

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	01	2024		31	12	2024

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Para La Tierra, For the Earth

Other names charity is known by

PLT

Registered charity number (if any)

1172116

Charity's principal address

19a The Fairfield

Farnham

Postcode

GU9 8AJ

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 th 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 promote sustainable development for the benefit of the public by the preservation, conservation and the protection of the environment e) 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 f) 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 2024 activities.</p> <p>Object a) created a visitor centre and display museum in Pilar, Paraguay to promote the wildlife of the Ñeembucú Wetland Complex for local people and educate visitors about the reforestation with the Mbya Guaraní indigenous people.</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 species assemblage of medium and large mammals in the Atlantic Forest and studies of the health of the urban howler monkey population of Pilar and wildlife ectoparasites across the country.</p> <p>Object c) organisation of several trips to the Paraguayan Chaco, Atlantic Forest and Pantanal 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) Continued the economically-beneficial reforestation programme with our main Mbya Guaraní indigenous partner community.</p> <p>Object e) continuing environmental education in indigenous schools. Visited 8 new indigenous communities to present a potential collaboration for 2025.</p> <p>Object f) we worked with the new owners of Agroforestal Rio Verde to assist with their documentation for proposing that the remaining Cerrado a protected area. We provided information from our study of the White Winged Nightjar (2013-2017) and from bird and mammal surveys throughout the 2010-2017 period.</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.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Object a)

Created a visitor centre in Pilar, Paraguay with a display museum with specimens from the Ñeembucú Wetland Complex

Object b)

The charity made grants to fund two field workers in Paraguay, one in parasitology and one in primatology and environmental education and also project supervision and management. The primatological researcher continued a reforestation programme in the Paraguayan Atlantic Forest, worked with several rural schools and made new connections in indigenous communities across Itapúa department. The parasitology research presented his research (in Spanish) at an international conference in Ecuador, supervised 18 undergraduate and masters students and contributed to several peer-reviewed publications.

Object c)

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

Object d)

An economically-beneficial reforestation programme was started with a partner Indigenous Mbya Guaraní community. This programme combines reforestation of important Atlantic Forest native tree species with planting of the (also native) yerba mate cash crop tree. The people will gain a sustainable income from the harvest of the leaves (used to make a very popular tea) while the Atlantic Forest regenerates on previously deforested land. In 2024, a further 5ha were replanted (10,000 saplings) and 22 families are now benefitting from the increased income. In total 12ha have been replanted (33,500 saplings).

Object e)

We hosted Pilar's first Howler Monkey Festival to promote the conservation of the urban population of black and gold howler monkeys in the city. We visited several rural and indigenous schools in Itapúa department and schools in Pilar delivering lessons in environmental education.

Object f)

The new management of AgroForestal Rio Verde, that owns the Cerrado habitat where the white winged nightjar is found, is applying for protected status for the remaining Cerrado on the property. We provided information from our historical data on the critical areas for the species and other endangered species found within the area.

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 £5 monthly Charities Aid Foundation bank fees for 12 months, as well as additional CAF bank fees and charges for transactions. In 2024 we intend to use the reserves at a rate of £5 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 £17237.89 in cash funds held in the charities CAF bank account at the end of 2024.

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.

A total of £12,347.47 entered the charity's account.

The charity received £11,053.53 in private donations (including £250 from the Cupar Rotary Club for the Atlantic Forest Reforestation Programme).

The charity received £1250 in grants – from the Primate Society of Great Britain to build a sustainable tree nursery in the partner Mbya Guaraní indigenous community (work will be undertaken in 2025).

The charity is registered with Amazon Smile and Easy Fundraising, which together raised a total of £18.32 in 2024.

The charity received £25.64 in interest.

No investments were made.

All expenditure in 2024 supported the key objectives of the charity.



Section F

Other optional information

Section GDeclaration

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)	Trustee	Trustee
Date	29/01/2025	



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

1/1/2024

To


12/31/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	11,098		-	11,098	8,598
Grants	-	1,250	-	1,250	6,903
Fundraising			-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	11,098	1,250	-	12,348	15,501
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	11,098	1,250	-	12,348	15,501
A3 Payments					
CAF bank account fees	60	-	-	60	60
Grants	12,979	-	-	12,979	10,845
Equipment Donations	406		-	406	1,157
Bank Transfer Fees		-	-	-	12
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	13,445	-	-	13,445	12,074
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	13,445	-	-	13,445	12,074
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,347	1,250	-	- 1,097	3,427
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	7,810	10,525	-	18,335	14,909
Cash funds this year end	5,463	11,775	-	17,238	18,336

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 account	5,463	11,775	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	5,463	11,775	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Karina Atkinson	10/29/2025



David Atkinson

10/29/2025