

## **African Wildlife Conservation Fund (UK)**



**Annual Report and Accounts for the period  
from 1st July 2019 to 31st December 2020  
Charity registration number: 1186260**

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## Trustees Report

### AWCF (UK) Objectives and Activities

To promote the conservation of endangered African Wild Dogs and other vulnerable large carnivores in Zimbabwe and neighbouring territories, for the public benefit. To advance the education of the public in particular, but not exclusively, in South East Zimbabwe in ways which include providing facilities for education in schools, and awarding scholarships to enable students to access education.

AWCF (UK) raises funds primarily in the UK to support the education programmes in Zimbabwe and to support field work for conservation of endangered African Wild Dogs and other vulnerable large carnivores in Zimbabwe and neighbouring territories.

In planning our activities, the trustees kept in mind the guidance issued on public benefit at our trustee meetings and when setting the objectives. To enable the Charity to fulfil its objects, the Trustees have adopted the following policies:

- Grant Making Policy
- Rural Schools Policy
- Child Protection Policy
- Financial Control Policy
- Conflict of Interest Policy
- Memorandum of Understanding between AWCF (Zimbabwe), AWCF (UK) and AWCF (US)
- Privacy Policy

### Achievements and Performance

AWCF (UK) has raised £45,708 which has contributed significantly to the following achievements on the ground in Zimbabwe in the reporting period:

- Monitored and protected 21 packs of endangered African wild dogs (12 in Save Valley Conservancy (SVC) and 8/9 in Gonarezhou National Park (GNP)) over 18 months (average c. 200 individual animals).
- Seven endangered African wild dogs saved from death in snare wires and 2 pups saved
- Total of 6,316 domestic dogs vaccinated against rabies to protect African wild dogs and other wildlife
- Two annual carnivore spoor surveys carried out in both GNP and SVC, critical to understanding long-term trends of all large carnivore species
- Two new Zimbabwean undergraduate students welcomed to join the AWCF team for their 10 month industrial attachments.
- 49 rural primary schools participated in our annual community conservation cluster competitions, directly involving 546 students, 136 teachers and 358 community members
- 610 rural school children given the opportunity to visit SVC and GNP through our annual conservation and leadership field course (30 students) and our popular day trips into wildlife areas (580 students)

- Personal protective equipment was provided to 8 community clinics around SVC in the face of the Covid-19 pandemic
- Three of our scholarship students (29 supported in total) were accepted to university
- A shipment of 10 pallets (350 boxes) of library books and 950 solar lamps received and distributed into AWCF-supported schools
- Printed and distributed 1,000 educational posters detailing how to 'Spot the Difference' between African wild dogs, jackals and spotted hyena to all our supported schools.
- Carried out a project for the provision of fresh running water to Muvava primary school and surrounding community

### Financial Review

At the end of the period, AWCF (UK) had a balance in Barclays Bank of £4457. AWCF (UK) does not have a reserve policy and holds zero funds in reserves. This is because we can only provide support to AWCF in Zimbabwe to the extent that we have funds available.

The charity's principal sources of funds are scholarship and other education focused donations from individual donors. In addition, we receive grants from other organisations for forwarding to Zimbabwe for work in line with our objectives.

### Structure, Governance and Management

AWCF (UK) is governed by our Trust deed and is a registered Charity in the UK (No. 1186260). The original Trustees were invited to serve by the current Chairperson and the CEO. Going forward, new Trustees will be approved by current trustees

AWCF (UK) works as part of the broader AWCF group and has sister organisations in the US and Zimbabwe. There is a Memorandum of Understanding between AWCF (UK), AWCF (Zimbabwe) and AWCF(US)

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name:	African Wildlife Conservation Fund (UK)
Other names:	AWCF (UK)
Registered charity number:	1186260
Charity's principal address:	Evesham, Houston Way, CROWTHORNE, RG45 6BY
Trustees:	Elizabeth Mary Gupta (Chairperson, July 2018 – present)  Dr John Douglas Graeme Groom PhD, FEng (Treasurer, July 2018 – present)



Amy Ellen Howard (July 2018 – present)

Michael Dent ( July 2018 – present)


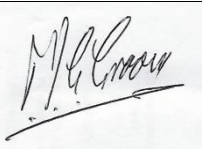
Dr Rosemary Joy Groom PhD (July 2018 – present))

AWCF (UK) does not have any advisors, but the operational arm in Zimbabwe does use a network of high profile scientists and education experts for advice as required

## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Elizabeth Mary Gupta	John Douglas Graeme Groom
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chairperson	Treasurer
<b>Date</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	27 <sup>th</sup> September 2021

Section A: Receipts and Payments Accounts for the period (Charity Commission form CC16a)

Charity Name <b>African Wildlife Conservation Fund (UK)</b>		No (if any) <b>1186260</b>		<b>CC16a</b>
<b>Receipts and payments accounts</b>				
For the period from	Period start date 01-Jul-19	To	Period end date 31-Dec-20	

**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	45,706	-	-	45,706	-
Bank refund	2	-	-	2	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>45,708</b>	-	-	<b>45,708</b>	-
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
Nil	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	-	-	-	-

**Total receipts**

45,708	-	-	45,708	-
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**A3 Payments**

US \$ purchases for AWCF use in Zimbabwe	32,724	-	-	32,724	-
Transfers for Zim \$ purchases	3,681	-	-	3,681	-
Invoices paid	5,346	-	-	5,346	-
Bank charges	12	-	-	12	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	41,763	-	-	41,763	-

**A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)**

Nil	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-

**Total payments**

41,763	-	-	41,763	-
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**Net of receipts/(payments)**

**A5 Transfers between funds**

**A6 Cash funds last year end**

**Cash funds this year end**

3,945	-	-	3,945	-
-	-	-	-	-
512	-	-	512	512
4,457	-	-	4,457	512

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



**African Wildlife  
Conservation Fund**

**B4 Assets  
retained for the  
charity's own  
use**

Nil		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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**B5 Liabilities**

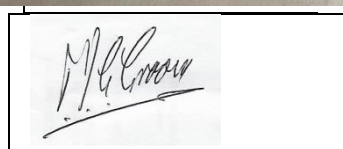
Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Nil		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature

Print Name


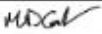
Date of  
approval

Elizabeth Gupta
John D G Groom

9th September 2021
27 <sup>th</sup> September 2021

## Independent examiners Report

 <b>CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES</b>		<b>Independent examiner's report on the accounts</b>	
<b>Section A Independent Examiner's Report</b>			
<b>Report to the trustees/ members of</b>	Charity Name African Wildlife Conservation Fund (UK)		
<b>On accounts for the 18 months ended</b>	31 December 2020	<b>Charity no (if any)</b>	1186260
<b>Set out on pages</b>	6 - 7 <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>		
<b>Responsibilities and basis of report</b>	As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").  I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.		
<b>Independent examiner's statement</b>	I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or</li> <li>• the accounts do not accord with the accounting records</li> </ul> I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.		
<b>Signed:</b>			<b>Date:</b> 29 August 2021
<b>Name:</b>	Mark Daniel Calvert		
<b>Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):</b>	Fellow Chartered Accountant, ICAEW		
<b>Address:</b>	206 Eng Kong Garden, Singapore 599301		

### Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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October 2018