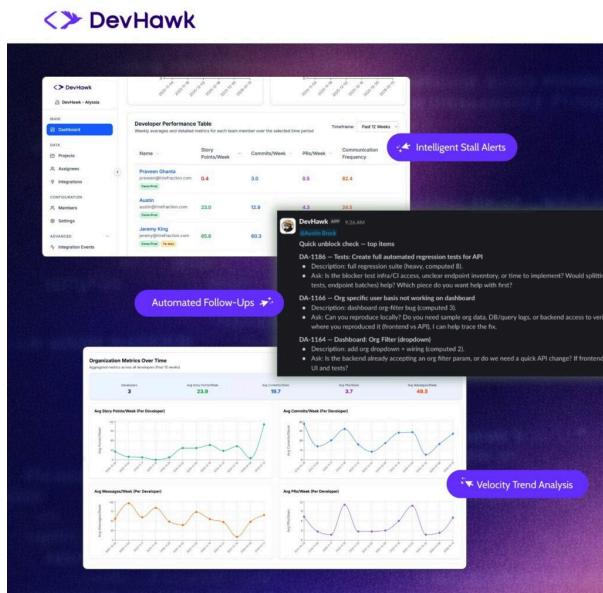


DevHawk Launches AI Agent to Actively Manage Distributed Software Projects

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After years of overseeing more than 150 startup engineering teams through Fraction, the team behind the platform has launched DevHawk, a new AI-powered project management agent designed to tackle one of software delivery's most persistent problems: coordination across distributed teams.

DevHawk integrates with tools such as Jira, Linear, and Asana to monitor real-time delivery signals, including stalled tickets, declining velocity, and empty work queues. Crucially, it is built to intervene *before* these issues turn into missed deadlines or client escalations, shifting project management from passive visibility to active execution.

"We built this because we were living the problem every day," said Praveen Ghanta, CEO of DevHawk and founder of Fraction. "Our project managers were constantly chasing updates, getting blindsided by delays, and losing hours to status check-ins. DevHawk started as internal tooling and evolved into something that automates the glue work, so humans can focus on real delivery."

Despite an estimated \$6 billion spent annually on project management software, delivery outcomes remain stubbornly weak. According to the Project Management Institute, around 70% of projects still fail to meet their goals. As organisations increasingly rely on fractional and globally distributed teams, the coordination burden has only intensified, while most tools continue to prioritise dashboards over action.

DevHawk's approach has been enabled by advances in large language models, allowing it to move beyond reporting and into direct engagement with teams.

"Traditional tools ask how to give project managers better visibility," Ghanta said. "DevHawk asks how to actually manage the work. That shift only became possible with the latest generation of AI."

Key features include:

- **Intelligent stall alerts**, prompting direct conversations with developers in Slack or Teams when work stalls
- **Zero task detection**, identifying when developers are about to run out of work
- **Velocity trend analysis**, highlighting drops in momentum before sprint reviews
- **AI-calculated story points**, providing consistent complexity estimates across teams

DevHawk can be set up in minutes and begins surfacing insights within hours. Early adopters report significant reductions in follow-up effort and faster identification of blocked or at-risk work.

"Herding cats is inevitable," Ghanta added. "But now AI can take on the coordination work. That's what DevHawk is built to do."

DevHawk is available now with a 14-day free trial at devhawk.ai.