# PLANT FOR PEACE FOUNDATION LIMITED

Supporting Communities in (Post) Conflict Zones

A Company Limited by Guarantee and not having a Share Capital

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1148602** 

**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 7370609** 

Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

Year ended 30th September 2017

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# Plant for Peace Foundation Limited Legal and Administrative Information

# The following served as Trustees of the Charity during the year and acted as directors for the purposes of Company Law:

Mr Roderick Gow (Chairman)
Major General Arthur Denaro
Miss Sherilyn Shackell
Professor Christopher Garforth
Dr Ulrich Schmutz
Mr Richard Woodcock
Mr Hugo Jee
Mr James Brett

# The following acted as secretary for the purposes of Company Law Professor Christopher Garforth

## Registered Office 4a Bridge Street

Newbury Berkshire RG14 5EX

#### Bankers

HSBC 1 Marlborough Road, Old Town, Swindon, SN3 1QN

## Plant for Peace Foundation Limited Annual Report of the Trustees Year Ended 30 September 2017

The Trustees, who act as directors for the purposes of company law, present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2017. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005) Accounting and Reporting by Charities' as issued in March 2005 in preparing the Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Company.

#### **Reference and Administrative Information**

Plant for Peace Foundation Limited is a private company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have a share capital. Each of the members is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £nil towards the assets of the company in the event of liquidation. It is registered with Companies House as company number 7370609 and with Charities Commission as charity number 1148602.

#### **Governing Body**

The Company is governed by a board of Trustees, who also act as directors for the purpose of company law, whose membership is set out within these Financial Statements.

#### **Recruitment and Training of Trustees**

Trustees are selected by the members to provide a balance of experience across commerce, agronomy, law, and finance. Each Trustee is issued with a copy of the booklet "The Essential Trustee" CC3, published by the Charity Commission, to provide a source of permanent reference. Trustees are also encouraged to attend external training courses where this is considered appropriate.

#### **Risk Management**

The Trustees have considered the key risks affecting the Foundation and will continue to take steps to record these in a risk register and mitigate them as the work of the Foundation evolves.

# **OBJECTIVES, ACTIVITIES AND PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The main activities in the year to meet the Company's objectives, to meet public benefit and the Trustees' duty under section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, are set out below.

#### **Charitable Objectives**

To promote sustainable development for the benefit of the public by:

- 1. The preservation, conservation, and the protection of the environment and the prudent use of resources.
- 2. The relief of poverty and the improvement of the conditions of life in socially and economically disadvantaged communities.
- 3. The promotion of sustainable means of achieving economic growth and regeneration. Sustainable development means "development which meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."

#### Aims and Intended Impact

Plant for Peace aims to assist rural communities and smallholder farmers in (post) conflict zones to achieve food security and sustainable economic development. Plant for Peace also includes elements that will lead to economic growth and financial benefits to the wider population. The implementation of the strategy will be based on thorough analyses of local conditions and the development of realistic work plans to ensure the existence of the following conditions:

- 1. Competent human resources, including organisational support structures
- 2. Productive and self-supporting natural resource management systems
- 3. Food security

- 4. Local self-sufficiency
- 5. Economic viability through the production and processing of high-value horticultural products
- 6. Sufficient infrastructure and logistic capabilities to optimise returns on high-value crops.

#### Objectives for the Year

- 1. Support the launch of Plant for Peace products
- 2. Identify further strategic partners
- 3. Source sustainable funding to enable the building of infrastructure support

#### **Public Benefit**

- Increase production and restore degraded soils through supporting the use of agroecological and polycultural approaches to cultivation and land management
- 2. Strengthen rural livelihoods
- 3. Link the stages and actors in the horticultural and agricultural value chains
- 4. Build on Afghan social and cultural norms.

#### Review of Achievements and Performance for the Year

The Foundation this year has continued to seek a sustainable funding base to facilitate strategic progress, however a number of initiatives have been accomplished.

In Feb 2017, from Plant for Peace Commercial, Plant for Peace Foundation was donated 110,000 tree cuttings and the labour to take care of the tree cuttings until Feb 2018. After the end of this reporting period, in Feb 2018, the 110,000 tree cuttings (now saplings) were donated by Plant for Peace Foundation to smallholder farmers in Kandahar. Also in Feb 2018, Plant for Peace Foundation was donated a further 100,000 tree cuttings and the labour to take care of the tree cuttings until Feb 2019, and it is anticipated the tree cuttings (once saplings) will then be donated by Plant for Peace Foundation once more to smallholder farmers in Kandahar.

On behalf of Plant for Peace Foundation, the Plant for Peace Implementation team have been compiling a top line presentation of Plant for Peace that will be presented to the Higher Economic Council of Afghanistan to be signed off as a National Strategy. It is hoped the strategy will be presented to the Higher Economic Council towards the end of 2018.

On behalf of Plant for Peace Foundation, James Brett shared his life story at The Royal Agriculture University in Cirencester and The Royal Agriculture University has agreed to partner with Plant for Peace Foundation and offer agrarian services to support the work of Plant for Peace Foundation. These services may include:

Proposal writing

Launch of a National Plant for Peace Student following - Tree planters

Creation of the Plant for Peace Farmers Educational App

Train the Trainers - RAU to undertake training Afghans

Turquoise Mountain and Plant for Peace Foundation are currently in discussions with regards to Turquoise Mountain product sales donating tree cuttings to Plant for Peace Foundation for the benefit of smallholder farmers in Afghanistan.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Foundation is still in a formative phase, and whilst funding is restricted the Trustees have determined to minimise all expenditure to preserve cash reserves. As soon as sustainable funding has been achieved, the Trustees will formulate a suitable reserves policy that will ensure that free reserves are being utilised to best meet the charitable objectives of the Foundation, whilst giving consideration to as to a suitable target level of free funds to hold.

#### STATEMENT OF THE TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees 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 Trustees to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of the 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 Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any
  material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the Financial Statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable it to ensure that the Financial Statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Memorandum and Articles of the Company.

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.

By order of the Trustees

Mr Roderick Gow, OBE Chairman of the Trustees

Date: 22 June 2018

# Plant for Peace Foundation Limited Statement of Financial Activities incorporating Income and Expenditure Account Year Ended 30 September 2017

		Total 30-Sep 2017	Total 30-Sep 2016
	Note	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Voluntary income			
Donations			28
Incoming resources from charitable activities Speaking Fees			
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Total Incoming Resources		-	28
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RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable activities:			
Cost of activities in support of the Charity's Objectives		2	440
Administration		2 66	112
Total resources expended		66	112
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And the state of t		(55)	(04)
Net Movement in funds in the year - surplus/(deficit)		(66)	(84)
Fund balances brought forward at 1 October 2016		(7,511)	(7,427)
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Fund balances carried forward at 30 September 2017		(7,577)	(7,511)
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The notes on pages 9 to 11 form part of these financial statements

# Plant for Peace Foundation Limited Balance Sheet Year Ended 30 September 2017

		Total	Total
		30-Sep	30-Sep
		2017	2016
	Note	£	£
Current Assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		929	995
Creditors falling due within one year	3	(6)	(6)
Loans from Trustees	4	(8,500)	(8,500)
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Net Assets/(liabilities)		(7,577) 	(7,511) =======
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Charitable Funds			
General Fund/(Deficit)		(7,577)	(7,427)
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For the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The Financial Statements were approved by the trustees on [22 Jung2018] and are signed on their behalf by:

Mr Rodelick Gow, OBE Chairman of the Trustees

Date: 22 June 2018

Mr Hugo Jee

Trustee

Date: 22 June 2018

# Plant for Peace Foundation Limited Notes to the Financial Statements Year Ended 30 September 2017

#### 1. Accounting Policies

#### Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 published on 16 July 2014, and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### Incoming resources

Income and any associated tax credits are accounted for on a receivable basis.

#### Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Governance costs relate to the direct costs associated with the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity.

#### Cash Flow Statement

Under FRS 102 the Charity is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds of its size.

## Recognition of liabilities

It is the policy of the Charity to recognise the liability for all work which has been completed and to accrue for any outstanding expenses.

# Plant for Peace Foundation Limited Notes to the Financial Statements Year Ended 30 September 2017

2. Administrative Expenses		
	30-Sep	30-Sep
	2017	2016
	£	£
Bank charges	66	118
	66	118
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3. Creditors falling due with one year		
	<b>30-Sep</b>	30-Sep
	2017	2016
	£	£
Accruals	6	6
	6	6
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3. Loans from Trustees		
	30-Sep	30-Sep
	2017	2016
	£	£
Major General Arthur Denaro	3,000	3,000
Mr Roderick Gow	3,500	3,500
Mr Richard Woodcock	2,000	2,000
,	8,500	8,500
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The Company has entered into Loan Agreements with the above trustees. The Loans are perpetual but are repayable at the election of the Company which it is anticipated to occur as soon as the Company has sufficient funds to discharge its liabilities. The Loans do not bear interest.

# Plant for Peace Foundation Limited Notes to the Financial Statements Year Ended 30 September 2017

### 5. Funds

# Analysis of fund movements

	Balance	Incoming	Resources	Balance
	1st October	Resources	Expended	30th September
	2016			2017
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds	(7,511)	-	66	(7,577)

# 6. Trustees Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

The trustees received no remuneration during this or the previous year and there were no expenses reimbursed during this or the previous year.