

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024
FOR
ISLAND CONSERVATION SOCIETY UK**

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

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ISLAND CONSERVATION SOCIETY UK

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The society was registered as a charity on 12th May 2004. It's objects are to maintain and preserve for the benefit of the public, in particular but not exclusively, the island of Aride in the Republic of Seychelles, the natural habitat and natural resources and to promote the conservation and restoration of island ecosystems.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The total value of the Endowment Fund held at Sarasin and Partners LLP in the name of the charity increased during the year ended 31 March 2024 from £976,246 to £1,053,727.. Investment income, however was similar to the previous year at £29,749 (2023 £28,209) . UK charitable trust supporters of the charity provided contributions totalling £102,000 in the year (2023 £36,000). Donations from other parties were £18,700 (2023 £16,031). Small sums received from other sources took total income to £151,170. The charity donated £175,011 to Aride Island Nature Reserve, Seychelles and £1,150 to Alphonse Foundation, Seychelles. It allocated £69,703 to running costs and the balance to equipment costs of £106,808. The exceptionally high contribution to equipment costs included a deposit of £74,084 towards a new PV system for Aride Island; the total contribution agreed for the system was £105,000, with the balance falling due in the next financial year. Equipment costs also included £32,599 for a new inflatable boat. The administration costs of running the charity were £2,005, giving total expenses of £178,616.

FUTURE PLANS

Future objectives remain focussed upon the support of the conservation programmes of Aride Island Nature Reserve in Seychelles by the provision of funds for the purchase of equipment, employment of conservation staff and other related activities.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The governing document was created by a declaration of trust dated 19th January 2004 as amended by supplemental deed dated 14th April 2004.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1103702

Principal address

Hazeley Brook
Keele Road
Keele
Newcastle-under-Lyme
Staffordshire

Trustees

A P Skerrett
E Palmer
G Savy
T Sands
Ms L Cadbury
J Benfield
R Lucking

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner

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Bankers

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

.....
A P Skerrett - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ISLAND CONSERVATION SOCIETY UK

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Island Conservation Society UK

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Island Conservation Society UK (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) 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:

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.

Helen Tidyman

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Date:

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	31.3.24 Total funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Charitable activities					
Aride		120,271	-	120,271	54,800
Alphonse		1,150	-	1,150	-
Investment income	2	849	28,900	29,749	28,209
Total		<u>122,270</u>	<u>28,900</u>	<u>151,170</u>	<u>83,009</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Aride		177,466	-	177,466	91,928
Alphonse		1,150	-	1,150	-
Total		<u>178,616</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>178,616</u>	<u>91,928</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		<u>-</u>	<u>77,481</u>	<u>77,481</u>	<u>(62,352)</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(56,346)</u>	<u>106,381</u>	<u>50,035</u>	<u>(71,271)</u>
Transfers between funds	8	<u>28,900</u>	<u>(28,900)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>(27,446)</u>	<u>77,481</u>	<u>50,035</u>	<u>(71,271)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>76,034</u>	<u>976,246</u>	<u>1,052,280</u>	<u>1,123,551</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>48,588</u></u>	<u><u>1,053,727</u></u>	<u><u>1,102,315</u></u>	<u><u>1,052,280</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	31.3.24 Total funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Investments	6	-	1,053,727	1,053,727	976,246
Cash at bank		49,446	-	49,446	76,814
		<u>49,446</u>	<u>1,053,727</u>	<u>1,103,173</u>	<u>1,053,060</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(858)	-	(858)	(780)
		<u>48,588</u>	<u>1,053,727</u>	<u>1,102,315</u>	<u>1,052,280</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>48,588</u>	<u>1,053,727</u>	<u>1,102,315</u>	<u>1,052,280</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>48,588</u>	<u>1,053,727</u>	<u>1,102,315</u>	<u>1,052,280</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>48,588</u>	<u>1,053,727</u>	<u>1,102,315</u>	<u>1,052,280</u>
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds				48,588	76,034
Endowment funds				<u>1,053,727</u>	<u>976,246</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>1,102,315</u>	<u>1,052,280</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by:

.....
A P Skerrett - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Endowment fund

Endowment funds are included at valuation at 31 March 2024.

The Aride Endowment Fund is a permanent fund held by ICS UK and administered for the benefit of Aride Island, Seychelles and ring-fenced in perpetuity for the funding of the financial requirements of Aride Island to operate as a nature reserve.

Rules:

1. The capital of The Fund will be retained in investments in the United Kingdom or other international markets where there are no restrictions on transfers of foreign exchange through the banking system.
2. The Board of trustees of ICS UK shall be responsible for the appointment of investment advisors.
3. The Board of ICS UK shall review the performance of The Fund at least annually at the Annual General Meeting.
4. Investment advisors will be instructed by ICS UK to adopt a medium to low risk approach to investment.
5. No Trustee of ICS nor ICS UK shall receive any remuneration from The Fund other than reimbursement of expenses.
6. Capital in The Fund shall be invested with the aim of equalling or exceeding the rate of inflation.
7. Capital from The Fund shall be ring-fenced. It will not be available to be paid to ICS UK for the running costs of Aride except in exceptional circumstances, such a situation to be agreed by at least two-thirds of ICS UK Trustees and approved at a Board meeting of ICS UK.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024
1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued
Fund accounting
Rules: (continued)

8. Notice for a meeting to approve a transfer referred to in clause 7 above shall include the amount proposed to be transferred from capital to revenue together with an explanation of the exceptional reasons deemed to be applicable.

9. The income from the Fund will be paid to a bank account of ICS UK which is dedicated solely to the administration of Aride and its associated scientific programmes.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Endowment Fund	28,900	28,048
Interest receivable	849	161
	<u>29,749</u>	<u>28,209</u>

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Trustees' expenses

	31.03.24	31.03.23
Trustee	Mr R Lucking	Mr R Lucking
Amount of Expenses	£1,312	£1,047
Trustee	Mr A Skerrett	Mr A Skerrett
	£212	£0
Trustee	Mr T Sands	Mr T Sands
Amount of expenses	£52	£0

The expenses were reimbursed to the trustee's on behalf of the charity.

The expenses totalling £1,576 (2023: £1,047) reimbursed to trustees are travel, postage and telephone expenses that are directly attributable to the charitable activities.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Charitable activities			
Aride	54,800	-	54,800
Investment income	161	28,048	28,209
Total	<u>54,961</u>	<u>28,048</u>	<u>83,009</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	Total funds £
Charitable activities			
Aride	91,928	-	91,928
Net gains/(losses) on investments	-	(62,352)	(62,352)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(36,967)	(34,304)	(71,271)
Transfers between funds	28,048	(28,048)	-
Net movement in funds	(8,919)	(62,352)	(71,271)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	84,953	1,038,598	1,123,551
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>76,034</u>	<u>976,246</u>	<u>1,052,280</u>

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

The freehold of Aride Island Nature Reserve, Seychelles, was acquired on 17th October 2008 from Royal Society of Wildlife Trusts in consideration of the sum of £1, which was waived.

6. CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Endowment Fund	<u>1,053,727</u>	<u>976,246</u>

During the year, the endowment fund was revalued to its fair value at 31 March 2024 of £1,053,727 and a gain recognised within the statement of financial activities of £77,481..

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Other creditors	<u>858</u>	<u>780</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	76,034	(56,346)	28,900	48,588
Endowment funds				
Endowment Fund	976,246	106,381	(28,900)	1,053,727
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,052,280</u>	<u>50,035</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,102,315</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	122,270	(178,616)	-	(56,346)
Endowment funds				
Endowment Fund	28,900	-	77,481	106,381
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>151,170</u>	<u>(178,616)</u>	<u>77,481</u>	<u>50,035</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	84,953	(36,967)	28,048	76,034
Endowment funds				
Endowment Fund	1,038,598	(34,304)	(28,048)	976,246
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,123,551</u>	<u>(71,271)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,052,280</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	54,961	(91,928)	-	(36,967)
Endowment funds				
Endowment Fund	28,048	-	(62,352)	(34,304)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>83,009</u>	<u>(91,928)</u>	<u>(62,352)</u>	<u>(71,271)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	84,953	(93,313)	56,948	48,588
Endowment funds				
Endowment Fund	1,038,598	72,077	(56,948)	1,053,727
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,123,551</u>	<u>(21,236)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,102,315</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	177,231	(270,544)	-	(93,313)
Endowment funds				
Endowment Fund	56,948	-	15,129	72,077
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>234,179</u>	<u>(270,544)</u>	<u>15,129</u>	<u>(21,236)</u>

The endowment fund is included at valuation at 31 March 2024.

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2024.