

# ALMA GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1183977

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2019-06-19

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC, TO ADVANCE THE CONSERVATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT IN ANY PART OF THE WORLD IN SUCH WAYS AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES SEE FIT, INCLUDING BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY: (A) PROVIDING CAPACITY BUILDING; (B) ADVANCING ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION; (C) RAISING AWARENESS; (D) CARRYING OUT SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.

**Activities:** Alma will be run on a project-by-project basis with the sole purpose of improving the environment to the benefit of local communities, and vice versa. Environmental projects will also be further supported through the development and completion of scientific research. The charity will operate in the UK, and abroad with particular focus given to developing countries.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Arts/culture/heritage/science, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** IN ANY PART OF THE WORLD
- The Gambia

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-01-31		£0	£0	-
2024-01-31		£254	£264	-
2023-01-31		£463	£494	-
2022-01-31		£100	£150	-
2021-01-31		£100	£150	-

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## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Dr Alexander James Kent</b>	Chair	2019-06-19
Dr Maria Potouroglou		2019-06-19
Patricia Arenas Gonzalez		2021-10-07

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## Alma Group

**Trustee Annual Report for the Period: 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025.**

### **Aim and purpose**

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### **Objectives and activities**

During the planning of our objectives and activities for the year, the board of trustees specifically considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. In particular, the 'Objectives and activities' and 'Achievements and performance' sections provide a brief summary of the efforts undertaken for the overall aim to improve the physical and natural environment, together with a confirmation that the board of trustees have had regard to our guidance on public benefit.

The primary objectives during this period were to:

- Raise awareness of the charity using communication channels
- Horizon scan for potential grant/funding opportunities

### **Achievements and performance**

Alma has continued to horizon scan for potential grant opportunities for the next project. Throughout this period, no grant programmes were deemed suitable.

### **Financial review**

The balances carried forward on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023 on unrestricted funds totalled £8.79. Between 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024, total receipts on unrestricted funds amounted to £0.

A total of £0 was spent between the period in question.

Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balances carried forward on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024 on unrestricted funds remain at £8.79.

### **Structure, governance and management**

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### **Reference and administrative details**

Charity name: Alma Group

Registered charity number: 1183977

Charity's principal address: 147 Manor Drive North, York, YO26 5SD.

**Current Board of Trustees:**


Alexander Kent


Maria Potouroglou

Patricia Arenas Gonzalez

**Declarations**

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


Signature(s):   
Full name(s): Alexander Kent  
Position: Head Trustee  
Date: 16/10/2025

Signature(s):   
Full name(s): Patricia Arenas Gonzalez  
Position: Trustee  
Date: 16/10/2025


Signature(s):   
Full name(s): Maria Potouroglou  
Position: Trustee  
Date: 16/10/2025

ALMA GROUP

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> OF JANUARY 2025

	CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	Alma Group	1183977		<b>CC16a</b>
		<b>Receipts and payments accounts</b>			
	For the period from	01/02/2024	To	31.01/2025	
<b>Section A Receipts and payments</b>					
	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>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	9	-	-	9	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	9	-	-	9	-

## 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>	Current Account Balance	9	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		<b>Unrestricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Restricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Endowment funds to nearest £</b>
	<b>Details</b>	<b>to nearest £</b>	<b>to nearest £</b>	<b>to nearest £</b>
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due (optional)</b>	<b>When due (optional)</b>
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		Alexander Kent		16/10/2025
		Maria Potouroglou		16/10/2025

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The primary objectives during this period were to:

- Raise awareness of the charity using communication channels
- Horizon scan for potential grant/funding opportunities

### **Achievements and performance**

Following the completion of the project entitled Ba Nyamo Tanko, Alma has been horizon scanning for potential grant opportunities for the next project. Throughout this period, no grant programmes were deemed suitable.

### **Financial review**

The balances carried forward on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023 on unrestricted funds totalled £18.79. Between 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024, total receipts on unrestricted funds amounted to £254. These funds were obtained through two donations of £204 and £50 from one of the trustees on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of October respectively.

A total of £264.00 was spent on maintaining the website and leasing the domain for the charity and Ba Nyamo Tanko. Between the period in question, total expenditure was £264.

The net result for the year was an excess of payments over receipts by - £10.00.

Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balances carried forward on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024 on unrestricted funds total £8.79.

### **Structure, governance and management**

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**Current Board of Trustees:**

Alexander Kent

Maria Potouroglou

Patricia Arenas Gonzalez

**Declarations**

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

Signature(s): 

Full name(s): Alexander Kent

Position: Head Trustee

Date: 13/11/2024

Signature(s): 

Full name(s): Patricia Arenas Gonzalez

Position: Trustee

Date: 13/11/2024

Signature(s): 


Full name(s): Maria Potouroglou

Position: Trustee



Date: 13/11/2024

## ALMA GROUP

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> OF JANUARY 2024

	CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	Alma Group		1183977		CC16a	
		<b>Receipts and payments accounts</b>					
		For the period from	01/02/2023	To	31.01/2024		
<b>Section A Receipts and payments</b>							
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Endowment funds</b>	<b>Total funds</b>	<b>Last year</b>		
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £		
<b>A1 Receipts</b>							
Private Donations	254	-	-	254			
	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	254	-	-	254		-	
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>							
	-	-	-	-		-	
	-	-	-	-		-	
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-		-	
<b>Total receipts</b>	254	-	-	254		-	
<b>A3 Payments</b>							
Squarespace Inc	245	-	-	245			
Squarespace Inc	19	-	-	19			
	-	-	-	-		-	
	-	-	-	-		-	
	-	-	-	-		-	
	-	-	-	-		-	
	-	-	-	-		-	
	-	-	-	-		-	
<b>Sub total</b>	264	-	-	264		-	
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>							
	-	-	-	-		-	
	-	-	-	-		-	
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-		-	
<b>Total payments</b>	264	-	-	264		-	
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	10	-	-	10		-	
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-		-	
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	19	-	-	19		-	
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	9	-	-	9		-	

## 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>	Current Account Balance	9	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		<b>Unrestricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Restricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Endowment funds to nearest £</b>
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
		<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
		<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due (optional)</b>	<b>When due (optional)</b>
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		Alexander Kent		13/11/2024
		Maria Potouroglou		13/11/2024

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The primary objectives during this period were to:

- Support the Ba Nyamo Tanko project
- Raise awareness of the project and charity using communication channels

### **Achievements and performance**

This year, Alma Group continued to support the \$80,000 project entitled Ba Nyamo Tanko following the successful application to the International Coral Reef Initiative Small Grants Programme in 2021 to its completion.

Following the successful establishment of a dedicated webpage for the project ([Ba Nyamo Tanko — ALMA \(alma-org.co.uk\)](https://www.ba-nyamo-tanko.org)) and a twitter page ([Ba Nyamo Tanko \(@BaNyamoTanko\) / Twitter](https://twitter.com/BaNyamoTanko)), content has been regularly uploaded and shared via these platforms. This has included training workshops with students and local fisher folk.

Alma Group has assisted in the analyses of the monitoring data and the end of project report for the funder. We also assisted the project coordinator present the project at the Blue Forest webinar organised by the Norwegian Blue Forests Network in late November 2022 and have supported an application for further representation at the Final Scientific Symposium of the MAVA Foundation, which operated in the Mediterranean and West Africa providing funding to environmental projects since the early 1990s, in May 2023.

Alma Group has also been looking for further funding for a continuation of Ba Nyamo Tanko or additional projects, and we are planning to submit an application to the Global Environment's Facility Inclusive Challenge Program in May, 2023.

### **Financial review**

The balances carried forward on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022 on unrestricted funds totalled £49.98. Between 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023, total receipts on unrestricted

funds amounted to £463.00. These funds were obtained through a donation of £370 from one of the trustees on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October, and another donation of £88 from another trustee on the 12<sup>th</sup> of November. A further £5.00 was donated through the Amazon smiles scheme on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May.

A total of £494.00 was spent on the hosting of the website by Bluehost, and the website template through Squarespace Inc. Between the period in question, total expenditure was £494.00.

The net result for the year was an excess of receipts over payments by £31.

Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balances carried forward on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022 on unrestricted funds total £18.79.

### **Structure, governance and management**

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### **Current Board of Trustees:**


Alexander Kent

Maria Potouroglou

Patricia Arenas Gonzalez

### **Declarations**

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

Signature(s): 

Full name(s): Alexander Kent

Position: Head Trustee

Date: 29/08/2023

Signature(s): 

Full name(s): Maria Potouroglou

Position: Trustee

Date: 29/08/2023

Signature(s): 


Full name(s): Patricia Arenas Gonzalez

Position: Trustee



Date: 15/11/2023

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	For the period from	01/02/2022	To	31.01/2023	
<b>Section A Receipts and payments</b>					
	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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Private Donations	458	-	-	458	100
Amazon Smile	5	-	-	5	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>100</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>463</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Bluehost	259	-	-	259	121
Squarespace Inc	235	-	-	235	29
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>494</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>494</b>	<b>150</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>494</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>494</b>	<b>150</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 31</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 31</b>	<b>- 50</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>50</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>50</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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account Balance	19	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		<b>Unrestricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Restricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Endowment funds to nearest £</b>
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
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The primary objectives during this period were to:

- o Establish a project
- o Raise awareness of the project and charity using communication channels

#### **Achievements and performance**

During the previous year, Alma Group and the Sierra Leone School Green Club (SLSGC) applied for the British Council's open call for creative commissions, in response to climate change and COP26. The idea for this commission was to produce a radio drama series that directly addresses environmental sustainability. This application was not successful. Alma Group and SLSGC remain in contact and will continue to look for further funding opportunities.

This year, Alma Group successfully applied to the International Coral Reef Initiative Small Grants Programme 2021 in collaboration with the Department of Parks and Wildlife Management (DPWM) of The Gambia. The \$80,000 project entitled Ba Nyamo Tanko – meaning 'conserving seagrass' in Mandinka, a Gambian dialect, is a pioneering community-led seagrass protection intervention in The Gambia. The specific objectives of Ba Nyamo Tanko are to: -

- Restore degraded seagrass areas through community participation
- Enhance ecosystem services provided by seagrasses, including improved fisheries, biodiversity, carbon sequestration and coastal protection
- Integrate seagrass conservation into national regulations and sectoral laws
- Act as a demonstration programme showcasing community-led seagrass conservation and influence national and regional policy

For Ba Nyamo Tanko, Alma Group will provide continuous scientific support on the training workshop and ongoing use of seagrass restoration techniques. It will also lead the project communications, and assist with the technical requirements of reporting (i.e. GIS mapping). To date, Alma Group has successfully established a dedicated webpage for the project ([Ba Nyamo Tanko — ALMA \(alma-org.co.uk\)](http://BaNyamoTanko—ALMA(alma-org.co.uk))), in addition to a twitter page ([Ba Nyamo Tanko \(@BaNyamoTanko\) / Twitter](https://twitter.com/BaNyamoTanko)). Furthermore, Alma Group assisted with the logo design, and creation of the restoration handbook to be used at the restoration workshop.

## **Financial review**

The balances carried forward on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021 on unrestricted funds totalled £49.98. Between 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022, total receipts on unrestricted funds amounted to £505.00. These funds were obtained through two donations of £200 and £300 from one of the trustees one the 13<sup>th</sup> October and 21<sup>st</sup> of December respectively. A further £5.00 was donated through the Amazon smiles scheme on the 24<sup>th</sup> of May.

A total of £300.00 was spent on the design of the project logo and outreach material (e.g., flyer and restoration handbook) for Ba Nyamo Tanko. A further £194.40 was spent on transferring the hosting of the website to Squarespace Inc. Between the period in question, total expenditure was £494.40.

The net result for the year was an excess of receipts over payments by £10.60.

Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balances carried forward on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021 on unrestricted funds total £60.58

## **Structure, governance and management**

Alma Group is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and is governed by its constitution. The board of trustees are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the charity including on how any funds are spent. The method of appointment to the board of trustees is set out within the constitution. The board of trustee's met a total of six times during this period. During these meetings all trustees were present. In June, during one such board of trustees meeting a resolution was passed to re-appoint Sam Fletcher as a trustee for a further 2 years. Following the successful application of Ba Nyamo Tanko, in October 2021 trustees unanimously agreed to install a fourth trustee, Patricia Arenas Gonzalez to the board for the initial period of 1 year, to broaden the boards technical skills.

## **Reference and administrative details**

Charity name: Alma Group

Registered charity number: 1183977

Charity's principal address: 77 Rosedale Avenue, York, YO26 5LH.

## **Current Board of Trustees:**

Alexander Kent

Maria Potouroglou

Samuel Fletcher

Patricia Arenas Gonzalez

**Declarations**

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

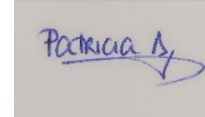


Signature(s):  
Full name(s): Alexander Kent

Position: Head Trustee  
Date: 25/06/2022



Signature(s):  
Full name(s): Maria Potouroglou  
Position: Trustee  
Date: 25/06/2022



Signature(s):  
Full name(s): Patricia Arenas Gonzalez  
Position: Trustee  
Date: 25/06/2022

Signature(s):  
Full name(s): Samuel Fletcher  
Position: Trustee  
Date: 25/06/2022



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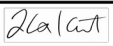

**Receipts and payments accounts**

<b>For the period from</b>	01/02/2020	<b>To</b>	31/01/2021
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**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	100	-	-	100	N/A
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-</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>100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Bluehost.com	121	-	-	121	-
Godaddy.com	29	-	-	29	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>150.02</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>-</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>150</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 50</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 50</b>	<b>-</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>100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>-</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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account Balance	50	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	50	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		<b>Unrestricted funds</b> to nearest £	<b>Restricted funds</b> to nearest £	<b>Endowment funds</b> to nearest £
	<b>Details</b>			
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due (optional)</b>	<b>When due (optional)</b>
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		Alexander Kent		25/06/2021
		Maria Potouroglou		25/06/2021

**ALMA GROUP**

England & Wales - Charity number 1183977

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# Accounts

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## Alma Group

**Trustee Annual Report for the Period: 1<sup>st</sup> February 2020 – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021.**

### **Aim and purpose**

Alma Group aims to advance the conservation and improvement of the physical and natural environment for the benefit of the public in any part of the world by providing capacity building activities, advancing environmental education, raising awareness and carrying out scientific research.

### **Objectives and activities**

During the planning of our objectives and activities for the year, the board of trustees specifically considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. In particular, the 'Objectives and activities' and 'Achievements and performance' sections provide a brief summary of the efforts undertaken for the overall aim to improve the physical and natural environment, together with a confirmation that the board of trustees have had regard to our guidance on public benefit.

The primary objectives during this period were to:

- Establish a website to raise the charities profile
- Identify partners with shared goals
- Identify and apply for project grants and wider fundraising activities

### **Achievements and performance**

During the previous year, Alma Group had successfully applied to run this course at a UK Higher Education institution as part of their summer school in June 2020. The course would act as an educational tool that would develop capacity within the UK, but the funds of which would be used for future projects. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the summer school at the UK institution was cancelled and no face-to-face courses were run.

This year, we have been successful in establishing a website to raise the charities' profile. Both website hosting and a domain name ([www.alma-org.co.uk](http://www.alma-org.co.uk)) were purchased in November for the period of 24 months. Subsequently, content for the website has been produced and is now live. Further content including a blog on various environmental topics is planned for the next year.

Alma Group also successfully identified the Sierra Leone School Green Club as a potential partner. The Sierra Leone School Green Club is an indigenous Community Based Organization which prioritizes education, agriculture, and protecting the environment and as such, our organisations share common goals and objectives. A Memorandum of Understanding providing a general framework for collaborative efforts for the period of the next 2 years was subsequently agreed to by the board of trustees of both organisations.

On 13<sup>th</sup> December 2020, Alma Group and the Sierra Leone School Green Club applied for the British Council's open call for creative commissions, in response to climate change and

COP26. The idea for this commission was to produce a radio drama series that directly addresses environmental sustainability. It will explain the impacts of climate change and the mitigation, adaptation and resilience strategies to Sierra Leoneans and get them to react positively to present-day environmental challenges. We have also identified UK Aid Direct's Small Charities Challenge Fund, as the next project grant application for this partnership.

### **Financial review**

The balances carried forward on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 201 on unrestricted funds totalled £100. Between 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020 to 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021, total receipts on unrestricted funds amounted to £100. This was through a single donation from a private donor.

In order to create a website, a total of £28.78 was spent on the domain name [www.alma-org.co.uk](http://www.alma-org.co.uk) for the period of 24 months, and security and protection of this domain for the next 12 months. A further £121.24 was spent on hosting the website for the next 24 months. Between the period in questions, total expenditure was £150.02.

The net result for the year was an excess of payments over receipts by £-50.02.

Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balances carried forward on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021 on unrestricted funds total £49.98

### **Structure, governance and management**

Alma Group is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and is governed by its constitution. The board of trustee's consists of three members who are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the charity including on how any funds are spent. The method of appointment to the board of trustees is set out within the constitution. The board of trustee's met a total of four times during this period. During these meetings all trustees were present. In June, during one such board of trustees meeting a resolution was passed to re-appoint Maria Potouroglou as a trustee for a further 2 years.

### **Reference and administrative details**

Charity name: Alma Group

Registered charity number: 1183977

Charity's principal address: 76 The Courtyard, Castle Brewery, Newark on Trent, NG24 4FF.

### **Current Board of Trustees:**


Alexander Kent


Maria Potouroglou

Samuel Fletcher

### **Declarations**

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

Signature(s):   
Full name(s): Alexander Kent  
Position: Head Trustee  
Date: 25/06/2021

Signature(s):   
Full name(s): Samuel Fletcher  
Position: Trustee  
Date: 25/06/2021

Signature(s):   
Full name(s): Maria Potouroglou  
Position: Trustee  
Date: 25/06/2021

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CHARITY COMMISSION  
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Alma Group

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**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period  
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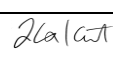

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31/01/2021

**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	100	-	-	100	100
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</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>100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Bluehost.com	121	-	-	121	-
Godaddy.com	29	-	-	29	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>-</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>150</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 50</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 50</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>100</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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account Balance	50	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		<b>Unrestricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Restricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Endowment funds to nearest £</b>
	<b>Details</b>	<b>to nearest £</b>	<b>to nearest £</b>	<b>to nearest £</b>
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due (optional)</b>	<b>When due (optional)</b>
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		Alexander Kent		25/06/2021
		Maria Potouroglou		25/06/2021