ANNUAL REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

BLACKDOG OUTDOORS

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1195857

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1195857
DATE OF REGISTRATION	21st September 2021
START OF FINANCIAL YEAR	1st January 2025
END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	31st December 2025
TRUSTEES AT 31ST DECEMBER 2025	Nicole Cannon Richard Bailey Lynn Robinson Scott Robertson Adam Thistlewaite Andrew Higson
LEGAL STATUS	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	CIO - Foundation Registered 21st September 2021

OBJECTS

The provision of facilities for and the organising of open-air recreation activities such as climbing, walking, paddle sports, biking and the outdoors in general throughout the UK with the object of improving health (particularly mental health), and in the interest of social welfare. Advancing the education of the public in subjects relating to the health benefits (particularly mental health) of outdoors recreation pursuits.

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS	24 Broadgate Almondbury Huddersfield HD5 8HW
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS	Castle View Accounting Ltd Ground Floor Offices 53 High Street Arundel West Sussex BN18 9AJ

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

Structure, Governance, and Management
The charity was registered as a CIO Foundation on 21st September 2021 and is managed by 6 appointed trustees.

Method of Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees
Trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a special meeting of the charity trustees.

Objectives and Activities

The Charity's Objects
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Advancing the education of the public in the subjects relating to the health benefits (particularly mental health) of outdoor recreational pursuits.

The Charity's Main Activities
Blackdog Outdoors is a charity that supports and promotes a re-connection with nature to improve mental health and wellbeing. We achieve this through organised events that we plan and run and are free to attend by those affected by poor mental health. Our events are free to attend (apart from navigation and mountain skills courses), are led by qualified outdoor professionals, and supported by Mental Health First Aid trained volunteers, to create a safe and supportive environment.

Public Benefit Statement
Blackdog Outdoors is committed to the mental health and wellbeing of people through a reconnection with nature.

Our events, delivered by qualified outdoor professionals and supported by Mental Health First Aid trained volunteers, allow the attendees to engage in outdoor recreation with confidence, in turn meeting like-minded people, and learning how to access the outdoors responsibly.

Achievements and Performance
Our reporting period commenced on 1st January 2025, and we were able to engage with 680 attendees across 82 events, an average of 8 attendees per event.

The 82 events delivered in our 2025 reporting period can be summarised as:
- 74 x walking events
- 4 x climbing events
- 2 x yoga sessions
- 2 x ghyll scrambling event

Of the 82 events, 83% were delivered in England, 6% in Scotland, and 11% in Wales.

Blackdog Outdoors gained funding from various sources, which was used to deliver events to support various service user groups. These groups include:
- Space4Autism – supporting people living with autism
- Leicestershire NHS Trust – supporting service users of the early intervention psychosis team
- Sheffield NHS Trust – supporting service users of the early intervention psychosis team
- LGBT Foundation, Manchester – supporting adults in a recovery programme
- Carrington Coffee – community based wellbeing Initiative

The charity expects to deliver at least the following core activities in the 2026 reporting period:
- Walking events
- Climbing events
- Ghyll Scrambling events

In addition, we will be providing further events to support service user groups that include:

- LGBT Foundation, Manchester – supporting adults in a recovery programme
- Leicestershire NHS Trust – supporting service users of the early intervention psychosis team
- Sheffield NHS Trust – supporting service users of the early intervention psychosis team
- Space4Autism – supporting adults with autism

Financial Review
The net income for the year ended 31st December 2025 was -£9,968 (2024:-£6,377).

The trustees have assessed the charity's ability to continue for at least 12 months from the date that the accounts were approved. There is no concern regarding the charity's ability to continue operating.

Reserves Policy
The charity has no reserves but has a healthy bank balance, and sufficient funding to cover our activities during the next financial year. The trustees are, however, currently working to formalise a reserves policy to ensure sustainability for future years.

Our opening balance on 1st January 2025 was £34,139. The net income for the year was -£9,968 for the year ended 31st December 2025.

Our outgoings up to our year-end date of 31st December 2025 totalled £17,333, which leaves a closing financial position £24,171 to take into 2026.

Going Concern
The trustees are satisfied that there are no concerns or uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue delivering its activities.

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.

Trustee Renumeration and Benefits
No trustees received renumeration or benefits during the reporting period.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (Continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable Law and the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The Charities Act 2011 require the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the CIO and of the surplus or deficit of the CIO for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the CIO will continue in existence.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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 26th July 2026

Signed on their behalf by Trustee .....

Printed Name: Andrew Higson

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2025 £	TOTAL 2024 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming Resources from Generated Funds					
Donations, Grants & Legacies	**3a**	4,685	-	4,685	34,147
Activities for Generating Funds	**3b**	2,680	-	2,680	1,032
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		**7,365**	**-**	**7,365**	**35,179**
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Costs of Generating Funds					
Cost of Charitable Activities	**4a**	16,373	-	16,373	40,596
Governance Costs	**4b**	960	-	960	960
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		**17,333**	**-**	**17,333**	**41,556**
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		**(9,968)**	**-**	**(9,968)**	**(6,377)**
Funds Brought Forward		21,139	13,000	34,139	40,516
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		**11,171**	**13,000**	**24,171**	**34,139**

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 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 31-Dec-25 £	TOTAL 31-Dec-24 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	2	-	-	-	-
Investments	6	-	-	-	-
Total Fixed Assets		-	-	-	-
Current Assets					
Debtors & Prepayments	8	-	-	-	-
Cash at Bank and in Hand	7	12,131	13,000	25,131	35,099
Total Current Assets		**12,131**	**13,000**	**25,131**	**35,099**
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	960	-	960	960
NET CURRENT ASSETS		11,171	13,000	24,171	34,139
TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities		**11,171**	**13,000**	**24,171**	**34,139**
Creditors: Amounts falling due in more than one year	10	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS		**11,171**	**13,000**	**24,171**	**34,139**
Funds of the Charity					
General Funds		11,171	-	11,171	21,139
Restricted Funds	5	-	13,000	13,000	13,000
Total Funds		**11,171**	**13,000**	**24,171**	**34,139**

Approved by the Trustees on 26th July 2026

Signed on their behalf by Trustee .....

Printed Name: Andrew Higson

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

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 Fund
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 December 2025 : None
31st December 2024 : None

3. INCOMING RESOURCES

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2025 £	TOTAL 2024 £
a) Donations, Grants & Legacies					
Gifts & Donations		4,685	-	4,685	6,107
Grants Received		-	-	-	28,040
		4,685	**-**	**4,685**	**34,147**
b) Activities for Generating Funds					
Professional Services		2,680	-	2,680	1,032
		2,680	**-**	**2,680**	**1,032**

4. RESOURCES EXPENDED

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2025 £	TOTAL 2024 £
a) Cost of Charitable Activities					
Advertising & Publicity		-	-	-	5,518
Equipment Costs		793	-	793	-
Insurance Costs		3,200	-	3,200	2,631
License & Subscriptions		488	-	488	802
Office Costs		-	-	-	10
Service Provision - Community Support		6,630	-	6,630	12,778
Service Provision - Introductory Events		2,287	-	2,287	7,477
Service Provision - Professional Services		1,485	-	1,485	875
Staff Costs	**12**	413	-	413	4,174
Training Costs		150	-	150	957
Website Costs		927	-	927	5,373
		16,373	**-**	**16,373**	**40,596**
b) Governance Costs					
Independent Examiners Fees	**9**	960	-	960	960
		960	**-**	**960**	**960**

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR

	Balance 01-Jan-25	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	**Balance 31-Dec-25**
	£	£	£	£	£
Calderdale Community Foundation	3,000	-	-	-	3,000
Sports England	10,000	-	-	-	10,000
	13,000	**-**	**-**	**-**	**13,000**

PREVIOUS FINANCIAL YEAR

	Balance 01-Jan-24	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	**Balance 31-Dec-24**
	£	£	£	£	£
Calderdale Community Foundation	3,000	-	-	-	3,000
Sports England	-	10,000	-	-	10,000
	3,000	**10,000**	**-**	**-**	**13,000**

The 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-Dec-25 £**	**TOTAL 31-Dec-24 £**
Cash at Bank & in Hand	12,131	13,000	25,131	35,099
	12,131	**13,000**	**25,131**	**35,099**

8. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	**TOTAL 31-Dec-25 £**	**TOTAL 31-Dec-24 £**
Sundry Debtors	-	-	-	-
	-	**-**	**-**	**-**

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	**TOTAL 31-Dec-25 £**	**TOTAL 31-Dec-24 £**
Independent Examiners Fees	960	-	960	960
	960	**-**	**960**	**960**

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-Dec-25** £	**TOTAL 31-Dec-24** £
Fixed Asset Investments	-	-	-	-
Net Current Assets	11,171	13,000	24,171	34,139
Long Term Liabilities	-	-	-	-
	11,171	**13,000**	**24,171**	**34,139**

12. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	TOTAL 2025 £	TOTAL 2024 £
Gross Wages, Salaries & Fees	413	4,174
Employer's National Insurance Costs	-	-
Pension Contributions	-	-
	413	**4,174**

Employees who were engaged in each of the following activities:

	TOTAL 2025	TOTAL 2024
Charitable Activities	1	1

The Charity employed staff on a Self-Employed basis during the financial period and is therefore not liable for their National Insurance and Pension Costs. No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000 (2024:None).

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 (2024:None).

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.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/ members of Blackdog Outdoors on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2025 set out on pages 7 to 14.

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: 5th August 2026