



EDITION 3
JULY 2026

FOCUS

All you need to know about the Feather Fixer:
What's been happening and what's ahead

I am a leadership problem solver. I strengthen organisations at the top with straight-talking mentoring and an abundance of common sense. I'm the go-to for CEOs and senior leaders who need clarity, not confusion. Talk to me about mentoring or consultancy to make you stronger.

I am Maura Jackson and with 18 years experience as a CEO I work as a non-executive director and mentor to CEOs and Senior Leadership Teams.

I'm the partner who will come in and guide leaders through the tough stuff, clear the path, and help leaders lead boldly, with purpose, clarity, and impact thus stepping into their full potential.



Leadership specialist | Author | Speaker

WHAT HAVE I BEEN UP TO THIS QUARTER?

April began with 3 days away at Ribby Hall to decompress after 14 years CEO at BACKUP. The plan was to do nothing, rest, switch off. I did do some of that but I ended up being interviewed by BBC News Northwest on the topic of kinship care which was aired in May. But it was a nice break!

A trip to London to see if I was a finalist with my book, Finding Your Feathers in the business book awards. I wasn't but me and my publisher Gemma Holgate had a lovely day out!

Hosted the Backup Charity Ball 15th May 2026

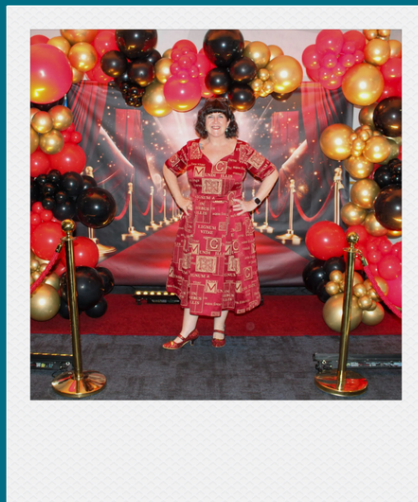
Hosted the Men In Business awards 24th May 2026

Been supporting 7 executive clients with monthly 1:1 mentoring

Been supporting 3 organisations inc 1 charity with consultancy support

Delivered a keynote speech to 2 staff conferences with 100+ people at each one; for Witherslack in Leicester In June, For AO retail in Bolton in July.

TEDx talk went live on You Tube – When Love Leads. [Click here](#) to give it a watch.



IN BETWEEN ALL THAT I BEGAN TO PLOT AND PLAN MY TWO LATEST VENTURES.



SHE FLOCKS™ – speaker event on 8th March 2027.

She Flocks™—a series of 8-minute experience focused talks on real conversations and real action.

It's not a typical event.

There are no panels, no fluff—just 8 women sharing ideas that matter to them and a chance to compel us all into action taking.

Women will be invited to apply for speaking slots and each one will be paid £88.88. (this is unusual but I feel strongly they should be paid).

My whole event is based on Simon Sineks story about being able to change a life in 8 minutes.

The speakers selected will be supported to develop their talk of 8 minutes plus a further 8 minute slot to engage the audience into action following their presentation.

An inspirational day being held at Imagination Street, Bolton and the lunch is a Tapas menu being created for us by Nicks Restaurant.

Tickets: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/GHKR>



A woman with dark hair and a red headband is sitting on a dark, tufted leather chair. She is holding a large, open, pink and white striped fan. She is wearing red high-heeled shoes. The background is dark.

She Flocks: the naked truth.

What will you learn?
I've no flocking idea, yet.
Imagine a day of possibilities surrounded by your biggest fans.
8 Speakers yet to be determined, so who knows who will step forward and speak and what they will share with us to inspire change?
Exciting eh?

8th March 2027



The Feather Fixer



THE LEADERSHIP LOUNGE

A membership group for 10 leaders starting September 2026

Leadership can be rewarding, but it can also be lonely.

Once people step into leadership, meaningful development and support often become harder to find.

That's exactly why I've created **Leadership Lounge**, a year-long leadership development community for ambitious current and future leaders who are committed to continuous learning, personal growth and surrounding themselves with strategic thinkers.

Limited to just 10 founding members, Leadership Lounge offers monthly 90-minute online sessions featuring leadership masterclasses, expert guest speakers, interactive Q&As and practical workshops. It's an opportunity to learn from experienced leaders, gain fresh perspectives, build valuable connections and develop the confidence and skills to lead with greater impact.

Applications are now open for the founding cohort starting in September 2026. If you're looking to invest in your leadership, challenge your thinking and become part of a trusted community of like-minded leaders, I'd love to welcome you.

If you're curious about Leadership Lounge, send me an email. Let's grab a coffee and have a chat.



I HAVE ALSO BEEN WORKING ON...



Building the business



Networking



Connecting with new people and those I have neglected.



And I also attended and joined Best Networking Central and East Lancashire run by Karen Tems and attended the Care Capital Collective run by Dawn Astin and Phil Tattersall.



Released my new blog: *Three Months Self-Employed: The Emotional Rollercoaster I was warned about but didn't appreciate, which you can [read here](#).*



NEXT QUARTER...

More of the same plus...

**KEYNOTE
SPEAKER AT
INSPIREFEST
MANCHESTER
4TH JULY**

**HOSTING
WHAT!MORTGAGE
AWARDS AT THE
OVAL LONDON ON
9TH JULY**

**I'LL BE SELECTING AND
ANNOUNCING THE 8 SUCCESSFUL
SPEAKERS FROM 30+
APPLICATIONS TO SPEAK AT SHE
FLOCKS.**



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