Company Registration No. 05649923 (England and Wales)

VOICE FOR NATURE FOUNDATION LIMITED (formerly SCULPT THE FUTURE FOUNDATION LIMITED)

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019



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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Constitution

Voice For Nature Foundation Limited is a company limited by guarantee, company number 05649923, and a registered charity, number 1113144, governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Directors and Trustees

The directors of the charitable company ("the Foundation") are its trustees for the purposes of charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the Trustees. As set out in the Articles of Association the chairman of the Board of Trustees is appointed by the Trustees. The members have the power to appoint any of their number to be a Trustee.

The Trustees who served during the period were:

D M de Rothschild	Chairman
A J de Rothschild	Trustee
D S Glick	Trustee
K McLaurin	Trustee

Company Secretary

D M de Rothschild

Registered Office

71 Queen Victoria Street, London, EC4V 4BE.

Independent examiner

Claire Wills FCA DChA, Saffery Champness LLP, 71 Queen Victoria Street, London, EC4V 4BE

Bankers

Coutts & Co, 440 Strand, London WC2R OQS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

The Trustees present their report together with the financial statements of the Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2019. Legal and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this report.

Objects of the Foundation

The objects of the Foundation are set out in the Memorandum of Association as follows:

To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, preservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment and the prudent use of natural resources and to advance the education of the public in the conservation, preservation, protection, enhancement and rehabilitation of the physical and natural environment and to promote and facilitate study and research in such subjects provided that the useful results of such study and research are disseminated to the public.

Organisation

The Board of Trustees, comprising of at least two Trustees, will meet at least twice annually and oversee the administration of the Foundation. The members have the power to appoint the Trustees.

Resources

Charitable expenditure for the year amounted to £6,825 (2018: £8,541) and these were incurred in furtherance of the Charity's objects. After additional management and administration charges incurred totalling £475 (2018: £505) this left unrestricted reserves at the year-end of £59,403 (2018: £12,923).

Investment Powers

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Foundation has the power to invest the monies of the Foundation not immediately required for its purposes in any way as it shall think fit and to take professional investment advice where necessary.

Investment Policy

The Foundation has adopted a low risk policy towards the funds it holds to meet future operations and currently invests surplus funds in bank deposit accounts and the Trustees will keep this policy under review. The Foundation does not have an endowment fund.

Grant making Policy

Voice For Nature Foundation promotes the unlocking and celebrating of human potential, whilst encouraging positive environmental change towards global sustainability by supporting creative, innovative and sustainable actions, thinkers and doers. Voice For Nature Foundation seeks to recognise these campaigners and their causes by providing small grants in the range of £500 to £2,000.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees' policy is to review the level of reserves on a regular basis and to maintain a level of reserves which will provide a stable base for the charity's continuing activities while at the same time ensuring excessive funds are not accumulated.

The unrestricted reserves of the Charity amounted to £59,403 (2018 : £12,923) at 31 December 2019. The Trustees are satisfied that this level of reserves is adequate for their present purposes.

Risk review

The Foundation undertakes a risk assessment exercise each year and to review how it mitigates the risks to which it is exposed.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

Review of Activities and Future Developments

Review of Activities and Future Developments During the year the Trustees decided to rebrand the Foundation and the name was formally changed to The Voice for Nature Foundation in 2019.

David de Rothschild published the following to explain the change: "At Sculpt the Future Foundation over the last 14 years we've always been driven to support people and projects that use creativity, passion and ingenuity to support our Nature world or as we always phrased it internally, give Nature a Voice. So after some reflection and internal reorganisation on how to increase our impact, it was decided the time had come to make a few changes, including changing our name to the Voice for Nature foundation. However at the end of the day, we've never really been one for labels, and know what really matters is not what you're called but rather what you do. So now, more than ever, we will continue to support projects and people that stand up and speak out on Nature's behalf. Together we will become A VOICE FOR NATURE."

During the financial year, the Foundation received financial support from foundations, individuals and companies totalling £53,753 (2018: £516) and supported three (2018: three) organisations - one based in the US and the other in the Netherlands - with grants totalling £6,825 (2018: £8,541). The projects the Foundation supports are always varied, but all seek directly to change behaviour or enlighten communities about environmental issues.

Support in 2019 was provided for a project addressing desertification and how to tackle it and, later in the year, provision across the world of educational sessions exploring the lives of 'Tribes on the Edge'.

On March 20, 2010, the Plastiki sailing vessel set off from San Francisco, California to cross the Pacific Ocean with a crew of six to visit several sites of ecological importance and highlight the environmental issues caused by global warming. 2020 will mark the 10th Anniversary of the Plastiki's voyage from San Francisco to Sydney and, since it completed its mission, the Plastiki has been on view outside a museum in Texas and at the Texas State Fair.

The Foundation helped bring the Plastiki back to the UK and she is currently moored in Southampton. The Plastiki project is planning a round UK Tour in 2021, acting as a Hub for local initiatives, NGOs, entrepreneurs, artists, scientists and activists. At each stop, the Plastiki team will focus on promoting, supporting and demonstrating projects across the project's 3 pillars: innovation - activism - education. The tour will serve as a repository for unearthing solutions that can be applied to today and a hub focused on developing new pathways to achieving a more sustainable future. This will continue to be a major project for support in 2020.

In addition to this major project, the Foundation has supported the following two projects:

Urban Street Forest Foundation - an organisation in the Netherlands was supported to undertake the editing of an online video desertification series in 10 parts. The series will provide easily accessible information about the history of desertification, the impact of it on villages and farmers, and inform the public on how desertification maybe tackled and inspire them to take action.

Tribes on the Edge - support was provided towards the Education Manager's work with schools. As at November 2019, the project had hosted sessions for more than 7,100 students in more than 200 classrooms in 45 countries around the world and 26 states in the US. This work is undertaken by Celine Cousteau and her team.

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In 2020 the Foundation will continue to concentrate on bringing the Plastiki 2020 project to fruition and also to make small grants to support creative, innovative and sustainable action to promote positive environmental change towards global sustainability by means of its two grant-making categories — Creativity for Change and Innovation for Change. The Trustees will continue to seek to build the Foundation's resources by inviting everyone who shares their passion for inspiring change — to join them in supporting the Foundation and enabling it to make more grants for innovative work.

The Trustees thank Gail Devlin-Jones, Karina Strickland and Saffery Champness LLP for their work on a volunteer basis and thank the individual donors, foundations and companies who have supported the Foundation's work in 2019.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Foundation at the end of the financial year and of its surplus or deficit for the period then ended. In so doing, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Foundation will continue in the foreseeable future.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website.

The trustees note that the coronavirus outbreak was classified as a pandemic in March 2020. This outbreak and the associated virus control measures are unlikely to have an impact on the charity in the future. The trustees do not believe the pandemic will affect the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Independent examiner

The Trustees have appointed Saffery Champness LLP to conduct an independent examination of the accounts of the Charity.

Small company exemption

The Trustees' Report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under Part 15 of the Companies Act 7006.

By order of the Trustees

D M de Rothschild

21st October 2020

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- 4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities.

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.

Claire Wills FCA DChA

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Saffery Champness LLP Chartered Accountants 71 Queen Victoria Street London

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22 October 2020

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	2019	2018
	£	£
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	Funds	Funds
Income from:		
Donations	53,769	596
Investment income - interest received	11	6
Total	53,780	602
Expenditure on: Charitable expenditure on furtherance of the charity's objects:	7,300	9,046
Total	7,300	9,046
Net income (expenditure) and Net movement in funds	46,480	(8,444)
Balances brought forward at 1 January	12,923	21,367
Balance carried forward at 31 December	59,403	12,923

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The accounting policies and notes on page 8 forms part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

·	2019		2018	
	£	£	£	£
Current assets				
Cash held on deposit		5,417		5,406
Other cash at bank and in hand		53,986		7,517
	-			
Total charity funds		59,403		12,923
	=			
Total funds of the charity				
Unrestricted funds		59,403		12,923
Total charity funds		59,403		12,923
·	=			

The accounting policies and notes on page 8 form's part of these financial statements.

For the financial year ended 31 December 2019 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 Companies Act 2006. No member of the company has deposited a notice, pursuant to section 476, requiring an audit of these financial statements under the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 and 387 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Signed A

D M de Rothschild

Company registration number 05649923

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historic cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)- (Charities SORP FRS 102- second edition) and the Companies Act 2006.

Voice For Nature Foundation Limited constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Fund accounting

The charity recognises funds given for a specific purpose as restricted funds to be used in line with the donor's wishes. All other funds are treated as unrestricted general funds, which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees. We report for the current and previous period, no funds received were for a specific purpose and we therefore treated and reported as unrestricted funds.

1.3 Going concern

The trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus they adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual financial statements.

1.4 Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity has taken the exemption provided in Update Bulletin 1 updating Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) allowing small charities not to prepare a cash flow statement.

1.5 Legal status

In both the current and previous year the Foundation is a company limited by Guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to £10. At the year end the total of such liability was £20.

1.6 Income

Donations and grants, including capital grants, are included in incoming resources when these are receivable. Interest income is included when receivable by the Foundation.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

2 Expenditure

Resources expended are included in the statement of financial activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT, which cannot be recovered. Grants paid or payable in the year are treated as charges to the statement of financial activities. Grants authorised but not yet due are charged to the statement of financial activities in the year in which the obligation arises.

The Charity made the following donations over £1,000 in the year ended 31 December 2019:

	2019 ⁻	2018
	£	£
Tribes on the Edge	3,038	-
Galapagos Conservation Trust	-	2,850
Urban Street Forest Foundation	1,912	_
Atelier Aquatic	1,875	1,994
Green Shoots Foundation	-	3,000
Ecosystem Restoration Camp	-	697
	6,825	8,541
Governance costs	475	505
	7,300	9,046

3 Taxation

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

4 Managing and administering the Foundation, and delivering its activities

The Trustees received no remuneration for the services that they provided in the current or previous period.

5 Related party transactions

During the accounting period, the Foundation received £50,000 (2018: Nil) from The Eranda Rothschild Foundation. Mr A J de Rothschild is also a Trustee of The Eranda Rothschild Foundation.

6 Post balance sheet event

The coronavirus outbreak was classified as a pandemic in March 2020. This outbreak and the associated virus control measures are unlikely to have an impact on the charity in the future. The trustees do not believe the pandemic will affect the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.