



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From January 01 2020 To December 31 2020

Charity name: Para La Tierra, For the Earth (PLT)

Charity registration number: 1172116

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The objects of the CIO are restricted to the following:</p> <p>a) to promote for the benefit of the public and visitors the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment by promoting biological diversity of South America;</p> <p>b) to advance the scientific knowledge of and provide information regarding the biological territory of Paraguay for the public benefit by supplying grants to undertake research;</p> <p>c) to advance the education of the public through the provision of opportunities to promote conservation of the natural environment;</p> <p>to promote sustainable development for the benefit of the public by the preservation, conservation and the protection of the environment;</p> <p>d) to advance the education of the public in subjects relating to the protection, enhancement and rehabilitation of the environment, and to promote study and research in these subjects, encouraging dissemination of results and outcomes to inform the public and policy makers at large; and</p> <p>e) to promote the conservation of endangered species of birds resident in the Laguna Blanca, Paraguay including the crowned solitary eagle, white-winged nightjar and marsh seedeater, and vulnerable species that will become endangered if action is not taken.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Object a) use of social media to raise awareness of Paraguayan biodiversity and conservation issues.</p> <p>Object b) grants were supplied to further biodiversity research in the field of ecology, to advance the scientific knowledge of and provide information regarding the biological territory of</p>

		<p>Paraguay for the public benefit, including funding for researchers and equipment.</p> <p>Object c) No activities during 2020.</p> <p>Object d) No activities during 2020.</p> <p>Object e) No activities during 2020.</p> <p>In December 2019 grant was received from Lush Charity Pot (Canada) to further research and education goals for public benefit across Objects a-d. £701 of the remaining £4,442 in restricted funds was spent in 2020 with all spending regulated and approved by the Trustees. The project was put on hold in March 2020 due to the pandemic.</p> <p>In 2020 5,000 swiss francs were received from the Rolex Awards for Enterprise Covid relief fund which were spent on furthering objects a and b during the pandemic.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>Upon appointment and establishment of the charity in March 2017, all Trustees reviewed the Charities Act and the Charities Regulations 2008, and took the guidance as to operation for public benefit into consideration when planning all 2020 activities.</p>

#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	<p>Grants to further develop research and buy equipment required for research purposes were decided upon at a trustee meeting held on February 18<sup>th</sup> 2020:</p> <p>Item d. General update on activities and equipment requirements.</p> <p>Item e. Authorize the payment of grants for UK researchers studying in Paraguay with “Fundacion Para La Tierra”.</p>
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p><b>Object a) given the pandemic, all in-person activities were suspended and the charity focused on remote promotion of biodiversity by employing social media campaigns. Engagement from the public was high.</b></p> <p><b>Object b) the charity sought funding from non-governmental funders to support researchers working in Paraguay during the pandemic, to allow work to continue despite challenges concerning travel and access to field sites. Researchers focused on data analysis and publishing when fieldwork was not possible, with publications due to be printed in 2021.</b></p> <p><b>Object c) not possible during 2020 due to the pandemic.</b></p> <p><b>Object d) not possible during 2020 due to the pandemic.</b></p> <p><b>Object e) not possible during 2020 due to the pandemic.</b></p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>Most projects and activities were paused in 2020 due to the pandemic.</b>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>Despite the circumstances, the charity was able to raise money by focusing on Covid relief funds to provide support to researchers. However, crowdfunding was less successful than in previous years.</b>

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>The financial position remains positive, thanks to fundraising efforts during the pandemic. Rolex Awards for Enterprise awarded 5,000 swiss francs to facilitate continuation of research in Paraguay. A second grant was also received from the Primate Society of Great Britain to facilitate education in communities who lost access to school during 2020, which will be spent in 2021.</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>A Reserves Policy was written and accepted by Trustees in October 2018. The same policy was reviewed and updated in 2020 to reflect changes in CAF bank fees from £5 to £8 per month starting in January 2021.</p> <p>The reserves that we have set aside provide financial stability and the means for the development of our principal activities; i.e. providing funding for biological research in Paraguay. Considering we have no employees or other strict financial obligations, next year we intend to maintain our reserves at a level which is at least equivalent to £96 to cover the £8 monthly Charities Aid Foundation bank fees for 12 months. In 2021 we intend to use the reserves at a rate of £8 per month.</p> <p>The Trustees annually review the amount of reserves that are required to ensure that they are adequate to fulfil continuing obligations.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	There were £1,247 in reserves held at the end of 2020.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>N/A</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>N/A</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>N/A</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>The charity is registered with Amazon Smile and Easy Fundraising, which together raised a total of £146 in 2020.</p> <p>5,000 swiss francs was awarded from the Rolex Awards for Enterprise Covid relief fund.</p>

Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		All expenditure in 2020 supported the key objectives of the charity.

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution (March 17 <sup>th</sup> 2017, no amendments)
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees or by unanimous consent by written resolution, by existing trustees.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Para La Tierra, For the Earth
Other name the charity uses	PLT
Registered charity number	1172116
Charity's principal address	Medora Cottage Hurtmore road Godalming GU7 2RL

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Brendan Llewellyn		Whole year	
2	David Atkinson		Whole year	
3	Karina Atkinson		Whole year	
4	Penelope King		Whole year	
5	Jacqueline Hinton		Whole year	
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name		
N/A		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		



## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
N/A		

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

N/A
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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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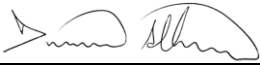
## Other optional information

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## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Karina Atkinson	David Atkinson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date	31/1/2021	



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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

01/01/2020

To

31/12/2020

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	1326	-	-	1,326	6,903
Grants	-	5,036	-	5,036	437
Fundraising	146	-	-	146	10,591
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>1,472</b>	<b>5,036</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,508</b>	<b>17,931</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>1,472</b>	<b>5,036</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,508</b>	<b>17,931</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
CAF bank account fees	60	-	-	60	60
Grants and donations	9,540	701	-	10,241	13,087
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>9,600</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,301</b>	<b>13,147</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>9,600</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,301</b>	<b>13,147</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 8,128</b>	<b>4,335</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 3,793</b>	<b>4,784</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>9,375</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,375</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>1,247</b>	<b>4,335</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,582</b>	<b>4,784</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Held in CAF bank	1,247	4,335	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>1,247</b>	<b>4,335</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK



	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Karina Atkinson	31/01/2021
	David Atkinson	31/01/2021