

Trustees' annual report for the period



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Period start date Period end date

Charity name Charity No (if any)

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment in Zambia by the provision of grants to organisations furthering the same object. To advance the education of the public in the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment in Zambia by the provision of grants to organisations.
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	<p>The year to 31/12/2024 saw significant development in the Strategy and fundraising capacity of the charity, including a new website.</p> <p>Fundraising saw expansion of donations to include both development of fundraising assets and donations to support the Elephant Charge Zambia event. The latter uses such grants to fulfil the purposes of the charity stated above.</p>
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 had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The primary purpose of Elephant Charge UK is to make grants in furtherance of its charitable purposes. Such grants are overseen by the Trustee nominated as Fund Coordinator, who works closely with associated charity Elephant Charge Zambia's Board and Beneficiary Committee to identify and monitor grant recipients across the three priority areas of (1) Conservation through education, (2) Promotion of conservation leadership; and (3) Community empowerment.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/a
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The Trustees of Elephant Charge UK are volunteers. During the year to 31/12/2024, no other individuals were engaged by the charity.
Other		N/a

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	The year to 31/12/2024 included production of a new Strategy, website, and fundraising video. The charity raised significantly more funds than in the prior year, and these were distributed via the charity's advisory committee in Zambia to charities across Zambia that help meet Elephant Charge UK's charitable objects of conservation through education and local empowerment.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/a
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/a
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/a
Other		N/a

Financial Review

	SORP reference	
Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The Charity is still at an early stage in its development, but remains cash-positive. For more information, see Financial Report to year-end 2024.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	With no current operating costs, there is no need at present for cash reserves or a reserves policy. This will remain under review.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/a
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	With no current operating costs, there is no need at present for cash reserves or a reserves policy. This will remain under review.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	At any point the Charity will only distribute monies it has received. It does not anticipate any uncertainties as regards continuing as a going concern.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principle source of the charity's funds during the period was donations by individuals, principally to complement the fundraising of Elephant Charge UK's sister operation in Zambia.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/a
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	N/a
Other		N/a

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	SORP reference	
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The Charity is a CIO registered 31 May 2023, governed by a Constitution with voting members other than its Trustees.
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	Aside from one automatic ex-officio Trustee (the Chair of the Elephant Charge (Zambia) Committee), the Trustees of the Charity are appointed by annual election by the members of the CIO.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	All Trustees are expected to have existing experience and knowledge of the Zambian conservation space.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Charity remains in close association with Elephant Charge Zambia, a Zambian non-for-profit that shares the same charitable objects.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	N/a
Other		N/a

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Elephant Charge UK
Other name the charity uses	N/a
Registered charity number	1203341
Charity's principal address	9 Arden Court Fentham Road Hampton-in-Arden SOLIHULL B92 0BH

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	Martin Clemensson	Trustee		Members of CIO
2	Peter Castle	Trustee		Members of CIO
3	Josephine Pope	Trustee		Members of CIO
4	Edward Thorpe	Trustee		Members of CIO
5	John Shields	Trustee		Members of CIO
6	Rosie Churcher	Trustee	April 2024-December 2024	Members of CIO
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Reference and Administrative details

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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/a		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/a		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

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)

Martin Clemensson (Trustee) is Chairman of Elephant Charge UK

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/a

Other optional information

N/a

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)

John Francis Gillies Shields	
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Secretary	
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Date

25 September 2024

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FINANCIAL REPORT

For the year ending 31 December 2024

Registered Charity 1203341

ELEPHANT CHARGE UK

Charity Information

Trustees: Martin Clemensson (Chair)
John Shields (Secretary)
Edward Thorpe (Treasurer)
Jo Pope
Peter Castle
Rosie Churcher

Charity Number: 1203341

Registered Address: 9 Arden Court
Fentham Road
Hampton in Arden
Solihull
B92 0BH

Banker: Metro Bank plc.
One Southampton Row
London
WC1B 5HA

ELEPHANT CHARGE UK

Report of the Treasurer

For the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

The Treasurer presents his report for Elephant Charge UK (the 'Charity') for the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024.

Principal Activity

The Charity was granted authorisation by the Charity Commission for England and Wales (the 'Authority') to act as a Registered Charity. The authorisation was granted effective from 31 May 2023. The Charity has been active in the period.

Review of Business

For the period ended 31 December 2024, the Charity registered surplus funds of £5,372.65, of which £4,000 is restricted for onward payment to Elephant Charge Zambia. Income for the period was £38,772.43.

Expenditure

All Charity expenditure has been fully accounted for in the period. Disbursements of restricted funds totalling £30,357.87 have been made to Elephant Charge Zambia in accordance with the Charity's funding and expenditure policy with further payments to be made in the near future.

Going Concern

The Charity shows surplus funds of £5,372.65 in the period. As the Charity is still very much in its infancy, the trustees foresee a significant increase in donations in the coming months. The Charity financial forecast for the next three years forms part of the Charity Strategy document.

Cash at Bank

The Charity GBP bank account at Metro Bank had a balance of £4,377.90 at the end of the period. The Charity USD bank account at Metro Bank had a balance of \$1,590.95 (£994.75) at the end of the period.

The Charity account held at Paypal had a balance of £0.00 at the end of the period.

N.B. Fluctuating exchange rates have been used for USD conversion to GBP throughout the year and are shown on the cashflow report.

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Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the period ended 31 December 2024

	31 December 2024 £
Administrative Expenses	(3,042)
Disbursements to EC Zambia	(30,358)
Income	38,772
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Surplus/Deficit	5,372
Further Costs	-
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Surplus Funds	5,372
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash in hand and balances with banks.

	31 December 2024 £
Cash held at Metro GBP	4,378
Cash held at Metro USD (\$4,687)	994
Cash held at Paypal	-
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	5,372
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Profit and Loss Account (see note 1)
For the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

	£
Subscription Fees	-
Administrative Costs	(2,847)
Bank Charges	(195)
Disbursements EC Zambia	(30,358)
Income (see note 2)	38,772
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	5,372
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Note 1

PROFIT AND LOSS

The categories are further explained below:

Subscription Fees	Subscription to Fundraising Regulator
Administrative Costs	Postage, website development and video production
Bank Charges	The total of Metro and Paypal charges
Disbursements EC Zambia	Disbursements of restricted funds made to EC Zambia
Income	The total of all income from donations, grants, Just Giving and team fundraising

Note 2

INCOME

Income represents Charity income through donations, grants, Just Giving and team fundraising

	31 December 2024
	£
Donations	4,416
Just Giving	1,402
Team Fundraising	32,941
Bank Charge Refund	13
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	38,772
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Elephant Charge UK

On accounts for the year
ended

31/12/2024

Charity no
(if any) 1203341

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]] - Delete [-] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

24/10/2025

Name:

PAUL JOHN WHITMORE

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

ASSOCIATION OF CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS

(if any):

Address:

Section B

Disclosure

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

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.