

THE DARWIN

England & Wales · Charity number 1190692

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2020-08-03

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

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Activities

Objects: 1. FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, TO ADVANCE EDUCATION BY ENCOURAGING, FOSTERING AND SUPPORTING THE ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE ENJOYMENT AND STUDY OF ZOOLOGY, BOTANY AND GEOLOGY IN RELATION TO THE MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES IN ANY LOCATION.2. FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING, MAINLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE, CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF ZOOLOGICAL, BOTANICAL AND GEOLOGICAL KNOWLEDGE IN THE MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES IN ANY LOCATION.3. FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, TO ADVANCE EDUCATION BY FOSTERING AND SUPPORTING THE INFORMAL AND FORMAL STUDY OF ZOOLOGY, BOTANY AND GEOLOGY THROUGH THE USE OF APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGIES AND THE SUPPLY WITHOUT CHARGE OF INFORMATION, EDUCATION AND RESEARCH SERVICES AND GRANTS DIRECTED IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY TOWARDS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

Activities: The charity's key focus is on contributing to the global development of 'intelligent sustainability' through the promotion and development of education, research and associated activities concerning natural sciences. It combines its own initiatives with financial support for charitable projects led by other organisations that satisfy its published criteria.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Australia
- Ecuador
- France
- Ireland
- Malaysia
- Namibia
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- United Arab Emirates
- United States
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£0	£0	-	-
2024-05-31	£0	£0	-	-
2023-05-31	£0	£0	-	-
2022-05-31	£0	£0	-	-
2021-05-31	£0	£0	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Michael Marchant	Chair	2020-07-10
John Robert Capewell		2023-03-14
Louis-James Davis		2020-07-10

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Trustees Mr. Louis-James Davis
Mr. Michael Marchant
Mr. Robert Capewell

Secretary M. J. Marchant

Activity The trustees have concentrated their attention in three distinct areas over the past year:

- (a) continuous observation of charitable organisations with complementary objects/interests, establishing relevant dialogues to improve understanding of their activities and the scope for collaboration;
- (b) engagement with selected public bodies with a view to development of non-profit partnership frameworks with a potential appeal to private or commercial sponsors not currently active in their support of charitable activities;
- (c) improvement of the charity's communications with diverse parties (notably under (a) and (c) above, including prospective benefactors) to increase awareness of the charity and the prospect of supported collaboration.

The combination of active observation, engagement and communication has generated a number of potent relationships which the trustees hope will lead to collaborative measures that meet the trustees' commitment to undertake charitable activities that do not disturb the flow of funds and support to other charities.

Finance The Trustees again used personal funds to meet the costs associated with the charity's activities. No income or reportable expenditure occurred in the year.

	<u>2024/2025</u>		
	GBP	EUR	USD
<u>Income</u>			
UK source	0	0	0
Non-UK source	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0
<u>Expenditure</u>			
Internal	0	0	0
UK recipient	0	0	0
Non-UK recipient	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0

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Activity Completion of the assurance procedures for proposed own-initiative projects and for prospective work led by other organisations was achieved and the Trustees have used these to inform their observations of practices in a number of organisations in relation to the formatting of ex-ante and ex-post assessments to ensure simultaneously the level of both accountability and effectiveness. These procedures will be confirmed when observations are completed and will be presented to prospective donors.

The period also saw further dialogue with more experienced people in the charity sector in order to develop the Trustees' awareness of the challenges and opportunities likely to be encountered, especially – as reported previously - with regard to remote supervision, secure reporting and other operational processes that might be vulnerable.

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Mr. Louis-James Davis
Mr. Michael Marchant
Mr. Robert Capewell

Secretary M. J. Marchant

Activity Conditions arising internationally in relation to Covid-19 continued to limit the charity's activity to the development of quality assurance procedures for its proposed own-initiative projects and for prospective work led by other organisations using the charity's grant funds. The Trustees have continued to observe practices in a number of organisations – including operations in one region of South East Asia - and they have refined the draft set of procedures with which the charity can make ex-ante and ex-post assessments to ensure simultaneously the level of both accountability and effectiveness that is required to secure offers of endowments. These procedures will be finalised when observations are completed and will be presented to the donors whose continuing offer of funds will be taken up when circumstances permit.

The period also allowed an extension of the dialogue with more experienced people in the charity sector in order to develop the Trustees' awareness of the challenges and opportunities likely to be encountered, especially with regard to remote supervision, secure reporting and other processes that might be vulnerable.

It remains a priority intention to recruit additional trustees but also to draw on others with international experience who could help them to position the charity more easily or effectively.

Finance The Trustees again used personal funds to meet the costs associated with the charity's preparations and will continue to do so until donor funds are introduced. No income or reportable expenditure occurred in the year.

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Mr. Louis-James Davis
Mr. Michael Marchant

Secretary M. J. Marchant

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The charity will require premises equipped with technology suitable for the effective management of large- and wide-scale activities involving secure data. A Trustee with specialist knowledge in this field has produced a specification brief that will be issued to selected commercial property agents and prospective technology supply partners at an appropriate point.

The Trustees have also used the hiatus since registration to engage with a range of charitable organisations to discuss with sector colleagues in several countries their experiences concerning the roles of patrons and others, with particular attention to added value. It is their intention to recruit additional trustees but also to draw on individuals with international experience who could help them to position the charity more easily or effectively. In this regard, a small number of conversations have started in anticipation of rapid growth when the pandemic has subsided.

Finance The Trustees met privately any costs associated with the charity's preparatory activities and will continue to do so until conditions allow funds from waiting donors to be called on. No income or reportable expenditure occurred in the year.

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