

Hippo Pools Trust

England & Wales · Charity number 1141004

Details

Other names AMBUYA FOUNDATION, HIPPO POOLS TRUST

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2011-03-17

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: (A) FOR THE BENEFIT OF PERSONS LIVING IN RURAL AREAS OF SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA (THE AREA OF BENEFIT) BY:(I) THE RELIEF OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AMONG PEOPLE LIVING OR WORKING IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY PROVIDING SUCH PERSONS WITH GOODS/SERVICES WHICH THEY COULD NOT OTHERWISE AFFORD THROUGH LACK OF MEANS, PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL PROJECTS IN THE AREA AND PROMOTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF SKILLS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY,(II) THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY IMPROVING THE CAPACITY OF EXISTING SCHOOLS AND PROMOTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW SCHOOLS AND EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES.(III) THE RELIEF OF SICKNESS AND THE PRESERVATION OF HEALTH IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY SPONSORING SPECIFIC PROJECTS TO IMPROVE PUBLIC HEALTH, PROVIDING RELIEF TO AIDS ORPHANS AND DISABLED CHILDREN.(IV) THE PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION OF WILDLIFE HABITANTS IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT AND TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES IN THE CONSERVATION, PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT.(B) SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT AS ARE EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF ENGLAND AND WALES AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DETERMINE.

Activities: 'People & Wildlife in Harmony' We work in partnership with subsistence farmers in the Umfurudzi area of Zimbabwe, creating wildlife reserves on leased communal land. At the same time we lift their standards of living through education, health, infrastructure and employment.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Accommodation/housing, Animals, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Zimbabwe

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£35,238	£192,537	-	-
2023-12-31	£255,184	£174,346	-	-
2022-12-31	£252,987	£175,084	-	-
2021-12-31	£165,938	£262,600	-	-
2020-12-31	£199,614	£331,102	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
THE HON SALLY JANE PLUMMER	Chair	
David Vladimir Rockingham-Gill		2017-09-22
HEATHER SUZANNE KINGSLEY-HEATH		
RICHARD FOX LOWE		
TANA TIPPING		
VICTORIA TRINETTE MCHUGH		

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Accounts

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024
for
HIPPO POOLS TRUST**

Richardson Swift Audit Limited
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HIPPO POOLS TRUST

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HIPPO POOLS TRUST

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2024

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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Hippo Pools Trust is a community development and wildlife conservation non-profit organization. The Trust works with impoverished communities in the Shamva and UMP districts of Zimbabwe. The Trust was set up by Sally Plummer, who first visited Zimbabwe in 1998 and subsequently set up Hippo Pools Trust (previously known as the Ambuya Foundation) with the Charities Commission in March 2011. The Trust aims to provide: sponsorship of education, community healthcare, local school infrastructure, the running of an anti-poaching unit and conservation courses. This aligns with the promotion of the Trust's motto "People and Wildlife Together".

TSOKODEKA CLINIC

Through our Clinic (built and opened in 2015) we can help out patients who cannot afford further care needed from doctors, consultants and hospitals. Often this means bus travel to Harare - this used to cost USD2 and is now USD12 one way.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Students

Three of our students have opted to not return to Zimbabwe, where even for the well-qualified the availability of jobs is so limited,

Delight remains, now legally, in Canada, and Beauty has a new US visa - both are chefs.

Garikai has completed his MSc in accounting and finance in the UK; sadly, he's now faced with a deteriorating job market here in the UK however continues to work hard on this.

Tatenda has a good job with the animals at Bally Vaughan Game Park outside Harare in Zimbabwe.

Blessed has completed his solar engineering qualifications.

Lostancia is in the USA as a trainee Chef, and Spastar will follow her next year.

Sifelani is awaiting his final results from Bangari Secondary School.

The Camp

The sad closure of Hippo Pools Wilderness Camp in Umfurudzi Park reported in 2023, has led to our projects in local schools have ceased. After persistent undermining of our work and staff by Garura village, the trust needed to identify and implement projects has gone.

The torture and violent assault of the Baera brothers in a different part of Umfurudzi Park made up our minds. Both dying men were dumped at night at our Clinic in Tsokodeka on the other side of the Mazowe river. There appears to have been no interest from the police in investigating this. The brothers both died in hospital in Harare. We felt we could not risk the welfare of our staff and guests in such a lawless area.

Our reduced local involvement has coincided with increased gold mining activities managed by Chinese nationals. Garura and some other villages have invited them to dig across their land.

Instead, we are focusing activities on individuals, both our long-term students, and people in immediate need in the community.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The trustees' reserves policy is to maintain enough reserves to enable operating activities to be maintained. Should the worst happen, trustee Sally Plummer, will fund the charity if reserves don't cover the operating costs needed to ensure the future of the charity.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

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**Report of the Trustees
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1141004

Principal address

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Trustees

S J Plummer
R F Lowe
D V Rockingham-Gill
V T McHugh
T Tipping
H S Kingsley-Heath

Independent Examiner

Catherine Edwards
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ADMINISTRATION

Cheryl and Anthony Ives, the designers, builders and managers of Hippo Pools Camp for over 10 years are now working for another organisation in Kariba. However, Cheryl continues to act as HPT Administrator when necessary. Our thanks go to them, and the other staff at the camp and in Harare for their creative work and long-term support.

Finally, many thanks to our Trustees and supporters for their advice and encouragement through this difficult year.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 25/08/2025..... and signed on its behalf by:



..
S J Plummer - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Hippo Pools Trust**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Hippo Pools Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Hippo Pools Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Catherine Edwards

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Date:*26/8/25*.....

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	34,927	311	35,238	255,184
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	3				
Charitable Activities		187,984	311	188,295	172,120
Other		4,242	-	4,242	2,226
Total		192,226	311	192,537	174,346
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(157,299)	-	(157,299)	80,838
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		185,199	-	185,199	104,361
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		27,900	-	27,900	185,199


The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet
31 December 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	3,007	-	3,007	25,599
Cash at bank		26,893	-	26,893	161,600
		<u>29,900</u>	-	<u>29,900</u>	<u>187,199</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(2,000)	-	(2,000)	(2,000)
		<u>27,900</u>	-	<u>27,900</u>	<u>185,199</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>27,900</u>	-	<u>27,900</u>	<u>185,199</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>27,900</u>	-	<u>27,900</u>	<u>185,199</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>27,900</u>	-	<u>27,900</u>	<u>185,199</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	8			<u>27,900</u>	<u>185,199</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>27,900</u>	<u>185,199</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 25/08/2025 and were signed on its behalf by:


S J Plummer - Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

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

Income

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

Voluntary income is received by way of unrestricted donations, gifts and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes. Volunteer time is not included within the accounts.

Expenditure

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

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Donations	32,231	232,977
Gift aid	3,007	22,207
	<u>35,238</u>	<u>255,184</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Charitable activities	180,318	133,057
Grants to individuals	7,977	39,063
	<u>188,295</u>	<u>172,120</u>

Within Charitable Activities is £772 restricted expenditure.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

All incoming and outgoing resources are unrestricted.

6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	3,007	25,599
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	2,000	2,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.24	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.24
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	185,199	(157,299)	27,900
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>185,199</u>	<u>(157,299)</u>	<u>27,900</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	34,927	(192,226)	(157,299)
Restricted funds			
Tikki Hywood	311	(311)	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>35,238</u>	<u>(192,537)</u>	<u>(157,299)</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31 December 2024

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	104,361	80,838	185,199
TOTAL FUNDS	104,361	80,838	185,199

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	254,456	(173,618)	80,838
Restricted funds			
Tikki Hywood	728	(728)	-
TOTAL FUNDS	255,184	(174,346)	80,838

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £1,800 (2023 £1,800) from Richard Fox Lowe, trustee.

The charity received donations of £10,000 (2023 £65,000) from Purton Property Company Ltd, a company controlled by The Hon Sally Plummer, trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £10,075 (2023 £100,080) from The Hon Sally Plummer, trustee.

The charity received donations of £10,000 (2023 £65,000) from Speen Property Trust Co Ltd, a company controlled by The Hon Sally Plummer, trustee.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	32,231	232,977
Gift aid	3,007	22,207
	35,238	255,184
Total incoming resources	35,238	255,184
 EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Hippo Pools Trust Zimbabwe	127,971	132,177
Tikki Hywood Trust	772	880
Camp closure	51,575	-
Grants to individuals	7,977	39,063
	188,295	172,120
 Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	3,858	1,900
Bank charges	384	326
	4,242	2,226
Total resources expended	192,537	174,346
Net (expenditure)/income	(157,299)	80,838

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements

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During the year before the 2023 General Election, Zimbabwe became increasingly politicized.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

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Community

At the end of 2022 the lease for our small wildlife park in Garura Village was due for renewal. We were refused access to the lease documents by the local Councillor (who was also one of our Trustees) and by the local Council.

The Councillor was also the Village Head, however he resigned this position and appointed one of his younger brothers instead. Within his community this man was known to be aggressive and violent, and the village became impossible to access to discuss matters. Our Operations Manager was continually threatened with violence. His wife, our Administrative Manager, was viciously attacked by an employee at the camp. She has now recovered from her injuries.

This employee had been a sponsored student of the Trust, but had failed his exams to go to college, so was offered a job instead. It transpired that he had been spying on the camp and the movements of our managers, reporting to the Councillor and Village Head. Although he was arrested, the court case was continually delayed and finally lapsed.

Another trustee agreed to act as intermediary with the Councillor and Village Head regarding the lease. He drove to the venue in the nearby township with our lawyer. At the last moment the venue was changed to the Councillor's homestead - so he asked a villager for directions and was shown a shortcut. On arrival, the Councillor seemed surprised to see them. It turned out that a gang of ZANU-PF youths were waiting on the usual route to ambush them.

He and our woman lawyer were held at the homestead by three men for four hours. They were verbally abused, threatened, and their money taken. Finally, they were escorted from the village, past the small shops and shebeen where the drunken youths were still waiting. Clearly there was no intention to negotiate and we were forced to abandon the wildlife park and our beautiful wildlife to an unknown fate.

This breakdown of trust with the community has sadly led to us reducing our operations.

Clinic

Kutsokodeka Rural Health Clinic (which we built and opened in 2015) continues to provide health services to about 4000 local people. The Trust has not been able to deliver additional medicines and equipment to them, nor build the new quarters for the staff that we hoped to do this year. The Clinic has suffered from thefts - a contractor appointed to mend the borehole stole every moveable part. Our Operations Manager replaced them and got it going again.

The large solar panel array, donated in 2021 by the UN Development Programme was stolen. We have been unable to replace this.

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2023

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Education

Some staff at Kutsokodeka Primary School finally admitted the reason why the two new classrooms remained unfinished: a previous headmaster had taken the building materials.

In October 2023 teachers at this School were the terrified victims of robbery, assault & attempted rape. The three perpetrators were known to be relations and friends of the new Village Head who allowed them to escape. Several teachers were hospitalized and gave statements, resulting in arrests. No further action appears to have been taken.

Students

Our sponsored students continue to buoy our spirits -

- Delight Tomson is now in Canada, awaiting his asylum application.
 - Garikai Makore is studying for an MSc in Finance in the UK, and staying with Gogo & Uncle - our Chair and Treasurer
 - Marlon Bangaya and his wife Naume have a delightful daughter, Zoe, now aged one. Marlon is a first-class chef, working in Harare.
 - Blessed Simango is working at Hippo Pools Bushcamp - waiting to do his solar engineering qualifications
- We are grateful to the Hospitality School in Harare for training a number of our students -
- Faith Novanani is in the USA at the amazing Broadmoor Resort in Colorado. A cold winter but a fantastic opportunity for a year, learning many aspects of hospitality.
 - Beauty George is also in USA in West Virginia, at an equally stunning hospitality venue working with as chef in their vast kitchens for a year.
 - Lostancia Mambozi has joined the Hospitality School on Chef course that Beauty did.
 - Spastar Kadyevhu is working at the Bushcamp and caring for her beautiful little daughter, Rutendo, before going to Hospitality School for the Chef course next year.
 - Sifelani Mafuta: was not doing well at a private college in Marondera. We found their pastoral care to be very poor. Consequently, we asked the Head of Bangari Secondary School, Mr Muskwe, if he would take him and help him. Sifelani has lost so much school time because of family circumstances that he is now 19 and due to take 'O' levels soon. The Trust, with the community, constructed Bangari Secondary School and Mr Muskwe has steadily developed its reputation. Sifelani is now deputy head boy, happier, and doing much better academically.

Hippo Pools Wilderness Camp

Many thanks are due to our Camp staff, who get five-star reviews from clients for their knowledge, friendliness and care. Their professionalism is appreciated.

Our thanks go to the Zimbabwean private schools who bring their students to the new school camp facilities. This income is building up and helping the camp survive in harsh economic conditions. Many children are learning about the wonders of their animals and country.

Our thanks also go to our wonderful visitors, many of whom are regulars, coming for a breath of wilderness, the tranquillity of the river, a little fishing or bird-watching, and maybe a herd of wildebeest gently grazing at night.

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Trustees

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V T McHugh
T Tipping
H S Kingsley-Heath

Independent Examiner

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ADMINISTRATION

All our activities are directed, managed and backed up by our staff in Harare. Caroline in the office takes bookings and advises visitors. Joseph ferries staff and supplies to the Camp by truck over difficult roads.

Our Administration Manager and Operations Manager, Cheryl & Anthony Ives keep all these activities moving along through careful strategies and meticulous planning. The aggression they have experienced this year in the rural area, solely because of the colour of their skin, has been dreadful, and is giving us pause for thought about the way ahead for the Trust.

The heartfelt thanks of the Trustees go out to them all.

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

.....
S J Plummer - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Hippo Pools Trust**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Hippo Pools Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Hippo Pools Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
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Date:

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	254,456	728	255,184	252,987
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	3				
Charitable Activities		171,392	728	172,120	173,368
Other		2,226	-	2,226	1,716
Total		173,618	728	174,346	175,084
NET INCOME		80,838	-	80,838	77,903
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		104,361	-	104,361	26,458
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		185,199	-	185,199	104,361

The notes form part of these financial statements

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

**Balance Sheet
31 December 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	25,599	-	25,599	3,392
Cash at bank		161,600	-	161,600	101,849
		<u>187,199</u>	-	<u>187,199</u>	<u>105,241</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(2,000)	-	(2,000)	(880)
		<u>185,199</u>	-	<u>185,199</u>	<u>104,361</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>185,199</u>	-	<u>185,199</u>	<u>104,361</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>185,199</u>	-	<u>185,199</u>	<u>104,361</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>185,199</u>	-	<u>185,199</u>	<u>104,361</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	8			<u>185,199</u>	<u>104,361</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>185,199</u>	<u>104,361</u>

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

.....
S J Plummer - Trustee

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

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

Income

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

Voluntary income is received by way of unrestricted donations, gifts and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes. Volunteer time is not included within the accounts.

Expenditure

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

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations	232,977	252,987
Gift aid	22,207	-
	<u>255,184</u>	<u>252,987</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Charitable activities	133,057	173,368
Grants to individuals	39,063	-
	<u>172,120</u>	<u>173,368</u>

Within Charitable Activities is £880 restricted expenditure.

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31 December 2023

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

All incoming and outgoing resources are unrestricted.

6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other debtors	25,599	3,392
	<u>25,599</u>	<u>3,392</u>

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other creditors	2,000	880
	<u>2,000</u>	<u>880</u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.23	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	104,361	80,838	185,199
	<u>104,361</u>	<u>80,838</u>	<u>185,199</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>104,361</u>	<u>80,838</u>	<u>185,199</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	254,456	(173,618)	80,838
Restricted funds			
Tikki Hywood	728	(728)	-
	<u>255,184</u>	<u>(174,346)</u>	<u>80,838</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>255,184</u>	<u>(174,346)</u>	<u>80,838</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31 December 2023

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	26,458	77,903	104,361
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>26,458</u>	<u>77,903</u>	<u>104,361</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	252,987	(175,084)	77,903
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>252,987</u>	<u>(175,084)</u>	<u>77,903</u>

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £1,800 (2022 £1,800) from Richard Fox Lowe, trustee.

The charity received donations of £65,000 (2022 £120,000) from Purton Property Company Ltd, a company controlled by The Hon Sally Plummer, trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £100,080 (2022 £0) from The Hon Sally Plummer, trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £300 (2022 £600) from Victoria Trinette McHugh, trustee.

The charity received donations of £65,000 (2022 £120,000) from Speen Property Trust Co Ltd, a company controlled by The Hon Sally Plummer, trustee.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	232,977	252,987
Gift aid	22,207	-
	255,184	252,987
Total incoming resources	255,184	252,987
 EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Hippo Pools Trust Zimbabwe	132,177	170,998
Tikki Hywood Trust	880	2,370
Grants to individuals	39,063	-
	172,120	173,368
 Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	1,900	1,578
Bank charges	326	138
	2,226	1,716
Total resources expended	174,346	175,084
Net income	80,838	77,903

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Trustees The Hon Sally Jane Plummer
 Mr Richard Fox Lowe
 Ms Victoria Trinette McHugh
 Mrs Heather Suzanne Kingsley-Heath
 Mrs Tana Tipping
 Mr David Vladimir Rockingham-Gill

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HIPPO POOLS TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Hippo Pools Trust for the year 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022.

ANNUAL REPORT

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

OBJECTS AND AIMS

Hippo Pools Trust is a community development and wildlife conservation non-profit organization. The Trust works with impoverished communities in the Shamva and UMP districts of Zimbabwe. The Trust was set up by Sally Plummer, who first visited Zimbabwe in 1998 and subsequently set up Hippo Pools Trust (previously known as the Ambuya Foundation) with the Charities Commission in March 2011. The Trust aims to provide: sponsorship of education, community healthcare, local school infrastructure, the running of an anti-poaching unit and conservation courses. This aligns with the promotion of the Trust's motto "People and Wildlife Together".

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

INFLATION & COMING ELECTIONS

Our year in Zimbabwe has been overshadowed by both inflation and next year's parliamentary elections.

Zimbabwe has been ranked 'top' of world inflation, at 285% - above Venezuela, and Sudan. How can this happen in a country with so much natural wealth? A massive gold rush continues, with swathes of Umfurudzi Park being mined illegally by big and small operators, and the magnificent Mazowe River muddy from panning.

A series of films on the smuggling of gold revealed that billions of US dollars-worth of gold was being secretly taken out of Zimbabwe to Dubai by a few individuals. All along the route key people would benefit from this, but not the population in general.

The parliamentary elections will be held in 2023. The rural area where the Trust works is highly politicised. Everyone has to express a belief in the ruling ZANU-PF party. Physical harm is threatened to anyone who opposes it.

EDUCATION

Within this environment, the Wilderness Camp managed to continue to operate and provide jobs, and our Management team put major efforts into maintaining the income stream. A particular success has been the School Camp; word clearly got round private schools that this was a great place for children to visit.

Our sponsored students are working hard to gain qualifications that will get them good jobs. Delight Tomson completed his Hospitality School course with a year in a magnificent hotel in America. Faith Novanani followed the same course and will do a year in the US in 2023.

Inspired by our successful first chef, Marlon Mudzora – now happily married with a baby daughter – Beauty George opted for the Chef course at the Hospitality School, and Lostancia Mambozi is expected to follow her there next year. Being a chef is a tough but rewarding job and is a very transferrable skill across the world.

Blessed Simango completed his Electrical Engineering certificate with flying colours and then started a similar course in Solar Engineering. Garikai Makore is working temporarily as a translator/supervisor at a Chinese Lithium mining start-up near Harare. Next year he will come to the UK to take a Masters Degree in Accounting & Finance; his education was disrupted by Covid, and this will get him back on track. Finally young Sifelani Mafuto is continuing his schooling at a private college in Marondera.

Our support to local schools has reduced for both good and bad reasons. Bangari Secondary School had a major event with the Minister present to celebrate the completion of all school buildings. It is now the top school in this rural area. Sadly, we withdrew from Kutsokodeka Primary School on discovering that a senior teacher had stolen building materials supplied for the new classroom block. Nothing had been done to alert us, nor to pursue the matter with the police.

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

HEALTH

It was decided to concentrate on Kutsokodeka Clinic, where Sister Masara has proved her worth over many years since it opened in 2015. The Clinic serves 10 villages and about 4000 people. We continued to provide basic supplies and some drugs.

“THE COUNTRY IS LAWLESS”

Directly over the Mazowe river from the Wilderness Camp is Garura Village where for many years we have operated a small Wildlife Park for our visitors. There has always been a strong relationship here, particularly with the Village Head, who became local Councillor for all Maramba area. However, the relationship started to break down towards the end of 2022 when the lease for the Wildlife Park was due to renew. It became obvious that the new lease was being withheld from the Trust, both by the Councillor and the local Council. Then we heard that the Councillor had relinquished his role as Village Head and passed it to a younger brother, a man many feared. Conversations and meetings ended with one of the Trustees visiting the brothers in the village and finding that ZANU-PF youths had been waiting to beat him. Fortunately, he and our female lawyer, somehow avoided this but both were threatened, and money extorted, then finally released physically unharmed.

This is being written in 2023 and the Trust has not been able to set foot in the Park for almost a year; we fear that many of our animals are dead. Zimbabwe's inflation rate continues to rise and, as the new Village Head pronounced “ the country is lawless, we can do what we want.”

All this is happening at a time when our Chair tends to be unwell, and the amount she is able to donate to the Trust has reduced. We are therefore looking to conserve funds for Education and Health and continue to use excess income from the Wilderness Camp for any additional projects.

These events are a microcosm of what is happening in Zimbabwe, there are many good people in the country who deserve much better.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Despite the challenges explained above, income has increased to £252,987 from a prior year total of £165,938. It appears as if a decrease in expenditure for the 2022 year to £176,084 (2021: £262,600). This has landed the Trust with a positive net movement in funds of £77,903 compared with a deficit in the 2021 year of £96,662.

RESERVES POLICY

As stated within the "the country is lawless" section above, donations from the Chair have reduced, therefore the Trust are looking to conserve funds for Education and Health. This will allow the Trust to continue its operations in future years.

At the year end, free reserves were £104,361 (2021: £26,458).

GOING CONCERN

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

CONSTITUTION

Hippo Pools Trust is a registered charity, number 1141004, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

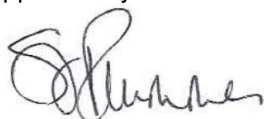
METHODS OF APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



The Hon Sally Jane Plummer

Trustee

Date: 26/10/2023

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HIPPO POOLS TRUST ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

Signed: 

Dated: 27/10/2023

Chris Trantham FCA

BISHOP FLEMING BATH LIMITED

Chartered Accountants

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HIPPO POOLS TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	2	252,987	252,987	165,934
Investments	3	-	-	4
Total income		252,987	252,987	165,938
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	6	175,084	175,084	262,600
Total expenditure		175,084	175,084	262,600
Net movement in funds		77,903	77,903	(96,662)
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		26,458	26,458	123,120
Net movement in funds		77,903	77,903	(96,662)
Total funds carried forward		104,361	104,361	26,458

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

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Current assets			
Debtors	9	3,392	2,780
Cash at bank and in hand		101,849	24,478
		<u>105,241</u>	<u>27,258</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(880)	(800)
Net current assets		104,361	26,458
Total assets less current liabilities		104,361	26,458
Total net assets		104,361	26,458
Charity funds			
Unrestricted funds		104,361	26,458
Total funds		104,361	26,458

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on and signed on their behalf, by:



The Hon Sally Jane Plummer
Trustee

Date: 26/10/2023

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Hippo Pools Trust constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provision in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a cashflow statement.

1.2 INCOME

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Voluntary income is received by way of unrestricted donations, gifts and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes. Volunteer time is not included within the accounts

1.3 RESOURCES EXPENDED

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the charity's educational operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity's apportioned to charitable activities.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.4 DEBTORS

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.5 FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction.

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.6 FUND ACCOUNTING

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

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Donations	252,987	252,987	165,934
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL 2021	<u>165,934</u>	<u>165,934</u>	

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Investment income - bank interest	-	-	4
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL 2021	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

4. GRANTS TO INSTITUTIONS

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Grants to Charitable Partners	173,368	173,368	260,100
TOTAL 2021	260,100	260,100	

The Charity has made the following material grants to institutions during the year:

NAME OF INSTITUTION	2022 £	2021 £
Hippo Pools Trust Zimbabwe - Capital Costs	-	4,893
Hippo Pools Trust Zimbabwe - Running Costs	170,998	213,954
Ambuya Foundation (Zimbabwe)	-	3,300
Tikki Hywood Trust	2,370	37,953
	173,368	260,100

5. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Accountancy	1,578	1,578	1,520
Bank charges	138	138	880
Fines & penalties	-	-	100
TOTAL 2022	1,716	1,716	2,500

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

6. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE BY EXPENDITURE TYPE

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Grant making	175,084	175,084	262,600
	<u>175,084</u>	<u>175,084</u>	
TOTAL 2021	262,600	262,600	
	<u>262,600</u>	<u>262,600</u>	

7. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE BY ACTIVITIES

	Grant funding of activities 2022 £	Support Costs 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Grant making	173,368	1,716	175,084	262,600
	<u>173,368</u>	<u>1,716</u>	<u>175,084</u>	

8. NET INCOMING RESOURCES

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2021 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 December 2022, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2021 - £NIL).

9. DEBTORS

	2022 £	2021 £
Other debtors	3,392	2,780
	<u>3,392</u>	<u>2,780</u>

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Accruals and deferred income	880	800
	<u>880</u>	<u>800</u>

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

11. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

All funds in the current and prior year are unrestricted general funds.

12. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £1,800 (2021: £2,303) from Richard Fox Lowe, trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £120,000 (2021: £50,000) from Purton Property Company Ltd, a company controlled by The Hon Sally Jane Plummer, trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £0 (2021: £40,000) from The Hon Sally Jane Plummer, Trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £600 (2021: £600) from Victoria Trinette McHugh, Trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £120,000 (2021: £20,000) from Speen Property Trust Co Ltd, a company controlled by The Hon Sally Jane Plummer, trustee.

13. CONTROLLING PARTY

The Trust is controlled jointly by the Trustees, there is no controlling party.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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ANNUAL REPORT

2021 began with an unexpected and very sad event.

Sally Bertinotti, our long-standing friend, cheerleader, and Purchasing Officer, died suddenly on 22 January of a cerebral haemorrhage. Her wonderful energy, and love for people and animals, brought smiles and laughter into many people's lives. The announcement of her passing on Facebook brought over 500 messages of condolence. Her ashes are buried at Hippo Pools Wilderness Camp, a place she loved. She is greatly missed.

MARAMBA, MASHONALAND EAST, ZIMBABWE

COMMUNITY HEALTH

Through the support of Hippo Pools Trust, Kutsokodeka Clinic continued to supplement Covid and general health care for 4000 people in 10 villages. The staff were also very pleased to receive a large set of solar panels from the United Nations Development Programme. As we had previously installed a smaller system in 2015, the new panels could immediately be integrated, and used to run a refrigerator for Covid vaccines.

STUDENTS

All our students are from the Maramba area of Mashonaland East, and have lost one or both parents, suffering many setbacks and hardships in their lives.

In 2021 has been a great pleasure to see several of our older students taking wing:

Delight Tomson, aged 24, successfully graduated from the well-regarded Hospitality School in Harare. Delight has been sponsored by Hippo Pools Trust since 2011, when he was at Bangari Primary School. He has now qualified for a year-long internship at the prestigious Broadmoor Hotel at Colorado Springs, USA.

Marlon Mudzora, now 26 and a qualified Chef, did an internship at a Harare restaurant, and worked in the Boma Restaurant at Hippo Pools Wilderness Camp. He secured the position of Head Chef, managing a team of 14, at a busy hotel at Beitbridge on the Zimbabwean/South Africa border.

Garikai Makore, aged 26, successfully completed his B.Sc. in International Trade & Statistics in China. This was despite of being kept in Zimbabwe from March 2020 due to Covid. Sadly this prevented him from taking up an internship in the UK. At present he is training as a Chinese interpreter for businesses operating in Zimbabwe, but is seeking an position that will use his qualifications more fully.

Tatenda Nungai, has completed his course in Plumbing & Drain Laying with an internship at Hippo Pools Wilderness Camp. He remains there as an integral member of the building and maintenance team.

The students in Harare are doing well too and moving towards their next stages of life.

Delight's success encouraged Faith Novanani to follow him at the Hospitality School. She started in January and is enjoying it greatly. She is about to start an internship at Hippo Pools Wilderness Camp.

Blessed Simango, Spastar Kadyevhu, Beauty George and Lostancia Mambozi are all completing their 'A' & 'O' levels at SPECISS College in Harare. They are keen to continue with careers; they are often inspired by the older students (and by staff at Kutsokodeka Clinic), so careers like Chef, Electrician and Nursing are being considered. We will do whatever we can to help them fulfil their ambitions.

Sifelani Mafuta has completed his first year at Bernard Mizeki College. He lost many years of primary schooling due to hardship so started secondary education aged 16. Without our support this talented young man would have not had this opportunity.

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

CONSERVATION

Last year we had to report on significant problems in Umfurudzi Park and along the Mazowe River where the Hippo Pools Wilderness Camp is sited. The new Village Head continues to show little regard for our support for the community, for conservation, or for the rule of law. This has included significant aggression towards the Camp staff.

Our thanks go to two of our Zimbabwean Trustees, Mr Jerry Gatora and Councillor Garura, as their interventions have been key in calming the situation.

Also, the staff of Umfurudzi Park, the Police, and the Environmental Departments have all worked alongside us to try to limit the impact that gold panning and gold mining are having on conservation of both fauna and flora.

HIPPO POOLS WILDERNESS CAMP

Covid-19 once again posed considerable problems, but guests still supported the camp, and enjoyed refreshing breaks away from Harare. However, as Zimbabwe went on 'red lists' the number of overseas visitors fell significantly.

Finally, towards the end of 2021, the School Camp opened and welcomed its first guests. It has facilities for up to 60 people, in dormitory accommodation, with teacher bedrooms, dining/learning hall, and an excellent swimming pool.

TIKKI HYWOOD FOUNDATION

We are delighted to be able to provide administrative support to this amazing organisation – the most long-standing charity devoted to saving the Pangolin from extinction.

OUR PEOPLE

The pandemic again meant that management and staff, both in the Harare office & at Umfurudzi Park, faced many challenges. Several camp staff who had been furloughed in 2020 decided not to return and new staff needed to be trained. Anthony & Cheryl Ives, Operations Manager & Business Manager respectively, did an excellent job in keeping everything on an even keel. Caroline Lang is now in sole charge of the Harare Office and looks after our students. The Trustees in Zimbabwe, and in the UK, have all been very supportive, and patient with the inevitable Zoom meetings and emails.

I am most grateful to everyone concerned with Hippo Pools Trust for their input and time.

GOING CONCERN

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

CONSTITUTION

Hippo Pools Trust is a registered charity, number 1141004, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

METHODS OF APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

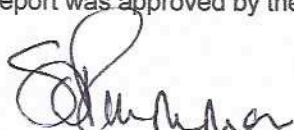
HIPPO POOLS TRUST

**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

This report was approved by the trustees, on and signed on their behalf by:



The Hon Sally Jane Plummer
Trustee

22/8/22

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HIPPO POOLS TRUST ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2021.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

Signed:



Dated:

25/8/2022

Simon Morrison FCA

BISHOP FLEMING BATH LIMITED
Chartered Accountants

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	2	165,934	165,934	199,446
Investments	3	4	4	168
Total income		165,938	165,938	199,614
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	6	262,600	262,600	331,102
Total expenditure		262,600	262,600	331,102
Net movement in funds		(96,662)	(96,662)	(131,488)
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		123,120	123,120	254,608
Net movement in funds		(96,662)	(96,662)	(131,488)
Total funds carried forward		26,458	26,458	123,120

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

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Current assets			
Debtors	9	2,780	1
Cash at bank and in hand		24,478	123,840
		<u>27,258</u>	<u>123,841</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(800)	(721)
Net current assets		<u>26,458</u>	<u>123,120</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>26,458</u>	<u>123,120</u>
Total net assets		<u>26,458</u>	<u>123,120</u>
Charity funds			
Unrestricted funds		26,458	123,120
Total funds		<u>26,458</u>	<u>123,120</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on and signed on their behalf, by:



22/8/22

The Hon Sally Jane Plummer
Trustee

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Hippo Pools Trust constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provision in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a cashflow statement.

1.2 INCOME

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Voluntary income is received by way of unrestricted donations, gifts and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes. Volunteer time is not included within the accounts

1.3 RESOURCES EXPENDED

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the charity's educational operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity's apportioned to charitable activities.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.4 DEBTORS

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.5 FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction.

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.6 FUND ACCOUNTING

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

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Donations	165,934	165,934	199,446
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TOTAL 2020	199,446	199,446	
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3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Investment income - bank interest	4	4	168
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TOTAL 2020	168	168	
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HIPPO POOLS TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

4. GRANTS TO INSTITUTIONS

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Grants to Charitable Partners	260,100	260,100	329,595
TOTAL 2020	329,595	329,595	

The Charity has made the following material grants to institutions during the year:

NAME OF INSTITUTION	2021 £	2020 £
Hippo Pools Trust Zimbabwe - Capital Costs	4,893	11,801
Hippo Pools Trust Zimbabwe - Running Costs	213,954	280,590
Ambuya Foundation (Zimbabwe)	3,300	1,406
Tikki Hywood Trust	37,953	35,798
	260,100	329,595
	260,100	329,595

5. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Accountancy	1,520	1,520	810
Bank charges	880	880	674
Gain on foreign currency transactions	-	-	23
Fines & penalties	100	100	-
TOTAL 2021	2,500	2,500	1,507

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

6. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE BY EXPENDITURE TYPE

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Grant making	262,600	262,600	331,102
TOTAL 2020	331,102	331,102	

7. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE BY ACTIVITIES

	Grant funding of activities 2021 £	Governance Costs 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Grant making	260,100	2,500	262,600	331,102

8. NET INCOMING RESOURCES

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2020 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 December 2021, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2020 - £NIL).

9. DEBTORS

	2021 £	2020 £
Other debtors	2,780	1
	2,780	1

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Accruals and deferred income	800	721

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

11. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

All funds in the current and prior year are unrestricted general funds.

12. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £2,303 (2020: £2,312) from Richard Fox Lowe, trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £50,000 (2020: £80,000) from Purton Property Company Ltd, a company controlled by The Hon Sally Jane Plummer, trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £40,000 (2020: £Nil) from The Hon Sally Jane Plummer, Trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £600 (2020: £600) from Victoria Trinette Mchugh, Trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £20,000 (2020: £60,000) from Speen Property Trust Co Ltd, a company controlled by The Hon Sally Jane Plummer, trustee.

13. CONTROLLING PARTY

The Trust is controlled jointly by the Trustees, there is no controlling party.

Hippo Pools Trust

England & Wales - Charity number 1141004

Accounts

Charity number: 1141004

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

UNAUDITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

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HIPPO POOLS TRUST

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Trustees	The Hon Sally Jane Plummer Mr Richard Fox Lowe Ms Victoria Trinette McHugh Mrs Heather Suzanne Kingsley-Heath Mrs Tana Tipping Mr David Vladimir Rockingham-Gill
Charity registered number	1141004
Principal office	Hilltop Midford Lane Limpley Stoke Wiltshire BA2 7GR
Accountants	Bishop Fleming Bath Limited Chartered Accountants Minerva House Lower Bristol Road Bath BA2 9ER
Bankers	National Westminster Bank 39 Milsom Street Bath BA1 1DS
Solicitors	Thrings LLP 2 Queen Square Bath BA1 2HQ

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Hippo Pools Trust for the year 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020.

ANNUAL REPORT

In common with many other charities, the Covid-19 pandemic has seriously impacted on Hippo Pools Trust as well as on the rural community that we serve in Zimbabwe.

COMMUNITY

We opened Kutsokodeka Clinic in 2015 and it continues to provide for over 4000 people in 10 villages spread over a considerable area. At the start of the pandemic it was apparent that no Personal Protection Equipment was being provided by the Department of Health. There was only a bucket of Surf for handwashing. Subsequently the Health Minister was arrested on allegations of a USD60 million corruption scandal and removed from office.

Hippo Pools Trust managed to source PPE for the Clinic, including an electronic thermometer and automatic hand sanitiser. We are pleased to hear from the Clinic staff that there have been no deaths directly attributable to Covid-19. However the lack of testing or gathering of statistics make understanding the real picture difficult.

The four schools that we have supported for many years all seem to be deteriorating. The level of government support is low. UNICEF provides some books and equipment but often these are of more use to urban than to rural schools. What use is scientific equipment without a science teacher, a dedicated facility or chemicals? IT training usually consists of learning the parts of a computer from a wall chart. Three years ago Hippo Pools Trust installed a well-equipped computer room at Bangari Secondary School but it is unused now as there is no IT teacher.

SCHOOLS

A constant source of joy however remains our sponsored students. They are remarkably resilient and hard-working.

Because of falling standards in the local High School, we decided to move two students (Spastar Kadyevhu and Blessed Simango) to the well-regarded SPECISS college in Harare to complete their A levels.

In addition Beauty George was about to start A levels but her O levels were not in the appropriate subjects for her ambitions, so she was enrolled in SPECISS college to retake them.

The students were delighted, but within a few days Covid-19 came to Harare and they had to return home - such a disappointment. With all the schools closed we set up a study group for all our Primary, Secondary and High School sponsored students (including Sifelani Mafuta & Lostancia Mambozi at Bangari Primary & Secondary respectively) at Hippo Pools Wilderness Camp, run by a local senior teacher.

Our mature students also successfully continued to work on their courses in spite of lockdowns and closures. Faith Novanani has received her A level results from SPECISS college, and has 3 A levels (12 points), a very good result that includes 2 top grades. Faith was originally at a private school in Harare but we were dissatisfied by the Dickensian atmosphere and lack of pastoral care. So she has done exceptionally well with all these changes in her life. Marlon Mudzora is awaiting his results from his final year at Culinary Arts Academy in Harare. In the meantime we were happy to have him back at Hippo Pools Wilderness Camp in the Boma Restaurant. He is very passionate about being a chef. Tatenda Nungai was brought back to the Camp from Harare Polytechnic as soon as we heard that it was being used to house people who had returned from South Africa and were in quarantine. Fortunately this coincided with his internship, and permission was given to pursue his Plumbing & Drainage course at the Hippo Pools School Camp, which is under construction.

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

CONSERVATION

Lockdowns, corruption and lawlessness have meant that significant environmental destruction is happening in Zimbabwe at an alarming rate. Hippo Pools Trust operates a beautiful Wilderness Camp within Umfurudzi Park in Mashonaland Central (north-east of Harare). The park is operated under a joint venture with the Department of Parks & Wildlife and a private company.

Early in 2020 a gold mine opened within Hippo Pools Trust's leased area and the Park Management refused to close it. Subsequently other mines have opened around the park, many at historical sites and beauty spots.

Illegal gold panning has reached new and disturbing depths with local people bringing in diesel pumps and heavy machinery to dredge the Mazowe River and cut away its banks.

Miners and panners do not just destroy the land and river with explosives and digging -. They also trespass, kill animals, steal, light fires, cut trees and use the land as a latrine.

Hippo Pools Trust Wilderness Camp has a team of Patrol Scouts who take on the duties of the National Park's Game Rangers in our leased area. However their powers are limited and the team of 12 is heavily outnumbered by up to 150 gold panners. Wildlife is rarely seen in the Park now. Sadly we are experiencing massive degradation of the land and depletion of the wildlife.

HIPPO POOLS WILDERNESS CAMP

When Covid-19 struck, Camp Managers Anthony & Cheryl Ives, managed the closure of the camp very ably. Using the UK Furlough Scheme as a model, staff were paid 80% salaries as they returned to their home villages. When the first lockdown ended a number of long-standing staff decided that they would not be returning. A thorough review of operations led to a reduced number of staff, which helps the running costs of this extensive camp and grounds without compromising standards.

When lockdown ended our clients responded wonderfully. We are most grateful for this support and so pleased that our beautiful surroundings help alleviate the stresses of living in Harare. All Covid-19 precautions were taken to ensure their safety and that of our staff.

Disappointingly the new School Camp has not been finished due to the lockdown. Already schools use the Wilderness Camp, however the dedicated facility - for up to 60 students with their teachers - will now be ready in 2021. Our efforts continue to be directed towards making the whole Camp self-sufficient and we hope to offer employment to local people so they can develop new skills.

TIKI HYWOOD FOUNDATION

Hippo Pools Trust continued to support this remarkable organisation, registered in Zimbabwe, with administrative assistance in the UK. They too have suffered severely financially during the pandemic and have seen a steep rise in poaching and wildlife trafficking.

The Trustees express their thanks to our Trustees both in Zimbabwe and in the UK, and all the staff in Zimbabwe. Operations Manager Anthony Ives & Business Manager Cheryl Ives continue to do outstanding work in often difficult conditions. The Harare office is run by Sally Bertinotti and Caroline Lang. As well as arranging Camp bookings, Sally & Caroline have a significant role in caring for the needs of our students who move from the rural area to Harare and their results show that their support is appreciated.

GOING CONCERN

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution

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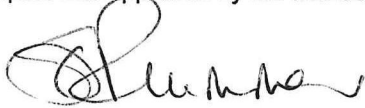
Methods of appointment or election of trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

This report was approved by the trustees, on and signed on their behalf by:



The Hon Sally Jane Plummer
Trustee

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HIPPO POOLS TRUST ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2020.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
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HIPPO POOLS TRUST

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE OF HIPPO POOLS TRUST (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Dated:

Simon Morrison FCA

BISHOP FLEMING BATH LIMITED
Chartered Accountants

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	2	199,446	199,446	624,306
Investments	3	168	168	350
		<u>199,614</u>	<u>199,614</u>	<u>624,656</u>
Total income				
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	6	331,102	331,102	644,130
		<u>331,102</u>	<u>331,102</u>	<u>644,130</u>
Total expenditure				
		<u>(131,488)</u>	<u>(131,488)</u>	<u>(19,474)</u>
Net movement in funds				
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		254,608	254,608	274,082
Net movement in funds		(131,488)	(131,488)	(19,474)
		<u>123,120</u>	<u>123,120</u>	<u>254,608</u>
Total funds carried forward				

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

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
Current assets			
Debtors	9	1	52
Cash at bank and in hand		123,840	255,186
		<u>123,841</u>	<u>255,238</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(721)	(630)
Net current assets		<u>123,120</u>	<u>254,608</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>123,120</u>	<u>254,608</u>
Total net assets		<u><u>123,120</u></u>	<u><u>254,608</u></u>
Charity funds			
Unrestricted funds		123,120	254,608
Total funds		<u><u>123,120</u></u>	<u><u>254,608</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on and signed on their behalf, by:



The Hon Sally Jane Plummer
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

HIPPO POOLS TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Hippo Pools Trust constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provision in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a cashflow statement.

1.2 INCOME

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Voluntary income is received by way of unrestricted donations, gifts and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes. Volunteer time is not included within the accounts

1.3 RESOURCES EXPENDED

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the charity's educational operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity's apportioned to charitable activities.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.4 DEBTORS

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

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1.5 FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction.

1.6 FUND ACCOUNTING

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

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
Donations	199,446	199,446	624,306
	<u>199,446</u>	<u>199,446</u>	
TOTAL 2019	<u>624,306</u>	<u>624,306</u>	

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
Investment income - bank interest	168	168	350
	<u>168</u>	<u>168</u>	
TOTAL 2019	<u>350</u>	<u>350</u>	

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4. GRANTS TO INSTITUTIONS

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
Grants to Charitable Partners	329,595	329,595	642,440
	<u>329,595</u>	<u>329,595</u>	<u>642,440</u>
TOTAL 2019	642,440	642,440	
	<u>642,440</u>	<u>642,440</u>	

The Charity has made the following material grants to institutions during the year:

NAME OF INSTITUTION	2020 £	2019 £
Hippo Pools Trust Zimbabwe - Capital Costs	11,801	-
Hippo Pools Trust Zimbabwe - Running Costs	280,590	543,806
Ambuya Foundation (Zimbabwe)	1,406	2,246
Tikki Hywood Trust	35,798	96,388
	<u>329,595</u>	<u>642,440</u>
	<u>329,595</u>	<u>642,440</u>

5. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
Accountancy	810	810	690
Bank charges	674	674	1,000
Gain on foreign currency transactions	23	23	-
	<u>1,507</u>	<u>1,507</u>	<u>1,690</u>
TOTAL 2020	1,507	1,507	1,690

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6. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE BY EXPENDITURE TYPE

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
Grant making	331,102	331,102	644,130
	<u>331,102</u>	<u>331,102</u>	<u>644,130</u>
TOTAL 2019	644,130	644,130	
	<u>644,130</u>	<u>644,130</u>	

7. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE BY ACTIVITIES

	Grant funding of activities 2020 £	Governance Costs 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
Grant making	329,595	1,507	331,102	644,130
	<u>329,595</u>	<u>1,507</u>	<u>331,102</u>	<u>644,130</u>

8. NET INCOMING RESOURCES

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration (2019 - £NIL).

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2019 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 December 2020, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2019 - £NIL).

9. DEBTORS

	2020 £	2019 £
Other debtors	1	52
	<u>1</u>	<u>52</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>52</u>

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10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020	2019
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>721</u>	<u>630</u>

11. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

All funds in the current and prior year are unrestricted general funds.

12. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £2,312 (2019: £12,420) from Richard Fox Lowe, trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £80,000 (2019: £230,000) from Purton Property Company Ltd, a company controlled by The Hon Sally Jane Plummer, trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £Nil (2019: £45,000) from The Hon Sally Jane Plummer, Trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £600 (2019: £600) from Victoria Trinette Mchugh, Trustee.

The charity received donations under gift aid provisions of £60,000 (2019: £225,000) from Speen Property Trust Co Ltd, a company controlled by The Hon Sally Jane Plummer, trustee.

13. CONTROLLING PARTY

The Trust is controlled jointly by the Trustees, there is no controlling party.