

FRIENDS OF THE PEACE PARKS TRUST

Charity No. 1065415

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER 2023

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Legal and Administrative Information

Trustees:	Nicholas Robert Webb Iain Banner Jamie McCallum Lilian Spijkeman Julien Draper
Charity Number:	1065415
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Independent Examiner:	Adam Fullerton Moore Kingston Smith LLP Chartered Accountants 6th Floor 9 Appold Street London EC2A 2AP
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Governing Document

The governing instrument, a Declaration of Trust, was registered with the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales by Linklaters & Paines, One Silk Street, London, EC2Y 8HQ on 21 August 1997 and augmented by a supplemental trust deed dated 16 October 1997. The financial statements comply with statutory requirements and the Charity's governing documents.

Trustee Induction and Training

The above mentioned Trustees were appointed according to the procedures laid down in the Declaration of Trust Deed. Future Trustees shall be appointed by a resolution of the Trustees to be passed at a special meeting called at any time by any two Trustees upon not less than 21 days notice. New Trustees are briefed on their legal obligations under charity law, the content of the Trust Deed, decision making processes and the recent performance of the charity.

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Trustees' Report

For the year ended 31st December 2023

The Board of Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2023. The Trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the charity have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and the FRS 102 Charities SORP.

Objectives

The Trustees shall hold the Trust Fund and its income upon trust to apply them for the following objects :

- i) To assist in the conservation and protection of the natural environment and endangered species particularly within Wildlife Conservation Areas/Parks in Southern Africa; and
- ii) To assist in relieving poverty and advancing education within such Parks.

In shaping our objectives for the year and planning our activities, the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance "public benefit: running a charity (PB2)".

Restrictions imposed by the Charity's governing document:

- i) In raising funds the Trustees shall not undertake any substantial permanent trading activity and shall conform to any relevant statutory regulations.
- ii) All cheques and orders for the payment of money from the Charity bank account shall be signed by at least two Trustees.

Organisational Structure

The charity is governed by the Board of Trustees who are responsible for the governance and the strategic direction of the organisation.

Review of activities

This report accompanies the Financial report for 2023 and includes an overview of the key activities of the Trust during the year under review. With reasonable notice, the files of the Trust are open to inspection to any person.

During 2023, the Trust supported Transfrontier Conservation Area (TFCA) initiatives in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) region with funding made available by various donors (refer to note 2 of the financial statements). These activities are in compliance with the objectives of the Trust.

The composition of the Board of Trustees did not change this year.

The Trustees would like to record their gratitude for the generous contributions made by all those who supported the work of the Friends of the Peace Parks Trust during 2023.

Investment Powers

The Friends of the Peace Parks may buy, take on lease or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire any property necessary for the achievement of the objects and to maintain and equip it for use.

It has the power to permit any investments comprised in the Trust fund to be held in the name of any clearing bank, any Trust corporation or any stockbroking company, which is a member of the Stock Exchange, as a nominee for the Trustees and to pay any such nominee reasonable and proper remuneration for acting as such.

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Reserves Policy

In determining the level of the reserves policy of the charity the Trustees have considered the level of the operating expense required. The total reserves at the year-end of (£3,713) comprise of general funds which are available for the charity's general purposes including its general running costs and projects. The Trust will always be funded and covered by financial contributions from Peace Parks South Africa so the position of net liabilities exceeding net assets is of no concern.

Given the trust's low level of operational cost, the minimum reserve level deemed acceptable by the Trustees is £1,000. Peace Parks Foundation South Africa will provide additional funding to cover expenses once the reserves are depleted. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

Effective risk management is integral to the Trustees' objective to protect the Trust's assets and reputation. The objective of risk management is to identify, assess, manage and monitor the risks to which the Trust is exposed. The Trustees have implemented a risk management strategy which comprises an annual review of the risks which the Trust may face and the establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks.

Some of the principal risks identified by the Trustees are as follows:

- The Trust remains dependent on the generosity of its supporters for a significant portion of its income; and
- The Trust has a wide range of legislative requirements to comply with.

These risks have been addressed as follows:

- We have proactive fundraising partners;
- We monitor income and expenditure carefully through detailed budgeting, financial controls and reporting; and
- We continually monitor legislative requirements and ensure that our procedures are compliant.

Results for the Year

During 2023, the Trust received an income of £841,864 (2022: £171,306). This amount has met the expectations of the Trustees and is satisfactory.

Apart from £4 interest earned, all income was derived from grants and donations.

The Trust approved the following projects during 2023, which are included under grants and donations:

PROJECT	AMOUNT
Tracker Academy	£21 000
Southern African Wildlife College	£17 210
Facilitation work in establishing peace parks in SADC	£805 000
TOTAL	£843 210

At the year-end £39 was held in the Trust's current account and £13 on deposit.

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Factors likely to affect performance going forward

The biggest factor affecting the performance of the Trust going forward is its dependency on the generosity of its supporters for a significant portion of its income - the majority of which is also not guaranteed on an annual basis. Our fundraising partners have met the criteria set by the People's Postcode Lottery and have become a beneficiary as from 2023. Our fundraising partners continue to work on diversifying the Trust's sources of income.

Key Management Personnel

The Charity considers its key management personnel to comprise of the Board of Trustees. No members of the Board of Trustees received remuneration or other compensation for their services during the year.

Trustees' Responsibilities Statement

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

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these 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 accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper 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 trust deeds. 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.

Independent Examiners

Moore Kingston Smith LLP have indicated their willingness to continue in office and it is proposed that they be re-appointed independent examiners for the ensuing year.

This report was approved by the Trustees on

and signed on their behalf by:



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L SPIJKERMAN

21 August 2024

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Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of Friends of the Peace Parks Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Friends of the Peace Parks Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies. I have complied 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 my any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.



Adam Fullerton FCA

For and on behalf of Moore Kingston Smith LLP

Chartered Accountants

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Date: 22 August 2024.....

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Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31st December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £	2022 £
Income					
<i>Income from:</i>					
Grants and donations	2	3 650	838 210	841 860	171 306
Interest Received		4	-	4	-
Total Income		<u>3 654</u>	<u>838 210</u>	<u>841 864</u>	<u>171 306</u>
Expenditure					
<i>Cost of raising funds</i>					
<i>Expenditure on charitable activities</i>	3	8 804	838 210	847 014	171 656
Total expenditure		<u>8 804</u>	<u>838 210</u>	<u>847 014</u>	<u>171 656</u>
Net expenditure before Transfers		(5 150)	-	(5 150)	(350)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net Movement in Funds		(5 150)	-	(5 150)	(350)
Fund balances brought forward at 1st January 2023		<u>1 437</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1 437</u>	<u>1 787</u>
Fund balances carried forward at 31st December 2023		<u>(3 713)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3 713)</u>	<u>1 437</u>

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. There were no recognised gains or losses other than those stated above.

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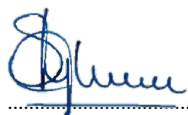
Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023

	Note	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £	2022 £
Current Assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>52</u>		<u>32 687</u>	
		52		32 687	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	6	<u>(3 765)</u>		<u>(31 250)</u>	
Net Current Assets			(3 713)		1 437
			<u>(3 713)</u>		<u>1 437</u>
Net (Liabilities) / Assets			<u>(3 713)</u>		<u>1 437</u>
 Funds					
Restricted funds	7		-		-
Unrestricted funds:					
General funds	8		<u>(3 713)</u>		<u>1 437</u>
Total Funds			<u>(3 713)</u>		<u>1 437</u>

This report was approved by the Trustees on 21 August 2024
and signed on their behalf by:



J McCallum



L Spijkerman

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Statement of Cash Flows
For the year ended 31st December 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Cash flows from operating activities	(i)		
Net cash (used in) /provided by operating activities		<u>(32 639)</u>	<u>27 600</u>
Cash flow from investing activities			
Investment Income		4	0
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(32 635)	27 600
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		<u>32 687</u>	<u>5 087</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		<u><u>52</u></u>	<u><u>32 687</u></u>

(i) Reconciliation of net loss to net cash flow from operating activities

	2023 £	2022 £
Net profit/(loss)	(5 150)	(350)
Adjustments for:		
Investment Income	(4)	
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	<u>(27 485)</u>	<u>27 950</u>
Net cash used in operating activities	<u><u>(32 639)</u></u>	<u><u>27 600</u></u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st December 2023

1 Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (issued on 16 July 2014) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity is a Public Benefit Entity ("PBE") as defined by FRS 102.

The trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. After making enquiries, the trustees have concluded that there is a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the board of directors in furtherance of the general objectives of the charitable company and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds that are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds is charged against that specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Incoming resources

All income is included when the charity has entitlement to the income, there is probability of receipt and the amount can be measured reliably. Income from charitable activities is included in the SOFA in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt.

Income from donations and grants is included in incoming resources when these are receivable unless the donor has specified that the donation or grant relates to a future period or that certain pre-conditions must be fulfilled before use. In these cases the amounts received are recognised in the relevant period or when the pre-conditions have been met and until then treated as deferred income. Donations or grants for particular purposes are included in incoming resources as restricted funds.

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1 Accounting Policies (continued)

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) on an accruals basis. Grants payable are included in charitable expenditure once committed to by the trustees.

Costs of generating funds comprise the costs of administering the activities of the charity. Charitable expenditure comprise costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objective. Governance costs of the charity are the costs associated with ensuring the charity meets its fiduciary duties.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Financial Instruments

The company has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments. Financial instruments are recognised in the company's balance sheet when the company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

The company has no financial assets this year, while the only financial liabilities comprise of accruals and grants payable. See note 6 for details.

Financial assets and liabilities are measured at transaction price less any impairment to settlement value.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In preparing financial statements it is necessary to make certain judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts recognised in the financial statements.

In the view of the trustees, in applying the accounting policies adopted, no judgements were required that have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements nor do any estimates or assumptions made carry a significant risk of material adjustment in the next financial year.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
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2 Grants and donations

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2023 £
Peace Parks Foundation	3 650	-	3 650
Stephen Kelly	-	500	500
Latrielle Berhte	-	500	500
Genevieve Mensah	-	5 000	5 000
T5 Dare Trust	-	15 000	15 000
Metamorphosis Foundation	-	17 210	17 210
People's Postcard Lottery Planet Trust	-	800 000	800 000
	<u>3 650</u>	<u>838 210</u>	<u>841 860</u>

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2022 £
Peace Parks Foundation	3 300	-	3 300
Mark Dixon	-	5 000	5 000
B & J Lloyd Family Charitable Trust	-	8 000	8 000
Velocity Trade	-	20 000	20 000
UBAM Variable Capital Investment Company	-	24 716	24 716
Animal Friends Insurance	-	45 000	45 000
Metamorphosis Foundation	-	65 290	65 290
	<u>3 300</u>	<u>168 006</u>	<u>171 306</u>

3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2023 £
Grants payable to Peace Parks Foundation	5 000	838 210	843 210
	<u>5 000</u>	<u>838 210</u>	<u>843 210</u>
Add: Support/Governance costs: Independent Examiner fee	3 765	-	3 765
	<u>8 765</u>	<u>838 210</u>	<u>846 975</u>

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2022 £
Grants payable to Peace Parks Foundation	-	168 006	168 006
	<u>-</u>	<u>168 006</u>	<u>168 006</u>
Add: Support/Governance costs: Independent Examiner fee	3 650	-	3 650
	<u>3 650</u>	<u>168 006</u>	<u>171 656</u>

4 Employee Numbers

The average number of employees during the year at Friends of the Peace Parks Trust was nil (2022: nil).

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5 Key Management Personnel, Related Party Transactions and Trustees' Remuneration and Reimbursed Expenses

The Charity considers its key management personnel to comprise of the Board of Trustees. No members of the Board of Trustees received remuneration or other compensation for their services during the year (2022: £nil).

There were no related party transactions in the period (2022: none).

6 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Accruals	3 765	31 250
	<u>3 765</u>	<u>31 250</u>

7 Restricted Funds

The Restricted Funds represent funds received on the understanding that these are to be used for activities specified by the donors and funds allocated as approved by the Trustees. £500, £500, £5,000, £15,000, £17,210, and £800,000 were received in the year from Latrielle Berthe (2022:nil), Stephen Kelly (2022: nil) Genevieve Mensah (2022: nil), T5 Dare Trust (2022: nil), Metamorphosis Foundation (2022: £53,010) and The People's Postcard Lottery Planet Trust (2022: nil) respectively to be spent as outlined in the trustees' report. In the prior year, £168,006 was received from various donors as outlined in note 2.

8 General Funds

The General Fund represents funds available for projects and administration. If there are no funds available in the General Fund, administrative expenditure will be met by the Trustees.

9 Analysis of Net Assets between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Cash at bank and in hand	52	-	52
Current liabilities	<u>(3 765)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3 765)</u>
Total Net Assets	<u><u>(3 713)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>(3 713)</u></u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
Cash at bank and in hand	32 688	-	32 688
Current liabilities	<u>(31 250)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(31 250)</u>
Total Net Assets	<u><u>1 438</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>1 438</u></u>