

Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
From	Period start date			To	Period end date	
	01	01	2022		31	12

## Section A Reference and administration details

<b>Charity name</b>	Para La Tierra, For the Earth
<b>Other names charity is known by</b>	PLT
<b>Registered charity number (if any)</b>	1172116
<b>Charity's principal address</b>	Medora Cottage
	Hurtmore Road
	Godalming
<b>Postcode</b>	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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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/A	

### 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

## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution (March 17 <sup>th</sup> 2017, no amendments)
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	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 governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

## Section C Objectives and activities

### Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the CIO are restricted to the following:

- 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;
- 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;
- c) to advance the education of the public through the provision of opportunities to promote conservation of the natural environment;

to promote sustainable development for the benefit of the public by the

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

<p>preservation, conservation and the protection of the environment;  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  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>
<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 2022 activities.</p> <p>Object a) supplied a grant for a “Communications Officer” to improve marketing of Paraguayan eco-experiences and improve social media channels 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 Paraguay for the public benefit, including funding for researchers and equipment including to continue research of hooded capuchin ecology and species assemblage of medium and large mammals in the Atlantic Forest.</p> <p>Object c) organisation of several trips to the Paraguayan Chaco and Atlantic Forest habitats for groups of environmental science students to boost the educational value of the internship experience and learn about local biodiversity of each distinct region.</p> <p>Object d) education events were held in 15 rural and 5 indigenous schools in southern Paraguay 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. Equipment was provided for the British Embassy project to improve outreach opportunities and promote the conservation issues at a local level throughout communities in eastern Paraguay.</p> <p>Object e) Meetings were held with the company AgroForestal Rio Verde that manages the area where the white winged nightjar is found in Laguna Blanca to discuss the possibilities of renewing the “non-production” area to conserve this endangered species.</p>

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Grants to further develop research and buy equipment required for research purposes were decided upon at a trustee meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022:

Item 4: General discussion of activities and recent projects of grant recipients. - Further authorization of the payment of grants for UK researchers studying in Paraguay with “Fundación Para La Tierra” during the next year.

## Section D

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### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

#### Object a)

An updated social media strategy across multiple platforms was developed with the intention of attracting more attention to conservation issues and potential solutions in Paraguay. Posts include details of ongoing research and education projects and offers opportunities for others to get involved. The public response has been very positive and supportive.

#### Object b)

The charity made grants to fund one field worker in Paraguay, in primatology and environmental education and also project supervision and management. The researcher graduated from her PhD research focused on the ecological requirements of capuchin monkeys in the Paraguayan Atlantic Forest and the results of the project lead to the re-evaluation of the species and a change in its global classification to Vulnerable (an Endangered category). Several papers from the work were published in peer-reviewed international scientific journals.

#### Object c)

Ten trips were undertaken by students from European and US universities, to the Gran Chaco and Atlantic Forest habitats, allowing them access to little known and understudied habitats to help generate a passion for conserving threatened ecosystems.

#### Object d)

The education program in indigenous and rural schools in Itapúa and Caazapá, expanded to include the training of teachers.

The 2022 end-of-year fundraiser was successful, raising money to expand education programmes in southern Paraguay and reach more children across four Paraguayan departments.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

A Reserves Policy was written and accepted by Trustees in October 2018. The same policy was reviewed and updated in September 2022 to reflect changes in CAF bank fees back to £5 from £8 per month that started in mid 2022.

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 £150 to cover the £8 monthly Charities Aid Foundation bank fees for 12 months, as well as additional CAF bank fees and charges for transactions. In 2022 we intend to use the reserves at a rate of £8 per month, plus additional transaction fees.

The Trustees annually review the amount of reserves that are required to ensure that they are adequate to fulfil continuing obligations.

There were £14,909 in cash funds held in the charities CAF bank account at the end of 2022.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The charity received £16,157 in private donations.

The charity is registered with Amazon Smile and Easy Fundraising, which together raised a total of £469 in 2022.

A crowdfunding campaign generated £2,139 to support environmental education in Paraguay.

No investments were made.

All expenditure in 2022 supported the key objectives of the charity.

## Section F


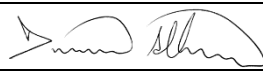
## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

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	03/10/2023	



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Para La Tierra - For The Earth (PLT)

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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

01/01/2022

To



31/12/2022

### 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	18,246	50	-	18,296	6,425
Grants	-	-	-	-	7,881
Fundraising	469	-	-	469	1,735
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	18,715	50	-	18,765	16,041
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	18,715	50	-	18,765	16,041
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
CAF bank account fees	81	-	-	81	138
Grants	7,925	-	-	7,925	14,327
Equipment Donations	-	692	-	692	2,316
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	8,006	692	-	8,698	16,781
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	8,006	692	-	8,698	16,781
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	10,709	- 642	-	10,067	- 740
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,969	2,873	-	4,842	5,582
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	12,678	2,231	-	14,909	4,842



## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Held in CAF account	12,678	2,231	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	12,678	2,231	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
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<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Karina Atkinson	25/08/2023	
		David Atkinson	25/08/2023	