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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022**

REGISTERED CHARITY No 1003530

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**RESOURCEAFRICA
TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022**

Reference & administrative details

ResourceAfrica was established in May 1991 as the Africa Resources Trust. The charity is registered with the Charity Commission (Registered Charity Number 1003530).

The address of the charity is 92A Old Fort Road, Shoreham, Sussex BN43 5HB

During this financial year the Trustees comprised Mr K. Madders (Treasurer), Dr E. Rihoy (resigned 5 October 2021), Mr M Gomera (resigned 4 February 2023), Mr G J Boyton, Mr C W Bruce (resigned 21 August 2024) and Dr D F Roe.

The charity's Independent Examiner is Graham Day of Chater Allan LLP, 7 Quay Court, Colliers Lane, Stow-cum-Quay, Cambridge, CB25 9AU.

Structure, governance & management

The charity was established as Africa Resources Trust in 1991 and is governed by a Deed of Trust.

Resource Africa UK (RA-UK) works in partnership with a Southern African charity – Resource Africa South Africa (RA-SA) – to undertake this mission, including through promoting global, regional and national commitment and action to sustainable and equitable conservation policies.

The charity is governed by a board of trustees who are recruited by head-hunting and appointed by Trustee Resolution.

A Joint Sub Committee of RA-UK and RA-SA was established to ensure coordination between the two charities with respect to the execution of its main grant from Jamma International. The JSC committee comprises the Chairperson of the two boards, the RA-UK ED & the RA-SA CEO as well as the Operational Manager and senior staff members of both institutions. An RA administration staff member provides secretariate support. This arrangement was approved by RA board during a meeting held on 19 March 2021.

Objectives and Activities

Resource Africa is a UK-based charity that was established in 1991 originally under the name of Africa Resources Trust (ART). Its name was changed in 2002 to Resource Africa (RA-UK). The purpose of the charity is to support local communities in Southern Africa to secure and exercise their rights to own, control and benefit from natural resources, especially land, wildlife, forests, and water, thus supporting the original objectives of ART – as set out in its governing document – to relieve poverty, relieve sickness, advance education of the peoples of Africa and to conserve natural resources.

The specific, current aim of RA-UK is to encourage communities, governments, donors and international institutions to combine efforts to advance three goals: Firstly, to increase local ownership and administration of land and natural resources, with secure rights to use and trade products and services; Secondly, to reduce poverty and enhance resilience to climate change; and Thirdly, to enhance sustainable and productive forms of land use and ecosystems management.

Summary of main activities

RA-UK works to support rural communities in Southern Africa efforts to exercise their rights to access and use in a sustainable manner the natural resources present in their communities that are required to enjoy adequate living conditions.

In placing recognition of rights as an obligation at the heart of our work we recognize the interdependence between human rights and the integrity of the natural environment. We believe that effective environmental protection both promotes and depends on the exercise of human rights as an obligation and must bring to the forefront related issues such as land and resource tenure, governance, enhanced livelihoods, gender equality, equity, and empowerment.

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Our focus is specifically on rural communities as it is these people in whose hands the future of wildlife and other natural resources primarily lie and whose livelihoods are threatened when their rights to manage their resources are not recognized. Nature and biodiversity currently account for up to 70% of the income of the poorest in African societies and most iconic species occur outside of protected areas on land owned or managed by local communities. This makes rural communities de facto guardians of wildlife and the fast-degrading ecosystems on which we all rely.

Our main activities are to:

- Ensure rural communities in southern Africa are able to exercise their rights to access and use in a sustainable manner the natural resources present in their communities that are required to enjoy enhanced living conditions.
- Build the capacity of rural communities to amplify their voices on their rights to sustainable use in key decision making processes towards influencing policy making processes at international, regional and national levels.
- Ensure rural communities secure their rightful place at negotiating fora by facilitating their engagement.
- Build partnership, collaboration and engagement with representative networks of communities and individual community representatives engaged in natural resource management.
- Enhance the implementation capacity of our partners.
- Act as a catalyst for creating synergy between new and existing programmes, networks and partners.

Trustees statement

We the trustees of Resource Africa UK confirm we have read and acknowledge the guidance issues by the Charity Committee on public benefit and confirm that all the funds spent by Resource Africa have been done in accordance with this guidance.

Achievements and Performance

In this reporting period, RAUK has worked with RA-South Africa and focused on: refining narrative and communications tools through which to amplify messages and priorities of its partners and networks to enable effective advocacy; engaging with structured policy processes, both regionally and internationally continuing to strengthen internal governance systems.

Specific achievements include:

- 1) RA and the Community Leaders Network of Southern Africa (CLN) formalized their engagement by signing a Memorandum of Understanding [MoU] during a January 2022 meeting in Johannesburg. The Johannesburg meeting also served to agree a collaboration plan with ACBA (African Civil Society Biodiversity Alliance) - a network of organisations that advocate for African communities' rights to sustainably manage, conserve and benefit from the use of their natural resources in international and continental policy fora.
- 2) RA provided support to the Kasungu Wildlife Conservation for Community Development Association (KAWICCODA) – a Malawian member of the Community Leaders Network (CLN) - to conduct a Site-Level Assessment of Governance and Equity - SAGE programme. SAGE is a methodology for assessing the governance and equity of measures to conserve biodiversity and ecosystem services, including protected or conserved areas (PCAs) and any associated measures to support conservation such as benefit sharing schemes. The results will be used to strengthen the governance of the site.
- 3) RA organised a two-week tour of Europe for three CLN members to meet with key decision-makers and journalists in Germany, UK, France and Belgium. This trip and related engagements gave CLN a unique opportunity to communicate widely their perspectives on the issues of sustainable use, proposed bans on importation of trophies from controlled wildlife hunting, the link between community rights and conservation, development in Southern Africa and the concept of CBNRM and its successes in Southern Africa.
- 4) RA contributed to the preparation of the African Protected Areas Congress to be held in Rwanda, July 2022. RA has a particular interest in the biodiversity stream and people stream as well as in supporting the pre-congress community engagement events.

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5) RA has improved its communications offering. Four articles were published in regional (Daily Maverick) and international media outlets. RA and CLN were also quoted in an article in the UK papers The Guardian and The Times. RA was also awarded the 2021 CIC Communication Award for its film "Let Africans Decide". RA also supported CLN to develop its own website with its own branding and content and hosted a webinar on the links between climate change and community-based natural resources management (in collaboration with Southern Africa Trust).

6) RA developed funding proposals for the French development agency – AFD and the UK Darwin Initiative and held initial discussions with other potential donors.

7) RA continued work on database development and monitoring in Southern African countries that aims at operationalising a Regional Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Framework to support national associations to collate and report on agreed set of indicators, essential for decision making

These activities and their results played an important and instrumental role in highlighting and mainstreaming adherence to a rights-based approach to conservation which has become increasingly evident at all levels and in all policy forums - national, regional, and international - over the programme period.

Financial review

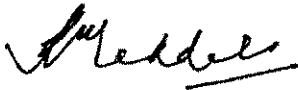
The total expenditure of the charity during the year was £205,420 against an income of £83,738. At the end of the financial year ending 31 May 2022, the net unrestricted assets of the charity were £8,801 - these are the trustees free reserves. The trustees have no plans to add to the free reserves currently. An independent third party audit was not required and, accordingly, the financial statements for the year under review were externally reviewed and verified by an independent chartered accountant (G M D Day FCA DChA) in conformity with the requirements of the Charity Commission.

Post Balance Sheet Events

On the 6th September 2023, the trustees decided to mothball the Trust beginning on 1st June 2023, until further notice. The trustees had concentrated their management and cash resources to support the rebuilding of the capacity and skills of RA-SA. The grant funding from Jamma International (JI) had enabled RA-UK to fund the costs required for RA-SA to reconstruct its operational capacity and sustain itself to the point of securing grant funding from other international donors. This resulted in RA-SA being able to take on the leadership role for the implementation of the second phase of the expanded project, as outlined above, including the provision of grants made in support of numerous community initiatives. By the end of the first phase of the extended Voice Project on 31st May 22 the RA-UK accounts reflected an amount of US\$95,725.49 owing to RA-UK by its grantor. However, following the transfer from RA-UK to RA-SA of the grant agreement for this second phase of the Voice Project, all but US\$15,163.25 of the amounts owing had been settled, apart from the costs incurred for audit & accounting services, for which the final invoice has yet to be presented by the project auditors (estimated at US\$12,862), thus comprising a total of \$26,963.98 owed, where deliverables on the project for an amount of US\$9,000 had not been approved for payment by both the trustees and JI. By the end of the initial project implementation periods, the trustees fully supported the transfer of the JI grant to RA-SA, and JI since has generously funded subsequent project implementation periods through to 28th February 2025, in support of RA's continued close collaboration with the Community Leaders Network, the Namibian Association of Community Support Organizations (NACSO) and other active organisations. This extended grant agreement included also the vital additional focus on developing vital data collection and management systems to improve community planning and management decision making at grass roots levels. The trustees are most grateful to JI for their continuing support for RA's efforts to contribute to the well-being of the many deserving rural communities in Southern Africa.

Plans for the future

RA-UK is increasingly working with and through its sister organisation RA – South Africa (RA-SA). This devolution of action from a UK based organisation to an African organisation is strongly supported by the RA-UK staff and trustees to the extent that RA-SA took over the employment contracts of RA-UK staff and the contracts of donors, leaving the role of RA-UK largely redundant. RA-UK will continue to work with RA-SA to complete this transition and to ensure RA-SA is able to continue the work of RA-UK in supporting community based natural resource management and rights based conservation across Southern Africa. In the meantime - and for as long as the transition period takes - RA-UK will continue to promote the concept and application of sustainable use of natural resources - particularly wildlife - as a conservation and development strategy both within Southern African and in relevant international policy bodies. We will continue to focus on Community Based Natural Resource Management (CBNRM) and its ability to meet the triple objectives of conservation, poverty alleviation and good governance. The trustees will continue its strategy to ensure that the perspectives of marginalized rural communities were heard and influenced policy processes at national, European and international levels; and exposing the sound science bolstering sustainable use as a conservation strategy.



K A Madders, MBE
Trustee

Dated: 9/10/24

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022, which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.

G M D Day FCA DChA
Chater Allan LLP
Chartered Accountants
7 Quay Court
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Stow-cum-Quy
Cambridge
CB25 9AU

Date: 10 October 2024.

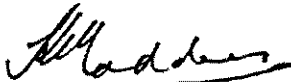
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
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	Note	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Income From:					
Donations and legacies	2	1,100	54,254	55,354	17,702
Exchange gains		272	16,812	17,084	-
Other income		11,300	-	11,300	-
Total income		<u>12,672</u>	<u>71,066</u>	<u>83,738</u>	<u>17,702</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activity					
Promoting the sustainable use of natural resources	3	2,410	203,010	205,420	416,853
Total Expenditure	3	<u>2,410</u>	<u>203,010</u>	<u>205,420</u>	<u>416,853</u>
Net (Expenditure) / Income		10,262	(131,944)	(121,682)	(399,151)
Transfer between Funds		-	-	-	-
Net Movements in Funds		<u>10,262</u>	<u>(131,944)</u>	<u>(121,682)</u>	<u>(399,151)</u>
Fund Balances at 1 June 2021		(1,461)	131,944	130,483	529,634
Fund Balances at 31 May 2022		<u>8,801</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,801</u>	<u>130,483</u>

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MAY 2022**

	Note	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors and prepayments	5	21,322		150,896	
Cash at bank and in hand		15,899		15,577	
		<u>37,221</u>		<u>166,473</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors due within one year	6	<u>28,420</u>		<u>23,490</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
			8,801		142,983
Creditors due after more than one year			-		12,500
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
			<u>8,801</u>		<u>130,483</u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Restricted funds	7		-		131,944
Unrestricted fund:					
General fund	7		8,801		(1,461)
TOTAL FUNDS					
			<u>8,801</u>		<u>130,483</u>

The accounts were approved on ... 30/9/24



K A Madders, MBE (Treasurer)
Trustee

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
AS AT 31 MAY 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Cash used in operating activities	1	322	(332)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period	2	322	(332)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		15,577	15,909
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u>15,899</u>	<u>15,577</u>

Notes to Cash flow statement

1. Reconciliation of net income for the year to net cash flow from operating activities

	2022 £	2021 £
Net movement in funds	(121,682)	(399,151)
Adjustments for:		
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	129,574	396,783
(Decrease)/Increase in creditors	(7,570)	2,036
Net cash inflow (outflow) from operating activities	<u>322</u>	<u>(332)</u>

2. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	At 1 June 2021 £	Cash flow £	At 31 May 2022 £
Cash at bank and in hand	15,577	322	15,899
	<u>15,577</u>	<u>322</u>	<u>15,899</u>

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of preparation

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: 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 issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Going concern basis

The trustees consider that the going concern basis is appropriate as they consider the reserves levels to be sufficient to ensure that the trustees can meet their financial obligations for the next 12 to 18 months and on

1.2 Income

Donations and grants are recognised when there is evidence of entitlement, receipt is probable and the amount can be measured reliably.

1.3 Expenditure

Governance costs do not include the costs incurred in the management of the charity's projects. These project management functions are carried out by teams of managers and their staff and these management costs are charged to each specific project managed by the charity. Governance costs include independent examination fees and expenses relating to Trustees' meetings.

1.4 Voluntary labour and land inputs

Considerable voluntary labour and other inputs are supplied to all projects by project beneficiaries. It is not practical to value these inputs and therefore the Trust's accounting policy is to exclude these inputs from its accounts.

1.5 Contributions in kind

Specific quantifiable cash expenditures are made by the Trustees and others as direct contributions in kind to the charity's projects. These circumstances arise where activities are undertaken and expenses funded which provide for the development of conceptual arrangements with various rural communities for the purpose of identifying much needed specific support services for these communities, and where these contribute directly to the charity achieving its objects.

1.6 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity in the United Kingdom and no taxation is payable on its income.

1.7 Foreign currency translation

Foreign exchange gains/losses reflect the net change in the sterling value of non-sterling denominated currencies, expenditure or other assets and liabilities held in other currencies at the end of the financial year. The charity's accounts are maintained in sterling; assets and liabilities and items of income and expenditure in foreign currencies have been translated into pounds sterling at the average exchange rate for the financial year.

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2 INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Donations in kind	1,100	-	1,100	-
Grants	-	54,254	54,254	17,702
	<u>1,100</u>	<u>54,254</u>	<u>55,354</u>	<u>17,702</u>

3 CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

Promoting the sustainable use of natural resources

	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
Project costs	203,010		369,654	
Exchange losses	-		45,657	
Trustee travel and meeting costs	1,100		-	
Sundry expenses	-		516	
Accountancy	170		175	
Independent examination	1,140		850	
		<u>205,420</u>		<u>416,853</u>
		<u>205,420</u>		<u>416,853</u>

One employee received remuneration of £60,000 - £70,000 per annum.

4 TRUSTEES

One Trustee, Dr E Rihoy, received consultancy fees of £13,457 in her capacity as the RAUK Executive Director but not in her capacity as a trustee.

During the year trustees received expenses totalling £nil.

During the year donations in kind from trustees totalled £1,100

At 31 May 2022 the charity owed a total of £3,828 to two trustees.

5 DEBTORS

	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Other debtors and prepayments	<u>21,322</u>	<u>150,896</u>
	<u>21,322</u>	<u>150,896</u>

Included in other debtors and prepayments in the prior year was a grant debtor of £149,646 due from Resource Africa South Africa.

6 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Creditors	21,322	17,702
Other creditors	3,828	3,828
Accruals and deferred income	3,270	1,960
	<u>28,420</u>	<u>23,490</u>

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7 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Net current assets £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Restricted fund	-	-	131,944
General fund	8,801	8,801	(1,461)
	<u>8,801</u>	<u>8,801</u>	<u>130,483</u>

8 RESTRICTED FUND

Advocates the Sustainable Use of wildlife and ecosystems by communities and rural people as a basic human right recognized in both national and international law. Sustainable use is use of species and ecosystems at a level that maintains their potential to meet current and future human needs and aspirations, and prevents their long- term decline. It includes both consumptive forms of use (harvesting, fishing, hunting, forestry, agriculture) and non-consumptive (photographic tourism). It further requires reducing any adverse or unintended impacts on the broader ecosystem to acceptable levels, consistent with long term species and ecosystem conservation. Use takes place as part of complex social, ecological and political economy systems, and its sustainability is affected by cultural, economic, social, and political dynamics.

9 COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
Income From:			
Donations and legacies	-	17,702	17,702
Other income	-	-	-
Total Income	<u>-</u>	<u>17,702</u>	<u>17,702</u>
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activity			
Promoting the sustainable use of natural resources	1,542	415,311	416,853
Total Expenditure	<u>1,542</u>	<u>415,311</u>	<u>416,853</u>
Net Movements in Funds	<u>(1,542)</u>	<u>(397,609)</u>	<u>(399,151)</u>