

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025
FOR
ISLAND CONSERVATION SOCIETY UK**

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. 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. Its 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 2025 from £1,053,727 to £1,083,706; this increase included £18,900 increase in capital invested. A new liquidity portfolio was opened with Sarasin and Partners in order to obtain higher interest on cash reserves; this held a balance at the end of the year of £28,844. Investment income was similar to the previous year at £30,261 (2024 £29,749). UK charitable trust supporters of the charity provided contributions totalling £55,500 in the year (2024 £102,000). Donations from other parties were £12,100 (2024 £18,700). Small sums received from other sources took total income to £101,211. The charity donated £95,871 to Aride Island Nature Reserve, Seychelles. It allocated £54,041 to running costs and the balance to equipment costs of £41,830. The high contribution to equipment costs included a final payment of £30,889 towards a new PV system for Aride Island; the total contribution agreed for the system was £105,000. Equipment costs also included £5,627 for a boat repair, £4,907 for project costs and £407 other equipment costs. The administration costs of running the charity were £3,208, giving total expenses £99,079.

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 2025

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 2025.

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:

ISLAND CONSERVATION SOCIETY UK

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Charitable activities					
Alphonse		500	-	500	1,150
Arde		70,450	-	70,450	120,271
Investment income	2	1,105	29,156	30,261	29,749
Total		<u>72,055</u>	<u>29,156</u>	<u>101,211</u>	<u>151,170</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Alphonse		-	-	-	1,150
Arde		99,079	-	99,079	177,466
Total		<u>99,079</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>99,079</u>	<u>178,616</u>
Net gains on investments		-	11,079	11,079	77,481
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(27,024)</u>	<u>40,235</u>	<u>13,211</u>	<u>50,035</u>
Transfers between funds	8	<u>10,256</u>	<u>(10,256)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>(16,768)</u>	<u>29,979</u>	<u>13,211</u>	<u>50,035</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		48,588	1,053,727	1,102,315	1,052,280
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>31,820</u></u>	<u><u>1,083,706</u></u>	<u><u>1,115,526</u></u>	<u><u>1,102,315</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

ISLAND CONSERVATION SOCIETY UK

BALANCE SHEET

31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Investments	6	-	1,083,706	1,083,706	1,053,727
Cash at bank		32,764	-	32,764	49,446
		<u>32,764</u>	<u>1,083,706</u>	<u>1,116,470</u>	<u>1,103,173</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(944)	-	(944)	(858)
		<u>31,820</u>	<u>1,083,706</u>	<u>1,115,526</u>	<u>1,102,315</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>31,820</u>	<u>1,083,706</u>	<u>1,115,526</u>	<u>1,102,315</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>31,820</u>	<u>1,083,706</u>	<u>1,115,526</u>	<u>1,102,315</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>31,820</u>	<u>1,083,706</u>	<u>1,115,526</u>	<u>1,102,315</u>
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds				31,820	48,588
Endowment funds				<u>1,083,706</u>	<u>1,053,727</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>1,115,526</u>	<u>1,102,315</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 2025

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 2025.

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 2025

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

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Endowment Fund	29,156	28,900
Interest receivable	1,105	849
	<u>30,261</u>	<u>29,749</u>

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

	31.03.25	31.03.24
Trustee	Mr R Lucking	Mr R Lucking
Amount of expenses	£0	£1,312
Trustee	Mr A Skerrett	Mr A Skerrett
Amount of expenses	£54	£212
Trustee	Mr T Sands	Mr T Sands
Amount of expenses	£0	£52

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

The expenses totalling £54 (2024: £1,576) reimbursed to trustees are travel, (2024 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			
Alphonse	1,150	-	1,150
Aride	120,271	-	120,271
Investment income	849	28,900	29,749
Total	<u>122,270</u>	<u>28,900</u>	<u>151,170</u>

EXPENDITURE ON

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	Total funds £
Charitable activities			
Alphonse	1,150	-	1,150
Aride	177,466	-	177,466
Total	178,616	-	178,616
Net gains on investments	-	77,481	77,481
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(56,346)	106,381	50,035
Transfers between funds	28,900	(28,900)	-
Net movement in funds	(27,446)	77,481	50,035
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	76,034	976,246	1,052,280
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	48,588	1,053,727	1,102,315

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

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Endowment Fund	1,083,706	1,053,727

During the year, the endowment fund was revalued to its fair value at 31 March 2025 of £1,083,706 and a gain recognised within the statement of financial activities of £11,079..

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Other creditors	944	858

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	48,588	(27,024)	10,256	31,820
Endowment funds				
Endowment Fund	1,053,727	40,235	(10,256)	1,083,706
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,102,315</u>	<u>13,211</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,115,526</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	72,055	(99,079)	-	(27,024)
Endowment funds				
Endowment Fund	29,156	-	11,079	40,235
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>101,211</u>	<u>(99,079)</u>	<u>11,079</u>	<u>13,211</u>

Comparatives for 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>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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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	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>

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

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	76,034	(83,370)	39,156	31,820
Endowment funds				
Endowment Fund	976,246	146,616	(39,156)	1,083,706
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,052,280</u>	<u>63,246</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,115,526</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	194,325	(277,695)	-	(83,370)
Endowment funds				
Endowment Fund	58,056	-	88,560	146,616
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>252,381</u>	<u>(277,695)</u>	<u>88,560</u>	<u>63,246</u>

The endowment fund is included at valuation at 31 March 2025.

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025.