Unaudited Financial Statements

31 December 2018

Charity Number: 1093680

Financial Statements

Year ended 31 December 2018

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Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31 December 2018

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name

The Sustainable Natural Resource Management Association (UK)

Working name

SUNARMA UK Action Ethiopia

Charity registration number

1093680

Principal office

Court Farm Clovelly Bideford EX39 5TA Devon

The trustees

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Appointed 06 March 2019

Executive officer

P Langdon

Independent examiner

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Trustees' Annual Report (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2018

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The charity was formed and is governed by a declaration of Trust dated 10 June 2002. The charity is registered with the Charity Commission (No. 1093680) and its principal address is Court Farm, Clovelly, Bideford, Devon, EX39 5TA.

The charity registered with the Charities Commission on 3 September 2002.

Action Ethiopia is the working name for SUNARMA UK. The charity offers technical and financial support to our sister organisation (SUNARMA Ethiopia) in Ethiopia. This document will refer to the working name Action Ethiopia.

Recruitment and appointment of management committee

The charity is managed by a management committee who shall be Charity Trustees within the meaning of the Charities Act. The charity shall always have at least three trustees.

In selecting persons to be appointed as trustees, the trustees shall take into account the benefits of appointing a person who is able by virtue of his or her personal or professional qualifications is able to make a contribution to the pursuit of the objects or the management of the charity.

No person shall be appointed as a trustee who is under 18 years of age or in such circumstances that if he or she is already a trustee, he or she would be disqualified from office under the provision of the following clause. No persons shall be entitled to act as a trustee until after signing a declaration of acceptance and willingness to act in the trusts of the charity.

A trustee shall cease to hold office if he or she is disqualified from acting as a trustee by virtue of the Charities Act; becomes incapable by reason of mental disorder, illness or injury of managing and administering his or her own affairs; is absent without the permission of the trustees from all their meetings held within a period of six months and the trustees resolve that he or her office be vacated; or if the trustee notifies the remaining trustees of the wish to resign.

Objectives and activities

The principal objective of the charity is the advancement of education, the protection of health and the relief of poverty of the people of Africa. Action Ethiopia offers technical and financial support to our sister organisation in Ethiopia. The funds raised by Action Ethiopia are used to support programmes managed by SUNARMA Ethiopia. The project works with rural communities in Ethiopia to help them manage natural resources and build sustainable livelihoods more effectively. In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the charity commission guidance on public benefit.

Action Ethiopia has a large group of individual supporters that it communicates with digitally and by letter. In addition information and progress is available on two websites, www.actionethiopia.org and www.sunarma.org.

Action Ethiopia also keeps in touch with supporters and the general public through Facebook and Twitter accounts.

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Year ended 31 December 2018

Achievements and performance

Ethiopia has twelve different climatic zones from the hot desert in parts of Afar which are below sea level to the Afro alpine conditions at altitudes of over 4,500 meters of Ras Dashen. This makes travel in the country both fantastic for the scenery and a challenge to reach remote places. With environmental extremes there is also ethnic diversity, with over 80 different groups across the country with different languages. Some of these groups have come into direct conflict with the Ethiopian government as political tensions have heightened. The reasons for this are complex and it appears to include dissatisfaction with the political elite, the perceived slow pace of development in faraway places together with, and what some commentators have said, is the deliberate stoking of ethnic conflict by some who have lost political power.

These ethnic conflicts which resulted in loss of life in some regions has an obvious knock-on impact on the day to day operations of Action Ethiopia and our sister organisation SUNARMA. It is all the more remarkable that our field workers and those who support them have achieved so much.

In Metema in North West Ethiopia the Comic Relief funded project known as 'Frankincense and Myrrh and protecting the last green belt against the Sahara' has entered its second year. The forest where the Frankincense or Boswelia trees grow are managed and protected by 11 forest management cooperatives (FMC's). Each group has a committee that includes a chairman, secretary and treasurer that administers and coordinates activities of group members. 495 members of different FMC's had training on better ways of tapping and harvesting frankincense trees for gum. A saucer shaped incision in the tree trunk causes the sap or Gum from the tree to ooze out and solidify. The gum is collected every three weeks during the harvest season and the incision freshened. Each collection and refreshing process stimulates greater gum production from the tree as the tree attempts to seal its 'wound'. There is a three year cycle for tapping with the greatest harvest achieved in year two. In year three the tree is left to regenerate as over tapping, a problem in the past, leads to the death of the tree. New equipment, special tapping knives and baskets were provided for each group who keep an inventory of the equipment and log the amounts of gum harvested. The training of trainers, an established principle, means that the acquired skills are spread through each FMC. The process also involves what is known as experience sharing visits, when participants have the opportunity to visit other sites in the area where the technique has been perfected and learn from each other. An association with Gondar university has been formalised which has meant that the project has had the benefit of skilled trainers from the university willing to pass on knowledge to FMC's.



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Year ended 31 December 2018

Achievements and performance (continued)

Metema experiences some of the ethnic conflict mentioned above, and this meant that the participation of women was lower than planned as it was perceived as to dangerous from women to travel is some areas. The SUNARMA team responded to this by providing opportunities in bee keeping. Some 300 women also learned how to produce fuel saving stoves for use in their own homes and as a way of generating income by selling stoves to neighbouring communities.

Three tree nurseries were established growing 55,000 Boswelia tree seedlings that were planted out in the forest.

In Sidama in the South of the country and EU funded project entered its final year. Ten Forest cooperatives were established and legally registered giving them access to credit and other government services including legal recourse to outsiders found damaging the forest. The Sidama team reported that average household incomes have increased by almost 20% which improved food security for 35% of households in the project.

One way this was done by establishing 10 women's saving and credit cooperatives with some 50 women per coop. This allows each group to save, develop and fund appropriate enterprises which included, bee keeping, the production of fuel saving stoves and vegetable production.

The 10 FMC's comprise of 584 members who have saved 83,820 birr this year, this together with some seed money has also helped develop new enterprise. Two new irrigation sites were developed with new skills on managing and growing tree and vegetable were learned.

In Wofwasha forest, that runs along the rift valley escarpment near Debra Birhan some 200 kms North East of Addis Ababa, the project worked with over 130 boys and girls in two schools establishing environmental clubs that look at practical ways that children can protect their environment. This included learning to terrace land, plant thousands of trees in a small tree nursery and then grow them on in the new terraces.

Some 10 years ago SUNARMA introduce potato production to this area. This year a further 3000 kilos of potato seed was distributed and grown. Over the years this new vegetable has transformed food supply and income in this area with sacks of surplus potatoes for sale at the road side and in local markets. Something that was never seen 10 years ago.

In Wuchale and Jidda seven hand dug wells were installed, bringing the total number of wells dug in this area to over 120. Each well is sited so people do not have to walk more than one kilometer to clean water. Each well serves around 250 people, making a huge impact on the wellbeing of over 30,000 people. The community themselves provide all the manual labour with water usual found at between 7 and 12 meters deep. The well is dug below where water is found to create a sump. The so called recharge rates, the rate the sump is filled, are slow as water travels through the rock strata. The community gather in the morning and the evening to pump water by hand giving plenty of time for the well to refill. The first hand dug wells constructed in 2000 are still pumping water daily. The community themselves maintain the pumps with the small contributions to the maintenance fund made by each household; an elected committee administer the process and account for the funds.

Trustees' Annual Report (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2018

Financial review

This year Action Ethiopia accounts saw income rise by 8% to £194,217 (2017: £179,207), while expenditure on activity in Ethiopia grew by 41% to £162,314 (2017: £114,910). The latter included utilising £4,476 from funds held on account. The income has come from institutional donors, trusts and private gifts.

Our Ethiopian partners SUNARMA have continued to operate successfully in sometime difficult political and economic conditions. The rate of inflation is officially 8% but anecdotally much higher, this is particularly so with salaries. The government increased salaries of its own staff by 30% recently, this poses a challenge for the NGO sector who face loosing key people. SUNARMA is no exception and Action Ethiopia are working with SUNARMA to tackle the deficit in its own balance sheet caused by this. Action Ethiopia could achieve none of this without the support of our excellent supporters both the larger institutions and the many hundreds of private individuals who have helped bring change for the better in the lives of rural Ethiopians.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Reserves policy

The levels of reserves are important to help with the continued funding of projects undertaken by the charity and are continually monitored by the Trustees.

The Action Ethiopia board agree and administer the disbursement of funds against a work programme agreed with field staff in Ethiopia. Occasional challenges on the ground such as environmental factors (drought, excessive rain etc) or delays in response of local stake holders can mean the project runs behind schedule. In this event the Action Ethiopia board will renegotiate the activities to bring the project back on track and this can result in the fluctuation of the level of restricted project reserves.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibility to ensure that the charity, at all times, retains unrestricted reserves to ensure that it is able to fulfil its ongoing obligations. Targets for these unrestricted reserves are set at a level to overcome any short term funding loss. Current unrestricted reserves levels are too low with action being taken to improve the position in the current challenging fund raising environment.

Trustees' Annual Report (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2018

Trustees' responsibilities statement

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 29.17.12.019 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

B Kassayle

Chair of Trustees

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Sustainable Natural Resource Management Association (UK)

Year ended 31 December 2018

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Sustainable Natural Resource Management Association (UK) ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- · the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements 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.

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N Smy ACA Independent Examiner Thomas Westcott Chartered Accountants 26-28 Southernhay East Exeter Devon EX1 1NS

Date: 20 August 2019

Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 December 2018

		Unanakilakad	2018		2017
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds	Total funds £
Income and endowments Donations and legacies Investment income	4 5	61,182 11	133,024	194,206 11	179,197 10
Total income		61,193	133,024	194,217	179,207
Expenditure Expenditure on raising funds: Costs of raising donations and legacies Expenditure on charitable activities	6 7,8	36,379 24,627	137,687	36,379 162,314	43,406 114,910
Total expenditure	= 200	61,006	137,687	198,693	158,316
Net (expenditure)/income and net movement in funds		187	(4,663)	(4,476)	20,891
Reconciliation of funds Total funds brought forward		6,632	41,228	47,860	26,969
Total funds carried forward		6,819	36,565	43,384	47,860

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Financial Position

31 December 2018

Current assets	Note	2018 £	2017 £
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	12	2,486 46,740 49,226	1,497 50,005 51,502
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	5,842	3,642
Net current assets		43,384	47,860
Total assets less current liabilities		43,384	47,860
Net assets		43,384	47,860
Funds of the charity Restricted funds Unrestricted funds		36,565 6,819	41,228 6,632
Total charity funds	14	43,384	47,860

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 2.9.7.2019 and are signed on behalf of the board by:

B Kassayje

Chair of Trustees

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 December 2018

1. General information

The charity is registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is Court Farm, Clovelly, Bideford, Devon, EX39 5TA.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', 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)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Cashflow statement

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement because it is a small charity.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2018

3. Accounting policies (continued)

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the
 contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual
 requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case
 it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking
 activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those
 support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable
 activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2018

3. Accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or paable including any related transaction costs, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

4. Donations and legacies

2018	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds
	Funds	Funds	2018
	£	£	£
Donations Individuals and Trusts Frankincense and Myrrh Other funding Just Giving (General)	8,211 - - 207	95,843 37,181	8,211 95,843 37,181 207
Other donations and legacies Donations generated by Direct Mail Donations generated by Internet Giving	52,574 190 61,182	133,024	52,574 190 194,206
2017	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds
	Funds	Funds	2017
	£	£	£
Donations Individuals and Trusts Frankincense and Myrrh Other funding Just Giving (General)	5,782 - - 117	84,844 28,856	5,782 84,844 28,856 117
Other donations and legacies Donations generated by Direct Mail Donations generated by Internet Giving	57,370	-	57,370
	2,228	-	2,228
	65,497	113,700	179,197

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2018

5.	Investment income				
		Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2018		Total Funds 2017 £
	Bank interest	11	11	10	10
6.	Costs of raising donations and lega	cies			
	Cost of public appeals Other costs of generating funds	Unrestricted Funds £ 22,812 13,567 36,379	2018 £ 22,812 13,567	Unrestricted Funds £ 28,568 14,838 43,406	Total Funds 2017 £ 28,568 14,838 43,406
	Cost of public appeals -	Unrestricted Funds		Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2017 £
	Direct Mail campaign	22,812		28,568	28,568
		Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2018 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2017 £
	Other costs of generating funds - Fundraising/marketing UK travel Consultancy Donors and grant reporting Just Giving expenses Miscellaneous costs	4,511 214 2,760 4,140 234 1,708		5,653 397 2,760 4,140 198 1,690	5,653 397 2,760 4,140 198 1,690

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2018

Expenditure on charitable activities by fund	type
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2018	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2018 £
Field activity in Ethiopia - Wuchale and Jiddah Guarage Frankincense and Myrrh New Community based tourism project	- - - 220	35,724 1,250 87,663	1,250
Training and support in Ethiopia - Visits to Ethiopia SET staff training and operational support Technical and policy advice Proposal and report writing	1,697 7,739 4,560 1,173	-	1,697 7,739 4,560 1,173
Public awareness in UK	1,380	-	1,380
Support costs	7,858 24,627	13,050 137,687	20,908 162,314
2017	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2017 £
Field activity in Ethiopia - Wuchale and Jiddah Guarage Frankincense and Myrrh New Community based tourism project	- - - 4,015	7,706 32,232 37,257	7,706 32,232 37,257 4,015
Training and support in Ethiopia - SET staff training and operational support Technical and policy advice	5,322 11,120	_ 1,367	5,322 12,487
Public awareness in UK	1,380	-	1,380
Support costs	4,757	9,754	14,511
	26,594	88,316	114,910

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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8. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

Office costs Accountancy fees Independent examination fees Cost of trustees' meetings Bank charges Management costs	Unrestricted Funds £ 2,708 1,183 815 326 66 2,760 7,858	Restricted Funds £ 13,050 13,050	Total Funds 2018 £ 15,758 1,183 815 326 66 2,760 20,908
Office costs Accountancy fees Independent examination fees Cost of trustees' meetings Bank charges Management costs	Unrestricted Funds £ 2,438 995 775 299 250 - 4,757	Restricted Funds £ 6,994 - 2,760 9,754	Total Funds 2017 £ 9,432 995 775 299 250 2,760 14,511
Independent examination fees			
		2018 £	2017 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements		815	775

10. Staff costs

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The charity had no employees during the current or previous year.

11. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No remuneration or other benefits from employment with the charity were received by the trustees. Two trustees were re-imbursed expenses of £326 (2017: £246) during the year.

12. Debtors

	2018	2017
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income Other debtors	974	309
	1,512	1,188
	2,486	1,497

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2018

13. C	reditors:	amounts	falling	due	within	one	year
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	2018	2017
	£	£
Trade creditors	3,802	1,842
Accruals and deferred income	2,040	1,800
, toolidate dire delented income	5,842	3,642

14. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 January			31 Г	At December
General unrestricted funds	2018 £ 6,483	Income £ 61,193	Expenditure £ (60,786)	Transfers £ (71)	2018 £ 6,819
Designated funds New Community based tourism project	149	-	(220)	71	-
	6,632	61,193	(61,006)	_	6,819

Purposes of unrestricted funds

The object of the charity is the advancement of education, the protection of health and the relief of poverty of the people of Africa, especially Ethiopia.

General unrestricted funds are funds held in reserve to be made available for the purpose of furthering the objectives of the charity whilst not being restricted to any specific project or item of expense.

Designated funds are general unrestricted funds which have been allocated by the Trustees' to a particular project. These funds are not restricted by the original donor.

Restricted funds

Restricted fullus	At				At
1	January			31 December	
	2018	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	2018
	£	£	£	£	£
International Tree Fund	8	_	_	_	8
Wuchale and Jiddah project	-	35,931	(35,724)	_	207
Gurage	_	1,250	(1,250)	_	_
Frankincense and Myrrh	41,220	95,843	(100,713)	-	36,350
	41,228	133,024	(137,687)	_	36,565
	-		-	-	

Purposes of restricted funds

These funds are specifically ring fenced for the projects described earlier, supported by donors and held in reserve prior to transfer to Ethiopia.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2018

15. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Funds	Funds	2018	2017
	£	£	£	£
Current assets	12,661	36,565	49,226	51,502
Creditors less than 1 year	(5,842)		(5,842)	(3,642)
Net assets	6,819	36,565	43,384	47,860

16. Related parties

Executive officer costs and allocation

These allocations are based on best estimates of time apportioned to the activities indicated.

	Time %	£ cost
Charitable activities Technical, policy and field support Public awareness Support costs	16 5 44	4,560 1,380 12,000
Other expenditure Management costs	10	2,760
Cost of raising funds Donors and grant reporting Consultancy	15 10	4,140 2,760
Total apportioned costs	100	27,600