BEYOND THE MARGIN
Charity number 1194443

Annual Report and Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31st March 2026

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Chair's Report for Beyond The Margin

For the Annual Report and Accounts, Year Ended 31 March 2026

Chair: Mark Howorth

Introduction:

Governance and Structure:

Beyond The Margin is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered charity number 1194443, registered address TFD Youth Hub, Broadstone Way, Bradford, BD4 9BU. Governed by a committed Board of Trustees. As of March 2026, the Board comprised:

* Mark Howorth (Chair)
* Thomas Kendall (Trustee)
* Leanne Windell (Trustee, joined May 2024)
* Helen Syrop (Trustee)
* Tanya Murphy (Trustee)
* Graeme Craik (Trustee, joined February 2025)

A Year of Progress and Growing Impact

I am pleased to present the Chair's Report for Beyond The Margin for the year ended 31 March 2026. This has been another important year in the development of the charity. We have expanded our reach, strengthened our services and continued to build our presence within the communities we serve. We have done so while remaining focused on our purpose: supporting people facing inequality, trauma and adversity to improve their wellbeing, develop their strengths and realise their potential.

I am proud of the progress made during the year. Beyond The Margin remains a relatively young charity, but it has developed into a confident and increasingly established organisation. That progress has been built on a clear understanding of local need, strong relationships with the community and a commitment to providing support that is compassionate, accessible and effective.

Responding to Local Need

The need for our work remains significant. Children, adults and families across our communities continue to experience the effects of trauma, poverty, poor mental health and social isolation. These challenges are often interconnected and cannot be addressed through short-term or isolated interventions.

Our response has therefore remained firmly rooted in the individual. We recognise people's strengths as well as the challenges they face, and we provide the time, space and support needed for meaningful change. Our work is not about doing things to or for people. It is about working alongside them, building confidence and enabling them to identify and pursue their own aspirations.

As demand has grown, we have continued to develop our services without losing sight of this approach. The relationships established by our staff and volunteers, and the trust placed in them by the people we support, remain fundamental to the quality and impact of our work.

Supporting Children to Recover and Thrive

Project HOPE has continued to provide specialist therapeutic support for children who have experienced multiple adverse childhood experiences or domestic abuse. Delivered through schools by our HCPC-registered Dramatherapist, the project provides children with a safe and creative way to explore experiences that may be difficult to express in words.

This is important work. Early experiences can have a lasting effect on a child's wellbeing, confidence and future opportunities. By offering support at the right time and in a familiar setting, Project HOPE helps children to process their experiences, develop emotional resilience and move forward with greater confidence.

The continued development of the project reflects both the level of need and the value of providing accessible, trauma-informed support within the places children already know and trust.

Improving Wellbeing for Adults and Families

Our therapeutic support for adults and families has also remained central to our work. Through longer-term, community-based interventions, we have supported people experiencing trauma, poor mental health and difficult personal circumstances. This sustained approach recognises that recovery is rarely straightforward and that meaningful progress depends upon consistency, trust and support tailored to the individual.

Through Head, Heart, Holme, we have continued to support parents and families using a combination of group work and one-to-one dramatherapy. The programme has focused on improving parental mental health and strengthening people's capacity to support themselves and their children.

Our Men Matter project has provided a dedicated space for local men to talk, connect and receive support with their mental health. By creating an environment in which people can speak openly and without judgement, the project has challenged the stigma that can prevent men from seeking help and has provided an important source of connection and support.

Creating a Stronger and More Connected Community

Beyond The Margin's work extends beyond formal therapeutic services. We understand that wellbeing is also shaped by whether people feel connected, included and able to participate in their community.

During the year, our community programmes continued to respond to food and fuel poverty, digital exclusion and social isolation. Warm spaces, community meals, coffee mornings and other activities have provided practical support, but their value extends further. They have created opportunities for people to meet, establish relationships and feel part of their community.

We are proud of the welcoming environments created through this work. They provide support without stigma and bring people together around shared activities and experiences. In doing so, they help to reduce isolation and strengthen the relationships upon which resilient communities are built.

Developing Holmewood Community Library

The continued development of Holmewood Community Library has been a particularly important part of our work. Since taking on its management in partnership with Bradford Council, we have worked to establish the library as a vibrant and accessible community hub.

The library continues to provide essential library services, but its role has grown beyond this. It is now a place for learning, creativity, support and community activity. It provides a visible and welcoming presence within the neighbourhood and creates opportunities for people of different ages and backgrounds to come together.

Its development reflects what Beyond The Margin does well:
listening to the community, building effective partnerships and making the best use of local assets to create opportunities for people. We are proud of what has been achieved and of the library's growing place at the heart of the community.

Building a Strong and Sustainable Charity

Growth brings responsibility. As our activities and reach have increased, we have continued to strengthen the organisation that supports them.

The Board has maintained oversight of strategy, safeguarding, risk, finance and organisational performance. We remain committed to ensuring that Beyond The Margin is well governed, accountable and capable of managing both the opportunities and risks associated with its development.

The charity ended the year in a positive financial position, with increased income and stronger unrestricted funds providing greater resilience and an improved foundation for future planning.

Although we are pleased with this progress, we recognise that continued financial discipline and income diversification will remain essential to long-term sustainability.

Our growth has been made possible by the confidence placed in us by funders, commissioners and partners. We do not take that confidence for granted. We remain committed to using our resources responsibly, delivering against our commitments and demonstrating the difference our work makes.

Remaining True to Our Values

As Beyond The Margin develops, it is important that we retain the qualities that define the organisation. Our values of being supportive, people-focused, asset-based, respectful and kind are not simply statements of intent. They should be evident in how we design services, make decisions, work with partners and treat the people who place their trust in us.

Our growth must never come at the expense of the personal, relational approach upon which the charity was built. We will continue to listen, learn and adapt while ensuring that the people and communities we serve remain at the centre of our work.

Looking Ahead with Confidence

We enter the next year with confidence in what Beyond The Margin has achieved and with a clear understanding of the work still to be done. Demand for therapeutic services, mental health support and community-based interventions remains high. The financial environment

for charities continues to be challenging, and competition for funding is considerable. We will therefore need to make thoughtful choices about how and where we grow, ensuring that development is sustainable and remains aligned with our charitable purpose.

Our priorities will include strengthening and extending our therapeutic support, developing the role of Holmewood Community Library, building new partnerships and improving how we measure and communicate our impact. We will also continue to invest in the people, systems and governance needed to support a growing organisation.

Our ambition is not growth for its own sake. It is to extend the reach and deepen the impact of services that we know make a difference. We want more children, adults and families to have access to the support, opportunities and relationships they need to thrive.

Thank You

None of the achievements set out in this report would have been possible without the commitment of our staff and volunteers. On behalf of the Board, I thank them for the professionalism, compassion and determination they have shown throughout the year.

I also thank our funders, partners and supporters for their continued confidence in Beyond The Margin and for the important contribution they make to our work. Most importantly, I thank the children, adults, families and communities who engage with us. The trust they place in the charity is both a privilege and a responsibility. Their strengths, experiences and aspirations continue to shape our work and remind us why it matters.

Beyond The Margin has much to be proud of. We have strengthened our organisation, increased our impact and remained true to the values upon which the charity was founded. The Board looks forward to building on this progress and to working with our communities and partners to achieve even more in the year ahead.



Mark Howorth, Chair BTM

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

	2026 £ Unrestricted	2026 £ Restricted	2026 £ Total	2025 £ Total
Income :				
Grants	3,190	154,101	157,291	145,290
Service Income	17,675	-	17,675	5,470
Total Income	**20,865**	**154,101**	**174,966**	**150,760**
Expenditure:				
Software Maintenance	-	2,304	2,304	3,139
Activity cost	1,229	50,482	51,712	16,636
Wages	-	89,300	89,300	57,993
Room Hire	-	2,360	2,360	1,455
Marketing	-	6,019	6,019	5,865
Staff Training	-	1,173	1,173	1,324
Equipment & Resources	-	-	-	2,213
Clinical Supervision	-	-	-	4,760
Volunteer Expenses	-	-	-	48
Insurance	-	548	548	524
Professional Fee	-	-	-	1,083
Sundries	437	1,314	1,751	315
Meetings	-	-	-	7
Total Expenditure	1,666	153,500	155,166	95,360
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	19,199	601	19,800	55,400
Transfer between Funds	8,429	(8,429)	-	-
Balance of Fund Brought Forward	17,166	72,603	89,769	34,369
Total Funds Carried Forward	**44,794**	**64,775**	**109,568**	**89,769**

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ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

	2026	2025
	£	£
Cash at Bank	**109,568**	**89,769**
Total Current Assets	109,568	89,769
Represented by:		
Unrestricted	44,794	17,166
Restricted	64,775	72,603
	109,568	**89,769**

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 20261

1. **Accounting Policies**

Basis of the preparation of the accounts These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis. The income did not exceed £250,000 and the charity is not a registered company.

Incoming Resources

All material incoming resources have been included on a receivable basis i.e. they are included if the date receivable falls within the period covered by these accounts.

Resources Expended

These have been analysed using a natural classification.

Going Concern

The charity is operating on a going concern basis.

2. **Related Parties**

There were no related parties within the year.

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	Brought Forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Carried Forward
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted	17,166	20,865	(1,666)	8,429	44,794
Restricted					
Digital Inclusion	-	2,500	(2,505)	5	-
The LEAP-Every's An Artist	-	10,000	(9,432)	(568)	-
Vibrant Vision	-	11,904	(11,671)	(233)	-
Head Heart Holme	21,068	26,250	(24,965)	(2,500)	19,853
Adult Social Care-Make, Play; Create	-	11,904	(11,600)	(304)	-
Lottery Post Code	2,698	-	(2,700)	2	-
ELAC	-	5,000	(1,251)	(500)	3,249
HSF	-	22,043	(19,114)	(900)	2,029
Welcome Space	-	1,900	(1,910)	10	-
Community Chest	5	250	(252)	(3)	-
Men Matter	41,229	-	(38,245)	(2,984)	-
Award For All	-	20,000	(16,246)	-	3,754
In Communities	7,500	-	(7,042)	(458)	-
Garden	103	-	(103)	-	-
Garfield Weston	-	10,000	-	-	10,000
Wharfdale Foundation	-	10,000	-	-	10,000
The LEAP Bradford	-	250	(254)	4	-
BRELMS Trust	-	6,000	-	-	6,000
Bradford City-Driving Brighter	-	10,000	(4,919)	-	5,081
Building		3,600	(1,291)	-	2,309
Sovereign Health	-	2,500	-	-	2,500
Total	**89,769**	**174,966**	**(155,166)**	-	**109,568**

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Signed:  Date: 16/10/26

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2026

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Beyond The Margin for the year ended 31 March 2026.

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 Charity's accounts carried out under s.144 (2) of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under s. 145 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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by the Act; or
- 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.



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