



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01 April 2022 **Period start date** **To** 31st March 2023 **Period end date**

Charity name: Sustainable Nitrogen Foundation

Charity registration number: 1180511

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance environmental protection or improvement for the benefit of the public by carrying out scientific research into biological nitrogen fixation and publishing the useful results, with a few to securing outcomes in the mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions and water pollution derived from nitrogen fertilisers in agriculture.
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	For the period the Trustees have sought grant funding and donations for research projects to expand the development, formulation, production and use of biological nitrogen fixation in small holder agricultural production.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have at all times had full regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and have made decisions consistent with the objects and purposes of the Foundation.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
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>The Foundation prepared proposals and applied for grant funding for research projects in the following countries: Mauritius, Senegal, Gabon, Kenya and Rwanda. All the proposals involved collaboration with local partners.</p> <p>Funding was sought for each project and included applications to private donors and public organisations. The Trustees engaged and met with representatives of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and UK Aid. An application was submitted to the Earthshot Prize.</p> <p>A scientific publication was prepared by representatives of the Foundation and the UK National Physical Laboratory, and Manchester and Nottingham Universities on the use of NanoSIMs microscopy to examine <i>in planta</i> nitrogen fixation. The results demonstrate that fixed nitrogen derived from the nitrogen-fixing bacteria <i>Gluconacetobacter diazotrophicus</i> colonised maize, preferentially targeting leaf chloroplasts. This is a significant achievement and a global scientific first.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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	Income: £152.00 Expenditure: £579.00 Total Net Assets: £3,766.00
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The Charity is a 'going concern'

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	Grant funding and revenues from book sales of the book entitled 'Fixed on Nitrogen'.
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		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
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	Trustees were selected and appointed in accordance with the Foundation's Policy for recruitment and appointment of Trustees. The Board of Trustees is responsible for review, selection and appointing by majority vote of all 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	Sustainable Nitrogen Foundation
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1181105

Charity's principal address	Cutbush House, White Hall Lane, Saham Toney, Norfolk IP25 7HB

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	Edward Cocking	Trustee	Founder	Foundation Board
2	David Dent	Trustee & Chair	Founder	Foundation Board
3	Mungo Park	Trustee	Acted for full year	Foundation Board
4	Oyinkanasola Bishi	Trustee	Acted for full year	Foundation Board
5	Rebecca de Souza	Trustee	Acted for full year	Foundation Board
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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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)

	
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Full name(s)

David Roy Dent	
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Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair	
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Date

20th December 2023



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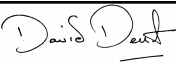
Charity Name			No (if any)		
Receipts and payments accounts					
For the period from		Period start date		To	
		1st April 2022			
				Period end date	
				31st March 2023	

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts				
Book Sales	26	-	-	26
Donations	120	-	-	120
Project Income	- 0	-	-	-
IBank Account nterest	6	-	-	6
	- 0	-	-	-
	- 0	-	-	-
	- 0	-	-	-
	- 0	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	152	-	-	152
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-
Sub total	- 0	- 0	- 0	-
Total receipts	152	- 0	- 0	152
A3 Payments				
Bank Fees	72	-	-	72
Website running costs	120	-	-	120
Fundraising	- 0	-	-	-
Legal Advice	- 0	-	-	-
Insurance	387	-	-	387
Travel Expenses	- 0	-	-	-
	- 0	-	-	-
	- 0	-	-	-
Sub total	579	-	-	579
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-
Sub total	- 0	- 0	- 0	-
Total payments	579	- 0	- 0	579
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 427	-	-	- 427
A5 Transfers between funds	- 0	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	4,193	-	-	4,193
Cash funds this year end	3,766	-	-	3,766

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Donations and Book Sales	3,766	-
		-	-

		-	-
	Total cash funds	3,766	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
			-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	
		DAVID DENT	

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Last year
to the nearest £
19
-
1,236
-
-
-
-
-
1,255
- 0
- 0
1,255
96
30
236
840
387
89
-
-
1,678
- 0
1,678
- 423
-
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- 423
Endowment funds
to nearest £
-
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OK
Endowment funds
to nearest £
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Current value (optional)
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Current value (optional)
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When due (optional)
Date of approval
20/12/23