



AMANTANI UK  
ANNUAL ACCOUNTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup> 2023

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Charity Reg. 1131489

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**Independent Examiner:**

Nick Johnson (FCAA): Simpsons FM, Pentlow, Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 7JT.

This report covers Amantani's activities in the UK and Peru from 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023. Amantani was formally established in May 2008 and in April 2009 became a registered charity (Registered Charity Number 1131489).

**Risk Assessment**

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that appropriate systems have been implemented to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

## Vision

A fair, inclusive Peru with equal opportunities for all.

## Mission

Promote inclusion and equality for rural Peruvians through opportunities in education, employment, and fair trade.

## STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

**GENDER EQUALITY:** We firmly believe in gender equality and actively work towards encouraging fair opportunities for everybody, regardless of their gender.

**YOUTH PARTICIPATION:** We ensure young people are heard, become agents of change and are actively involved in the decision-making process at Amantani.

**INTERCULTURALITY:** We respect and promote diversity and the cultural heritage of the communities we work with.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE:** Our work stems from recognising the talents and skills of the people we work with.

**AYNI (RECIPROCITY):** We integrate this Quechua principle to promote horizontal relationships of reciprocity across all our work.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** We encourage participants and team members to act responsibly exercising mutual respect, honesty and commitment.

**INDIVIDUALISED SUPPORT:** We create highly personalised strategies for each participant in our programmes.

**STRENGTH PERSPECTIVE:** We focus on the individual talents of each young person.

# TRANSITIONS PROJECT IN CUSCO AND AMAZON YOUTH PROJECT IN LORETO

Our **TRANSITIONS PROJECT IN CUSCO** includes three phases:

Phase 1 : Pathways Programme	
Participants	<b>27</b> young people aged 15–18, during the last year of secondary school
Focus & Result	<b>Capacity Building</b> : At least 90% of participants pass entrance exams for tertiary education
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Personal Development and Psycho-Social support:</b> Develop personal capabilities and inter-personal skills, Identify and manage emotions, face fear and challenges.</li><li>• <b>Vocational Orientation:</b> Articulate aspirations, create Life Plans, explore career choices.</li><li>• <b>Comprehensive Sexuality Education:</b> Explore sexual health, rights and responsibilities, family planning, relationships, and gender issues.</li><li>• <b>Academic Reinforcement:</b> Improve literacy, numeracy, and ICT skills.</li><li>• <b>Cultural Identity Workshops:</b> Conversations about and demonstrations of customs and traditions, discussions about indigenous peoples.</li><li>• <b>Parental Involvement:</b> Parent meetings, workshops, activities, and the parents' council encourage parents and guardians to actively participate in the programme.</li></ul>

## Phase 2 : Scholarships Programme

Participants

**100** young people aged 18–25, studying at technical colleges or universities

Focus & Result

**Access to Opportunity** : At least 90% of participants complete each academic year

Activities

- **Financial Scholarships:** Cover academic fees, transport, connectivity, study materials (including a laptop), and a daily meal.
- **Academic Support:** Identification of problematic areas and who can help, liaison with further education institutions.
- **Psychosocial Support:** Help participants deal with life as a student far from home.
- **Youth Hub:** A safe place to study, use computers and socialise with other students.
- **Student Council:** Elected representatives take an active role in supporting peers and making decisions with the Amantani team.
- **Parent Involvement:** Parents and guardians contribute to living costs and get involved in their children's education through attendance at meetings and participation in activities/workshops.

### Phase 3 : Employability Programme

Participants	<b>127</b> young people aged 16–25, participating in the Transitions Project
Focus & Result	<b>Fair Employment</b> : All project graduates have the personal and technical capabilities to obtain fair employment and 75% enter the workforce within a year of graduating.
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Careers guidance and vocational orientation.</li><li>• Workshops supporting CV writing, interview and job search skills.</li><li>• Support to find work experience and jobs on graduation.</li><li>• Relationship building with local employers and employment agencies.</li></ul>

Our **AMAZON YOUTH PROJECT**, inspired by our Transitions model in Cusco but diverse in its participants, geography and culture, includes two phases:

Phase 1 : Pathways Programme	
Participants	<b>250</b> young people aged 15–18, during the last year of secondary school
Focus & Result	<b>Capacity Building</b> : 70% of participants have strengthened identities and the capabilities and information needed to plan for the next stage of their lives.
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Personal Development:</b> Develop personal capabilities and inter-personal skills, identify and manage emotions, face fears and challenges.</li><li>• <b>Vocational Orientation:</b> Articulate aspirations, create a Life Plan and pathways to get there, understand realities of life/study in the city, start identifying necessary resources.</li><li>• <b>Comprehensive Sexuality Education:</b> Explore sexual health, rights, and responsibilities, family planning, relationships, and gender issues.</li><li>• <b>Cultural Identity Workshops:</b> Conversations about and demonstrations of customs and traditions, discussions about indigenous peoples.</li><li>• <b>Environmental Awareness:</b> Raise awareness of our roles in protecting the environment.</li><li>• <b>Access to Government Scholarships*:</b> Registration process support, preparation and support whilst in Iquitos to take the exam.</li><li>• <b>Teacher Workshops:</b> Capacity building for local teachers and tutors, focused on comprehensive sexuality education and child and youth protection.</li></ul>

## 2023 marked Amantani's 15<sup>th</sup> year of operation!

On 21<sup>st</sup> May 2023, we celebrated in both Ccorca, Cusco and Iquitos, Loreto. Our programme participants performed traditional dances; parents and families came along to join in the celebrations.

*"Without doubt, the path we have been forging over the past 15 years is thanks to the effort, commitment and drive of our team and the support of the larger Amantani family of donors and friends. We have advanced so much in improving the quality of life of many families in indigenous communities, impacting individual, family and community development. Congratulations to everyone and let's keep on building equality and equity for many more years to come!"* - Executive Director, Rodrigo Bustos

During our 2023 Cusco Pathways Programme:

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young people applied for the sixth edition of the Pathways Programme. 28 young people were selected.

We offered the interviews in Quechua for the first time, to ensure the young people felt able to fully express themselves.

### PHASE 1

17

day residential course at our campus in Ccorca, Cusco.

27

workshops focusing on cultural identity, vocational orientation, and comprehensive sexuality education.

Carmen Rosa and Héctor Raúl from the Scholarships Programme ran workshops about Amantani's values and taking care of Pachamama.



Overall, on our Scholarships Programme:

- \* **90** young people were supported in our Pathways, Scholarships and Employability programmes
- \* **25** students graduated
- \* **3** students who are also mothers completed their courses this year

#### **STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**

*This year, **Yulisa** was in her last year of her **Industrial Food Processing course**. She and her son fell ill, meaning that she found it difficult to work on her graduation project and attend work experience.*

*Our strategy to help her involved working with her tutor at her institute, conversations with Yulisa, and her parents. The student and parent councils were also involved. Yulisa's teacher spoke with her to motivate her, encourage her against leaving the programme, and offer practical support.*

*By the end of the year, Yulisa finished her studies, handed in her project, and graduated! She is now in the process of getting her professional certificate.*

During 2023, the Employability Programme provided vocational orientation for the new Pathways Programme cohort and helped this year's 25 graduates to prepare for employment. In addition to individual tutoring, **Six employability workshops** covered CV writing, using Excel and job search platforms, personal finances, personal image and interview skills, and female entrepreneurship. Four of the workshops were delivered by local organisations as part of our Corporate Volunteering Programme. A tertiary education institution, a local bank, and a female-run café all shared important information with the participants to help them prepare for the workplace.

Our **AMAZON YOUTH PROJECT** also deepened its impact in supporting students from remote Amazonian communities.

During the Pathways Programme in the River Napo community of Santa Clotilde in April and October 2023:

- 142** young people in the fourth year of secondary school participated in **10 personal development workshops**.
- 109** young people in the fifth year of secondary school participated in **13 personal development workshops**.
- 9** workshops for potential Scholarships Programme students, provided additional support to **25 to 44 participants**.
- 26** local teachers participated in **6 comprehensive sexuality education (CSE)** and child and youth protection workshops.
- 19** students supported to apply for **government scholarships**, **24 young people** applied for **Amantani scholarships**.

While, on the Scholarships Programme:

- \* **14** young people were supported to access tertiary education
- \* **10** workshops were run by our tutors on personal development, comprehensive sexuality education and academic techniques, among other themes
- \* **4** young people completed their second year of tertiary education

### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

*Paolo is from a rural, Amazonian community, four hours from Santa Clotilde. He was in his last year of school when Amantani ran the first Pathways Programme. “The Pathways Programme helped me to look to the future and decide what to study. They taught us to see our weaknesses, qualities and skills,” Paolo shares.*

*When he discovered that he had been selected for the Scholarships Programme, Paolo was very excited and went to visit his parents. “I told them I got the scholarship and they were really proud of me.”*

*During 2023, Paolo finished his second year of a technical nursing qualification. He lives at the Youth Hub in Iquitos, where he became a leader and a mentor over the course of the year. Once he has finished his course, Paolo would like to bring his siblings to Iquitos, so they can keep studying. “In the future, I’d like to travel abroad and follow my dreams.”*

## ETHICAL TRADE PROGRAMME

42 artisans participated in the project in 2023. Two women left the project during the year, one due to health issues and the other because she started her own small business. The other 39 women and one man continue working toward financial independence through the sale of their beautiful designs. Our **monthly meetings** continued to be a space for the artisans and team to converse about daily life and personal development, share designs, receive products and make payments, and share meals. For the first time, we added a personal development programme to deepen the impact of the project in the lives of the participants. We ran **three workshops** covering themes proposed by the artisans. Information was provided in Quechua and the team conducted follow up after each session. In 2023, **15,900 products** were made and **13,855 products** were sold.

- **Workshop #1 - Personal Health:** Delivered in conjunction with staff from the Ccorca medical centre, the session focused on personal hygiene and screening for illnesses such as breast cancer. One of the Scholarships Programme students who is studying nursing, supported the team and offered Quechua translation. (March)
- **Workshop #2 - Communication:** Tools and skills to improve communication within the nuclear family and between the artisans and the team. (August)
- **Workshop #3 - Personal Finances:** How to create monthly budgets and manage personal finances in order to create savings through the year. (November)

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Report to the trustees of Amantani UK (Charity Reg No 1131489) on accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act,
- and • to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: Nick Johnson

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): FCCA

Address: Simpsons FM, Pentlow, Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 7JT



Signed: Date: 28/03/2024

Statement of Financial Activities					
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	Note	2023 £	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
<b>Voluntary income:</b>					
Individual Giving		7,196	378	7,574	10,073
Regular Giving		22,360	-	22,360	22,295
Grants		46,074	178,644	224,718	254,216
Corporate Partnerships		-	2,640	2,640	-
<b>Activities:</b>					
Events		-	-	-	-
Schools		-	-	-	53
Trade		31,356	-	31,356	37,012
<b>Sundry income</b>					
		-	-	-	-
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>106,986</b>	<b>181,662</b>	<b>288,648</b>	<b>323,649</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
<b>Charitable activities:</b>					
Amazon Youth Project		12,165	27,833	39,998	-
Campus - Infrastructure		3,324		3,324	985
Transitions		20,930	174,617	195,547	237,857
Ethical Trade		37,945	-	37,945	10,147
Meet My World		2,852	-	2,852	5,868
Communication		11,054	-	11,054	5,590
<b>Costs of generating funds:</b>					
Voluntary Income		46,021	-	46,021	40,167
<b>Governance:</b>					
Insurance & Bank Charges		895	-	895	6
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>135,186</b>	<b>202,450</b>	<b>337,636</b>	<b>300,620</b>
<b>Net income/ (expenditure)</b>		<b>(28,199)</b>	<b>(20,789)</b>	<b>(48,988)</b>	<b>23,029</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		<b>186,033</b>	<b>25,788</b>	<b>209,408</b>	<b>186,379</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>157,834</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>160,421</b>	<b>209,408</b>

**Balance Sheet**  
**Amantani UK**  
**As at 31 December 2023**

	31/12/2023	31/12/2022
	£	£
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Prepayments	-	-
Accrued income	6,036	3,002
Cash at bank and in hand	154,385	206,406
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>160,421</b>	<b>209,408</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>160,421</b>	<b>209,408</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accrued expenses	-	-
Deferred Income	-	-
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>160,421</b>	<b>209,408</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Current Year Earnings	(48,988)	23,029
Retained Earnings	209,408	186,379
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>160,421</b>	<b>209,408</b>

## **Accounting policies**

### **1.1 Preparation basis**

The accounts have been prepared under accruals basis in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard FRS102 effective 1 January 2015, the Statement of Recommended Practices (SORP) and Charities Act 2011.

### **1.2 Incoming resources**

Voluntary income is recognised as an incoming resource when notification of the income in writing is received. The income from the fundraising activities is shown as revenue, with the incurred costs included in the fundraising cost.

### **1.3 Resources expended**

Governance costs are those incurred through the administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements. Where possible, costs are allocated directly to the activities to which they relate. Other costs are then allocated between charitable activities and fundraising costs based on the apportionment of direct costs.

Support costs include human resource and general administration expenses, monitoring and evaluation and travel expenses.

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Fundraising expenditure consists of expenses generated through the encouragement of people to contribute financially to the charity's work. Fundraising expenditure incurred by Amantani Peru, but paid for by Amantani UK, is recharged to Amantani Peru by deducting funds from transfers made.

<b>Restricted funds</b>				
<b>Restricted funds consolidated</b>	<b>Balance at 31 Dec 2022 £</b>	<b>Incoming Resources £</b>	<b>Outgoing Resources £</b>	<b>Balance at 31 Dec 2023 £</b>
Amazon Youth Project	7,523	25,310	27,833	5,000
Transitions	18,265	156,352	174,617	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,788</b>	<b>181,662</b>	<b>202,450</b>	<b>5,000</b>

## **STAFF**

The average monthly number of full time employees during the year was: 1.2.

Time records show the allocation of their time as follows:

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Fundraising & Admin	1.2	1.4
Programmes	-	0.2
<b>Gross Salaries &amp; Wages (inc NI)</b>	<b>41,389</b>	<b>45,273</b>



# PROJECT SUPPORT COSTS

	TOTAL COSTS £	FUNDRAISING £	CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES £	BASIS OF APPORTIONMENT
Staff	41,389	41,176	213	Staff time
Office & Peru travel	6,748	5,741	1,007	Staff time and nature of expenditure
TOTAL	48,137	46,917	1,220	
	DIRECT ACTIVITIES £	SUPPORT COSTS £	TOTAL £	
Amazon Youth Project	39,830	168	39,998	Based on expenditure in Peru
Campus - Infrastructure	3,310	14	3,324	Based on expenditure in Peru
Communication	11,008	46	11,054	Based on expenditure in Peru
Transitions	194,727	821	195,547	Based on expenditure in Peru
Ethical Trade	37,785	159	37,945	Based on expenditure in Peru
MMW	2,840	12	2,852	Based on expenditure in Peru
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TOTAL	289,500	1,220	290,720	

**Reserves policy**

Funds generated during a financial period which are not needed for project costs in are held in non exotic currency in both Amantani UK and Amantani Peru. The trustees have agreed to continue with a policy that Amantani should hold reserves to cover three months running costs of Amantani as a whole, including the UK and Peru, and so reserves have remained the same at £115,000. Of this total, £85,000 is held in Amantani UK, and £30,000 is held in Amantani Peru.

**Related parties**

During the year, there were no related party transactions

**Trustees**

The trustees have not received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year.

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