



UK
ANTARCTIC
HERITAGE
TRUST

IMPACT
REPORT
2023-24

30 YEARS OF CONSERVING & INSPIRING

UNITED
KINGDOM
ANTARCTIC
HERITAGE
TRUST

"SILENCE. AT NIGHT, IF YOU'RE OUTSIDE IN THE ANTARCTIC ON A CALM NIGHT, ESPECIALLY IF THERE'S A MOON AND SO ON, IT'S SO QUIET IT'S UNBELIEVABLE."

John Rothera, surveyor 1956 – 60

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WELCOME



"ANTARCTICA AND ITS FUTURE PROTECTION MATTERS TO US ALL. THIS YEAR, THE UK ANTARCTIC HERITAGE TRUST HAS CONTINUED IN ITS MISSION TO PROTECT ANTARCTICA'S SPECIAL PLACES AND SHARE THE CONTINENT'S HISTORY, ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION WITH MORE PEOPLE AROUND THE GLOBE.

AS PATRON OF THE UK ANTARCTIC HERITAGE TRUST, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT, WHICH HAS ENABLED A VERY UNIQUE AND IMPORTANT CHARITY TO DELIVER ITS WORK."

HRH The Princess Royal,
Patron



PATRON

HRH THE PRINCESS ROYAL

VICE-PATRONS

SIR RANULPH FIENNES
DR DAFILA SCOTT
THE HON. ALEXANDRA SHACKLETON

WELCOME TO OUR IMPACT REPORT

This past year saw us reach a significant milestone. In fact, make that several milestones.

In October 2023 we came together with supporters and friends, past and present, to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the charity. To be able to reflect on the journey we have taken with many of those involved was a very special moment. So much has changed in three decades and we are proud of the organisation the Trust has become; an influential voice for heritage conservation and an advocate for Antarctica with a global reach.

It is our honour and greatest responsibility to undertake the practical care of Antarctica's historic sites. In the year this included vital works at Port Lockroy and Base W, Detaile Island. Equally, we strive to engage as many people as possible in the stories of human endeavour, climate and geopolitics to help influence the future protection of this incredible continent.

This year's Antarctic season was shaped by the arrival of the Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza to the Southern Ocean region. The uncertainty and gravity of significant outbreaks of the virus among precious Antarctic species was a primary concern. Our normal operations required full scale review to ensure maximum biosecurity, and we had to make the difficult decision not to welcome visitors ashore at Port Lockroy. Instead, our team took the whole experience on board visiting vessels, providing lectures as well as the much-loved post office. We focused on museum repairs and delivering our penguin study from a distance. This was an impressive pivot, but the impact was felt across our finances.

February 2024 saw the 80th Birthday of Port Lockroy and WWII Operation Tabarin, with the establishment of Base A and the origins of the British Antarctic Survey. Eight decades of exploration, discovery and environmental

protection brings us to the modern era of crucial scientific endeavour for the whole planet. We were pleased to share this history through a successful year of storytelling and digital programming.

One important project which has proven popular has been Shackleton's *Endurance*. We were commissioned by the UK Government to create a conservation management plan for the shipwreck which we have prepared in partnership with Historic England and a range of stakeholders. The resulting plan has been welcomed and praised for its quality and rigour by international experts and was warmly welcomed by the Antarctic Treaty Committee for Environmental Protection.

Lastly, one milestone we must mark is the retirement of our longest-serving Trustee and Chair of Trustees since 2020, John Pye. JP leaves us after seventeen years volunteering for the Trust, and before that a decade working with the British Antarctic Survey. We send him our gratitude and best wishes for his next chapter.

Whether you're a supporter, partner, visitor or enthusiast, the contribution you make is invaluable. We receive no regular funding, and it is your support that enables us to protect Antarctica's heritage, reach into communities and tell stories across the world. Importantly, it helps us to meet each challenge we face from the unpredictable nature of Antarctica itself.

To you all, thank you.



Kim Crosbie
Chair of the Trustees



Camilla Nichol
Chief Executive

THE YEAR IN HIGHLIGHTS THANKS TO YOU

CONSERVATION PLAN FOR SHACKLETON'S ENDURANCE PRODUCED

working with partners to protect one of the world's most significant wrecks



£430,000+

WAS FUNDRAISED THANKS TO YOU

our partners, stakeholders, members and donors



ADVOCACY & EXPERTISE

provided protection to Antarctica's special sites and landscapes



200,000

PEOPLE DISCOVERED ANTARCTIC CLOTHING THROUGH THE AGES

via our social media project *Wearing Antarctica*



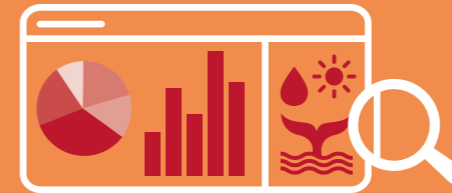
2.2M PEOPLE ENGAGED

with our online content



NEW BIODIVERSITY STUDY CAPTURED VALUABLE SPECIES DATA

at two of our sites



FIRST ARTEFACT CATALOGUE AND DIGITAL CAPTURE

of the remote Detaille Island Base W, as part of a complex field season



INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION

on responsible tourism and conservation continued



PASSIONATE AND SKILLED ANTARCTIC TEAM

of 14 people delivered repairs to two Antarctic sites



WIDESPREAD COVERAGE

this year included BBC Breakfast, ITV Lorraine, The Guardian, and Evening Standard, with features in media around the world



TALKS, MUSEUM EVENTS AND RESOURCES

provided Antarctic learning experiences for tens of thousands of people



NEW ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN PRODUCED

providing additional policy guidance



URGENT CONSERVATION DELIVERED

at historic Port Lockroy to repair the roof after heavy snowfall

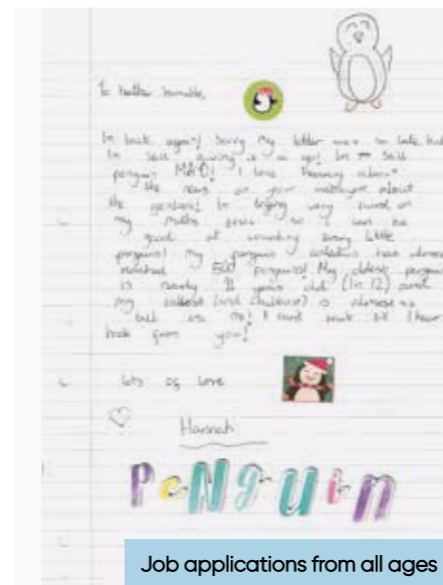




Emergency repairs at Base W, Detaille Island



Port Lockroy's 80th Birthday celebrations



Job applications from all ages



UK Antarctic Heritage Trust turned 30!



We engaged young people UK-wide



The first artefact survey at Detaille Island



Urgent conservation delivered



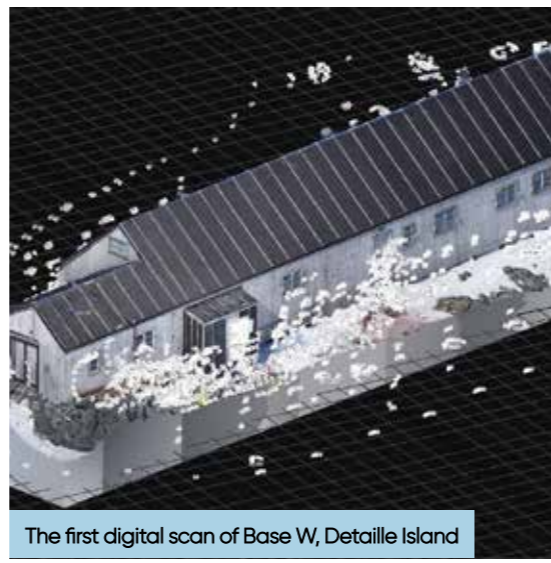
Vital roof repairs at Port Lockroy



A new digital offer for young people



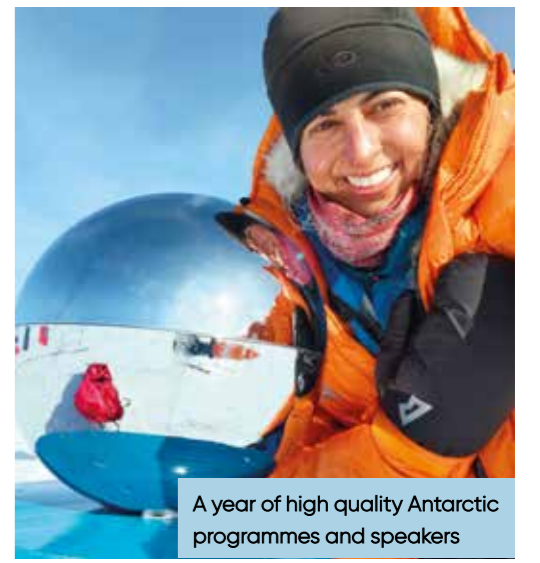
A rare leucistic penguin visited Goudier Island



The first digital scan of Base W, Detaille Island



An ambitious conservation season for all



A year of high quality Antarctic programmes and speakers



**WHO
WE ARE**

01

We are the United Kingdom Antarctic Heritage Trust and our aim is to connect people with the wonder of Antarctica, to help promote a greater understanding of this phenomenal place and the role we all have in protecting it.

We use remarkable stories to explore Antarctica and why it matters to us all, helping more people to discover, understand, value and protect this precious wilderness.

We conserve heritage by looking after seven designated Historic Sites and Monuments (HSMs) on the Antarctic Peninsula and by working with Antarctic policy makers on heritage and conservation.

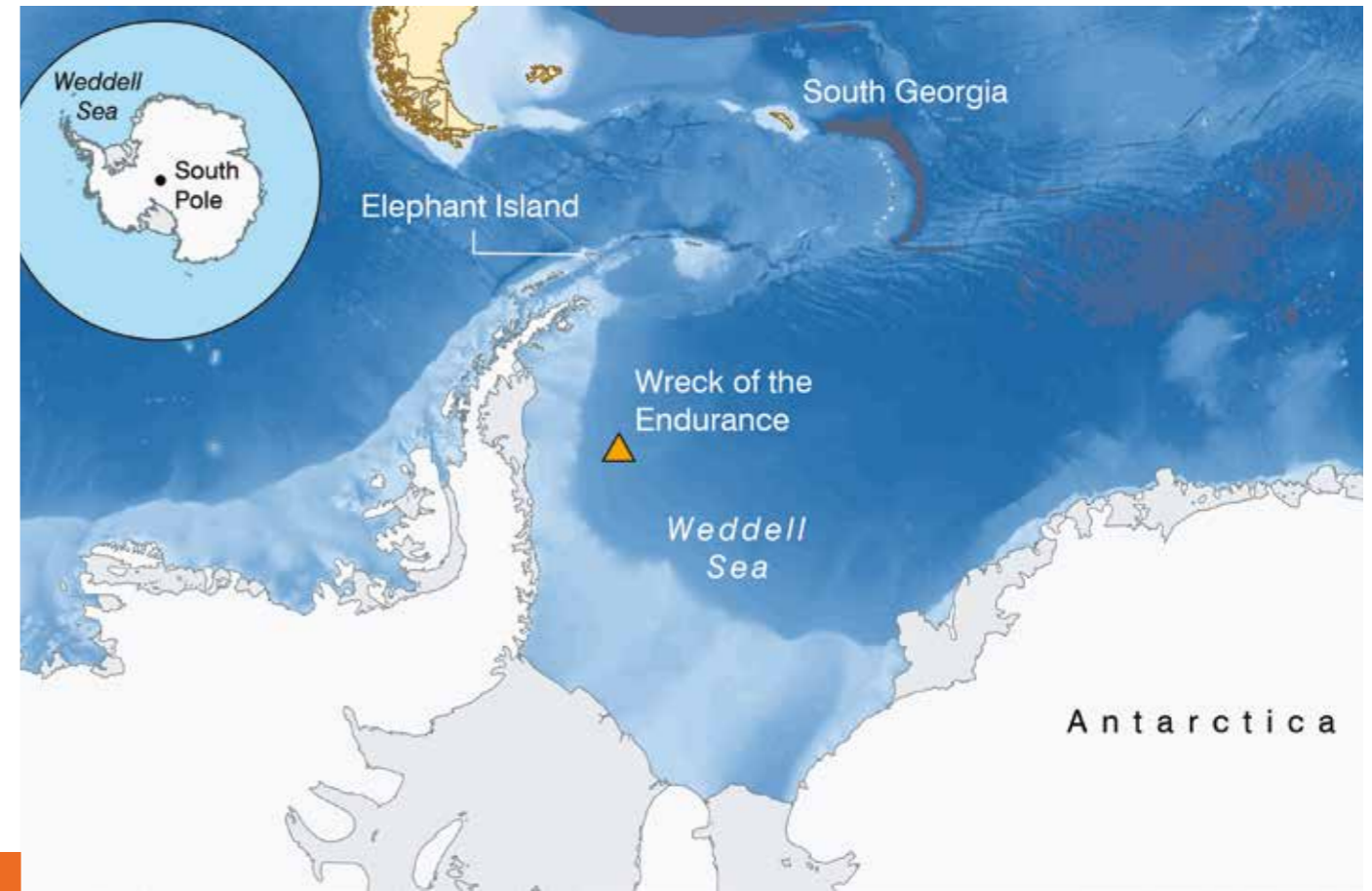


OUR VISION

STORIES OF HUMAN ENDEAVOUR IN ANTARCTICA FEED OUR IMAGINATIONS AND OUR UNDERSTANDING OF ANTARCTICA'S IMPACT ON OUR WORLD, OUR LIVES AND OUR FUTURE.

OUR MISSION

OUR MISSION IS TO PROMOTE A GREATER PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT WITH ANTARCTICA, THROUGH HERITAGE CONSERVATION, STORYTELLING AND EFFECTIVE ADVOCACY.



OUR OBJECTIVES

- 1 DISCOVER** We will inspire an ever-widening range of people with the stories and legacy of science, exploration and human endeavour embedded in our Antarctic heritage.
- 2 UNDERSTAND** Antarctica and its heritage will be better known and understood.
- 3 VALUE** People will be inspired to take action for a sustainable future through learning about Antarctica and its heritage.
- 4 PROTECT** Antarctic heritage sites, artefacts, stories and historic environment will be preserved into the future.

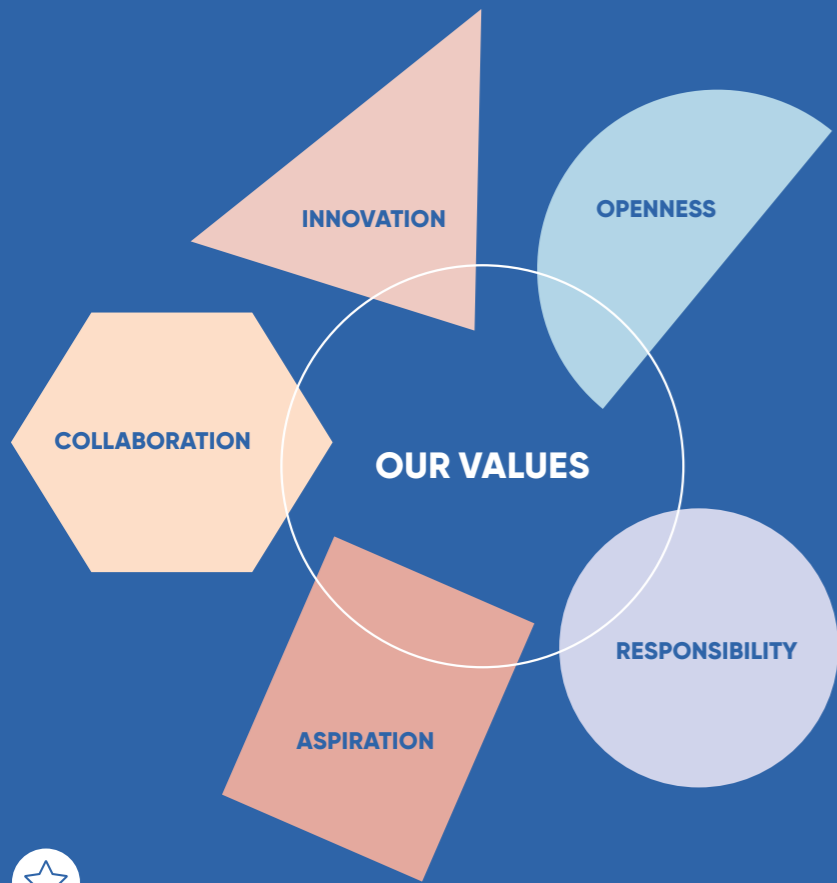


In these pages you'll see examples of what, together, we were able to achieve over the past financial year (May 2023 – April 2024). If you would like to read our 2020-30 Strategy in more depth, you can access it online or contact us to receive a printed copy.

THANK YOU



← scan to view our strategy



PROTECT

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OUR GOAL

ANTARCTIC HERITAGE SITES, ARTEFACTS, STORIES AND HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT WILL BE PRESERVED INTO THE FUTURE.

Securing the future of physical heritage in Antarctica underpins everything we do. We take seriously our responsibility as custodians on behalf of future generations.

Antarctic heritage helps us to understand what went before and why we are where we are now. This heritage marks the origins of the modern era of science and international collaboration which characterise Antarctica today.



VITAL REPAIRS TO PORT LOCKROY'S ROOF

Specialist carpenters made urgent repairs to Port Lockroy's roof after heavy snowfall caused structural damage to our flagship building. The team worked across the season to bring Antarctic stories to life despite avian flu preventing us from opening our museum to visitors. Postcards were sent to over 80,000 children and adults around the world in the Base's special 80th Birthday year.

AVIAN FLU RESPONSE PLAN DELIVERED

We were proactive in protecting Antarctica's people and species by developing an avian flu response plan. This enabled us to make quick and responsible decisions about our Antarctic operations should the virus, which has claimed the lives of millions of birds worldwide, appear. This did, however, impact our finances in the year.

CASE STUDY: PROTECTING SHACKLETON'S ENDURANCE

Over the last year, we have been working in partnership with Historic England on the Conservation Management Plan (CMP) for Shackleton's *Endurance* – one of the most famous shipwrecks of all time.

We were commissioned to lead on the plan by the UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) following the discovery of the wreck at the bottom of the Weddell Sea on 5 March 2022 by the Endurance22 expedition led by the Falklands Maritime Heritage Trust.

After a comprehensive consultation with stakeholders and international experts, the CMP was presented to and welcomed by the Committee for Environmental Protection at the 2024 Antarctic Treaty meeting. It acts as a shared vision and framework to inspire an international effort to protect and promote understanding of *Endurance* for current and future generations. It is now available to the public at www.enduranceshipwreck.org/endurance

UKAHT will continue to work with our partners and stakeholders as we seek an Antarctic Specially Protected Area (ASPA) designation for the region.

'Shackleton's ship Endurance holds an almost universal appeal, representing an extraordinary chapter in human exploration, resilience, and survival that continues to resonate to this day. Conserving Endurance is about safeguarding the future of the wreck – protecting it from risks and maximising opportunities to share its stories – so that more people can continue to learn from, and be inspired by, this remarkable ship.'

Ruth Mullett
Head of Buildings & Conservation



Image © FMHT – National Geographic

A CELEBRATION OF 30 YEARS OF CONSERVING, INSPIRING AND SHARING

For three decades, we have had the privilege to conserve Antarctica's unique heritage, share the continent's ever-evolving stories and inspire others to see and experience Antarctica differently through innovative technology, art and culture. Across 2023/24 we celebrated this moment with a commemorative event, report and projects.

CLIMATE CHANGE RISK ASSESSMENT

We joined forces with three other Antarctic Treaty nations to develop a new tool to assess the risk of climate change to heritage in Antarctica. Working with Argentina, Norway, New Zealand, Australia and the Scientific Committee for Antarctic Research, this tool is being piloted over the year ahead.

NEW BIODIVERSITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MEASURES DELIVERED

We completed new Environmental Management Plans for the historic sites at Port Lockroy and Damoy Point to help us protect these sites' exceptional natural values.

We were able to complete the plans thanks to generous support from Darwin Plus Local, the Ernest Kleinwort Charitable Trust and donors to the Big Give Green Match Fund Appeal. Dr Mairi Hilton (Port Lockroy wildlife monitor, 2022-23) wrote the plans with input from Professor Pete Convey at British Antarctic Survey.

PARTNERSHIPS, ADVOCACY AND ADVICE

We value greatly our contribution to the wider protection of Antarctica and the upholding of the values of the Antarctic Treaty.

We continued to work closely with the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office Department of the Polar Regions in our role as the statutory advisor on Antarctic heritage. Beyond our work on *Endurance*, we supported the UK delegation at the Antarctic Treaty meeting in Kochi providing both papers and advice.

UKAHT led on the work to create a climate change risk assessment for heritage in Antarctica, contributing to the Climate Change Response Work programme of the Committee for Environmental Protection.

We also contributed to the parliamentary enquiry by the Environmental Audit Committee on the UK and the Antarctic Environment, providing evidence and unique perspective.

We continue to support more widely working in partnership with other polar organisations, contributing to the advisory boards for the Government of South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands, the Scott Polar Research Institute and the Antarctic Placenames Committee.

Sometimes such partnerships can yield memorable moments. This year two stand out: our Chief Executive spoke at an event at the Houses of Parliament to celebrate Polar Pride, reflecting upon the perspectives, contribution and achievements of the LGBTQ+ community to polar science and conservation.

The second moment was the much anticipated installation of a permanent memorial to Sir Ernest Shackleton in Westminster Abbey. The beautiful plaque made from Kilkenny limestone and Connemara marble was unveiled by HRH The Princess Royal in an unforgettable ceremony at which we read an excerpt from *The Ship of Fools* by St John Lucas.



CASE STUDY: MEET DETAILLE

The most striking achievement of the year was the conservation field work at Base W, Detaille Island, HSM No. 83.

Following a historical evacuation due to encroaching sea ice, the hut remains incredibly rich in artefacts and is one of the best preserved of our bases. However, the site is also the hardest one to reach.

Bracing the Antarctic elements in a field camp, the team completed a range of tasks to survey and safeguard parts of the site. Our carpenters focused on stabilising and repairing the Emergency Store, while object conservators worked through the main hut, cataloguing the artefacts and assessing their condition.

The team also collected a range of information about the current condition of the site, which we'll use to plan future seasons. Our XR producer did site-wide photogrammetry to make a 3D model of the site too. This will help us make conservation decisions from afar and share the remarkable stories of the site with those unable to visit.

We will be raising funds to return to Detaille soon, to enable us to continue this vital work.

DISCOVER UNDERSTAND & VALUE





OUR GOALS

WE WILL INSPIRE AN EVER-WIDENING RANGE OF PEOPLE WITH THE STORIES AND LEGACY OF SCIENCE, EXPLORATION AND HUMAN ENDEAVOUR EMBEDDED IN OUR ANTARCTIC HERITAGE.

ANTARCTICA AND ITS HERITAGE WILL BE BETTER KNOWN AND UNDERSTOOD.

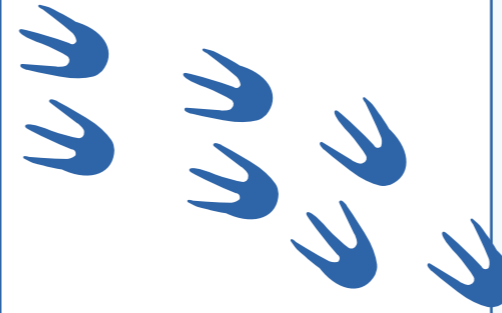
PEOPLE WILL BE INSPIRED TO TAKE ACTION FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE THROUGH LEARNING ABOUT ANTARCTICA AND ITS HERITAGE.

It is possible to engage large numbers of people merely by presenting the wonder of Antarctica, but we want to go further, to enable a greater understanding of Antarctica as a protected wilderness, as the theatre of extraordinary human enterprise, its role in our planet's climate system, its wildlife, biodiversity, history and position in global affairs.

We believe it is important to combine science, nature, exploration, art, history and culture to help promote a deeper understanding of the complexity and significance of Antarctica and why it should matter to us all.



TALKS AND EVENTS



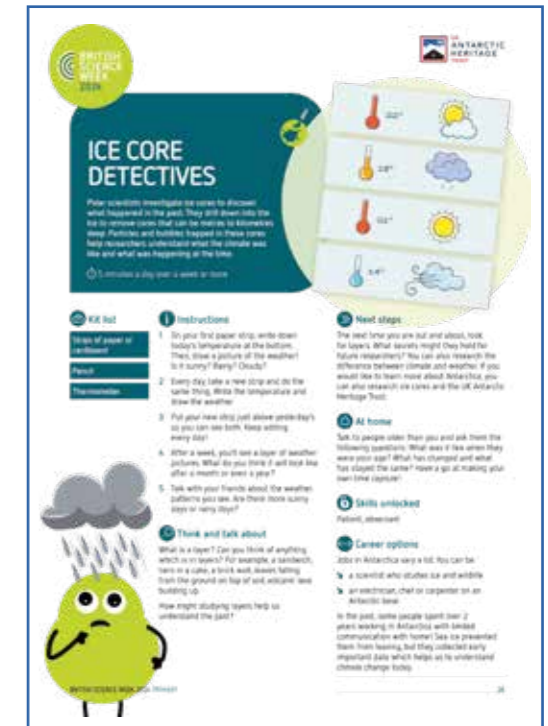
In September 2023, 150 friends gathered for our 30th Anniversary celebration at Carpenters' Hall in London, to recognise the impact of the charity over the past three decades.



This year saw the continuation of Antarctica In Sight, our programme of creative and digital events which aims to inspire a generation to find meaning with this fascinating continent.



50,000 children and families across the UK downloaded our exciting educational resource for British Science Week.



Antarctic talks and events reached thousands of people across the UK and wider world. We took stories and interactive activities to museums, community groups, open days and schools.

"Our students at Junipero Serra High School (California, USA) were so intrigued by the stories of the work of the UK Antarctic Heritage Trust. The charity's talk provided further points of departure for discussions with students we connect with in other parts of the world, namely, South Africa, Colombia, the Philippines, and Japan. We hope the recording we made will serve to inspire more young people to appreciate the beauty and environmental importance of Antarctica."

Rushton Hurley
Design-Led Innovation Director



DIGITAL DISCOVERY

128 pieces of positive press coverage across the UK, USA, Australia, New Zealand and Canada helped us to reach a new audience. ukah.org received over 100,000 visitors and nearly 400,000 page views. Port Lockroy team member Jerome's beautiful wildlife photography from this season was published in Daily Telegraph and Times Online to mark World Penguin Day and highlighting the Adopt a Penguin scheme.



The fourth season of our A Voyage to Antarctica podcast was launched, exploring everything from dinosaurs in Antarctica to space, with leading speakers including Polar Preet Chandi MBE and NASA science Jess Bunckek. The podcast has received over 64,000 downloads to date.



3 live webinars featuring leading scientists, historians and thinkers were broadcast live on YouTube and watched by people all over the world. Highlights for Port Lockroy's 80th anniversary included an in-depth special Operation Tabarin episode on Dan Snow's History Hit podcast – the most listened to episode of the series.



We embraced new technologies through Wearing Antarctica – a fun-filled, whistle-stop tour through 100 years of Antarctic clothing using augmented reality. The project centred around six filters you can find on TikTok or on our dedicated website, with images and information about different Antarctic time periods. 200,000 people used the filters to wear an Antarctic outfit and dance, surf, swim or float through time. The Space supported and funded this project, and our team partnered with Weald Creative and 099creative to bring it to life.

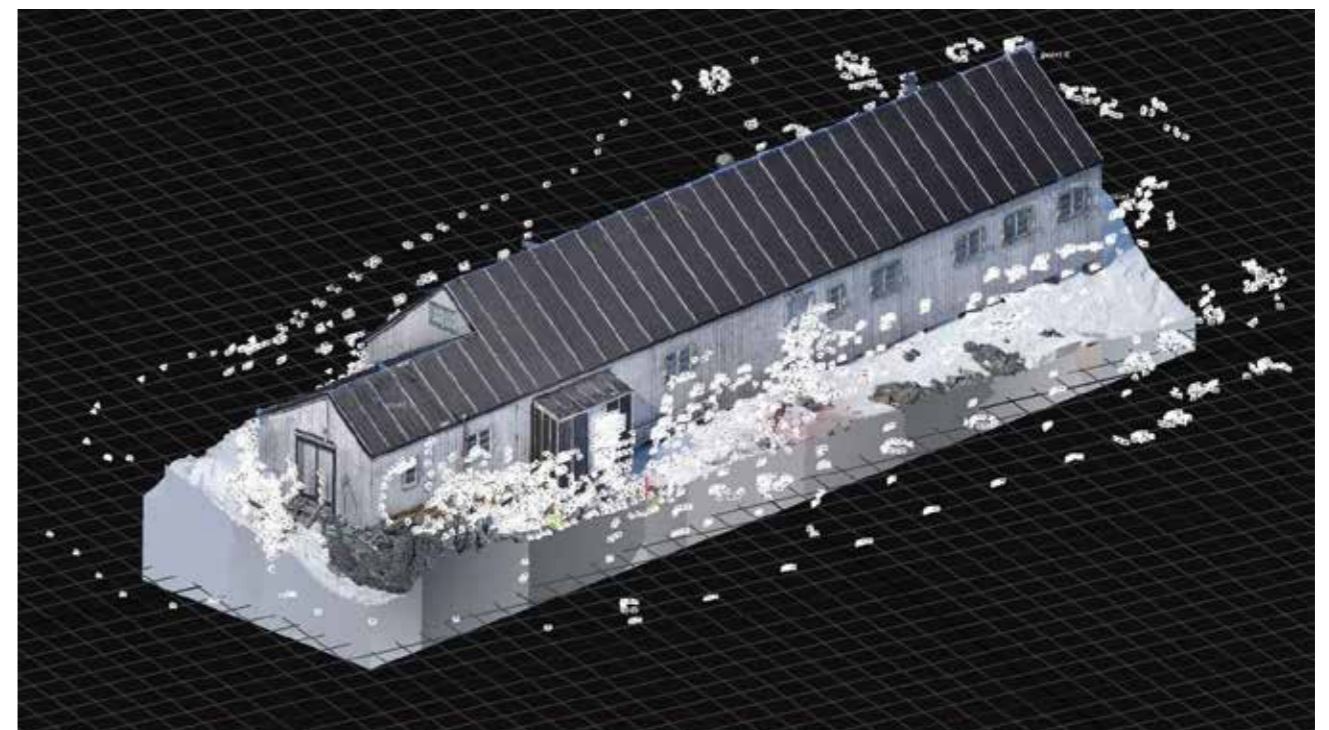


PIONEERING VIRTUAL REALITY

We progressed in making Antarctica more accessible to everyone at home through immersive technologies and archive storytelling.



During the 23/24 season Detaille Base W was comprehensively digitally recorded for future conservation and engagement projects.



IMMERSIVE ANTARCTICA

Immersive Antarctica: A Frozen Night (virtual reality) was exhibited at local and international events, garnering interest from local and national BBC news networks.

Cambridge collaboration allows users to explore Antarctica using VR headsets





FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

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UKAHT's work is mainly funded by donations, income from our Port Lockroy and online shops, legacies and grants from charitable trusts and partners.

We had to make significant changes in the year to mitigate against avian flu. This impacted our finances.

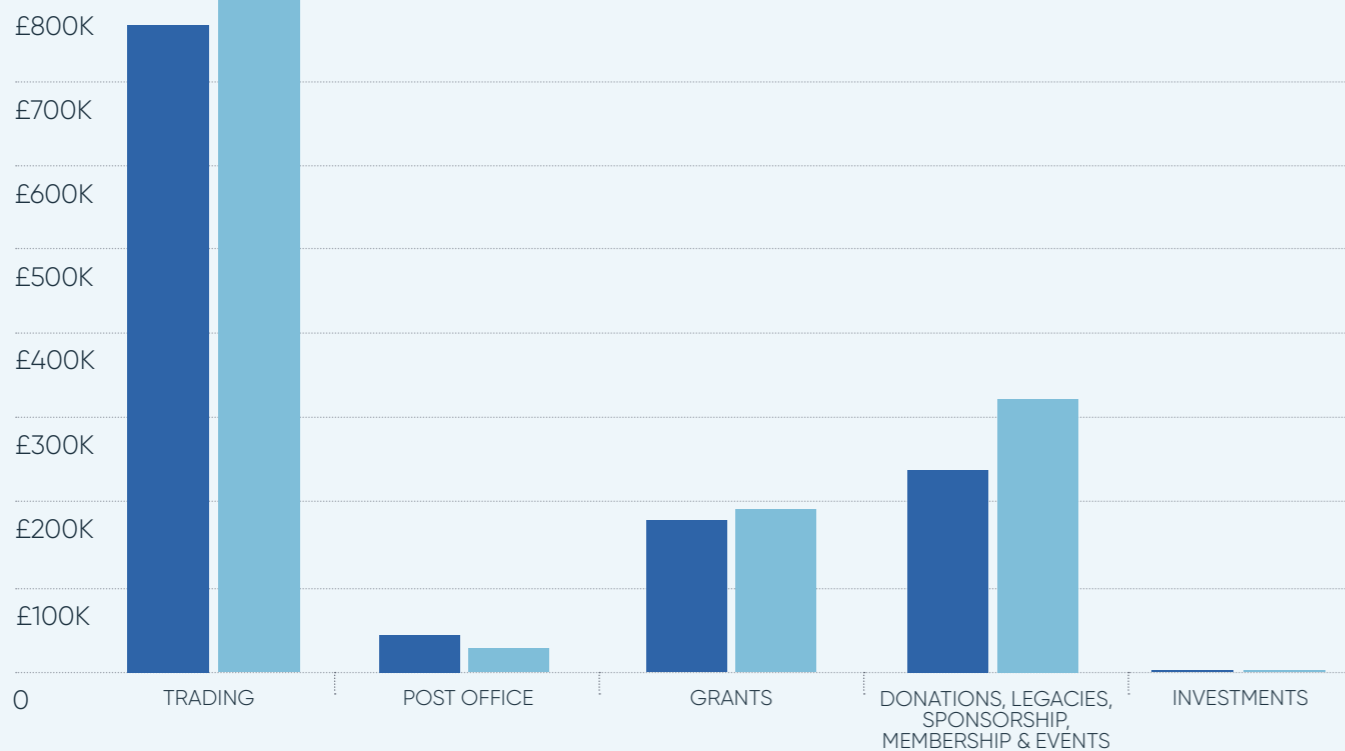
Here's a quick summary of our income and expenditure for the year. More information can be found in the full Accounts.



THE SUPPORT WE RECEIVE



■ 2022-23
■ 2023-24

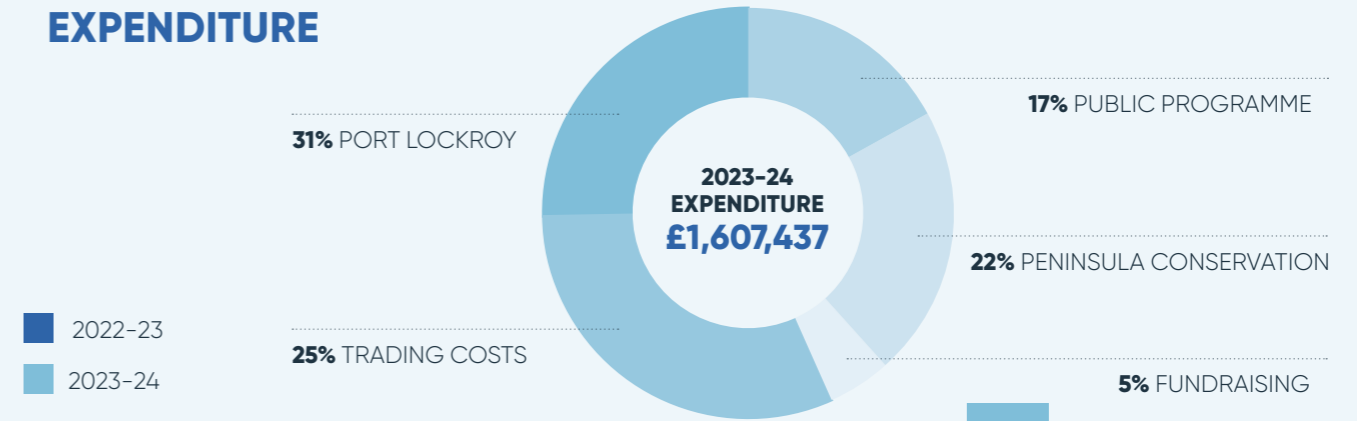


Trading: Trade income grew in the year as a result of investments into online retail and our Antarctic season.

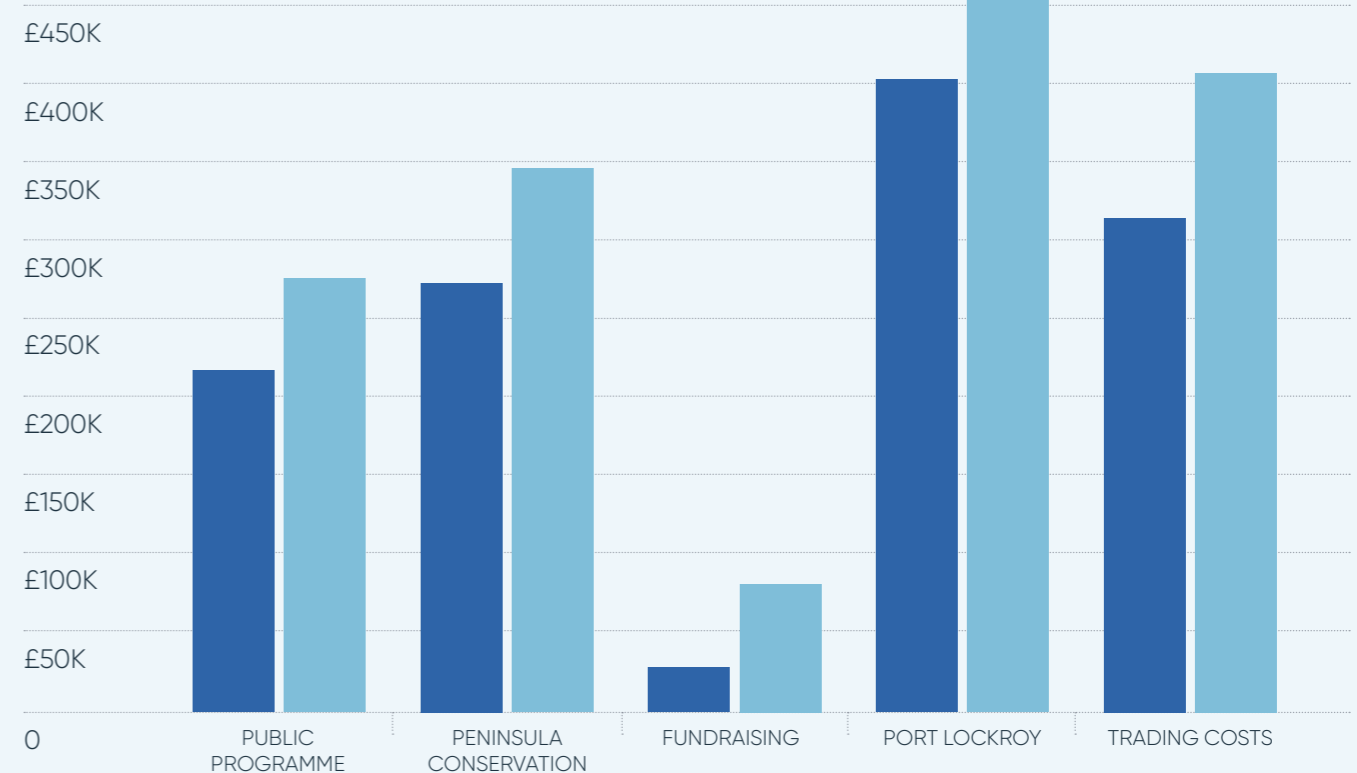
Grants: Grant funding from a number of generous supporters enabled us to deliver conservation, biodiversity and public engagement projects.

Fundraising: Support from our donors and members increased in the year. We are grateful for the generosity of all those joining us on our journey to protect Antarctica's special places and deliver educational work.

EXPENDITURE



■ 2022-23
■ 2023-24



Public programming: *Antarctica In Sight* delivered webinars, podcasts, films and digital content with and for new audiences across the world.

Conservation: A significant conservation season was delivered in Antarctica, with active work at Port Lockroy and Base W, Detaille Island.

Port Lockroy: Major system updates and changes in delivery enabled us to pivot our Port Lockroy operation in response to avian flu.

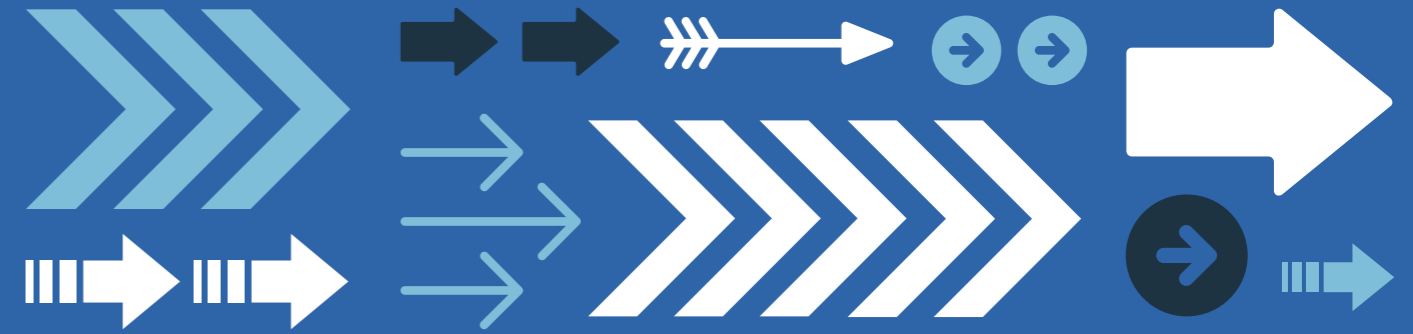
Trading Costs: Expenditure increased in the year to invest in retail, systems and marketing, as well as extending operational support to the charity retail operation.

Fundraising: Fundraising costs increased in the year around our Anniversary moment. For every £1 invested, we raised £7 in support.

WHAT WE WILL DO NEXT

We have big ambitions for the year ahead as we deliver our key objectives for heritage conservation and public engagement with Antarctica.

With your help in 2024-25 we will:



DIGITISE

Spread our Immersive Antarctica VR experience in local settings.



BUILD SUPPORT

Increase our supporter base of funders, donors, members and adopters.



GROW AWARENESS

Using a range of media, reach a global audience with Antarctica's stories and reach new audiences with our mission.



GLOBAL STORYTELLING

Grow the number of our international podcast listeners with Series 5 of A Voyage to Antarctica and reach a live global audience with our webinar series.



PROTECT HERITAGE

Work to strengthen protections for the wreck of Endurance

Conserve our most remote heritage site Blaiklock Refuge

Complete structural repairs on Bransfield House at Base A, Port Lockroy.



INCREASE INCOME

Revamp our online charity store and retail offer to generate vital income.



STRENGTHEN POLICY

Contribute to policy for Antarctic heritage for the UK Government and in the Antarctic Treaty System, supporting heritage in the UK and in Antarctica.



RESPOND TO CLIMATE CHANGE

Work with international partners to create a risk assessment for climate change impacts to Antarctic Heritage

Create a NetZero strategy and action plan.



YOUNG PEOPLE AT THE FORE

Develop our youth and community programme to create meaningful projects for a range of young people across the UK across the year.



REACH FURTHER

Extend reach across the UK through our community and schools programme

Continue to work with partners to promote diversity across the Polar regions.



THANK YOU

This year we welcomed new members and supporters to our community united by an interest in Antarctica.

We are extremely grateful, in particular to the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office and to the following organisations, companies, trusts and individuals for supporting the Trust and helping to enable our work in 2023-24. Without your donations, membership, shopping, fundraising challenges, penguin adoptions, webinar attendance, podcast listens, film viewings and all those messages of support and encouragement, much of the work you read about in this report would not have been possible.

We would like to extend a special thank you to everyone who has supported the Trust over the past 30 years and for playing a part in protecting and sharing Antarctica's past and future.



WE ARE GRATEFUL TO THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS, TRUSTS AND COMPANIES FOR THEIR SUPPORT IN 2023-24:

PATRON

HRH The Princess Royal

VICE-PATRONS

Sir Ranulph Fiennes

Dr Dafila Scott

Hon. Alexandra Shackleton

MAJOR PARTNERS

Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office
Natural Environment Research Council

Government of the British Antarctic Territory

GIFTS IN MEMORY

Helen Annan

Alan Cameron

Ido Gottwald

Don Halliday

Ron Miller

Mary Royds Cleveland

Ann Shirley

CONSERVATION AND PROJECT SUPPORTERS

Animal Friends

Darwin Plus Local

The Edward Lewis Foundation

Genesee Valley Trust

Company

Charles Hayward Foundation

The Headley Trust

Heritage Compass

Highgate School

Hurtigruten Expeditions

Iridium Communications

Medlock Charitable Trust

Noble Caledonia

Charitable Trust

Páramo clothing

Polar Latitudes

Polar Routes

Quark Expeditions

Rocky Brands & Xtratuf footwear

Ship to Shore clothing

Snugpak sleeping bags

The Space & Arts Council

England

AND THOSE WHO WISH TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS

VERY SPECIAL THANKS TO

John Pye, Chair of the Trust 2020-2024, Trustee 2009-2020

Our Members, Adopters and Friends of Antarctica

All those who donated and fundraised to enable our projects throughout the year

Operator friends and colleagues

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Charity number: 1160847

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**FOR THE
YEAR ENDED
30 APRIL 2024**

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STAFFING

This year we continued to implement the new staffing structure, adding strength and depth to the team ready to deliver to the charity's vision.

STAFF LIST 2023-24

CAMBRIDGE TEAM

Chief Executive

Camilla Nichol

Head of Operations

Sophie Montagne

Head of Operations (maternity cover)

Richard Hall (until 23 February 2024)

Head of Buildings and Conservation

Dr Ruth Mullett

Head of Development

Camilla Johns

Head of Finance

Claudine Maya

Head of Communications and Marketing

Sarah Blythe

Field Operations Manager

Andrew Jones

Development and Content Officer

Heather Barrable

Operations and Heritage Officer

Ruth Lee (until 29 February 2024)

Heritage Officer

Ruth Lee (from 1 March 2024)

Operations Officer

Rachel Wilkinson (from 15 January 2024)

Trust and Finance Officer

Bridgette Hudson-Farmer (until 16 August 2024)

Retail

Roddy Bedford

Communications Officer

Peter Watson

Conservation Specialist

Sophie Rowe

PORT LOCKROY SEASONAL TEAM

Base Leader

Bridie Martin-West

Postmaster and Museum Manager

Laura Büllsbach

Shop Manager

Shabir Alidina

Wildlife Monitor

Jerome Viard

General Assistant

Lisa Ford

Clare Ballantyne

CONSERVATION TEAM (DAMOY)

Artefact Conservator

Lizzie Meek (NZAHT)

Conservation Carpenters

Graham Gillie

Dale Perrin

Pete Townsend

Al Fastier (NZAHT)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Trust is governed by a Board of Trustees. The Articles allow for up to twelve Trustees with a minimum number of six. New Trustees are appointed by a resolution of the Trustees. This year there were twelve serving Trustees (listed below) including six newly appointed trustees and two departures, including our longest serving Trustee and chair since 2018. Trustees shall serve for a period of four years from the date of the meeting at which they were appointed. At the end of their term of office they will be eligible for re-election for a further four-year term (up to a maximum of three consecutive terms) by majority decision of the remaining Trustees. If a Trustee has served three consecutive terms, they must retire from office at the end of their third term and will only be eligible for re-election if at least one year has elapsed since their retirement.

Trustees normally meet four times per year and there may be occasions for committees to meet in between under the direction of the board to consider specific matters and then report back to the full board.

The Trustees met formally four times this year:

12 July 2023, 11 October 2023, 25 January 2024, and 15 April 2024.

The Finance Committee met four times:

14 June 2023, 13 September 2023, 13 December 2023 and 20 March 2024.

The Development Committee met three times:

20 June 2023, 19 September 2023 and 21 November 2023.

The Public Engagement Committee met three times:

17 May 2023, 28 September 2023 and 11 January 2024.

The Nominations Committee met twice:

5 June 2023 and 11 January 2024.

During the full Board meetings, the Trustees agree the policies and broad strategy and priorities for activity for the Trust, monitor and review investments, reserves and risk management policies and examine overall performance of the Trust. The day to day management of the charity, the implementation of the strategy and forward plan is delegated to the Chief Executive.

Board of Trustees:

James Anderson (appointed 12 July 2023)

Jane Arthur (Vice Chair)

Hugh Broughton (appointed 25 January 2024)

Kim Crosbie (Chair, appointed 24 July 2024)

Oliver Darke (appointed 24 October 2024)

Selina Fellows (until 31 August 2023)

Robert Kidby

Mehmuda Mian (appointed 24 October 2024)

Sumit Paul-Choudhury

John Pye (Chair, resigned 24 July 2024)

Clive Sanders

Victoria Snowden

Claire Warrior (appointed 25 January 2024)

Tom Wright (appointed 12 July 2023)

Finance Committee

Jane Arthur

Kim Crosbie

Victoria Snowden (Hon. Treasurer)

Development Committee

Robert Kidby

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Tom Wright

Public Engagement Committee

Sumit Paul-Choudhury (Chair)

Hugh Broughton

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Nominations Committee

Jane Arthur (Chair)

Kim Crosbie

Bob Kidby

RESERVES POLICY

We are committed to maximising our investment in our charitable activity. To ensure our resilience in the event of a significant unexpected loss of income the Trustees aspire to keep twelve months' operating costs and commitments as free reserves to enable:

- Fulfilment of our charitable commitments: Peninsula Conservation and Programming
- A season's operation at Port Lockroy
- Operational costs in Cambridge

The reserves comprise the cash and cash equivalent assets of both the charity and the trading subsidiary, as well as the value of any stock inventory. The target value of the reserves required is calculated annually alongside the priorities laid out in our strategic plan. On 30 April 2024, the Trust held reserves of £884,598 (2023: £1,060,740) which the Trustees consider is sufficient to meet the criteria above.

Any funds over and above the target are eligible for transfer into designated funds for projects that support our charitable aims and deliver the priorities of our strategic plan.

For the year ahead there is some uncertainty of the potential impact of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza H5N1 in Antarctica and its consequences for our ability to operate on the Peninsula. For this reason the Trustees will keep the reserves under constant review during the current year to ensure the long-term sustainability of the charity.

INVESTMENT POLICY

The Trust aims to invest surplus cash funds to achieve a real, above inflation return in terms of the capital appreciation and residual income. The charity invests these funds for the medium to long term on the best terms available for the period of time for which the funds are available. As at 30 April 2024 the charity held £384,789, managed by Aberdeen, an investment management firm. The investment policy is monitored and reviewed by the Finance Committee and Chief Executive on a regular basis, the current policy having been adopted in 2012.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The United Kingdom Antarctic Heritage Trust (UKAHT) is a charitable company limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital. The organisation was originally constituted by a Declaration of Trust made on 28 July 1993 and registered as a charity with the Charity Commission on 17 August 1993. On 11 March 2015, following a governance review and under legal advice, a new charity was established and revised Articles of Association for the charity were signed. The order to transfer the assets and liabilities from the old charity to the new was authorised on 28 April 2015. The charity was established under a Memorandum of Association which established its objects and powers and it is governed under its revised Articles of Association. In the event of the charity being dissolved, each member promises to pay up to £10 towards the costs of dissolution. UKAHT also operates a subsidiary trading company, Antarctic Heritage Limited (AHL), which was incorporated on 12 May 2005 under a Memorandum and Articles of Association and is a private company limited by shares. All profits from AHL are gifted to UKAHT each year. UKAHT's purpose is to advance the education of the public in particular by the preservation and protection of their Antarctic heritage. UKAHT achieves its aims through: the conservation and restoration of six HSMs designated under the Antarctic Treaty; working in partnership to deliver a range of public programmes to inspire people to pursue a lifelong engagement with Antarctica; and providing high quality visitor experiences at the heritage sites on the Antarctic Peninsula, notably the museum and Post Office at Port Lockroy with associated trading activity.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activity. The Memorandum of Association states that the aim of the charity is to 'advance the education of the public by the preservation and protection of their Antarctic heritage'.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity may be exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. A comprehensive risk management policy and associated risk register and management procedures and documents enable the organisation to identify, assess and manage all potential risks and their potential impacts and controls. These are reviewed on an ongoing basis and inform how the organisation will deliver its objectives.

RECRUITMENT OF TRUSTEES

The Board is responsible for the process of seeking and evaluating prospective Trustees for appointment, based on an analysis of the skills required. Board vacancies are advertised on the UKAHT website and prospective candidates are invited to submit their CV and the shortlisted candidates are invited to meet existing Board members for an interview and are appointed by a resolution of the Trustees. Upon appointment, new Trustees are given an induction pack which includes full details of their roles and responsibilities, terms and conditions of service and basic information about the Trust and its work. There is usually a follow-up induction visit and review session arranged with the staff and key Trustees. Follow-up familiarisation sessions in key areas of the Trust's activities are organised during the first term of their appointment.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Patron

HRH The Princess Royal

Vice-patrons

Sir Ranulph Fiennes
Dr Dafila Scott
The Hon. Alexandra Shackleton

Chair of the Board of Trustees

Kim Crosbie

Chief Executive

Camilla Nichol

Registered Office

High Cross, Madingley Road
Cambridge, CB3 0ET

Registered Charity Number

1160847

Date of Registration

11 March 2015

Company Number

9423663

Date of Incorporation

5th February 2015

Governing Document

Memorandum of Association
4 February 2015

Independent Examiners

Chater Allan LLP

Bankers

Charities Aid Foundation
25 Kingshill Ave
Kingshill, West Malling
Kent, ME19 4JQ

Solicitors

Taylor Vinters LLP
Merlin Place, Milton Road
Cambridge, CB4 0DP

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

On behalf of the Board:



Kim Crosbie, Chair

Date: 3 December 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the United Kingdom Antarctic Heritage Trust for the year ended 30 April 2024.

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

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the ACCA and ICAEW.

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.

Stuart Graham Berriman FCA FCCA

(Independent Examiner)

Date: 4 December 2024

Chater Allan LLP
Chartered Accountants, 7 Quay Court,
Colliers Lane, Stow-cum-Quy, CB25 9AU



CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE) ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
INCOME					
Donations and legacies	2	357,703	191,164	548,867	459,816
Other trading activities	3	815,818	-	815,818	766,634
Investment income	4	2,194	-	2,194	1,074
Total		1,175,715	191,164	1,366,879	1,227,524
EXPENDITURE					
Costs of generating funds:	5				
Charity		78,170	-	78,170	28,046
Subsidiary		909,164	-	909,164	715,675
Charitable activities:					
Project costs	6	357,613	209,644	567,257	442,164
Support costs	7	40,936	11,910	52,846	47,093
Total		1,385,883	221,554	1,607,437	1,232,978
Net (losses)/gains on investments	13	36,869	-	36,869	(9,999)
Net income/(expenditure)		(173,299)	(30,390)	(203,689)	(15,453)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(173,299)	(30,390)	(203,689)	(15,453)
Reconciliation of movement in funds: <i>Total funds brought forward</i>					
Charity		1,372,857	89,936	1,462,793	1,514,791
Subsidiary		(287,722)	-	(287,722)	(324,267)
Total		1,085,135	89,936	1,175,071	1,190,524
Total funds carried forward		911,836	59,546	971,382	1,175,071
<i>Made up of:</i>					
Charity funds in group balance sheet		1,307,717	59,546	1,367,263	1,462,793
Funds (deficit)/retained in the subsidiary		(395,881)	-	(395,881)	(287,722)
Total		911,836	59,546	971,382	1,175,071

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.
The notes on pages 42-53 form part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AT 30 APRIL 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	10	27,238	24,395
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		180,310	86,364
Debtors	12	141,313	190,158
Investments	13	384,789	351,036
Cash at bank and in hand		366,517	614,430
Total		1,072,929	1,241,988
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	128,785	91,312
Net current assets		944,144	1,150,676
Net assets		971,382	1,175,071
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds	17		
General funds		1,180,083	1,269,757
Designated funds		127,634	103,100
Funds within non-charitable subsidiary		(395,881)	(287,722)
Restricted funds	17	59,546	89,936
Total		971,382	1,175,071

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 April 2024.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibility for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for

each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 3 December 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Kim Crosbie
Chair



The notes on pages 42-53 form part of these financial statements.

PARENT BALANCE SHEET AT 30 APRIL 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	10	15,601	12,273
Investments	11	1	1
Total		15,602	12,274
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	771,393	625,870
Investments	13	384,789	351,036
Cash at bank and in hand		227,777	492,454
Total		1,383,960	1,469,361
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	32,299	18,842
Net current assets		1,351,661	1,450,519
Net assets		1,367,263	1,462,793
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds	17		
General funds		1,180,083	1,269,757
Designated funds		127,634	103,100
Restricted funds	16	59,546	89,936
Total		1,367,263	1,462,793

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CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT AT 30 APRIL 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Net cash used in operating activities	a)	(240,108)	329,055
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Purchase of plant and equipment		(13,115)	(17,897)
Dividends and interest from investments		2,194	1,074
Net addition/(disposal) of investments		3,116	(210)
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities		(7,805)	(17,034)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period			
		(247,913)	312,021
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		614,430	302,409
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	b)	366,517	614,430
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period			
		(203,689)	(15,453)
Depreciation charges		10,271	4,314
Losses/(gains) on investments		(36,869)	9,999
Dividends, interest and rents from investments		(2,194)	(1,074)
Decrease/(increase) in stocks		(93,946)	130,481
Decrease/(increase) in debtors		48,845	145,149
(Decrease)/increase in creditors		37,474	55,639
Net cash inflow/(used) in operating activities		(240,108)	329,055
Cash at bank and in hand		366,517	614,430

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

- Reconciliation of net income for the year to net cash flow from operating activities
- Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As permitted by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006, the Income and Expenditure Account of the parent company is not presented as part of the financial statements. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The United Kingdom Antarctic Heritage Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

COMPANY STATUS

The company is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the Trustees named on pages 34-35. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company.

BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The group financial statements consolidate the financial statements of the charity and its subsidiary undertaking, Antarctic Heritage Limited, at 30 April using acquisition accounting.

INCOME

All income is recognised in the statement of financial activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

EXPENDITURE

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

TAXATION

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

GOING CONCERN

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which assumes that the Charity will continue trading for the foreseeable future. The Trustees acknowledge the resilience demonstrated as the Trust emerged from Covid-19 pandemic, to look ahead to the continuing risks posed by international events on the charity's ability to operate in Antarctica, including Highly Pathogenic Avian Flu as it spreads southwards. The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that available sources of finance and future funding income will be sufficient to enable the charity to continue to meet its liabilities as they fall due and continue to promote the policy that costs should be managed to keep a level of reserve sufficient to sustain the charity for at least an operational year. Trustees will monitor closely the season as it unfolds and will take decisions to meet the emerging challenges to enable the charity (and its trading subsidiary) to meet its objectives. The Trustees' policy to manage costs and keep a level of reserve sufficient to sustain the charity for at least an operational year gives confidence that the charity continues to be a going concern.

FUND ACCOUNTING

The charity has designated certain funds for specific purposes. These are explained in more detail in note 17 below. The Trustees have decided that setting aside funds in this way is a useful financial discipline which will help the charity to make the best use of its resources even though there is no legal force to these designations.

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

INVESTMENTS

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the balance sheet date, unless fair value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment.

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 their opening carrying value or their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised gains and losses are combined in the statement of financial activities.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The parent and group only have 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 with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

DEBTORS

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

Cash at bank and in hand includes 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.

LIABILITIES AND PROVISIONS

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the group anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised within interest payable and similar charges.

PENSION COSTS AND OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The group operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the pension scheme are charged to the statement of financial activities in the period to which they relate.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Membership received	150,473	-	150,473	69,304
Gift aid	9,142	-	9,142	7,407
Grants	3,000	191,164	194,164	178,609
Donations	65,090	-	65,090	139,473
British Antarctic Territory post office	30,772	-	30,772	42,343
Legacies	17,248	-	17,248	10,000
Sponsorship	5,000	-	5,000	5,649
Event income	43,815	-	43,815	2,031
Gifts in kind	33,163	-	33,163	5,000
Total	357,703	191,164	548,867	459,816

3. OTHER TRADING INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Subsidiary company turnover	815,818	-	815,818	766,634
Total	815,818	-	815,818	766,634

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST				
Charity	2,192	-	2,192	1,072
Subsidiary	2	-	2	2
Total	2,194	-	2,194	1,074

5. COST OF GENERATING FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Fundraising expenditure	78,170	-	78,170	27,524
Antarctic Heritage Ltd:				
Cost of sales	501,321	-	501,321	402,095
Administration costs	407,843	-	407,843	313,580
Investment managers fees	-	-	-	522
Total	987,334	-	987,334	743,721

6. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Project costs	131,725	170,538	302,263	219,885
Salaries and wages	225,888	39,106	264,994	222,279
Support and governance costs	40,936	11,910	52,846	47,093
Total	398,549	221,554	620,103	489,257

Activities in the year:	Public engagement £	Peninsula conservation £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Project costs	118,565	183,697	302,263	219,885
Salaries and wages	132,497	132,497	264,994	222,279
Support and governance costs	26,422	26,423	52,846	47,093
Total	277,484	342,617	620,103	489,257

7. SUPPORT AND GOVERNANCE COSTS

	General support £	Governance £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Trustees meeting expenses	-	1,778	1,778	1,981
Bank charges	6,217	-	6,217	4,850
Travel	19,633	-	19,633	4,539
Insurance	7,780	-	7,780	6,237
Postage and stationery	-	-	-	28
Membership and subscriptions	1,223	-	1,223	959
Staff training	190	-	190	161
IT and software	-	-	-	-
Independent Examiner's fees	-	500	500	2,873
Professional fees	-	450	450	2,502
Sundries	360	-	360	653
Depreciation	4,811	-	4,811	698
PR and marketing	9,904	-	9,904	21,612
Total	50,118	2,728	52,846	47,093

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

8. STAFF COSTS

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Wages and salaries	380,073	331,613
Social security costs	34,307	30,592
Pensions	23,420	18,885
Total	437,800	381,090

	2024 No.	2023 No.
The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:		
Management and administration	5	5
Number of employees whose total employee benefits are in the following range:		
£70,000-£80,000	1	1

9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no Trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 April 2024 (2023: None).

Trustees' expenses and insurance

Trustees' expenses of £190 were paid to two trustees in the year ended 30 April 2024, (2023: one trustee, £174). Included in insurance in support costs is a charge of £730 (2023: £670) for Trustees' Indemnity Insurance.

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS – GROUP AND PARENT

	PLANT AND MACHINERY ETC. Group £	Parent £
COST		
At 1 May 2023	32,029	13,669
Additions	13,115	8,139
At 30 April 2024	45,143	21,808
DEPRECIATION		
At 1 May 2023	7,634	1,396
Charge for year	10,271	4,811
At 30 April 2024	17,905	6,207
NET BOOK VALUE		
At 30 April 2024	27,238	15,601
At 30 April 2023	24,395	12,273

11. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS – PARENT

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
UNLISTED INVESTMENTS		
Net book value	1	1
There were no investment assets outside the UK.		
The company's investments at the balance sheet date in the share capital of companies include the following:		
ANTARCTIC HERITAGE LTD		
Nature of business: Sale of goods and souvenirs		
Class of share: Ordinary		
Percentage holding: 100%		
Aggregate capital and reserves	(395,882)	(287,721)

12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Group 2024 £	Parent 2024 £	Group 2023 £	Parent 2023 £
Other debtors	141,313	45,826	190,158	152,016
Amounts due from subsidiary	-	725,567	-	473,854
Total	141,313	771,393	190,158	625,870

13. CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS – GROUP AND PARENT

The investment is held by Aberdeen Investments, a professional management firm.

	2024 £	2023 £
MARKET VALUE		
As at 1 May 2023	351,036	360,825
Additions net of cash movement	350,000	210
Disposals net of cash movement	(353,116)	-
Revaluation	36,869	(9,999)
As at 30 April 2024	384,789	351,036
Historical cost	350,000	351,036

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

14. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR – GROUP AND PARENT

	Group 2024 £	Parent 2024 £	Group 2023 £	Parent 2023 £
Trade creditors	64,177	8,456	35,744	8,450
Social security and other taxes	4,607	1,122	6,890	5,747
Accruals and deferred income	23,570	22,072	5,560	4,564
Other creditors	36,431	649	43,118	81
Total	128,785	32,299	91,312	18,842

15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS – PARENT

		At 1 May 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended/ transfers £	At 30 April 2024 £
Unrestricted funds:					
General fund	17	1,269,757	411,579	(501,253)	1,180,083
Designated fund	17	103,100	-	24,534	127,634
Restricted funds					
	16	89,936	191,164	(221,554)	59,546
Total		1,462,793	602,743	(698,273)	1,367,263



16. RESTRICTED FUNDS – PARENT

	At 1 May 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended/ transfers £	At 30 April 2024 £
3D Modelling Project	6,690	20,000	(6,690)	20,000
Biosurvey Project	43,390	5,000	(37,625)	10,765
Damoy Conservation	-	-	-	-
NLHF Grant Heritage Innovation Fund	8,464	8,464	(12,869)	4,059
Detaille Conservation	10,000	34,100	(44,100)	-
Safeguarding Britain's Antarctic Heritage:				
<i>Endurance</i> CMP	21,392	50,000	(51,220)	20,172
Bransfield House Roof Repairs	-	54,100	(54,100)	-
Heritage Compass Community Grant	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
AISL	-	1,500	(1,500)	-
SPACE Wearing Antarctica Project	-	13,000	(8,450)	4,550
Total funds	89,936	191,164	(221,554)	59,546

3D Modelling Project: This fund relates to a grant made by the Association of Independent Museums to enable a project to deliver a virtual reality experience to schools in Scotland in partnership with Education Scotland.

Biosurvey Project: This fund comprises the proceeds of public donations via a campaign through The Big Give to enable a scientific study of the biodiversity of our historic sites on the Antarctic Peninsula.

NLHF Grant Heritage Innovation Fund: To explore the challenges facing heritage organisations in recruiting specialist trades for the conservation of 20th century heritage sites, with a view to identifying actions to improve the availability of specialist practitioners skilled in the conservation of 20th century materials and structures.

Detaille Conservation: Gifted legacy income from D Halliday to support the conservation field season at Base W, Detaille Island in season 2023-24.

Safeguarding Britain's Antarctic Heritage: *Endurance* CMP. As the statutory heritage advisor to the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office and the Government of the British Antarctic Territory, this is the first instalment for a three-year agreement to deliver projects to support delivery of the UK's obligations under the Antarctic Treaty, and BAT's heritage strategy. In year one this is to develop a conservation management plan for HSM 93 the wreck of *Endurance*.

Bransfield House Roof Repairs: Donations submitted to our Big Give Christmas campaign and wider appeal for support, towards the roof conservation work at Port Lockroy for the 2023/24 season.

Heritage Compass Community Grant: Grant from the Heritage Compass programme to enable us to further our legacy fundraising through working with creative marketing consultants.

Antarctica Insights Live – Grant from the Paul Mellon Centre received to support our public engagement series of webinars online.

Space Wearing Antarctic project: Funding from The Space via Arts Council England to support Wearing Antarctica the social media public engagement project.

PARENT DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

17. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS – GROUP AND PARENT

	Fixed assets tangible £	Fixed assets investments £	Net current assets £	Total 2024 £
Unrestricted funds:				
General Fund	15,601	1	1,164,481	1,180,083
Designated funds:				
Public Engagement Fund	-	-	77,634	77,634
Conservation Fund	-	-	50,000	50,000
Restricted funds				
Subsidiary	11,637	-	(407,518)	(395,881)
Total	27,238	1	944,143	971,382

Public Engagement Fund: This fund was designated to support public engagement activity in FY 2023-24, in particular digital programming and engagement projects.

Conservation Fund: This fund was designated to support heritage conservation in Antarctica during season 2024-25 with a focus on the remedial conservation programme at Blaiklock Hut and structural works on Bransfield House at Port Lockroy.

18. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Transactions with wholly owned trading subsidiary Antarctic Heritage Limited:

Loans	Received in the year	Interest charged in the year	Paid in the year	Debtor at 30 April
30 April 2024	(263,103)	14,816	500,000	725,567
30 April 2023	(422,631)	14,416	200,000	473,854

Gift aid from the trading subsidiary in the year £Nil (2023: £Nil).
The balance owing at the end of the year was £Nil (2023: £Nil).

19. COMPARATIVE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £
INCOME			
Donations and grants	322,207	137,609	459,816
Other trading activities	766,634	-	766,634
Investment income	1,074	-	1,074
Total	1,089,915	137,609	1,227,524
EXPENDITURE			
Costs of generating funds			
Charity	28,046	-	28,046
Subsidiary	715,675	-	715,675
Charitable activities:			
Project costs	374,925	67,239	442,164
Support costs	43,093	4,000	47,093
Total	1,161,739	71,239	1,232,978
Net gains/(losses) on investments	(9,999)	-	(9,999)
Net income/(expenditure)	(81,823)	66,370	(15,453)



PARENT DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME		
Donations and grants		
Membership received	150,473	69,304
Event income	43,815	2,031
Gift aid	9,142	7,407
Grants – unrestricted	3,000	51,000
Grants & donations – restricted	191,163	127,609
Donations received – individual	58,577	124,109
Donations received – corporate	6,513	15,364
British Antarctic Territory post office	30,772	42,343
Legacies – unrestricted	17,248	-
Legacies – restricted	-	10,000
Sponsorship	5,000	5,649
Gifts in kind	33,163	5,000
Total	548,866	459,816
Other trading activities		
Gift aid from trading company	-	-
Total	-	-
Investment income		
Interest on AHL loan	14,816	14,416
Dividends and interest	2,192	1,072
Total	17,008	15,488
TOTAL INCOME	565,874	475,304

	2024 £	2023 £
EXPENDITURE		
Costs of generating funds		
Fundraising expenditure	78,170	27,524
Investment managers fees	-	522
Total	78,170	28,046
Charitable activities		
Salaries and administration	264,995	222,280
Grants given	-	-
Public engagement – unrestricted expenditure	23,261	61,661
Public engagement – designated fund expenditure	25,466	-
Public engagement – restricted expenditure	69,838	21,146
Peninsula conservation – unrestricted expenditure	82,997	103,857
Peninsula conservation – restricted expenditure	100,700	33,220
Total	567,257	442,164
Other administrative costs		
Trustees' meetings and induction	1,778	1,981
Bank charges	6,217	4,850
Travel	7,723	4,539
Travel – Restricted expenditure	11,910	-
Insurance	7,780	6,237
Postage, stationery and books	-	28
Membership and subscriptions	1,223	959
Staff training	190	161
IT and software	-	-
Independent Examiner's fees	500	2,873
Professional fees	450	2,502
Sundries	360	653
Depreciation	4,811	698
PR and marketing	9,904	21,612
Total	52,846	47,093
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	698,273	517,303
Investment asset gains/(losses)	36,869	(9,999)
Net income/(expenditure)	(95,530)	(51,998)





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