5,634	5,089
Insurance Costs		1,843	-	1,843	1,539
IT Costs		1,443	-	1,443	564
Licenses & Subscriptions		2,432	-	2,432	1,373
Printing, Postage & Stationery		1,455	-	1,455	290
Rent & Rates		30,227	-	30,227	49,584
Repairs & Maintenance		5,847	-	5,847	21,307
Staff Costs	**12**	18,177	29,500	47,677	40,775
Staff Expenses		1,194	-	1,194	219
Sundry Expenses		424	-	424	478
Telephone Costs		852	-	852	886
Travel & Subsistence		6,938	-	6,938	7,348
Utility Costs		11,376	-	11,376	8,375
Volunteers Expenses		-	-	-	15
		110,733	**30,228**	**140,961**	**181,865**
b) Governance Costs					
Independent Examiners Fees	**9**	1,140	-	1,140	1,080
Legal & Professional Fees		745	-	745	2,160
		1,885	**-**	**1,885**	**3,240**

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR

	Balance 01-Apr-25	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance 31-Mar-26
	£	£	£	£	£
ACTS 435	-	2,945	728	-	2,217
Sports England - Movement Fund	1,050	-	-	-	1,050
Steve Morgan Foundation	-	29,500	29,500	-	-
UKSPF Fund	194	-	-	-	194
	1,244	**32,445**	**30,228**	**-**	**3,461**

PREVIOUS FINANCIAL YEAR

	Balance 01-Apr-24	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance 31-Mar-25
	£	£	£	£	£
ACTS 435	144	4,605	6,136	1,387	-
Sports England - Movement Fund	-	8,600	7,550	-	1,050
UKSPF Fund	612	-	418	-	194
	756	**13,205**	**14,104**	**1,387**	**1,244**

Restricted funds are wholly represented by the charity's cash reserves and are to be expended as specified above.

6. INVESTMENTS

The CIO held no fixed assets investments during this or the previous financial year.

7. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	**TOTAL 31-Mar-26 £**	**TOTAL 31-Mar-25 £**
Cash at Bank & in Hand	26,512	3,461	29,973	27,200
	26,512	**3,461**	**29,973**	**27,200**

8. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	**TOTAL 31-Mar-26 £**	**TOTAL 31-Mar-25 £**
Sundry Debtors	-	-	-	-
	-	**-**	**-**	**-**

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	**TOTAL 31-Mar-26 £**	**TOTAL 31-Mar-25 £**
Independent Examiners Fees	1,140	-	1,140	1,080
Sundry Creditors	360	-	360	-
	1,500	**-**	**1,500**	**1,080**

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE IN MORE THAN ONE YEAR

The CIO held no long term liabilities during this or the previous financial year. ` `

11. NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**TOTAL 31-Mar-26 £**	**TOTAL 31-Mar-25 £**
Fixed Asset Investments	-	-	-	-
Net Current Assets	25,012	3,461	28,473	26,120
Long Term Liabilities	-	-	-	-
	25,012	**3,461**	**28,473**	**26,120**

12. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	TOTAL 2025/26 £	TOTAL 2024/25 £
Gross Wages, Salaries & Fees	44,947	40,478
Employer's National Insurance Costs	2,545	-
Pension Contributions	185	297
	47,677	**40,775**

Employees who were engaged in each of the following activities:

	TOTAL 2025/26	TOTAL 2024/25
Charitable Activities	2	2

The Charity operates a PAYE scheme to pay all employed members of staff and no employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000 (2024/25:None).

The Charity also employs member of staff on a Self-Employed Basis and is therefore not liable for their Tax and National Insurance costs.

13. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

No payments were made to trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

14. RISK ASSESSMENT

The Trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

15. RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the CIO's needs. This is based on the CIO's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Trustees aim to ensure the CIO will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The Trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

16. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The CIO acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or ‘aims’ that are for the public benefit. Details of how the CIO has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the CIO should undertake.

THE HOPE FOUNDATION

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/ members of The Hope Foundation on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2026 set out on pages 10 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirements:
   - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
   - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

   have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 30th October 2026