

**EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED**  
**(A Company limited by guarantee)**

**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**31 DECEMBER 2016**

Company No. 4229228 (England and Wales)  
Charity No. 1098358

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# **EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED**

## **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

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Name of Charity:	Edmund Rice Bicentennial Trust Limited
Charity Registration Number:	1098358
Company Number:	4229228
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# **EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED**

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

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The Directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016 and confirm that it complies with current statutory requirements, and with the requirements of the Charity's governing instrument.

### **INTRODUCTION**

Edmund Rice Bicentennial Trust Ltd ("The Charity") was incorporated on 5 June 2001 and registered as a Charity on 4 July 2003. Its purpose is to support and fund the Edmund Rice mission in the Developing World. Today, The Charity supports the activities of Christian Brothers across two continents, namely Africa and South America and also supports Edmund Rice Development which fundraises for the work and ministries of the Christian Brothers.

### **MISSION**

The main objects of the Charity are to advance the Christian faith, promote Christian ideals and provide for the education and training of children and other persons according to the spirit and ideals of Blessed Edmund Rice.

### **OBJECTIVES, AIMS AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Objectives**

As stated above under Mission, the main objectives of the Charity are to advance the Christian faith, promote Christian ideals and provide for the education and training of children and other persons according to the spirit and ideals of Blessed Edmund Rice.

#### **Objectives**

The Charity intends to meet the objectives listed above by:

1. To provide assistance to children or other persons especially those who are poor by the provision of accommodation, training, instruction, or pastoral care in order to develop their physical, mental, emotional and spiritual capacities.
2. To provide assistance as the Trustees may from time to time think fit for the provision of educational facilities.
3. To provide or assist in the provision of education of any child or person in keeping with the precepts of Christian faith and Christian ideals.
4. Provide assistance for the training of teachers, parents, youth leaders or other persons engaged or to be engaged in provision of education, leadership, development, or instruction of children and other persons.
5. To provide where needed, assistance for the furtherance or development of education or youth leadership, religious and moral development especially of the young and disadvantaged as well as for the relevant educational research.
6. To provide for the reasonable needs and assistance of those who have served the main objects of the charity and to provide them with the necessary resources required in the performance of their duty in keeping with the main objects of the Charity provided always that no part of the capital or income of the Charity may be distributed to any person by way of profit or dividend.
7. To advance the Christian faith in any part of the world
8. To assist in the relief of poverty in any part of the world
9. To provide assistance to other bodies involved in charitable works having main objects similar to those of the Charity.

#### **Public Benefit**

The Directors consider that the activities and achievements of the charity illustrate that the aims of the charity are carried out for the public benefit. The Directors confirm that they have taken into account the best practice guidance on public benefit when deciding what activities, the charity undertakes.

### **REVIEW OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR**

#### **Review of Activities**

Applications were received from the African Province, the Latin America Region, the Transition Support Team and Edmund Rice Development Ltd. The Trustees reviewed all applications and approved the payment of funds to the four applicants. Details of the four entities that received funding and their activities are discussed in this section.

## **EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED**

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

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#### **REVIEW OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR (continued)**

##### **The Christian Brothers, African Province**

The Charity provided £822k to the Christian Brothers African Province during 2016.

The mission of the Brothers in Africa is to be effective agents in the liberation of oppressed and marginalised people from poverty, injustice, ignorance, and the effects of sickness, especially HIV/Aids. This is very much in keeping with the ethos of the Charity's objectives.

To do this we collaborate closely with the poor in the integrated ministries of faith-based education, community development, advocating for the transformation of unjust structures, and in the care of people and the rest of creation.

In 2016 the Africa Province of Christian Brothers consisted of 160 Brothers and 5 aspirants. 82 Brothers are working in active ministries, 13 are in administration and pastoral care of all the Brothers, 14 are pastorally concerned with the training and preparation for ministry of the 25 novice Brothers and the 5 aspirants, 23 are full time students and 8 are retired. The funding supported community and ministry support of the Brothers working in nine countries: Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Sierra Leone, South Africa, South Sudan, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

It also supported Brothers attending Training Colleges, Universities, Nursing School and initial formation programmes.

The donation supported the Brothers in their ministry sites and as a result the number of beneficiaries either directly or indirectly benefiting by the donation numbered in the tens of thousands.

In 2016, Brothers were involved in the following ministries:

- Administration and work in schools that provided an education to children who were mostly from disadvantaged backgrounds;
- Teaching in the informal education sector, running homework classes, running centres that taught skills to those who failed in the formal education sector and thus assisting them to increase their chances of obtaining employment;
- Full time assisting people suffering from HIV/Aids. Many (through school involvement) or outreach programmes, were involved with educating people on HIV/Aids prevention;
- Working with handicapped children;
- Assisting prisoners, especially with education;
- Some were charged with the pastoral care of all the Brothers in the Province;
- Direct involvement with development projects in conjunction with local people;
- Training young men to be Brothers for others.

##### **Latin America Region**

The Latin American Region received £95,898 funding during 2016.

The Brothers are dispersed across five countries (Peru, Bolivia, Uruguay, Argentina and Paraguay), and the donation received was used for the cost of maintaining two ministry sites, training and education. The support received has allowed people living in vulnerable situations, to continue studying and working.

As noted, an important aspect of our life as a Region is encouraging young men to consider joining the Congregation and then support them in acquiring a solid formation and professional training. This involves costs in terms of living expenses, studies and gatherings of the young men. They receive an excellent religious formation in an inter-Congregational setting and all of these men are being professionally trained so that they can become competent teachers, psychologists and youth workers in the future. This will enable them to minister to those in need. It is also Region policy to encourage professed men to take part in ongoing formation.

## **EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED**

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

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#### **REVIEW OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR (continued)**

##### **Latin America Region (continued)**

The main ministries are education, formal or informal with youth groups and working with students in the schools tutoring those less fortunate.

In Peru, the formal education ministries are the Fe y Alegría School, Canto Grande, Lima and the Mundo Mejor School, Chimbote.

The Fe y Alegría school forms part of an international network of schools providing quality tuition-free education to the excluded masses of Latin America. In Peru alone, over 35 congregations form part of the network Fe y Alegría. Each school is a collaborative effort between the Peruvian government, parents and the congregation in charge. In our school we serve to an average of 1,400 students in two shifts – secondary in the morning and primary in the afternoon. During the last three years, various groups from North America, Christian Brothers Schools from different parts of the world, and Misesan Cara Aid supported programs in the school.

Some of the initiatives aimed at providing a well-run school attentive to including children with special needs are:

- “Good Taste” Program that provides nutritious lunches to students diagnosed with malnutrition or latch-key children.
- “Sexual and Reproductive Health” a programme focused on sexual education aimed at teenagers.
- “Green Hill” Program where parents, teachers and students from an urban environment participate in ecological activities.
- Students at Risk, psychological support program focused on students with learning or discipline problems.
- Academic reinforcement for students struggling in Math or Communication.

The Mundo Mejor is a private school which is financially independent. The Brothers earn salaries from the school which largely support the living costs of the community.

The Latin American Province supports a variety of ministries carried out by associates in the Brothers' house in the town of Monsefu (12 hour ride north of Lima). A Brother visits one weekend a month and accompanies a dedicated group of laypeople who continue several small ministries among very poor people. The various Edmund Rice Associate groups in Peru are coordinated from Chimbote as are the Regional accounts. Furthermore, there is a month-long summer program where brothers, students and teachers from both schools in Peru carry out tutoring programs in marginalized rural areas around Monsefu.

Brother Manolo Centre, located in Cochabamba, Bolivia, provides academic support, career orientation, workshops in parenting skills and sports and cultural activities to child and youth labourers who also study.

##### **Edmund Rice Development**

Edmund Rice Bicentennial Trust Ltd is connected to, but does not control, an Irish Charity, Edmund Rice Development Limited (ERD), which is a fundraising body set up primarily to support the vital work being carried out by the Christian Brothers and the followers of Edmund Rice in the developing world. Gaining charitable status in 2009, ERD is a direct response by the Christian Brothers to provide centrality, transparency, and accountability for the fundraising efforts of the Congregation. In 2016, the charity donated £299,493 (€367,000) in support of ERD's core operations.

##### **Review of ERD achievements and performance for the year**

During 2016, £564,457 was raised and allocated to over 30 Edmund Rice projects and programmes in 12 countries across Africa, Latin America, India.

**REVIEW OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR (continued)**

**Review of ERD achievements and performance for the year (continued)**

- In 2016, ERD conducted a strategic review and defined a new five year strategy which outlines three core strategic goals. ERD Strategy 2017-21 sets out how ERD will better support Edmund Rice Mission as we work together for the liberation of people and communities. ERD will ensure people living in poverty are at the centre of everything the organisation does and every decision made. The new strategy represents the organisation's opportunity to build on the good work of the past, and to support Edmund Rice Mission in the three areas of Community Development, Education and Advocacy.
- In 2015-16, ERD conducted a major review of all mission management systems and processes to ensure that Edmund Rice Mission projects funded by ERD are managed to the highest standards of governance and accountability into the future, and those projects achieve maximum positive impact in their local communities.
- In 2016, ERD ran a Journeying Together appeal to support the early work of the new Western Zambia cluster. The first phase of this project has seen the establishment of four new communities in Western Zambia, a province where three in every four people live in extreme poverty. £11,459 was raised in 2016 for the appeal.
- ERD established the Education for Liberation programme in 2016 to generate support for educational initiatives of Edmund Rice Mission. £8,082 was raised in 2016 for the programme which continued to generate funding into 2017.
- ERD partnered with Edmund Rice Foundation Australia (ERFA) to support the attendance of participants from our partner governing bodies to attend the EREBB global gathering of Edmund Rice schools and organisations in Kolkata, India in November 2016. ERD produced and circulated a database of mission partner immersion opportunities for 2016+ to Irish and UK school trusts and bodies.
- In 2016 ERD monitoring visits were conducted to Nairobi, Kenya and Cape Town, South Africa. Partner Governing Bodies hosted monitoring visits of ERD funded projects by Misesan Cara to St. Ambrose Academy, Sierra Leone, Edmund Rice, Secondary School, Sinon, Tanzania, Kanvilli School, Ghana and Fe Y Alegria, Peru and effectiveness reviews also by Misesan Cara to Edmund Rice Camps and St. Boniface school, South Africa.

**Transition Support Team**

The Charity provided £74k to the Transition Support Team during 2016.

The Congregational Leadership Team of the Christian Brothers took up the challenge to construct a new plan for the Congregation, having consulted extensively with the Brothers in each of the Provinces, Districts and Region over a two year period, they worked out a plan for the future, which was ratified by an international gathering of Brothers in Nairobi in 2014. They called the new plan Our Way into the Future. Central to this new direction is the call to live anew the following of Jesus, to live more intimately and simply within our religious communities, and to engage more wholeheartedly with people made poor. This last dimension is an invitation to move out of institutions and to engage face to face with people on the margins of society. The Congregation appointed six Brothers, the Transition Support Team, to take the plan forward. It is their responsibility to live Our Way into the Future and to implement the plan by setting up new communities in three new identifiably poor areas in the developing world.

In 2016 the funding provided to the Transition Support Team was used to support the Communities of the Western Zambian Cluster. The funding requested is part payment to cover the living costs of the Brothers of the Zambian Cluster. The Cluster is made up of four new Christian Brothers' communities. Each community comprises of four Brothers. This funding allows the brothers of the Western Zambia Cluster to become engaged with the people in the local community. They have been listening to the local people. The brothers in Senanga, Luampa, and Limulunga have worked with volunteers to help them to understand and know the people more.

The funding was also used to allow the Brothers attend Workshops on Community Engagement, Project Cycle Management and Advocacy. Each of these Workshops has helped them to engage more meaningful with their community. By listening small Projects are developing. The Brothers are empowering the local people through presence, compassion and encouragement.

## **EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED**

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

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#### **PLANS FOR THE FUTURE**

The Charity intends to manage its existing assets as efficiently as possible in order to generate the income necessary to achieve the charity aims and to continue to give support to future projects. The Charity plans to continue to provide support to the Edmund Rice mission in the Developing World. The Charity uses income from its investment portfolio to make grants and donations in support of the above projects.

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

During the year, the charity received income of £641,374, including donations totalling £171,983 (2015: £116,982) and investment income of £469,391 (2015: £405,062). Expenditure totalled £1,461,384, consisting of charitable activities of £1,362,829 (2015: £1,646,195) and costs associated with generating funds and supporting the charity. Net expenditure for the year totalled £820,010 (2015: £1,203,022). At 31 December 2016, after taking account of investment gains and losses, the charity had funds of £29,253,449 (2015: £25,334,800) which, apart from restricted reserves of £148,524 were unrestricted.

##### **Reserves policy**

The charity's financial reserves have been built up to a level that they generate the level of income required to meet its target for donations and cost of raising funds of £1,500,000. In 2016 charity expenditure totalled £1,461,384. At the 31 December 2016 the Charity had total funds of £29,253,449. Of these funds £148,524 was in restricted funds and £29,104,925 was in unrestricted funds. Of these unrestricted funds, £27,644,282 is represented by investments.

The directors of the charity regularly review the amount of funds that the charity requires to ensure they are adequate to fulfil the charity's continuing obligations.

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Governing Document**

Edmund Rice Bicentennial Trust Ltd is a Charity limited by guarantee and not having share capital. The Charity number is 4229228. The Charity is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association as amended by special resolution dated 7 June 2012. The Charity is a registered charity with the UK Charity Commissioner under charitable number 109858.

##### **Recruitment and Training of Directors**

In accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Directors are appointed by the members of the Charity. The directors shall be not less than 5 and shall never be more than 12 in number.

The Directors during the year, who are also the Trustees of the Charity, are shown on page one.

The Directors are chosen on the basis of their willingness to serve, ability, governance, experience and support of the ethos, mission and philosophy of the Charity. The Directors are well informed about the Mission, governing document and history of the charity. The directors are encouraged to attend appropriate external training courses and events to facilitate the undertaking of their role.

##### **Organisational Structure**

The Directors are responsible for the policies, activities and assets of the Charity. The affairs of the Charity are managed by the Board of Directors who are accountable to the Members. The Board of Directors meet regularly annually to review Charity all aspects of the Charity's activities. When necessary, they seek advice from the Charity's professional advisors.



**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT (continued)**

**Risk Management**

The Directors have considered the risks that are material to the Charity and have ensured that there are suitable procedures in place to mitigate these. The Directors believe that by monitoring reserve levels, by ensuring the existence of controls over key financial systems, by taking regular professional advice, they have established routinely effective systems and procedures to mitigate those risks.

The principal risks affecting the charity and the procedures in place to mitigate these risks are:

**Governance and management:** considers the efficiency of the Trustee body. Risks considered include a lack of planning, a Trustee body which lacked sufficient skills or appropriate decision making procedures. Such risks could include a lack of training / induction or poor stewardship of resources – human, financial and property. The Trustees have addressed these risks by operating both annual and longer term plans, holding regular Trustee meetings which include the monitoring of actual performance against these plans, having meaningful induction / handover for incoming Trustees, attending Trustee training days, seeking third party advice as required, etc.

**Financial:** considers the financial capacity of the Charity and ensuring it has the available financial resources to continue to carry out its activities both now and in the years ahead. This incorporates the management of the operating (day-to-day) position, capital or building requirements and the returns earned on the Charity's investment portfolios. These risks are mitigated in a variety of ways, including budgeting, the setting of an investment strategy / investment objectives that consider diversity, prudence and liquidity criteria, regular financial and investment reporting against budget, cash-flow planning, and the appointment of Stewardship advisors where necessary.

**Investment policy**

The Charity's financial reserves have been placed in long term investments, the purpose of which is to provide investment income to promote the charitable objectives of the charity and to provide capital growth over the long term. A conservative investment strategy has been adopted. Investment income and gains will be used in future to fund donations to further the charitable objectives of the charity.

These funds have an ethical investment screen: they exclude companies that contravene certain ethical criteria and in most cases favour stocks that provide positive benefits to the community. These funds are likely to hold investments that are compatible with the Province's religious ethos. In this regard, the investment portfolio is screened according to the following criteria:

- Damage to the environment
- Infringement of human rights
- Manufacture of armaments and supplies to the military
- Manufacture of anti-life products
- Irresponsible marketing of breast milk substitutes
- Stem cell research
- Cosmetics testing on animals
- Gambling
- Pornography
- Tobacco

At 31 December 2016, £27,644,282 was held in investment funds. These funds are managed by Aberdeen Asset Management, Setanta Asset Management, Pioneer Global Investments Ltd, Unigestion SA and State Street Global Advisors. In addition funds totalling £1,594,911 were held on investment deposit. The Directors are satisfied with the investment performance in the year.

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### DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

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#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under Company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK 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 Company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the 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 Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

So far as each of the directors is aware at the time the report is approved:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware; and
- the directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

#### AUDITORS

A resolution to appoint haysmacintyre as auditors will be put to the members at the Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the directors on 8 May 2017.

  
Br Dan O'Keeffe  
Director

  
Br Julian McDonald  
Director

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF  
EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED**

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We have audited the financial statements of Edmund Rice Bicentennial Trust Limited for the year ended 31 December 2016 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, Cashflow Statement and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102. The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the charitable Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable Company and the charitable Company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors**

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 8, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

We have been appointed auditor under the Companies Act 2006. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

**Scope of the audit of the financial statements**

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at [www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate).

**Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2016 and of the charitable company's net movement in funds, including the income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

**Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- The information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- The Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' Report.

**Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the charitable company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing a Strategic Report.



**Adam Halsey**  
**Senior Statutory Auditor**  
**for and on behalf of haysmacintyre**  
**Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors**

**26 Red Lion Square**  
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**Date:** 8 May 2017

**EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

	Notes	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	Total 2016 £	Total 2015 £
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Donations	2	140,164	31,819	171,983	116,982
Investments	2	-	469,391	469,391	405,062
<b>Total</b>		<u>140,164</u>	<u>501,210</u>	<u>641,374</u>	<u>522,044</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds	3	-	98,555	98,555	78,880
Charitable activities	3	131,089	1,231,740	1,362,829	1,646,186
<b>Total</b>		<u>131,089</u>	<u>1,330,295</u>	<u>1,461,384</u>	<u>1,725,066</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before gains and losses on investments</b>		9,075	(829,085)	(820,010)	(1,203,022)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	5	-	4,738,659	4,738,659	1,000,250
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<u>9,075</u>	<u>3,909,574</u>	<u>3,918,649</u>	<u>(202,772)</u>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	9	15,687	(15,687)	-	-
<b>Net movements in funds</b>		<u>24,762</u>	<u>3,893,887</u>	<u>3,918,649</u>	<u>(202,772)</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
Balance brought forward		123,762	25,211,038	25,334,800	25,537,572
<b>Balance carried forward</b>		<u>£148,524</u>	<u>£29,104,925</u>	<u>£29,253,449</u>	<u>£25,334,800</u>

All activities are continuing. There are no recognised gains or losses than as disclosed above.

The Statement of Financial Activities incorporates an income and expenditure account.

The notes on pages 13 to 17 form part of these financial statements.




## BALANCE SHEET

AT 31 DECEMBER 2016

	Note	2016	2015
		£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Investments	6	27,644,282	21,144,819
Investment deposits		1,594,911	4,082,964
		<u>29,239,193</u>	<u>25,227,783</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	7	-	99,306
Cash at bank and in hand		44,317	30,497
		<u>44,317</u>	<u>129,803</u>
<b>CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	8	(30,061)	(22,786)
		<u></u>	<u></u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		14,256	107,017
		<u></u>	<u></u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>£29,253,449</u>	<u>£25,334,800</u>
<b>Represented by:</b>			
Restricted funds	9	148,524	123,762
Unrestricted funds	10	29,104,925	25,211,038
		<u>£29,253,449</u>	<u>£25,334,800</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 8 May 2017 and were signed below on its behalf by:

  
Br Dan O'Keeffe  
Director

  
Br Julian McDonald  
Director

The notes on pages 13 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

**EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED**

**STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

	<b>2016</b>		<b>2015</b>	
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>				
Net movement in funds	3,918,649		(202,772)	
Investment income	(469,391)		(405,062)	
Decrease in debtors	99,306		47,569	
Increase/ (decrease) in creditors	7,275		(5,241)	
(Gains)/losses on investments	(3,979,813)		(816,431)	
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>		<b>(423,974)</b>		<b>(1,381,937)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>				
Dividends and interest from investments		469,391		405,062
Purchase of investments		(7,360,381)		(11,419,272)
Proceeds of sale of investments		4,840,731		16,203,857
<b>Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities</b>		<b>(2,050,259)</b>		<b>5,189,647</b>
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year</b>		<b>(2,474,233)</b>		<b>3,807,710</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January 2016		4,113,461		305,751
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 2016</b>		<b>£1,639,228</b>		<b>£4,113,461</b>
<b>ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>At 1 January 2016</b>	<b>Cashflow</b>	<b>Exchange movements</b>	<b>At 31 December 2016</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Investment deposits	4,082,964	(3,246,899)	758,846	1,594,911
Cash at bank	30,497	13,820	-	44,317
	<b>£4,113,461</b>	<b>(£3,233,079)</b>	<b>£758,846</b>	<b>£1,639,228</b>

# EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

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### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### (a) Basis of accounting

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 to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Edmund Rice Bicentennial Trust Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

#### (b) Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

Having considered future budgets and cash flows, the trustees confirm that they have no material uncertainties about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future. With respect to the next reporting period, the most significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity are the level of investment return and the performance of investment markets.

#### (c) Income recognition

This comprises donations and investment income. All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income can be measured reliably.

Donations are recognised when the Charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Investment income is credited to income when it is receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank. Rental income is recognised when the charity is entitled to the income. Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

#### (d) Expenditure recognition

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred, inclusive of VAT, which cannot be recovered.

Charitable activities comprise mainly of donations given and support costs.

Support costs have been allocated to charitable activities. Governance activities comprise organisational administration and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements. Costs include direct costs of external audit, legal fees and other professional advice.

#### (e) Foreign Currency

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the end of the financial year. Transactions in foreign currencies are converted into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling on the date of the transactions. All profits and losses on exchange are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### (f) Significant judgments and sources estimation uncertainty

In the view of the trustees in applying the accounting policies adopted, no judgements were required that have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements nor do any estimates or assumptions made carry a significant risk of material adjustment in the next financial year.

# EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### (g) Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument. They are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently valued at their fair value at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market price. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

#### (h) Investment gains and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and opening market value (purchase date if later). Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and the opening market value (or purchased date if later).

#### (i) Funds

The General funds of the Charity (both assets and revenue) comprise unrestricted income which the Trustee is free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or specific projects undertaken by the charity.

#### (j) Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

#### (k) Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

#### (l) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes bank accounts, cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

### 2. INCOME

During the year, the charity received donations from the Congregation of Christian Brothers province in the Oceania, United States of America, Ireland, the UK and other sources of £171,983 (2015: £116,982). Investment income comprises interest from investments of £443,768 (2015: £365,496), bank interest of £22,370 (2015: £11,163) and investment rebates of £3,253 (2015: £28,403).

### 3. EXPENDITURE

	2016 £	2015 £
<b>Raising funds</b>		
Investment advisory fees	76,652	62,173
Advisory services	21,903	16,708
	<u>98,555</u>	<u>78,881</u>
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Donations	1,354,107	1,640,235
Support costs	2,242	790
Governance costs – auditors' remuneration	6,480	5,160
	<u>1,362,829</u>	<u>1,646,195</u>
	<u>£1,461,384</u>	<u>£1,725,066</u>



# EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

#### 4. STAFF COSTS

During the year, no staffs were employed by the charity (2015: Nil). The charity's key management personnel are its directors who received remuneration for any expenses during the year.

#### 5. NET GAINS/(LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS

	2016 £	2015 £
Realised gains	(256,531)	912,521
Unrealised gains	4,236,344	(96,090)
Exchange gains on investments	758,846	183,819
	<u>£4,738,659</u>	<u>£1,000,250</u>

#### 6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2016 £	2015 £
<b>Cost and Market Value</b>		
Market value at 1 January	21,144,819	25,112,973
Additions during the year	7,360,381	11,419,272
Disposal proceeds	(4,840,731)	(16,203,857)
(Loss)/gain on sale	(256,531)	912,521
	<u>23,407,939</u>	<u>21,240,909</u>
Unrealised gain/(loss)	4,236,344	(96,090)
Market value at 31 December	<u>£27,644,283</u>	<u>£21,144,819</u>
Historic cost at 31 December	<u>£20,072,596</u>	<u>£20,072,596</u>

	£	Percentage of Funds %
The investments consist of the following:		
L&P Alternatives	14,445,496	52.25%
Pioneer Absolute Return	178,071	0.64%
Setanta Ethical Global Equity Fund	6,126,921	22.16%
Unigestion SRI Global Equity Fund	5,869,133	21.23%
SSGA Property Fund	1,024,661	3.71%
	<u>£27,644,282</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

**EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

7.	DEBTORS	2016 £	2015 £			
	Prepayments and accrued income	£-	£99,306			
8.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	2016 £	2015 £			
	Accruals and deferred income	£30,061	£22,786			
9.	RESTRICTED FUNDS	At 1 January 2016 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2016 £
	Latin American projects	33,286	95,898	(97,027)	15,687	47,844
	African projects	38,660	44,266	(34,062)	-	48,864
	Capital expenditure fund	51,816	-	-	-	51,816
		£123,762	£140,164	£ (131,089)	£ 15,687	£148,524

The restricted funds represent donations for a variety of specific projects in the above geographic regions. The transfers consist of expenditure incurred on similar projects through the unrestricted funds.

10.	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2016 £	
	Balance brought forward	25,211,038	
	Net expenditure before transfers	(829,086)	
	Transfers	(15,687)	
	Realised gain on investment assets	(256,531)	
	Unrealised gain on investment assets	4,236,344	
	Unrealised loss on foreign currency investments	758,846	
		<u>£29,104,925</u>	
11.	NET ASSETS BY FUND		
		Investments £	Net current Assets £
	Restricted funds	-	148,524
	Unrestricted funds	29,239,193	(134,268)
		<u>£29,239,193</u>	<u>£14,256</u>
			<u>£29,253,449</u>

**12. LIMITED LIABILITY**

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital. Every member of the company, of whom there are currently five, guarantees to contribute a maximum of £1 on winding up.

**EDMUND RICE BICENTENNIAL TRUST LIMITED****NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016****13. TAXATION**

The company is a registered charity and is not subject to corporation tax or income tax on its charitable activities.

**14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The nature of the charity, some of whose directors are Christian Brothers, is that it is funded by various Christian Brothers provinces and donations are made to various Christian Brothers initiatives in other parts of the world.

**15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

	<b>Total 2016 £</b>	<b>Total 2015 £</b>
Financial assets measured by fair value	29,239,193	25,227,783

Financial assets measured by fair value include investments.

**16. FINANCIAL INFORMATION 2015**

	<b>Restricted £</b>	<b>Unrestricted £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>			
Donations	116,478	504	116,982
Investments	-	405,062	405,062
<b>Total income</b>	116,478	405,566	522,044
<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Raising funds	-	78,880	78,880
Charitable activities	148,432	1,497,754	1,646,186
<b>Total expenditure</b>	148,432	1,576,634	1,725,066
<b>Net movement in funds before gains and losses</b>	(31,954)	(1,171,068)	(1,203,022)
<b>Net gains/(losses) on investments</b>	-	1,000,250	1,000,250
<b>Net income</b>	(31,954)	(170,818)	(202,772)
<b>Net movements of funds</b>	(31,954)	(170,818)	(202,772)
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>			
Balance brought forward	155,716	25,381,856	25,537,572
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	£123,762	£25,211,038	£25,334,800