CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 1 January 2025 to 31st December 2025

Charity name: OneZoom

Charity registration number: 1163559

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the education of the public in subjects of evolution, biodiversity and conservation of the variety of life on earth
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	Our main activity is building and maintaining a scientifically accurate, educational, and visually appealing record of the tree of life that is easily accessible to the public online. We also collaborate with other organisations to support outreach exhibitions and events that benefit from use of our tree of life explorer.
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 due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission 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	Grant making is not part of our core activities and consequently we do not have a formal policy on grants and deal with potential grant making opportunities on a case-by-case basis.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	This does not form part of our activities.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The trustees themselves did substantive volunteer work done for OneZoom because they have the relevant knowledge and experience in biology computing, education and science outreach. In addition to David Ebbo and Jared Khan who were mentioned in the last reporting period continued to make meaningful contributions to our

		codebase. We now have Lizzie Schulz looking after our social media presence.
Other		

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	We continued to receive financial support from the public via our leaf sponsorship funding model during the reporting period. Over the full year we received a total of £2825 through this channel (accounting for PayPal charges not accounting for additional gift aid that can be reclaimed). During this reporting period we were awarded a substantial grant from the Turner-Kirk Trust totally £18,000 which is to develop new visualisations of the tree illustrating the passage of evolutionary time. Thanks to contributions from volunteers, we also made incremental improvements across our codebase which improve user experience on our educational website. We have estimated the total number of web users at 138,000 over the reporting period Issues with our user tracking system were resolved during this reporting period. The estimate above was based on the second half of the year after those issues were resolved. Based on the tracking system data, approximately 42% of users were in the USA, 7.8% of users were based in the UK, 4.6% in Canda, 3.6% in Australia and the remainder spread across other countries. This pattern is like that of the previous reporting period.

Additional information (optional)
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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Two key objectives were set for the CIO since its foundation, first to achieve sustainability through the leaf sponsorship scheme, and second to enhance our software enabling it to display the complete tree of life for educational purposes. These

		objectives were met in the 2017 reporting period. Objectives since then have been to maintain what we have already set up and to increase the impact by encouraging broader use. During the present reporting period we have continued to maintain our resource and shown that our sustainability model of leaf sponsorship operates very successfully when enough users can be attracted to the site. Our emerging goals for the future mentioned in our last TAR were "i) further improvements to the website, particularly around illustrating evolutionary timescales and extinction" – we have made progress here including securing funding to complete a substantial project on this topic. Further progress will remain a clear goal for the next reporting period. "ii) more tours around the tree including tours built by users" – we will focus on this goal in the next reporting period "iii) increased attention and reach of our work." – we have increased the number of users of site from 120,000 in the last reporting period to 138,000 in the present reporting period. Additionally, we increased our social media presence.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have not set formal objectives for fundraising because the leaf sponsorship model comfortably pays for running costs payable to third parties. We successfully secured a substantial grant to develop our products.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	We have no investments because the funds that would be available for this are negligible in size. For the funds available during this reporting period, it seemed more important to spend them on our charitable purpose and not take on additional risks.
Other		This has been an excellent year for the CIO due to securing a further substantial grant and increasing the reach of our educational software.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The CIO had funds of £22,209 composed of £21,933 (Triodos bank) and £ 276 (PayPal account) at 31 December 2025. £13,200 of the funds are restricted.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are required to meet future obligations and to support the growth of the CIO's activities. This calendar year we have kept reserves to keep the CIO operational through a 12 month period.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£1,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
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	The CIO is dependent on obtaining third party support to develop and improve its products for public benefit. Thanks to the current efforts of volunteers the CIO can continue its core operations with a relatively small amount of ongoing funding. Total annual running costs remain under £1000 so we have held reserves to run for a further 12 months.

Additional information (optional)
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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The CIO's revenue during this reporting period has come from a Turner-Kirk Trust grant and donations from individuals through the 'sponsor a leaf' campaign.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The CIO does not invest funds as the amounts available are small to justify the necessary research into ethical investments that would be compatible with our charitable aims.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The potential risks to the CIO are loss of volunteer time, and loss of funds. Volunteer time is the more valuable at present, particularly that from software developers who perform skilled work that would be very expensive to replace with contractors or paid professionals. A secondary risk is running out of funds, however the CIO only requires minimal funding to pay for its essential operation of hosting the website, ongoing improvements and maintenance are less essential though still important. Since the last reporting period our volunteer base has remained strong and is drawing near to a critical mass so one of the risks is now substantially reduced.

		In the short term we accept both risks. We do not provide a critical service upon which users are heavily dependent for their wellbeing: if either risk were to materialise, the worst case would be the loss of a free online resource. We have mitigated against both risks by releasing our software under a public license, which includes a failsafe. The failsafe specifies that if the CIO ceases to trade, our software becomes open source, meaning that other individuals or organisations would be able to use it for free to continue our work, should there be a sufficient demand.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Foundation Constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	CIO - Foundation Registered 14 Sep 2015
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	Apart from the founding trustees, every subsequent trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the Board. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	We have not yet inducted new trustees since charity formation. One of the founding trustees and current chair has attended an extensive trustee leadership programme and an emerging chairs program run by Cause4. Another founding trustee has experience from being a trustee of another unrelated UK charity.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	No relevant related-party relationships to report for this period
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	OneZoom
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1163559

Charity's principal address	OneZoom Office 7 35-37 Ludgate Hill London EC4M 7JN

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	Dr Yan Wong			
2	Prof James Rosindell			
3	Prof Luke Harmon			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Exemptions from disclosure

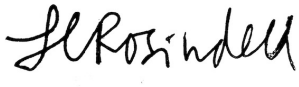
Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Prof. James Lloyd Rosindell	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	

Date	11-September-2025

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OneZoom	1163559

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01-Jan-25	To	31-Dec-25

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 £
A1 Receipts					
Sponsorship	2,825	-	-	2,825	3,064
Interest	73	-	-	73	59
Gift aid reclaimed	-	-	-	-	1,186
UK online giving foundation	-	-	-	-	100
Turner-Kirk Trust Grant	-	18,000	-	18,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	2,898	18,000	-	20,898	4,409
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,898	18,000	-	20,898	4,409
A3 Payments					
Bank charges	6	-	-	6	6
Software development	2,700	4,800	-	7,500	15,300
Insurance	471	-	-	471	468
paypal charges	-	-	-	-	110
UX and graphic design	-	-	-	-	2,338
Internet hosting	389	-	-	389	-
Sub total	3,566	4,800	-	8,366	18,222
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	3,566	4,800	-	8,366	18,222
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 668	13,200	-	12,532	- 13,813
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	9,677	-	-	9,677	23,490
Cash funds this year end	9,009	13,200	-	22,209	9,677

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	PayPal	276	-	-
	Tridos Account	8,733	13,200	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	9,009	13,200	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

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

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
JRosindell	James Rosindell	11/09/2026

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name: OneZoom

On accounts for the year ended: 31-December-2025

Charity no (if any): 1163559

Set out on pages: 1 (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 31/12/2025.

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

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:

- 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.

Signed: Kate Chapman **Date:** 29/09/2026

Name: Catherine Mary Chapman

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): Chartered Institute of Management Accounting

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