

MEGAFAUN.ORG

England & Wales · Charity number 1151777

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2013-04-25
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: MEGAFAUN.ORG WAS ESTABLISHED TO PROMOTE THE CONSERVATION OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT BY PROMOTING BIODIVERSITY; AND TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC ON THE CONSERVATION OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL WORLD AND THE PROMOTION OF BIODIVERSITY; IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE PROVISION OF EDUCATION, SCIENTIFIC STUDY AND THE MAINTENANCE OF ENDANGERED ANIMALS, PLANTS AND HABITATS IN BOTH PROTECTIVE AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENTS.

Activities: Megafaun.org supports the conservation of species in danger of extinction, especially where these are lesser-known apex species. By encouraging conservation of relatively unknown larger species we aim to achieve wider conservation goals, affecting the entire region they inhabit.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** Animals
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Madagascar

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£1,068	£0	-	-
2023-12-31	£4,210	£0	-	-
2022-12-31	£16,251	£0	-	-
2021-12-31	£12,218	£0	-	-
2020-12-31	£0	£0	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
WILLIAM LYONS	Chair	2013-01-31
AUSTA COCHRAN		2013-01-31
COSTANZO CAPECCE		2013-01-31

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Investment policy and performance

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Additionally, 2024 was a year in which we did not conduct active fundraising campaigns, however a small recurring regular donation was put in place.

Grant making policy

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Receipts and Payments (GBP)

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last Year
Receipts					
Donations	40	0	0	0	0
Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Asset and investment sales and liquidations	1,028	0	0	1,028	4,210
Total Receipts	1,068	0	0	1,068	4,210
Payments					
Administration	0	0	0	0	0
Asset and investment purchases	0	0	0	0	0
Cost of generating income	0	0	0	0	0
Research Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Total Payments	0	0	0	0	0
Net Received/Paid	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0	0
Cash funds last year-end	47,570	0	0	47,570	43,460
Cash funds this year-end	48,637	0	0	48,637	47,570

Statement of assets and liabilities at end of period (GBP)

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total
Cash funds	48,637	0	0	48,637
Other monetary assets	0	0	0	0
Investment assets	4,282	0	0	4,282
Assets for own use	0	0	0	0
Liabilities	0	0	0	0

Approved by the trustees on 25 October 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

W Lyons

W LYONS, CHAIR of TRUSTEES

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	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last Year
Receipts					
Donations	0	0	0	0	0
Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Asset and investment sales and liquidations	4,210	0	0	4,210	16,251
Total Receipts	4,210	0	0	4,210	16,251
Payments					
Administration	0	0	0	0	0
Asset and investment purchases	0	0	0	0	0
Cost of generating income	0	0	0	0	0
Research Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Total Payments	0	0	0	0	0
Net Received/Paid	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0	0
Cash funds last year-end	43,460	0	0	43,460	27,109
Cash funds this year-end	47,570	0	0	47,570	43,460

Statement of assets and liabilities at end of period (GBP)

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total
Cash funds	47,570	0	0	47,570
Other monetary assets	0	0	0	0
Investment assets	3,270	0	0	3,270
Assets for own use	0	0	0	0
Liabilities	0	0	0	0

Approved by the trustees on 19 February 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

W Lyons

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Additionally, 2022 was a year in which we did not conduct active fundraising campaigns, and as a result, did not generate new funding streams. Financially, the year also witnessed a shift in our asset portfolio. A company in which we held shares underwent liquidation, leading to a decrease in our other assets but an increase in our cash holdings. This change in our financial

landscape underscores the dynamic nature of our financial management and the importance of adaptability in our fiscal strategy.

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Receipts					
Donations	0	0	0	0	0
Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Asset and investment sales and liquidations	16,251	0	0	16,251	12,218
Total Receipts	16,251	0	0	16,251	12,218
Payments					
Administration	0	0	0	0	0
Asset and investment purchases	0	0	0	0	0
Cost of generating income	0	0	0	0	0
Research Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Total Payments	0	0	0	0	0
Net Received/Paid	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0	0
Cash funds last year-end	27,109	0	0	27,109	14,891
Cash funds this year-end	43,460	0	0	43,360	27,109

Statement of assets and liabilities at end of period (GBP)

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total
Cash funds	43,460	0	0	43,460
Other monetary assets	0	0	0	0
Investment assets	4,682	0	0	4,682
Assets for own use	0	0	0	0
Liabilities	0	0	0	0

Approved by the trustees on 23 October 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

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At the trustees' meetings, the trustees agree the broad strategy and areas of activity for the CIO, including consideration of grant making, fundraising, investment, policies and performance. The full group of trustees also handles the processing and handling of grant applications.

Financial review

Reserves

As a small CIO, whose long-term sustainable level of income and expenditure is yet to be established, no formal reserves policy is in place. The CIO currently has no future commitments or liabilities to reserve against, and no direct overhead costs.

Investment policy and performance

During the financial year 2021, all cash funds were kept as deposits with our bankers.

All securities are kept on record at the relevant company registrars.

There are no funds held as custodian trustee on behalf of others.

Public benefit statement

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 when reviewing the CIO's aims and objectives and in planning future activities and setting the grant making policy for the year.

Objectives

The objects of the CIO are the promotion of the conservation of the physical and natural environment by promoting biodiversity through making grants to appropriate institutions and individuals.

Activity

During the course of 2021, Megafaun considered a number of potential grants, however none were found to fit the aims and objects of the CIO. No opportunities to continue fossa conservation in Madagascar were found, as no new field researchers were identified.

No active fundraising was undertaken, and no new funds were raised. A company whose shares were held entered into liquidation, resulting in a reduction of other assets and increase in cash held.

Grant making policy

We support projects with clear and identifiable benefits, relating to the conservation of threatened species and these benefits must be carefully balanced against any potential harm.

We offer support in areas which do not have the public profile to attract more mainstream sources of funding. As such, preference will be given to projects with the following characteristics, which relate to the team applying, the species being targeted and the approach being taken.

Species

The species which is the subject of the conservation research should:

- be in one of the "Threatened" IUCN Red List categories: Vulnerable, Endangered or Critically Endangered;
- not benefit from awareness in the general public of the species or its plight;
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Receipts and Payments (GBP)

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last Year
Receipts					
Donations	0	0	0	0	0
Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Asset and investment sales and liquidations	12,218	0	0	12,218	0
Total Receipts	12,218	0	0	12,218	0
Payments					
Administration	0	0	0	0	0
Asset and investment purchases	0	0	0	0	0
Cost of generating income	0	0	0	0	0
Research Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Total Payments	0	0	0	0	0
Net Received/Paid	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0	0
Cash funds last year-end	14,891	0	0	14,891	14,891
Cash funds this year-end	27,109	0	0	27,109	14,891

Statement of assets and liabilities at end of period (GBP)

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total
Cash funds	27,109	0	0	27,109
Other monetary assets	0	0	0	0
Investment assets	5,141	0	0	5,141
Assets for own use	0	0	0	0
Liabilities	0	0	0	0

Approved by the trustees on 23 October 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

W Lyons

W LYONS, CHAIR of TRUSTEES

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Report of the trustees for the year ended 31 December 2020

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with charity's constitution, the Charities Act 1993 and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities published in 2005.

Structure, governance and management

Megaafaun.org is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and a registered charity, number 1151777. It is governed by a constitution adopted on January 30, 2013.

The only voting members are its charity trustees. Each charity trustee must be a natural person, and trustees are appointed by resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the existing charity trustees.

At the trustees' meetings, the trustees agree the broad strategy and areas of activity for the CIO, including consideration of grant making, fundraising, investment, policies and performance. The full group of trustees also handles the processing and handling of grant applications.

Financial review

Reserves

As a small CIO, whose long-term sustainable level of income and expenditure is yet to be established, no formal reserves policy is in place. The CIO currently has no future commitments or liabilities to reserve against, and no direct overhead costs.

Investment policy and performance

During the financial year 2020, all cash funds were kept as deposits with our bankers.

All securities are kept on record at the relevant company registrars.

There are no funds held as custodian trustee on behalf of others.

Public benefit statement

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 when reviewing the CIO's aims and objectives and in planning future activities and setting the grant making policy for the year.

Objectives

The objects of the CIO are the promotion of the conservation of the physical and natural environment by promoting biodiversity through making grants to appropriate institutions and individuals.

Activity

During the course of 2020, Megafaun considered a number of potential grants, however none were found to fit the aims and objects of the CIO. No opportunities to continue fossa conservation in Madagascar were found, as no new field researchers were identified.

No active fundraising was undertaken, and no new funds were raised.

Grant making policy

We support projects with clear and identifiable benefits, relating to the conservation of threatened species and these benefits must be carefully balanced against any potential harm.

We offer support in areas which do not have the public profile to attract more mainstream sources of funding. As such, preference will be given to projects with the following characteristics, which relate to the team applying, the species being targeted and the approach being taken.

Species

The species which is the subject of the conservation research should:

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Donations	0	0	0	0	16,624
Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Asset and investment sales	0	0	0	0	0
Total Receipts	0	0	0	0	16,624
Payments					
Administration	0	0	0	0	0
Asset and investment purchases	0	0	0	0	0
Cost of generating income	0	0	0	0	0
Research Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Total Payments	0	0	0	0	0
Net Received/Paid	0	0	0	0	16,624
Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0	0
Cash funds last year-end	14,891	0	0	14,891	14,891
Cash funds this year-end	14,891	0	0	14,891	14,891

Statement of assets and liabilities at end of period (GBP)

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total
Cash funds	14,891	0	0	14,891
Other monetary assets	0	0	0	0
Investment assets	16,624	0	0	16,624
Assets for own use	0	0	0	0
Liabilities	0	0	0	0

Approved by the trustees on 8 November 2021 and signed on their behalf
by:

W Lyons
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