



Renewable World

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Directors' and Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2021

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Directors and other information

Directors and Trustees

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Patrick Davis (resigned 28th April 2021)
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Diana Du Luart ("Diana France") (appointed 11th August 20)
Claire Hancock (resigned 30th November 2020)
Neil Pinto (Chair)
Alexandra Poole
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Christopher Morgan
Lata Shrestha (appointed 30th November 2020)
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Secretary

Matthew Stubberfield (resigned 28 July 2021)
Janaki Jayasuriya (appointed 28 July 2021)

Key management personnel:

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Matthew Stubberfield (resigned 8 August 2021)
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Trustees' report

The Trustees (who are also directors of the Charity for the purposes of the Companies Act) present their annual report together with the financial statements of Renewable World ('the Charity') for the year ended 31 March 2021. The Trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the Charity comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and 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 2015).

Structure, governance and management

Renewable World is a charitable company limited by guarantee registered with the Charity Commission since 4th June 2007. It is governed by its Board of Trustees in accordance with its Articles of Association, and with reference to all matters arising from its registration under the Charities Act 2011. The Board of Trustees sets the overall mission, direction and strategy for successful fulfilment of the charity's purposes and continued development as a viable enterprise. It delegates implementation of strategic decisions and the day-to-day management to the Chief Executive Officer and senior managers with the assistance of an Operations Committee consisting of the senior managers and three or more Trustees.

Appointment of trustees

The organisation has at least four, but no more than twelve Trustees. The Chair of the Trustees is nominated by the Board of Trustees. Trustees must resign at the next General Meeting after three years' service but may stand for re-election. Once a Trustee gives notice that they will be unable to continue their role, a process of recruiting a new Trustee is undertaken. The role is advertised nationally and a search is carried out to identify suitable replacement candidates. Once suitable candidates have been identified they are invited to attend an interview with two or more Trustees to introduce them to the Charity and establish whether they have the desired and required skills. The successful candidates are then invited to the next Trustees meeting where they are recommended and then elected by all Trustees for a three-year term.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees undergo an orientation day to brief them on: their legal obligations under charity and company law, the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit, and inform them of the content of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the committee and decision-making processes, the business plan and recent financial performance of the charity. During the induction day they meet key employees and other trustees. Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate external training events where these will facilitate the undertaking of their role.

Pay policy for senior staff

The key management personnel of the charity comprise of the board of directors, who are the Charity's trustees, and the Senior Managers in charge of directing and controlling, running and operating the Charity on a day-to-day basis. All directors give their time freely and no director received remuneration in the year. Details of directors' expenses and related party transactions are disclosed in note 11 to the accounts.

The pay of the senior staff is reviewed annually by a committee of trustees.

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Objectives and activities

Renewable World, a registered charity in England, has the principal objective to relieve poverty through the provision of clean and affordable renewable energy.

Our aims as defined in the company's articles of association are:

- To relieve poverty;
- The preservation, conservation and protection of the environment by the reduction of carbon emissions and the prudent use of natural resources; and
- To advance the education of the public and interested parties in effective reduction of greenhouse gases, the effects of climate change, and sustainable solutions to problems arising from climate change, and to promote and carry out for the public benefit research into such issues and to publish and widely disseminate the useful results of such research.

We are currently working in East Africa and South Asia with communities without access to an affordable and reliable energy supply and for whom a lack of energy is a serious impediment to economic and social development. Many of these communities can be considered rural and last mile and most are poorer than the national average. We aim to give all members of the community inclusive access to energy.

Renewable World has its own regional technical and project delivery teams and also works in partnership with other international, national and local Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), with experience of community development and good local relationships. Renewable World provides partners with a combination of funding, capacity building and knowledge sharing to enhance effective implementation of off-grid renewable energy services using appropriate technology. Projects are designed with the needs of communities first in a bottom-up demand led approach to ensure they are appropriate for their needs. We also work with national and local governments to influence policy and obtain funding. Technical design, delivery and construction are usually led and undertaken by local private companies working to the requirements of Renewable World.

Our Mission & Goal

Our mission is to lead in developing and deploying effective ways of bringing renewable energy at scale to poor communities, empowering them to achieve sustainable and resilient livelihoods.

The Board and senior management team have set our goal to increase access to clean, affordable and sustainable energy to tackle poverty for 100,000 people by 2022. We are already over halfway there and have reached over 66,212 direct beneficiaries through our work. Our fully designed and mostly fully funded Nepal Renewable Energy For Change programme which started in 2020 and our Renewable Energy For WASH programme which started in early 2021 will ensure we achieve this. Within Kenya and the East Africa region, we remain committed to learn from our microgrid and livelihoods work and expand our access to energy for poor fishing communities.

Our programme impact is defined from project design and measured throughout project delivery in terms of its contribution to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Whilst SDG 7- ensure access to affordable, reliable, and modern energy is at the core of all our work we also contribute to:

- SDG Goal # 1: End poverty in all its forms everywhere
- SDG Goal # 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls
- SDG Goal # 13: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts
- SDG Goal # 16: Promote just, peaceful and inclusive societies

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit.

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Review of the year

Whilst the world slowed down in 2020/21 Renewable World accelerated. This was our most successful year by all measures despite the triple challenge of an enduring Covid-19 pandemic, simultaneously implementing five new Nepal projects and managing a Serious Incident with our partner in Kenya. We've had to work harder than ever to adapt to changing conditions for our projects in Nepal and Kenya, to honour our commitments to communities in need, ensure projects remain on track and keep our funders informed.

Financial Results

Our income has grown by 74% to £1,766,270 (2020: £1,015,848) the highest ever. Underlying this is a growth in restricted income from by 129% to £1,369,942 (2020: £599,314) due to our new project grants and our carbon offset income of £892,960 (2020: £262,969).

Overall total unrestricted income of £396,328 is down on last year (2020: £416,534) due to reduced event income during the pandemic. With the exception of events, core income streams are at a sustainable and replicable level.

Total charity expenditure is up 64% to £1,457,318 (2020: £888,570). The proportion of spend on charitable activities over total expenditure has increased to £1,242,809 (2020: £651,151) being 85% (2020: 74%) of total expenditure as we start a new phase of programmes in Nepal and Kenya. Charity overheads which include all fundraising costs and governance costs have decreased to £214,509 (2020: £234,419) and are at 15% (2020: 26%) of total expenditure.

With five new projects starting in Nepal we have grown our regional project team staffing, increasing our global staff from an average full time equivalent of 14 to 18 and are now working with eight project partners growing from just three at the end of 2020/21. Our staff costs for our global team consequently increased from £375,503 to £434,499.

Renewable World remains strong and healthy with its highest ever unrestricted reserves of £156,862 (2020: £122,442) and with total reserves of £769,544 (2020: £465,478) we are in a good position to continue expanding our work over the year ahead.

Highlights, achievements and performance

During the financial year, the Charity has achieved the following which underpins the financial results:

Our Global Programme

Using clean energy as the catalyst each project aims to deliver at least one of the following four main themes. Improving health and resilience; improving livelihoods and income generation; improving access to education; and improving water, sanitation and hygiene practices (WASH).

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Our Global Programme (continued)

The table below shows our programme, our target beneficiary reach and project completion date.

Continuing projects:				
Project name	Target reach	Start Date	End Date	Country
Solar Water Lifting for Multiple Use Systems (Solar MUS 3)	6,383	March 2018	Sep 2021	Nepal
Solar Energy for Community Resilience (SECURE)	8,409	Nov 2018	Mar 2021	Nepal
Energy Hubs Optimisation	1,230	July 2019	Mar 2021	Kenya
Kiwa Expansion & Icemaking	2,535	July 2019	Mar 2021	Kenya
New projects commenced in FY 20/21:				
Clean Energy for Improved Health (E4H) Phase I	8,825	April 2020	Sep 2021	Nepal
Enriching Agriculture using Bag Digesters (ENRICH)	3,300	April 2020	Mar 2023	Nepal
Renewable Energy Access for Livelihoods in fragile Buffer Zones Nepal (REALIZE)	8,378	July 2020	Dec 2023	Nepal
Using Renewable Energy to Kickstart Agriculture (UREKA)	9,148	Oct 2020	Oct 2023	Nepal
Transforming Education via Energy Access and Simple Sustainable Solutions (TREATS)	3,383	Jan 2021	June 2023	Nepal

Key programmatic achievements include:

- Completed our Solar Energy for Community Resilience (SECURE) project which ran between November 2018 – March 2021. Through SECURE we piloted the installation of a solar powered early warning system, designed to sound an alarm alerting three adjacent communities to rising river levels and impending floods. We also piloted and installed standalone solar energy systems at five community health units (CHUs). These primary care health units provide a critical service for remote communities and are now able to offer a wider range of energy enabled medical services including refrigeration for medicines and vaccines and electricity for nebulizers and other equipment. Over 8,825 people across two Rural Municipalities in Surkhet District will be supported through these new services, and in the current global pandemic we are hopeful that this project will play a role in providing much needed front line medical support.
- Distribution of COVID-19 aid to isolated communities. In coordination with local government, in July 2020 we supported the delivery of basic aid packages to 167 households

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across two communities (part of the SolarMUS 3 programme) and installed foot-operated hand washing stations at five Community Health Units (CHUs) in Surkhet District.

Our Global Programme (continued)

- Continued delivery of our three-year Solar Water Pumping (SolarMUS III) project principally funded by Jersey Overseas Aid and the Unica Foundation. Empowering 10 rural communities in Nepal to lift themselves out of poverty through increasing access to a reliable, sustainable water source, increased agricultural productivity, and improved water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) practices. SolarMUS 3 entered its third and final project year. Due to COVID-19 related delays the project was granted a three-month extension, due to complete in June 2021.
- Five new projects were launched in Nepal with a budgeted value of £2.17m and a target reach of 33,000 people. A sixth project, expected to launch during this financial year has disappointingly been repeatedly delayed due to the project funder FCDO postponing then cancelling all funding.
- Securing the donation of three high specification Lithium Iron batteries from ReLion, a private company based in the USA. These batteries will significantly increase the capacity of two Solar Micro-Grids as part of our Energy Hub Optimisation programme in the Lake Victoria region of Kenya.
- Significant growth of our Carbon Offset programme, where funds based on the carbon emissions of corporate supporters are donated to Renewable World to offset to accredited clean energy projects. The first stage of which has seen us work in partnership with ClimateCare to support solar and clean cooking projects in China, India, Kenya, Nepal, Tanzania and Uganda. Units equivalent to 279,750 tonnes (2020: 85,257 tonnes) of Verified Emission Reductions (VERs) have been purchased. During the year we commenced the second stage of this programme, which involves developing and certifying our own Gold Standard accredited programme in Nepal. After assessing all our live projects, we have selected Improved Cookstoves, a technology already within our Energy for Health project, to roll-out within the Karnali province of Western Nepal where we are already active. The project feasibility and design process has commenced with our local team, overseen by South Pole our new carbon offset partner and project developer.

South Asia (Nepal):

Due to the global pandemic site-based project activities in our Nepal programme were paused in March 2020, and all staff began working from home. National lockdowns and travel restrictions meant site-based activities did not resume until July 2020. From October operations resumed at near-normal levels albeit with additional safety measures being put in place, such as social distancing, holding training for smaller groups of people in outside spaces, holding workshops through online platforms etc. However, we were able to implement the majority of site-based activities where this didn't involve large gatherings.

The Nepal programme has gone through significant growth over the last year with the greatest number of live projects ever. The new portfolio of projects builds on our tried and tested solar water pumping technology while adapting it for new contexts such as providing water in schools through TREATS. We are also piloting new and innovative technology such as the bag digester for biogas and organic fertiliser through ENRICH, and renewable energy powered agro-processing technology through REALIZE and UREKA. E4H builds on the successful piloting of stand-alone solar systems for Community Health Units delivered through SECURE and upscales this to a further six CHUs, with a further four planned in 2021. In addition, E4H is also piloting the delivery of Improved Cook Stoves (ICS) for the first time, with a view to future scale up through our own in-house carbon offset project.

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The growth in our programme has led to a significant increase in staff with the Nepal team growing from seven to fifteen members in the last twelve months. The new recruits have brought specific expertise which expand our organisational capacity such as programme leadership, Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEAL), Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), and Agriculture. A key challenge over the last year has been to recruit and induct new staff during a global pandemic when most team members have been working from home.

Our Global Programme (continued)

A further result of the growth in our programme has been an increase in the number of project implementing partners. Eight new project implementing partners have been selected working across five districts. All partners were selected following strict due diligence and selection criteria following a review of our Partner Management and Due Diligence process in 2020.

East Africa (Kenya):

The Kenya Programme has also gone through significant change during the year. At the beginning of the 2020/21 financial year persistent delays and anomalies with reporting from our main Kenyan implementing partner of over eight years, RWEA, prompted concerns around project progress and reporting accuracy. Following an internal investigation and high-level discussions with the Board of RWEA, Renewable World was forced to terminate its relationship with RWEA due to breach of contract related to unaccounted for funds. Based on the findings of our investigation, which identified a suspected misappropriation of funds by a single senior staff member at RWEA, we reported the matter as a Serious Incident to the Charity Commission and the NGO Co-ordination Board in Kenya. To the best of our ability and in the absence of cooperation and complete and reliable information from RWEA, we prudently calculate the maximum loss to be approximately £49,101. The figure includes an estimate relating to conflicted procurement by RWEA.

A further subsequent internal investigation was conducted into our relationship with RWEA and the findings and recommendations are now being implemented across all our partnerships, as well as into relevant organisational policies and procedures. The findings of this investigation have been shared widely with our supporters and the relevant regulatory authorities. The Charity Commission have confirmed that the case is now closed and they require no further information.

Responding to the Serious Incident has been burdensome and time-consuming and resulted in a considerable additional work for staff and Trustees. However, valuable lessons were learned and are being applied across our partnerships and with a heightened level of vigilance at all levels of the organisation. As a consequence, and after securing funder support, we revised Kenyan project activities over an extended timeframe. The Kenyan programme is now directly managed by our UK-based Programme Development & Partnerships Manager, together with our Technical and Project Officers, and supported by our Lake Victoria partner based in Kisumu, OSIENALA. We are already seeing a benefit of being closer to the programme which is following our global methodology and benefiting from input from the experienced Nepal team. In December we initiated registration of a Renewable World Branch in Kenya which will enable us to operate within country and build partnerships whilst retaining greater control and oversight of projects and programmes. Further, from 1st February our Nepal Country Director was appointed Interim Global Programme Director to both scale up our success in Nepal and strengthen our programme in Kenya, through knowledge transfer and replication of successful concepts growing our reach and impact through coordinated planning and new global project concepts.

From October 2020 project activities in Kenya resumed with completion activities and exit plans for the two outstanding projects, Energy Hub Optimisation and Kiwa Island Ice Making, put into place. These plans include providing additional capacity building and support to the Community Based Organizations (CBOs) ahead of the hand-over of assets and close out of the projects. To support activities a Community Mobilisation Officer based in the Lake Victoria region was recruited in February 2021. Projects are expected to be completed by June 2021 (delayed from March 2021).

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Under Energy Hub Optimisation activities have included: the assessment and final selection of two Energy Hub sites for the delivery of 47 new energy connections for both domestic and micro-enterprise use; supporting the community to purchase new energy meters to be installed; and coordinating with ReLion, who have donated three high specification Lithium-ion batteries which will be used to add capacity to the two energy hubs.

Under Kiwa Island Expansion and Ice Making closeout activities have included carrying out several community sensitisation and mobilisation sessions to understand community needs and restart remaining activities after Covid-19, mass community meetings to understand community changes and what CBO support required for project sustainability and the revision of final project activities with the community to adapt to community and project changes during Covid-19 absence.

Governance

- An Operations Committee consisting of the Senior Managers and a minimum of three trustees, including the Chair and Treasurer is focused on short terms priorities and decision making has met at least monthly.
- Programme and Fundraising committees have met regularly.
- The Finance Committee or Operations Committee of the Board reviewed the full charity risk register at the May and November Board of Trustees meetings. The Finance Committee has also met to approve the annual report and accounts and annual budget.
- The Remuneration Committee consisting of Trustees only met in February to approve the CEO salary and overall staff salary budget.
- Following a serious incident relating to our Kenyan partner RWEA, a steering group of Trustees and senior staff managed the investigation process and the issue was reported to the Charities Commission in June 2020 and is explained in the Programme section above.

Fundraising

Despite the pandemic and volatile fundraising landscape, FY 2020/21 has been our most successful income year to date with growth of 74%, due to both the new Nepal programme and expanded Carbon Offset offering.

- After a strong performance in 2019/20, our Trusts & Foundations (T&Fs) income was affected by the impact of the pandemic, with some T&Fs reporting lower and/or limited funds available for distribution whilst prioritising frontline charities responding to the response to COVID-19 in the UK. However, with support from a number of T&F funders providing high level multi-year funding, new funding from several major T&Fs and loyal support from smaller T&Fs who fund annually, overall income for T&F at the year-end was still higher than 2018/19.
- Income from corporate sources reached its highest level ever at £1,167,929 (including carbon offsetting) and has grown to 66% of total income. This included continued fundraising and support from the Beazley Group and new a three-year commitment from Northern Powergrid, a welcome addition to our Renewable Energy Corporate partners portfolio.
- We continued to work with Octopus Energy, a major UK energy retailer, specialising in clean electricity supply and with carbon offsetting experts we curated a portfolio of projects that offset 164,700 tonnes of carbon generated by Octopus Super Green Gas Tariff customers in 2020. A further 143,000 tonnes in the first quarter of 2021 will be offset to a new project portfolio. We are currently setting up our own carbon offsetting programme in Nepal to ensure that Octopus customers can support us directly through Gold Standard certified carbon offsetting credits.
- We have adapted to COVID times with new events that can be managed from home. For instance the 2.6 challenge in lieu of the London Marathon was well supported and our flagship Earth Wind

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& Tyre cycle challenge has reached over 100 participants taking part in either Durham or their own 100 mile route.

- We worked hard to reach out to institutional funders with a small amount of targeted project submissions to DFID and Guernsey Overseas Aid. We were delighted that in partnership with Raleigh International, we were successful in securing funding for a £1.6 million Youth4 WaSH Programme in Nepal. However, we have since heard that this programme has fallen victim to the recent FCDO cuts that have hit overseas development so harshly.

Our fundraising costs of £131,575 (2020: £166,415) are predominantly represented by the small, UK-based fundraising team and comes to 7% of total income (2020: 16%) and 9% (2020: 19%) of total expenditure. Given the challenges of fundraising within a pandemic, including the loss of event income, we are happy with this ratio. This gives us the opportunity to invest in our fundraising and communications team in the coming year.

COVID -19 Pandemic

Covid initially disrupted our office working and travel to projects for about four months during 2020. We were fortunate with the timing of the first wave in that with most projects were nearing completion or about to commence so the impact on our projects was not too severe and we were able to successfully continue working remotely. Our small projects in Kenya were initially more affected but are getting back on track. Our decentralised project delivery methodology with local teams working closely with local partners meant frequent national and international travel is unnecessary. We also innovated, for example whereby international staff remotely trained local community enumerators to gather survey evidence of need and impact as part of our project evaluation in both Nepal and Kenya.

Our offices re-opened in early summer 2020, with the UK office closing again in November and staying closed until Spring 2021.

With an initial expectation of reduced funding, including from our events income, at the beginning of the financial year an emergency cost saving budget was introduced and presented to the Board after scenario planning and reforecasting our income and cashflow. We paused discretionary expenditure and recruitment of staff not covered by project funds. In addition, a special thanks to our UK staff that went on Furlough and took a 10% cut in hours during 2020 to ensure we maintained strength during the heightened uncertainty over funding within Covid. These actions were sufficient to deal with the initial and enduring impact of Covid.

In Spring 2021 we have entered a new wave of Covid related disruption to our work in Nepal and restrictions in Kenya. It is uncertain how long this will last but our local team are working closely with our partners to work as effectively as we can within the rules and guidelines drawing from the lessons of the first wave in 2020.

Plans for the future

Renewable World starts the new financial year in a strong and healthy position. Despite the complex challenges caused by the global pandemic, Renewable World is in an exceptionally good position to continue expanding our projects and developing our programmatic portfolio over the year ahead. In 2021/22, we will double our income and increase our staff by a third as we implement the scale-up of our Nepal programme and develop the next phase of our work in Africa.

Five of our six new Nepal based projects will enter their second year, a critical time when these projects will deliver transformative renewable energy systems and capacity building that will

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contribute to outcomes across the Sustainable Development Goals for the poorest and most remote communities. Highlights will include:

- Installing solar water pumping systems and climate smart agriculture training, coupled with solar powered agro-processing technologies across one new district – Achham;
- Piloting plastic bag digester technology for the generation of biogas and organic fertiliser to support agricultural livelihoods – with the aim of improving food production and food security in communities in Surkhet and Banke;
- Expanding access to solar power and energy-enabled equipment for remote health clinics and rolling out improved cookstoves in remote rural communities in Surkhet;
- Piloting some new innovative technologies in solar dryers, agro-processors and cold rooms to improve livelihoods in remote conservation area buffer zones bordering Bardia and Banke national parks.
- Initiating our first ever water and sanitation in schools project – across all ten schools in one rural municipality in the district of Gulmi;
- A new partnership with Raleigh International for a Youth for WASH programme, powered by 15 SolarMUS in the Gorkha district of Nepal. Funding was originally pledged from FCDO but withdrawn in May 2021, we are seeking alternative funding to start in early 2022.

In Kenya, we will complete final activities involved in wrapping up and evaluating our solar microgrid programme in Lake Victoria, focusing on project monitoring, mentoring, safety and sustainability. Building on what we've learned from our Kenyan work and the wider needs for energy access in the East Africa region, we are now beginning to explore new ways of working, potential new priority countries and new partnerships that will help us reach underserved communities.

Mindful of the enduring pandemic in both our operating countries we will continue to utilise our local delivery partners, locally based staff and skills within the community to ensure our projects are delivered on time and safely.

We are already on track to reach 100,000 poor people with the benefits of renewable energy by the end of 2022, so our focus now moves to new programme development. A key aim is to replicate the success of our Nepal programme, where we have deployed proven systems and ways of working to maximise energy enabling services and benefits to the whole community, to Kenya and beyond. This will also enable us to utilise the considerable skills of our talented and experienced Nepal team.

With funding support from a strategic partner in the renewable energy industry, Octopus Energy, Renewable World is embarking on the development of a Gold Standard certified improved cookstoves project that will be delivered in Karnali Province, western Nepal. The aim is to deliver a Gold Standard certified carbon offsetting project, at scale. This is a first step to an ambitious global carbon offsetting scheme based on our own programme that we hope to roll out in future.

With growth comes the need for more sophisticated and robust processes to ensure we have clear operating systems and procedures, maintain effectiveness and quality and make it easier for our new joiners. Last year we worked hard on our safeguarding framework, partner management processes and staff management processes. Work will continue on introducing and updating our suite of policies, processes and procedures.

The development of our new strategy will continue following the thorough six-step process commenced in 2020. We shall move beyond the initial focus on environmental scanning, data gathering and analysis to defining options and scenarios. We will embark on a process of stakeholder engagement, with a view to developing a strong and inspirational strategic plan that will be launched by the end of 2021.

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Finally, the climate emergency will be high on the global agenda as the UK hosts the 26th UN Climate Change Conference (COP26) in Glasgow in November. We are already helping communities on the frontline of climate change, supporting them with both climate adaptation and mitigation projects which, in turn, enable them to build more resilient livelihoods. Going forward, we will explore how we can take our own organization and our partners on a net zero carbon journey and communicate the vital role renewable energy plays in the fight to adapt to and mitigate the impacts of climate change.

Public benefit test

To date, Renewable World has reached 66,212 (2020: 51,071) beneficiaries through the provision of clean energy systems and associated capacity building. Projects completed or substantially progressed in 20/21 contributed to 15,141 of these.

During 2020-21 the main activities undertaken by the charity to carry out its charitable purposes (see Objectives and Aims above) for the public benefit are as follows:

- Established and supported community owned energy systems, including:
 - Solar powered water pumping and irrigation systems in Nepal.
 - Stand-alone solar power system for community health posts in Nepal.
 - Improved cook-stoves for households in Nepal.
 - Delivered an additional 47 energy connections to households and enterprises across two communities in Kenya.
- Established and supported community owned clean energy organisations, including through the provision of financial literacy and governance training.
- Provided agricultural training to ten solar water pumping communities.
- Provided operation and maintenance training.
- Provided water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) training.
- Provided medical equipment (energy enabled and non-energy enabled) and foot operated hand washing stations to eleven community health units in Nepal.
- Provided COVID-19 relief aid to two communities in Nepal.
- Launched five new projects in Nepal with a target to reach 33,000 people.
- Through our Carbon Offset fund purchased credits in Gold Standard accredited carbon offset clean energy projects in China, India, Kenya and Nepal.

The Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

Internal controls

In recognition of its responsibilities for the Charity's system of internal control, the Board of Trustees has established control systems that aim, in part, to provide reasonable but not absolute assurances against material misstatement or loss. The controls in place include:

- Authorisation controls by responsible personnel to ensure that only transactions which are necessary and fall within the scope of the company's operations are undertaken, and that alterations or amendments to existing company records are properly authorised;
- Recording controls that ensure that only authorised transactions are taken into the accounting records. Elements of these controls comprise segregation of duties among personnel and checking reports against input source documents;
- Employment of suitably qualified and experienced staff to take responsibility for the key areas of the Charity's business;

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- Preparation of forecasts and budgets which allow the Trustees and Senior Management to monitor the key business risks and financial objectives and identify variances.

The Trustees have reviewed and continue to review the effectiveness of the system of internal control through delegated authority to appropriate personnel. The reviews carried out in the financial year ended 31 March 2021 have not revealed any weaknesses in internal control resulting in repeated losses, contingencies or uncertainties which the Trustees regard as material therefore requiring disclosure in the financial statements or the Auditor's report on the financial statements.

Risk statement

The Board of Trustees regularly reviews the major risks, in the form of a risk register, to which the charity is exposed. Risks are minimised as cost effectively as possible, or accepted and contingency plans made. In accordance with our risk policy a risk register which incorporates financial, programmatic and systematic risks to the organisation was reviewed at the 1st June 2020 and 30th November 2020 Board meetings. Further, individual risks are discussed at Board or Committee meetings where more time will be allocated for detailed review and discussion.

Our principal risks and how we address them

The following have been identified as our three principal risks:

1. Prolonged effects of the Covid 19 pandemic

- a. reduces our ability to deliver programmes and operate effectively as a team; and
- b. impacts the health of our staff or beneficiaries due to our work.

We continue to work with our local partners to find new and innovative way of safely ensuring we deliver the beneficial effects of clean energy to poor communities. In response we have developed four guiding principles to apply to our work:

- Follow national guidelines and authorization
- Apply a "needs led" approach to prioritizing work
- Carry out our work in the safest way possible
- Be flexible and apply adaptable approaches to work

Detailed guidelines exist in three areas (i) field operational guidelines (ii) Renewable World office operational guidelines and (iii) project staff relocation guidelines. These are applied over five working phases depending on the severity, with the first phase being where locally based partner staff commence essential work.

Further work includes scenario planning for programme delays and working closely with our project donors.

2. Loss of key donor or donor group, or reduced income streams, due to economic recession resulting from pandemic.

The effects of the Pandemic may delay grants, remove funding (e.g. FCDO) reduce propensity to give, or curtail certain income streams such as events.

We have adjusted our expenditure and project activity plan to ensure likely reduced or delayed income scenarios can be managed. We had already invested in experienced fundraising staff and our programme team are continually innovating our projects to broaden their donor appeal and impact to help more people. Each donor has an account management plan to ensure timely project reports & updates to enable continued support and keep donors informed during these challenging times.

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3. Foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations

The majority of our programme funding is received in fixed value sterling grants, whilst our programmatic costs are for our local partners and staff which are paid in local currency. We have found that exchange rate losses and gains can fluctuate widely in the regions we work, especially Nepal and Kenya, and due to sterling instability. This uncertainty or any losses could lead to programme shortfalls or a delay whilst new funding is sought. The Board has agreed an appropriate hedging and currency holding policy to reduce and manage exchange rate risk in line with programme activity. Foreign currency exposure is now a KPI monitored by a quarterly report.

Investment powers and policy

Due to the relatively low levels of funds, the Trustees have deemed it inappropriate to make long-term investments, and all funds are held in a portfolio of current and deposit bank accounts split between restricted and unrestricted funds.

Grant making policy

The Charity makes grants to implementing partners supporting our projects. The Charity has a comprehensive selection of recently strengthened processes that includes the following key steps:

- All new partners must submit a formal Expression of Interest based on the Terms of Reference usually under competitive tender.
- An two-stage due diligence process is undertaken for all new partners and every three years thereafter (a) firstly the partner completes a self-assessment questionnaire and (b) secondly a critical review is undertaken to supporting documents by a Renewable World Manager
- Capacity assessment of all partners is undertaken annually using a self-assessment questionnaire. This is supplemented by an assessment tool applied at site visits that builds on the above with supplementary questions seeking evidence.
- Both aspects feed into a partner capacity building action plan which is monitored by the Senior Management Team for that country programme.
- If approved by the Country lead, a Project Co-operation Agreement is developed defining project budgets and deliverables is signed between partners.
- Quarterly project financial review against budget must be approved by both the project and finance leads before approval of partner payment.

These steps ensure that accountability and transparency is maintained. Grant renewal is always subject to performance, review and planning.

Reserves policy

As of 31 March 2021, the Charity had total funds of £519,925 (2020 £418,040) on a cash basis.

Restricted programme cash funds held were £362,340 (2020: £291,031). The majority of these funds are for our Nepal programme which has expanded with 5 new programmes commencing over the year as well as the 2 existing Solar MUS III and SECURE programmes. There is no policy to hold restricted funds beyond the time that a project or programme is fully funded, and the conditions are suitable for project commencement.

Unrestricted cash reserves of £157,585 (2020: £127,009), equivalent to three months operating expenses were held. These were free reserves not including other restricted funds held or fixed assets. Recognising the difficult external funding and operating environment in which the Charity operates the Trustees deem it prudent to target a cash reserve that is, adjusted to their assessment of risk, particularly to future income streams. This flexible reserve target will be broadly equivalent to three to six months operating costs.

The trustees have not designated any funds for any purpose this year. There are also no other commitments that reduce the free reserves figure above.

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Going concern

As set out above as of 31 March 2021 the Charity had cash reserves of £157,585 (2020: £127,009), equivalent to three month's operating expenses. These were free reserves not including other restricted funds held or fixed assets.

Through the monthly review of management accounts, the Operations Committee meetings and the close cooperation between the Treasurer and the staff members responsible for finance, the trustees regularly review future anticipated income and expenditure and are satisfied that there is no going concern issue. The Board has taken additional consideration of the impact of Covid 19 disruption to fundraising and our programmes and operations. The Board believes that forecasting and planning adequately takes account of the most likely scenarios and that Renewable World will remain a Going Concern.


The Board of Trustees is of the opinion that Renewable World has adequate resources to continue its operations for the foreseeable future.

Disclosure of information to auditors

We, the trustees of the charity who held office at the date of the approval of these financial statements as set out on page 1, each confirm, so far as we are aware, that:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware; and
- we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken as trustees in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.

On behalf of the board



Neil Pinto
Chair
26th August 2021



Catherine Adams
Treasurer
26th August 2021

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities


The Trustees (who are also directors of Renewable World for the purpose of Company Law) 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). Company law and the Charities Act 2011 as applied by the articles of association of the charitable company requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011 as applied by the articles of association of the charitable company. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In preparing this report, the Trustees have taken advantage of the small companies' exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 26th August 2021 and signed on their behalf, by:



Neil Pinto
Chair



Catherine Adams
Treasurer

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Trustees of Renewable World

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Renewable World (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2021 which comprise the Statement of financial activities incorporating income and expenditure account, the Balance sheet, the Statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2021, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the trustees annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information

and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements

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themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the trustees' report been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the [strategic report and the]3 directors' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies' regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and

using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it

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exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The specific procedures for this engagement and the extent to which these are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- Discussions with management and assessment of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations (including health and safety) and fraud, and review of the reports made by management and internal audit; and
- Assessment of identified fraud risk factors; and
- Identifying and assessing the design effectiveness of controls that management has in place to prevent and detect fraud; and
- Challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in its significant accounting estimates; and
- Performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships, including related party transactions, that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud; and
- Confirmation of related parties with management, and review of transactions throughout the period to identify any previously undisclosed transactions with related parties outside the normal course of business; and
- Reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance, reviewing internal audit reports and reviewing correspondence with relevant tax and regulatory authorities; and
- Review of significant and unusual transactions and evaluation of the underlying financial rationale supporting the transactions; and
- Identifying and testing journal entries, in particular any manual entries made at the year end for financial statement preparation.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

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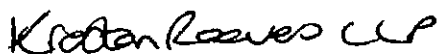
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- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the charitable company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the trustees.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the charitable company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Robert Sellers FCCA (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of
Kreston Reeves LLP

Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants

Canterbury

Date 27 August 2021

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Statement of Accounting Policies

Legal status of the entity

Renewable World is a company limited by guarantee. The registration number is 06005778 and the date of registration was 15th December 2006. Renewable World is also a registered charity with the Charities Commission of England and Wales. The charity registration number is 1119467 and the date of registration was 4th June 2007. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charity.

Basis of preparation

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and include the results of the Charity's operations which are described in the Directors' and Trustees' Report, all of which are continuing.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2015 applicable Accounting and Reporting by Charities the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011.

Renewable World meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Computer equipment	3 years - straight line basis
Furniture and fixtures	3 years - straight line basis

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Statement of accounting policies (continued)

Incoming resources

Voluntary income and donations are accounted for when the charity has entitlement to the funds, when certainty of the receipt is probable and amount can be measured with sufficient reliability. The income from fund raising ventures is shown gross, with the associated costs included in fundraising costs.

Where income is in return for a good or service, such as with our Christmas Cards, it is treated as non-primary purpose trading. The income in FY 2020/21 is within the small-scale exemption from corporation tax as detailed by HMRC.

Where the Charity receives grants to further its charitable objectives these grants are recognised when the Charity has entitlement to the resource or its receipt is probable with the timing of the expenditure being within the discretion of the Charity. Such resources are only deferred where the donor imposes specific conditions that specify the time period in which the expenditure of the resources can take place.

No permanent endowments have been received in the period, but these are dealt with through the statement of financial activities when received.

The value of voluntary work is not included in the figures within the financial statements.

Restricted funds

Donations, bequests or incoming resources for which the donor has earmarked for a specific purpose are treated as restricted funds. These funds may be income only (where the capital must be retained) or income and capital (where the donation and the income therefrom may be utilised).

Unrestricted funds

Funds which are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the Charity are classified as unrestricted funds. These funds are used to keep the charity operating after accounting for our costs of running the projects.

Designated funds

These are funds, previously classed as unrestricted, chosen by the Trustees to support a particular project permanently or until sufficient restricted project funds are raised.

Foreign exchange gains and losses

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into pounds sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the net movement in resources for the year.

Resources expended

Cost of generating funds

These are the costs which are associated with generating incoming resources from all sources other than from undertaking charitable activities. This includes costs of generating voluntary income and costs relating to fundraising trading.

Charitable activities

Grant expenditure is recognised as funds which are transferred to partners. These transfers are tightly controlled through the charities grant-making policy.

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Statement of accounting policies (continued)

Associated support and partner development costs are allocated on a total cost basis and exclude fundraising and governance costs.

Governance costs

These are the costs associated with the governance arrangements of the Charity as opposed to those costs associated with fundraising or charitable activities. Governance costs include audit costs and costs associated with constitutional or statutory requirements, for example the costs associated with Trustee meetings, preparing the statutory accounts and associated staff time.

Pension costs

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for its staff. The costs charged in the financial statements represent the amounts payable to the scheme for the accounting period.

Cost allocation

Where possible, costs have been allocated directly to the activity to which they relate. However, there are also shared support costs that enable the Charity's charitable, income generating and administrative activities to be undertaken. These costs have been allocated to the Charity's activities using staff time as the primary cost driver.

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Statement of financial activities

(incorporating an Income and Expenditure account)

for the year ended 31 March 2021

	Notes	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from Generated Funds					
<i>Voluntary income:</i>					
Donations and gifts	1	1,358,404	350,155	1,708,559	942,524
Challenge events	2	11,538	30,542	42,080	62,016
<i>Activities for generating funds:</i>					
Trading income	3	-	13,639	13,639	10,938
Investment income	4	-	1,992	1,992	370
Other incoming resources					
Other income	5	-	13,415	13,415	-
Total incoming resources		<u>1,369,942</u>	<u>409,743</u>	<u>1,779,685</u>	<u>1,015,848</u>
Resources expended					
<i>Costs of raising funds:</i>					
Costs of generating volume income	6	709	134,014	134,723	166,415
<i>Charitable activities:</i>					
Grants to partners	7	100,911	(744)	100,167	111,920
Direct programme activity	8	1,017,710	218,133	1,235,843	607,235
Total resources expended		<u>1,119,330</u>	<u>351,403</u>	<u>1,470,733</u>	<u>885,570</u>
Net incoming resources before transfers		250,612	58,340	308,952	130,278
Transfers between funds	20	19,500	(19,500)	-	-
Net incoming resources after transfers		<u>270,112</u>	<u>38,840</u>	<u>308,952</u>	<u>130,278</u>
Other recognised losses					
Exchange gain / (loss)	10	(466)	(4,420)	(4,886)	(5,819)
Net incoming resources					
Opening fund balances		343,036	122,442	465,478	341,019
Closing fund balances	20 & 21	<u>612,682</u>	<u>156,862</u>	<u>769,544</u>	<u>465,478</u>

There were no recognised gains or losses in 2020 or 2021 other than those in the statement of financial activities. All amounts relate to continuing operations. On behalf of the board

Neil Pinto
Chair
26th August 2021

Catherine Adams
Treasurer
26th August 2021

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Balance sheet

as at 31 March 2021

Company Number: 06005778

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	13	12,156	3,773
Current assets			
Debtors	14	543,369	210,646
Cash at bank and in hand	15	519,925	418,040
Current assets		1,063,294	628,686
Creditors: falling due within one year	16	(305,906)	(166,981)
Net current assets		757,388	461,705
Net assets		769,544	465,478
Funds of the Charity			
Restricted funds	19&20	612,682	343,036
Designated funds	19&20	-	-
Unrestricted funds: General funds	19&20	156,862	122,442
Total funds	19&20	769,544	465,478

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to members of the company. The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts. These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The notes on pages 25 to 36 form an integral part of the financial statements.

These financial statements were approved by the board on 26th August 2021 and signed on its behalf, by:

Neil Pinto
Chair

Catherine Adams
Treasurer

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Statement of cashflows

Statement of cashflows
for the year ended 31 March 2021

	<i>Notes</i>	2021 £	2020 £
Cash used in operating activities	22	115,677	74,580
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest income		1,992	370
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(15,784)	(4,897)
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(13,792)	(4,527)
Cash flows from financing activities		-	-
Repayment of borrowing		-	-
Cash used in financing activities		-	-
(Decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents in the year		101,885	70,053
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		418,040	347,987
Total cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		519,925	418,040

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Notes to the Accounts

1 Donations and gifts £10,000 and above

	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total 2021	Total 2020 -
Acre Properties	7,500		7,500	10,000
Allan & Nesta Ferguson Charitable Trust			-	10,000
Anonymous Donor # 1	10,000		10,000	10,000
Anonymous Donor # 2	23,146		23,146	25,000
Anonymous Donor # 3	10,000		10,000	16,854
Anonymous Trust			-	10,000
Beazley group	10,428	38,636	49,064	38,290
Coles-Medlock Foundation	5,000		5,000	10,000
Educational & General Charitable Trust		10,000	10,000	-
EKO Energy	19,275		19,275	-
Guernsey Overseas Aid (GOA)	15,866		15,866	26,000
HFW LLP	35,116	12,403	47,519	25,805
Jersey Overseas Aid (JOA)	170,866		170,866	37,798
Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe & Africa			-	40,000
Next Energy Foundation			-	28,000
Northern Powergrid			-	12,000
Octopus Energy	878,888	108,042	986,930	302,400
RES Ltd			-	10,140
Rotork PLC	40,000		40,000	30,000
The David & Ruth Lewis Trust	30,000		30,000	-
The Happold Foundation		30,000	30,000	30,000
The innocent Foundation	39,101		39,101	36,477
The Rogovy Foundation			-	11,604
Unica Foundation	43,387		43,387	21,602
	1,338,573	199,081	1,537,654	741,970
Donations and gifts below £10,000	19,831	151,074	170,905	200,554
Total	1,358,404	350,155	1,708,559	942,524

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2 Challenge events

	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	2021 £	2020 £
Fundraising events	11,538	30,542	42,080	62,016

Our annual Earth Wind & Tyre cycle event did not take place in 2020, but the 2021 event is planned for 5th June and £15,461 was raised so far during this financial year.

3 Trading income

	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	2021 £	2020 £
Affinity income	-	496	496	231
Sale of merchandise	-	13,143	13,143	10,707
	<u>-</u>	<u>13,639</u>	<u>13,639</u>	<u>10,938</u>

4 Investment income

	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	2021 £	2020 £
Interest from cash deposits	-	1,992	1,992	370
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,992</u>	<u>1,992</u>	<u>370</u>

5 Other income

	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	2021 £	2020 £
Furlough income	-	13,415	13,415	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>13,415</u>	<u>13,415</u>	<u>-</u>

6 Cost of generating funds

	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	2021 £	2020 £
Cost of fundraising	709	15,627	16,336	32,914
Staff costs	-	109,949	109,949	117,451
Other staff costs	-	-	-	1,666
Property costs and rent	-	4,991	4,991	9,553
Publications and literature	-	1,152	1,152	1,631
Travel	-	-	-	2,340
Depreciation	-	2,295	2,295	860
	<u>709</u>	<u>134,014</u>	<u>134,723</u>	<u>166,415</u>

Our fundraising costs relative to fundraising and trading income are 7% (2020: 16%) and relative to total expenditure are 9% (2020: 19%).

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7 Charitable Activities - Grants paid to Partners

	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	2021 £	2020 £
<i>Charitable activities</i>				
<i>International Programme – Kenya, Africa</i>				
Renewable World East Africa	-	-	-	57,532
Osiendela	7,086	(744)	6,342	-
 <i>International Programme – Nepal, Asia</i>				
DDS, Salyan	3,613	-	3,613	-
IDE	-	-	-	2,862
LI BIRD	17,721	-	17,721	-
Sundar Nepal Sanstha	69,324	-	69,324	51,526
Working for Access & Creation	3,167	-	3,167	-
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	100,911	(744)	100,167	111,920
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Due to programme disruption resulting from the Covid pandemic and delayed regulatory approval of new projects in Nepal, distributions to partners were lower than planned.

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8 Charitable Activities - Direct Programme Activity

	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	2021 £	2020 £
Salary	179,322	113,659	292,981	202,569
Other staff cost	-	-	-	2,873
Contractor costs	53,412	-	53,412	16,456
Carbon Offset Services	745,997	-	745,997	255,360
Consulting	-	571	571	5,695
Travel	16,070	4,976	21,046	32,485
Property costs and rent	18,774	8,618	27,392	16,334
Finance and administration	493	548	1,041	1,205
Other costs	2,560	2,138	4,698	4,783
Depreciation	-	3,901	3,901	1,471
Governance and support costs	1,082	83,722	84,804	68,004
	<u>1,017,710</u>	<u>218,133</u>	<u>1,235,843</u>	<u>607,235</u>
Total charitable expenditure	1,117,539	133,667	1,251,206	651,151

9 Analysis of Governance and support costs

	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	2021 £	2020 £
Renewable World Staff Costs	-	65,275	65,275	55,483
Other staff costs	-	-	-	787
Trustees expenses	-	-	-	142
Audit, I.E. and related services	1,082	14,429	15,511	3,944
Property costs	-	2,602	2,602	4,930
Depreciation	-	1,205	1,205	444
Travel	-	-	-	1,968
Other Costs	-	211	211	306
	<u>1,082</u>	<u>83,722</u>	<u>84,804</u>	<u>68,004</u>

Included within "Audit, Independent Examination and related services" are £4,700 (2020: £2,700) for the 2020/21 audit and £1,800 for the 2019/20 audit a further £1,200 (2020: £1,244) for our South Asia branch independent examination.

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10 Exchange gains and losses

	2021 £	2020 £
Exchange (loss) on projects recognised as a future liability on project funds (restricted)	(466)	(6,433)
Other exchange (losses)/gains (unrestricted)	(4,420)	614
	<u>(4,886)</u>	<u>(5,819)</u>

11 Staff costs

	2021 £	2020 £
<i>The total staff costs were as follows:</i>		
Wages and salaries	387,969	336,790
Social security costs	20,527	17,448
Pensions costs	26,003	21,265
	<u>434,499</u>	<u>375,503</u>

	2021	2020
The average monthly number of employees during the year (headcount)	<u>21</u>	<u>16</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000 (2020: nil). The aggregate salary of key management personnel was £79,052 (2020: £89,328). The employee benefits of key management personnel for the group were £4,743 (2020: £5,360) consisting entirely of employer pension contributions. No remuneration was paid to Trustees or Directors in the year.

The Trustees are very grateful to the 8 volunteers that have supported the organisation through the year including those who have given their time to support the organisation.

Staff Numbers

The average monthly head count was 21 staff (2020: 16) and the average monthly number of full-time equivalent employees (including casual and part-time staff) during the year were as follows:

	2021	2020
Fundraising	3	3
Programmes	14	10
Governance	1	1
	<u>18</u>	<u>14</u>

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12 Trustee expenses

The Charity's trustees were not paid during the year and no Charity trustees received any emolument or payment for professional or other services (2020: £Nil). The Charity's trustees were reimbursed for the following expenses incurred in providing their services.

	2021 £	Number of Trustees	2020 £	Number of Trustees
Travel, accommodation & subsistence expenses	-	-	142	1

13 Tangible fixed assets

	Office Equipment £
Cost	
At 1 April 2020	20,252
Additions	15,784
	36,036
Depreciation	
At 1 April 2020	16,479
Depreciation charge	7,401
	23,380
Net book values	
At 1 April 2020	3,773
At 31 March 2021	12,156

14 Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Accounts receivable	498,571	136,305
Other debtors	-	34
Prepayments and Accrued Income	44,798	74,307
	543,369	210,646

£486,200 (2020: £108,000) of accounts receivable are for carbon offset credits for the period to March 2021. Of the above accounts receivable balance of £498,571; [£493,285] has been received so far since 31 March 2021.

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15 Cash in bank and in hand

	2021 £	2020 £
Restricted cash and bank balances	362,340	291,031
Designated cash and bank balances	-	-
Unrestricted cash and bank balances	157,585	127,009
	<u>519,925</u>	<u>418,040</u>

At the year-end unrestricted cash reserves equivalent to three months' operating expenses were held. These were free reserves not including other restricted funds held or fixed assets.

16 Creditors: amounts due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Social security and other employment taxes	11,847	11,083
Trade creditors	267,731	44,303
Accruals	26,328	109,305
Other creditors	-	2,290
	<u>305,906</u>	<u>166,981</u>

17 Pension contributions

Contributions to the scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities as they become due. The total contributions in the year were as follows:

	2021 £	2020 £
Pension contributions (defined contribution scheme)	32,433	24,924

£3,573 pension contributions remained unpaid at 31 March 2021 (2020: £3,449). None of this is still outstanding at the date of approval of the financial statements.

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18 Holiday pay accrual

The total accrual for holidays not taken was as follows:

	2021 £	2020 £
Holiday pay accrual	16,223	8,357

19 Movement in funds

	Restricted £	Designated £	Unrestricted £	2021 £	2020 £
Funds brought forward	343,036	-	122,442	465,478	341,019
Transfers	19,500	-	(19,500)	-	-
Net movement in funds	250,146	-	53,920	304,066	124,459
Funds carried forward	612,682	-	156,862	769,544	465,478

20 Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

	Balance at 1 April 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Funds 31 March 2021 £
General fund	122,442	396,328	(342,408)	(19,500)	156,862

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Name of unrestricted Description, nature and purposes of the fund

General fund The 'free reserves' after allowing for all designated funds.

Designated Fund No funds were designated by the Trustees this year or last.

Analysis of movements in restricted fund

	Balance at 1 April 2020 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2021 £
Solar MUS 3	98,775	3,324	(85,264)	9,500	26,335
SECURE	45,650	-	(41,247)	-	4,403
Energy4Health	65,604	52,889	(51,089)	-	67,404
ENRICH	36,477	39,101	(30,369)	-	45,209
REALIZE	-	170,686	(61,307)	-	109,379
TREATS	39,518	86,292	(9,578)	(30,000)	86,232
UREKA	177	84,690	(21,691)	30,000	93,176
Energy Hubs Plus	37,191	-	(25,113)	13,894	25,972
Energy Hubs: Tanzania	3,894	-	-	(3,894)	-
East Africa Regional Manager	8,141	40,000	(48,141)	-	-
Carbon Offset	7,609	892,960	(745,997)	-	154,572
Total Restricted	343,036	1,369,942	(1,119,796)	19,500	612,682
Designated fund	-	-	-	-	-
Total Restricted & Designated	343,036	1,369,942	(1,119,796)	19,500	612,682

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Name of restricted fund	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
Solar MUS 3	Installation of four community owned solar power water pumps and agricultural and WASH training across eight communities in Nepal.
SECURE	A project improving energy access at five nearby locations consisting of a solar microgrid providing electricity to homes and business, a solar powered health post and flood warning system in Surkhet distret, Nepal
Energy4Health	Ten poor, off-grid communities in Surkhet District, Nepal will receive solar powered energy systems at local health centres enabling them to refrigerate vaccines and medicines and use energy-reliant equipment. Further, community members will be trained to construct and install Improved Cookstoves in households, supported by a health awareness raising campaign to ensure uptake of new services.
ENRICH	The ENRICH project objective is to increase nutritional intake and generate increased income through the development of a new, self-sustaining market in Bag Digesters, biogas and organic fertiliser in 12 communities in Surkhet and Banke districts, Nepal.
REALIZE	This project enables people living in northern Bardia and Banke National Park buffer zones, Nepal, to generate a sustainable, renewable-energy enhanced income, conserve the fragile forest landscape in which they live, and gain a louder voice in buffer zone decision-making.
TREATS	This project aims to improve access to secondary level education for students across nine schools, with a focus on girls and children with disabilities, in Gulmi District, Nepal, by improving water access, toilet and sanitation facilities, and hygiene resources and knowledge.
UREKA	The UREKA project aims to improve food security and income generation in five of the poorest and hardest to reach communities in Achham, Nepal. This will be achieved by the provision of solar water pumping, training introducing climate-smart agricultural techniques to produce high value and nutritious crops and supporting agricultural value chains. Training in safe water use and good hygiene practices will be given to all households.
Energy Hubs Plus	Optimisation through additional connections and enterprise development training and support to reach more people at our existing Kenyan energy hub sites along the shore of Lake Victoria.

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Energy Hubs: Tanzania The installation of a minimum of three community owned and managed energy hubs on the Tanzanian shores of Lake Victoria.

East Africa Regional Manager A fund to support the staff costs and travel of the Programme Development and Partnership Manager -Sub Saharan Africa.

Carbon Offset Funds where donations equivalent to carbon emissions of corporate supporters are offset to accredited clean energy projects. The first stage of which has seen us work in partnership with ClimateCare to support solar and clean cooking projects in China, India, Kenya, Nepal, Tanzania and Uganda

21 Analysis of movement of net assets between funds

	Restricted	Designated	Unrestricted	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	12,156	12,156	3,773
Current assets	876,570	-	186,724	1,063,294	628,686
Creditors due within one year	(263,888)	-	(42,018)	(305,906)	(166,981)
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	612,682	-	156,862	769,544	465,478
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22 Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Net movement in funds	304,066	124,459
Add back depreciation charge	7,401	2,775
Deduct interest income shown in investing activities	(1,992)	(370)
Decrease (increase) in debtors	(332,723)	(178,400)
Increase (decrease) in creditors	138,925	126,116
Net cash used in operating activities	115,677	74,580

23 Commitments and contingencies

(a) Capital commitments

The Charity had no capital commitments at the balance sheet date (2020: £Nil). The Charity has no partner funding commitments (2020: £Nil).

On 16th December 2020 Renewable World entered a forward contract with Global Reach Partners to buy Kenyan Schillings to the value of £25,212 to fund our programme, expiring on 30th June 2021, the balance on the contract at year end was £19,765.

(b) Contingencies

From time to time, the charity can be involved in other claims and legal actions which arise in the normal course of business. Based on information currently available to the charity and legal advice, there were no open claims or legal activities at the balance sheet date.

24 Taxation and charitable status

The charity is exempt from corporation tax as all of its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

25 Approval of financial statements

The financial statements were approved by the directors on 26th August 2021.