

LIGHTSOURCE CONNECTIONS LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 2023

Registered Company No: 09235272
Registered Charity No: 1168515

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The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2014 (FRS102)) issued by the Charity Commission. LightSource Connections Limited is a registered charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity name	LightSource Connections Limited
Charity registration number	1168515 (England & Wales)
Company registration number	09235272 (England & Wales)
Registered address	42-44, Bishopsgate, London, United Kingdom, EC2N 4AH

The directors of the charitable company ("the charity") are trustees for the purposes of charity law. Throughout this report directors are collectively referred to as trustees. Those serving during the year and until the date this report was approved are:

Wesley Linden
Arthur Spurling
Albena Spurling

Founding Member	AquaSource Algae Group Limited
Members	The members of the charity are Wesley Linden, Arthur Spurling, Albena Spurling and Oliver Spurling
Accountants	Saffery LLP, Trinity, 16 John Dalton Street, Manchester, M2 6HY

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution

LightSource Connections Limited is a charity governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association incorporated on 25 September 2014, and is constituted as a company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital.

Appointment of trustees

The first two trustees were appointed by a majority of the subscribers to the Memorandum and Articles of Association. Any person who is willing to act as a trustee, and is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a trustee by ordinary resolution, or by a decision of the existing trustees. The term of office is indefinite, unless that person ceases to be a trustee by virtue of any

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provision of the Companies Act 2006, becomes prohibited from being a trustee by law or resigns. The minimum number of trustees is one and there is no maximum.

Members' reserve power

The members may, by special resolution, direct the trustees to take, or refrain from taking, specified action. No such special resolution invalidates anything which the trustees have done before the passing of the resolution.

Induction and training of trustees

Potential new trustees are invited to attend a trustees' meeting as observer prior to consenting to be put forward for appointment as a trustee. New trustees will be fully briefed and trained on the objective of the charity and its procedures.

The charity's trustees take final responsibility for the general and financial well-being of the charity. The trustees meet at least twice a year and communicate on a regular basis.

Risk assessment

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 are in place to mitigate those risks.

OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

Objects

The objects of the charity are for the public benefit to:

advance education by providing comfortable and relaxing learning environments in schools designated to enhance and promote the realisation of the creative potential and awareness of children under the age of 18.

The trustees recognise their duties under the Charities Act 2011 and have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's activities and compiling this report.

Activities

The main activity of the charity during the year was the creation of artwork in schools: to facilitate comfortable and relaxing working environments for pupils to enable them to achieve their potential.

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Achievements and performance

The following projects were undertaken and successfully completed during 2023. This includes the interior design for the walls, curtains, door frames, and doors to be in the correct colours to match the photo wallpaper which have friendly designs, positive affirmations and educational information depending on the age groups in the classrooms. The project includes the participation of the teachers, parents, and children in working together to create a comfortable and relaxing learning environment.

The foyers are often fitted out with recycled materials such as pallets that the children prepare and eventually end up as sitting areas that they use during their breaks. The teachers have found that when the children are involved in helping to create their environment that they respect it as it becomes their second home.

The following schools have been completed in 2023:

- “Radost (Joy)” Kindergarten, Plovdiv, Bulgaria. There are one-hundred and seventeen students between the ages of three and seven years old with nine teachers. The school has two floors with four study halls, four bedrooms, four wardrobes, three corridors, a thermal bridge / corridor, two large and one small lobby, a gym, a doctor’s office, and a teacher’s room.
- Professional High School of Food Technology “Atanas Chengelev,” Peshtera, Bulgaria. There are one-hundred and seventy-one students between the ages of thirteen to eighteen and twenty teachers. The school is located across two buildings; a G-shaped building which has twenty-one classrooms, five corridors, three lobbies, a gym and two computer halls with a separate building with another gym.
- “Children’s Paradise” Kindergarten, Velingrad, Bulgaria. There are eighty-seven students between the ages of two to seven with six teachers. The school has two floors, three classrooms, three corridors, three lobbies and a gym.
- “Dr. Petar Beron” Secondary School, Bolyarovo, Bulgaria. There are one-hundred and sixty students between the ages of seven to eighteen with twenty teachers. The school is located across two buildings. The small and older building has two floors, and the newer and larger building has three floors. In total there are fifteen classrooms, five corridors, four lobbies, a cafeteria, a gym and a computer hall.
- “Hristo Botev” Primary School, Samuilovo, Bulgaria. There are two-hundred and ninety students between the ages of seven to fourteen with thirty-three teachers. There are two buildings. The smaller building has three classrooms, a library and a corridor. The larger building has two floors with eleven classrooms, two corridors, a lobby, two resource rooms and a computer hall.
- “Vasil Levski” Primary School, Grashevo, Bulgaria. There are seventy-seven students between the ages of seven to thirteen with fifteen teachers. The school has two floors with ten classrooms, two corridors, two lobbies, a cafeteria, a gym and a computer hall.

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- “Dragan Manchov” Primary School, Plovdiv, Bulgaria. There are five-hundred and forty-three students between the ages of seven to fourteen with forty-five teachers. The school has four floors with twenty classrooms, six corridors, three lobbies, a cafeteria, a gym and two computer halls.
- “Nikolay Petrini” Secondary School, Yambol, Bulgaria. There are eight-hundred and nineteen students between the ages of seven and fourteen with sixty-eight teachers. The school has two buildings with four floors in each and in total there are thirty classrooms, eight corridors, eight lobbies, a cafeteria, two gyms and three computer halls.
- “Dyado Ivan Arabadzhuyata” Primary School, Village of Tsaratsovo, Bulgaria. There are seventy-nine students between the ages of seven to thirteen with fifteen teachers. The school has two floors with twelve classrooms, two corridors, six lobbies, a canteen, a sports hall and a computer room.
- “Chernorizets Hrabar” Primary School, Varna, Bulgaria. There are six hundred and fifty students between the ages of seven to fourteen with fifty-four teachers. There are four floors with thirty classrooms, four corridors, nine lobbies, a large and small sports hall, two computer rooms, a medical office, an assembly hall and a canteen.
- “Plamache” Pre-School, Yambol, Bulgaria. There are two-hundred and forty-nine children between the ages of ten months to seven years old with sixteen teachers, a speech therapist, a psychologist, a resource teacher and a music teacher. The school is situated over two buildings each with three floors. In total there are ten after school classrooms, ten bedrooms, ten wardrobes, four corridors, eight lobbies and nine subject rooms.
- “Father Paisiy” Primary School, Beloslav, Bulgaria. There are sixty students between the ages of six and ten years old with six teachers. There are two floors with six classrooms, a corridor, two lobbies, a canteen, a sports hall and a computer room.
- “Elisaveta Bagryana” Vocational Secondary School of Clothing, Byala Slatina, Bulgaria. There are one-hundred and eighty-six students between the ages of fifteen to nineteen with twenty teachers. The school has three floors with twenty-one classrooms, eight corridors, four lobbies, a sports hall and two computer rooms.
- “Vasil Levski” Vocational Secondary School of Construction, Architecture and Geodesy, Varna, Bulgaria. There are six-hundred and ten students between the ages of fourteen to nineteen with fifty teachers. The school has three floors with twenty-two classrooms, four corridors, three lobbies and six computer rooms.
- “First of June” Pre-School, Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria. There are two-hundred and thirty-eight students between the ages of one year and eight months to seven years old with sixteen teachers, a music teacher, a resource teacher, a psychologist and two speech therapists. The school is located across two buildings with three floors. In total there are twelve after-school classrooms, twelve wardrobes, twelve bedrooms, four lobbies, a sports hall and sixteen subject rooms.
- “St Cyril and St. Methodius” Primary School, Yambol, Bulgaria. There are three-hundred and thirty-seven students between the ages of six to eleven years old with thirty-two teachers. The school has two buildings with three floors. In total there are seventeen

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classrooms, three corridors, three lobbies, a canteen, two sports halls and a computer room.

- “St Cyril and St. Methodius” Secondary School, Vidin, Bulgaria. There are four-hundred and fifty students between the ages of six to nineteen years old with fifty-four teachers. The school has four floors with two wings and in total there are fifty-five classrooms, fourteen corridors, twelve foyers, a canteen, two sports halls and three computer rooms.
- “Academician Kiril Popov” Secondary School of Mathematics, Plovdiv, Bulgaria. There are one-thousand, two-hundred and thirty-nine students between the ages of twelve and eighteen with ninety-five teachers. The school has three floors with twenty-one classrooms, three corridors, three foyers, a sports hall and five computer rooms.

Donations

We are grateful to have received a grant in excess of CAN\$37,500 this year from the Ignatov Family Foundation and other donations of nearly £900 from various people.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial review

The charity’s performance in the year resulted in a surplus of £74,841 (2022: £134,704). Income has decreased slightly due to membership fees being received from AquaSource Algae Group Limited decreasing by approximately £25,000. However much of this was offset by a large donation this year from the Ignatov Family Foundation. The reduction in net surplus is mainly due to expenditure on charitable activities having increased by £51,766 due to the availability of funds to carry out further charitable works this year.

Reserves policy

The trustees have reviewed the charity’s needs for reserves in line with guidance issued by the Charity Commission. The trustees do not consider that holding a minimum level of reserves is necessary due to the nature of the charity and the fact that the charity’s day to day operating costs are minimal. Should the nature of the charity change, the trustees will review the position at that point. The current level of reserves is £408,555 (2022: £333,714), of which £1,372 (2022: £nil) is held in fixed assets.

Funding may be received from other charitable organisations, public funding bodies, donors and sponsors. In the period under review, most funding came from Members’ subscriptions.

Plans for future periods

The charity intends to continue to advance education by providing comfortable and relaxing learning environments in schools designated to enhance and promote the realisation of the creative potential and awareness of children under the age of 18, being the key objective of the charity.

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STATEMENT OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees (who are also directors of LightSource Connections Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:


- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

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

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies' exemption.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 28 July 2024


Arthur Spurling
Director

LIGHTSOURCE CONNECTIONS LIMITED

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF LIGHTSOURCE CONNECTIONS LIMITED

Year ended 31 December 2023

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of LightSource Connections Limited for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the Company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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:

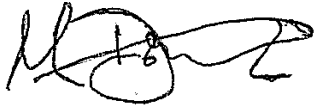
1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities.

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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.



Martyn Dobinson FCA

11 July 2024

Date:

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (incorporating the Income and Expenditure account)

Year ended 31 December 2023

	<i>Notes</i>	Restricted 2023 £	Unrestricted 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Income from:					
Donations		21,669	144,335	166,004	174,347
Interest		-	320	320	74
Total	3	21,669	144,655	166,324	174,421
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities		18,556	38,718	57,274	42,035
Support costs		-	34,209	34,209	(2,318)
Total	4	18,556	72,927	91,483	39,717
Net movement in funds		3,113	71,728	74,841	134,704
Reconciliation of funds:		-			
Total funds brought forward		-	333,714	333,714	199,010
Total funds carried forward	9,10	3,113	405,442	408,555	333,714

All incoming resources and resources expended are derived from continuing activities.

All recognised gains and losses are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The notes on pages 11 to 14 form part of these accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	1,372	-
		<u>1,372</u>	<u>-</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	7	35	35
Stock		3,113	-
Cash at bank and in hand		416,203	339,285
Total current assets		<u>419,351</u>	<u>339,320</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8	(12,168)	(5,606)
Net current assets		<u>407,183</u>	<u>333,714</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>408,555</u>	<u>333,714</u>
Represented by:			
Unrestricted funds	9	405,442	333,714
Restricted funds	10	3,113	-
		<u>408,555</u>	<u>333,714</u>

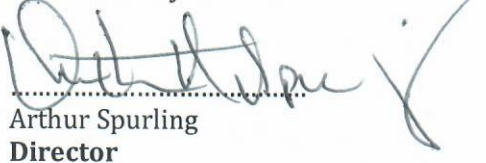
For the financial year ended 31 December 2023, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 8 July 2024 and signed on their behalf by:


 Arthur Spurling
 Director

The notes on pages 11 to 14 form part of these accounts.

Registered Company No: 09235272

Registered Charity No: 1168515

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NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS

Year ended 31 December 2023

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Accounting and Reporting by Charities (Charities SORP (FRS102)), Statement of Recommended Practice applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The accounting policies have been applied consistently (except as otherwise stated).

LightSource Connections Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102.

Accounting Convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

Going Concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The charity has adequate reserves and a satisfactory level of contracted future income.

Income

Donations and other income are accounted for in the period to which they relate.

Expenditure

All expenditure is charged in the year to which it relates.

Assets

The charity does not own any fixed assets other than expendable items of office equipment and computer equipment.

Debtors

Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discounts offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due. Accrued income is recognised for donations relating to the year that are yet to be received.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amounts. Deferred income is recognised when services have been billed for in advance of the services being delivered.

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Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

2 Taxation

As a charity the organisation is exempt from United Kingdom Income and Corporation Tax on its charitable activities.

3 Incoming resources from charitable activities

	2023 £	2022 £
Members donations	143,438	168,029
Miscellaneous income	22,566	6,318
Bank interest	320	74
	<hr/> 166,324	<hr/> 174,421

4 Resources expended on charitable activities and support costs

	2023 £	2022 £
Mural expenditure	57,274	42,035
Legal and professional	6,651	215
Independent examination	1,615	1,535
Accountancy fees	921	533
Other costs	25,022	(4,601)
	<hr/> 91,483	<hr/> 39,717

The charity does not directly employ any staff. During the year the Ignatov Family Foundation supplied 3 volunteer to support the Charity.

5 Trustees' expenses

Expenses totalling £8,671 (2022: £2,983) were incurred by two Trustees during the year for travel, subsistence and accommodation whilst working for the Charity, and for other costs paid for on behalf of the Charity, and which the Charity has therefore agreed to reimburse. Amounts totalling £3,881 (2022: £nil) were reimbursed to Trustees during the year, and therefore, amounts outstanding and owed to Trustees at the year-end were £8,671 (2022: £3,881).

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6 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery etc. £
Cost	
At 1 January 2023	5,308
Additions	<u>2,058</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>7,366</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 January 2023	5,308
Charge for the year	<u>686</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>5,994</u>
Net book value	
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,372</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>-</u>

7 Sundry debtors and prepayments

	2023 £	2022 £
Prepayments	35	35
	<u>35</u>	<u>35</u>

8 Sundry creditors and accruals

	2023 £	2022 £
Accountancy creditor	1,815	1,725
Trade creditors	1,682	-
Sundry creditors	8,671	3,881
	<u>12,168</u>	<u>5,606</u>

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9 Unrestricted funds

	2023 £	2022 £
Balance brought forward	333,714	199,010
Surplus for the year	71,728	134,704
Balance at 31 December 2023	<u>405,442</u>	<u>333,714</u>

10 Restricted funds

	2023 £	2022 £
Balance brought forward	-	-
Surplus for the year	3,113	-
Balance at 31 December 2023	<u>3,113</u>	<u>-</u>

During the year a donation of £21,669 (CAN \$37,500) was received from the Ignatov Family Foundation for the specified purpose of purchasing photo wallpaper. The Trustees have complied with the requirements of this grant receipt and accordingly all funds have been spent in the year on photo wallpaper supplies with £3,113 of materials unused at the year-end and included as stock.

11 Related party transactions

The trustees do not consider that there are any related party transactions that would need to be disclosed.