

MARA ELEPHANT PROJECT TRUST
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

CONQUEROR

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TRUST INFORMATION

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

: Richard Roberts (Deceased 18.08.2019)
: Brian Heath
: Marc Goss
: Fred Fehsenfeld III
: Beatrice Karanja
: Moses Kamau
: Colin Church
: Brian Kearney Grieve
: Kevin Rodrigues (appointed 23.05.2019)

**REGISTERED OFFICE AND
PRINCIPAL PLACE BUSINESS**

: Marula Lane, Gate 40C Karen
: P.O. Box 2606 - 00502
: Nairobi, Kenya

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

: PKF Kenya LLP
: Certified Public Accountants
: P.O. Box 14077, 00800
: Nairobi

PRINCIPAL BANKER

: I & M Bank Limited
: Lavington Mall Branch
: P.O. Box 30238
: Nairobi

LEGAL ADVISORS

: Kamau, Lando & Associates Advocates
: 1st floor suites 15B
: The Karen Triangle, Karen road
: P.O. Box 460 - 00502
: Nairobi, Kenya

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The board submit their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019, which disclose the state of affairs of the trust.

INCORPORATION

The Mara Elephant Project Trust was incorporated on 1 May 2015 and registered under the Trustees Act.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Trust is wildlife conservation and poverty alleviation to the public through reduction of human wildlife conflicts and conservation education.

MISSION

Protecting elephants to conserve the greater Mara ecosystem.

DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS

The success of Mara Elephant Project Trust programmes for 2019 was made possible by the contribution and support from the following Organisations and individuals:

a) Financial supporters for the last three years

Sidekick Foundation (formerly Escape Foundation), Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, Oak Foundation, Karen Lo, The Iris O'Brien Foundation Ltd, Tusk Trust, Harilal Dhanji, Foreningen Fosvara Elefanterna, Space for Giants, Cheli and Peacock Mngt, Kicheche Camp, Rhino Africa Safaris, KK Srinivas and Safari Conservation, Angama Foundation, Asilia Africa, Paradise Foundation International, The Explorations Company, Eden Wildlife Trust, Prince Constantin Liechtenstein, Hillary Hurt, O'Connell Family Trust (Ellen O'Connell), Bessemer National Gift Fund (Mike & Margy McCormick), Reilly Family Foundation, Sue Anschutz Rodgers, James and Mary Anne Rogers, Asilia Charitable Foundation UK, Harish Hindu, Lori Price, Susannah D Rouse, Indianapolis Zoo, Stephanie Brater, Elephant Crisis Fund/WCN, Leslie Alexander, Peter Melinder, Bessemer National Gift Fund (Claire & Justin Bolles), Curtis & Lisa Vandermeer, Amy and Bart Peterson Foundation, Hubbard Family Foundation, James and Mary Anne Rogers Gift Fund, Pranhitha Reddy, Phillip L Bayt, Nobility Project - Karen & Charles Richards, Mary H Woulfe, Carla Kessler/Network for Good, Bentley Family Fund, Horne Family Foundation Inc., Nicholas Lapham, J E Fehsenfeld Family Foundation, John Dillow, Cornelius N Bliss Memorial Fund, Gloria Bierman /The Joselow Foundation, Martin Family Fund, Save The Elephants, Mara Conservancy, Taronga Conservation Society Australia, Anis Abadi, Tibor Kovats, Meredith Garrett, Rita Cabases Goni, RESOLVE Inc., Mike Beets, Angela Crisler, Nelson Leong, Jes Lefcourt, David Lloyd, Maryam Ego-Aguirre, Kim Coleman, Evan Rapoport, Monica Sanders, The Sawa Shop, Denise Ambuske, Steve and Cindy Patterson, Lexi Hazam, Intel, Fran Duthie.

b) Conservation Partners

Kenya Wildlife Service, Narok County Government, National Police Service, Kenya Forest Service, Tanzania National Parks Authority, Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute, Save the Elephants, Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, WWF, Kenya Seeds of Change, Richard's Camp, Karen Blixen Camp, Ree Park, Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute, Colorado State University, Vulcan, Kenya Water Towers Agency, Seedballs Kenya and the conservancies in the Maasai Mara.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The trustees who held office during the year and to the date of this report are shown on page 1.

RESULTS FOR THE YEAR

The results for the year ended 31 December 2019 are set out on page 8 - 12.

TERMS OF APPOINTMENT OF THE AUDITOR

PKF Kenya, a partnership, was on 10 March 2020 converted to PKF Kenya LLP, a Limited Liability Partnership under the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2011. PKF Kenya LLP continues in office in accordance with the company's Articles of Association and Section 719 of the Kenyan Companies Act, 2015. The directors monitor the effectiveness, objectivity and independence of the auditor. The directors also approve the annual audit engagement contract which sets out the terms of the auditor's appointment and the related fees.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD



**CHAIR - BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NAIROBI**

09 March

2020

Mara Elephant Project Trust
Annual report and financial statements
For the year ended 31 December 2019

STATEMENT OF THE TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the trust as at the end of the financial year and of its surplus or deficit for that year. It also requires the trustees to ensure that the trust keeps proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the transactions of the trust; that disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the trust and that enable them to prepare financial statements of the trust that comply with the International Financial Reporting Standards. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the trust and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees accept responsibility for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards for Small and Medium-sized Entities (IFRS for SMEs). They also accept responsibility for:

- i. Designing, implementing and maintaining such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error;
- ii. Selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and
- iii. Making accounting estimates and judgements that are reasonable in the circumstances.

The trustees are of the opinion that the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the trust as at 31 December 2019 and of the trust's financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards for Small and Medium-sized Entities (IFRS for SMEs).

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees have assessed the trust's ability to continue as a going concern. Nothing has come to the attention of the trustees to indicate that the trust will not remain a going concern for at least the next twelve months from the date of this statement.

The trustees acknowledge that the independent audit of the financial statements does not relieve them of their responsibilities.

So far as the trust is aware, there is no relevant audit information which the auditor is unaware of, has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken in order to become aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

Authorised by the trustees of trustees on 09 MARCH 2020 signed on its behalf by:



CHAIRMAN


TRUSTEE

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO THE BOARD MEMBERS OF MARA ELEPHANT PROJECT TRUST

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Mara Elephant Project Trust set out on pages 8 to 22 which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2019, statement of donations and expenditure, statement of changes in fund balances, statement of cash flows for the year then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of Mara Elephant Project Trust as at 31 December 2019, and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards for Small and Medium-sized Entities (IFRS for SMEs).

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the organisation in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Kenya, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the report of the trustees, statement of the trustees responsibilities but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR
TO THE BOARD MEMBERS OF MARA ELEPHANT PROJECT TRUST (CONTINUED)**

Responsibilities of the trustees for the financial statements

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS for SMEs, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the trust's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the trust or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the trust's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the trustees.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the organisation's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the trust to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR
TO THE BOARD MEMBERS OF MARA ELEPHANT PROJECT TRUST (CONTINUED)**

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements (continued)

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

PKF Kenya LLP

**Certified Public Accountants
NAIROBI**

29 June, 2020

**CPA Mike Kimundu, Practising certificate No.
Signing partner responsible for the independent audit**

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STATEMENT OF DONATIONS AND EXPENDITURE

	Notes	2019 USD	2019 Kshs	2018 USD	2018 Kshs
Donations					
Restricted grant	4	657,690	66,679,373	265,560	27,046,277
Other unrestricted donations	5	646,311	65,494,900	476,460	48,525,590
Transfer from capital grant	6	43,100	4,367,622	49,375	5,028,629
Release on disposal	6	19,701	1,996,405	35,441	3,609,562
		<u>1,366,801</u>	<u>138,538,300</u>	<u>826,837</u>	<u>84,210,058</u>
Expenditure					
Administrative expenses	7	(85,771)	(8,691,775)	(129,856)	(13,225,354)
Program costs	8	<u>(1,014,570)</u>	<u>(102,813,012)</u>	<u>(602,769)</u>	<u>(61,389,640)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(1,100,341)</u>	<u>(111,504,787)</u>	<u>(732,625)</u>	<u>(74,614,994)</u>
Surplus before tax		266,460	27,033,513	94,212	9,595,064
Tax charge		<u>(886)</u>	<u>(89,805)</u>	<u>(926)</u>	<u>(94,313)</u>
Surplus for the year		<u>265,574</u>	<u>26,943,708</u>	<u>93,286</u>	<u>9,500,751</u>

The notes on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Report of the independent auditor - pages 5 to 7.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Notes	2019 USD	2019 Kshs	2018 USD	2018 Kshs
FUND BALANCE					
Capital reserve		10	1,000	10	1,000
General funds		478,505	48,819,312	214,224	22,006,694
Capital fund	6	141,356	14,489,015	145,536	14,912,524
Translation reserve		-	(469,705)	-	(369,274)
		<u>619,871</u>	<u>62,839,622</u>	<u>359,770</u>	<u>36,550,945</u>
REPRESENTED BY					
ASSETS					
Non-current assets					
Property and equipment	10	138,906	14,097,245	142,561	14,430,546
Intangible assets	11	3,734	381,444	3,861	391,770
		<u>142,640</u>	<u>14,478,689</u>	<u>146,422</u>	<u>14,822,316</u>
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	12	559,774	56,725,603	305,502	31,114,150
Trade and other receivables	13	13,058	1,323,195	20,129	2,050,075
Grant receivable	14	95,254	9,652,742	138,628	14,118,713
Tax recoverable		90	9,087	(341)	(34,757)
		<u>668,176</u>	<u>67,710,627</u>	<u>463,918</u>	<u>47,248,182</u>
Current liabilities					
Trade and other payables	15	55,098	5,583,370	50,570	5,150,334
Deferred grant	16	135,847	13,766,324	200,000	20,369,220
		<u>190,945</u>	<u>19,349,694</u>	<u>250,570</u>	<u>25,519,554</u>
Net current assets					
		<u>477,231</u>	<u>48,360,933</u>	<u>213,348</u>	<u>21,728,627</u>
		<u>619,871</u>	<u>62,839,622</u>	<u>359,770</u>	<u>36,550,944</u>

The financial statements on pages 8 to 22 were approved and authorised for issue by the

Board of trustees on 09 MARCH 2020 and were signed on its behalf by:


CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER


TREASURER

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

	Notes	Capital reserve Shs	General reserve Shs	Translation reserve Shs	Total Shs
Year ended 31 December 2019					
As previously stated	9	1,000	22,006,694	(369,274)	21,638,421
Transfer to capital fund	6	-	(1,023,919)	-	(1,023,919)
Release to general fund	6	-	892,829	-	892,829
Surplus for the year		-	26,943,708	-	26,943,708
At end of year		<u>1,000</u>	<u>48,819,312</u>	<u>(369,274)</u>	<u>48,451,039</u>
Year ended 31 December 2018					
At start of year		1,000	14,225,667	-	14,226,667
Transfer to capital fund	6	-	(1,998,790)	-	(1,998,790)
Surplus for the year		-	9,779,817	(369,274)	9,410,544
At end of year		<u>1,000</u>	<u>22,006,694</u>	<u>(369,274)</u>	<u>21,638,421</u>

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

	Notes	Capital reserve USD	General reserve USD	Total USD
Year ended 31 December 2019				
As at start of year	9	10	214,224	214,234
Transfer to capital fund	6	-	(10,104)	(10,104)
Release to general fund	6	-	8,811	8,811
Surplus for the year		-	265,574	265,574
At end of year		10	478,505	478,515
Year ended 31 December 2018				
At start of year		10	140,564	140,574
Transfer to capital fund	6	-	(19,626)	(19,626)
Surplus for the year		-	93,286	93,286
At end of year		10	214,224	214,234

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Note	2019 Kshs	2018 Kshs
Operating activities			
Surplus for the year		27,033,513	9,595,064
Adjustments for non cash expenses:			
Amortisation of intangible assets		168,540	168,540
Gain on disposal		(302,595)	-
Tax paid		(131,566)	-
Depreciation on property and equipment		<u>4,697,405</u>	<u>2,603,839</u>
Operating surplus before working capital changes		31,465,297	12,367,443
Adjustments for changes in working capital:			
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other receivables		726,880	(2,039,821)
Decrease/(Increase) in grant receivable		4,465,971	(14,118,713)
Increase in trade and other payables		433,036	1,926,371
(Decrease)/increase in deferred grant		<u>(6,602,896)</u>	<u>20,369,220</u>
Net cash flow from operating activities		<u>30,488,288</u>	<u>18,504,500</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Increase in capital grants	9	(423,509)	4,860,609
Disposal proceeds		2,380,000	-
Cash paid for property and equipment	10	(6,404,526)	(9,268,790)
Cash paid for intangible assets	11	<u>(428,800)</u>	<u>(428,800)</u>
Net cash flow (used in) investing activities		<u>(4,876,835)</u>	<u>(4,836,981)</u>
Increase in cash and cash equivalents		<u>25,611,453</u>	<u>13,667,519</u>
Movement in cash and cash equivalents			
At start of year		31,114,150	17,446,631
Increase		<u>25,611,453</u>	<u>13,667,519</u>
At end of year	12	<u>56,725,603</u>	<u>31,114,150</u>

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NOTES

1. General Information

Mara Elephant Project Trust is incorporated in Kenya under the Kenyan Trustees (Perpetual Succession) Act, and is domiciled in Kenya. The address of its registered office and principal place of business is Marula Lane, Gate 40C Karen. The principal activity is wildlife conservation and poverty alleviation to the public through reduction of human wildlife conflict and conservation education.

2. Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standard for Small and Medium-sized Entities (IFRS for SMEs) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. The financial statements are presented in United States Dollar (US \$) which is the functional currency and Kenya Shillings (Kshs) for local presentation purpose.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the IFRS for SME's requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the trust's accounting policies. Areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimations are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in Note 3 (a).

Going concern

The financial performance of the trust is set out in the statement of donations and expenditure. The financial position of the trust is set out in the statement of financial position.

Based on the financial performance and position of the trust and its risk management policies, the trustees are of the opinion that the trust is well placed to continue in business for the foreseeable future and as a result the financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

3. Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

a) Key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the accounting policies, the trustees are required to make the judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other relevant factors. Such estimates and assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to estimates are recognised prospectively. The assumptions and judgements set-out below do not consider the full potential impact of the recent coronavirus outbreak as it is too early at this stage to predict the full potential impact of this on the financial statements of the Company

The trustees have made the following significant accounting estimates and assumptions:

- **Useful lives of property and equipment-** Management reviews the useful lives and residual values of the items of property and equipment on a regular basis. During the financial year, the trustees determined no significant changes in the useful lives and residual values.

NOTES (CONTINUED)

3. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

b) Revenue recognition

- i) Grants from donors are recognised when the organisation's right to receive the funds is established.
- ii) Interest income is accrued by reference to time.
- iii) Other funds are recognised on receipt.

c) Deferred grant

Grants are deferred where it has been received to fund specific future expenditure.

d) Expenditure

Cost allocation between expenditure lines is made based on the approved project budgets at the discretion of the management of the project. These financial statements include only costs allocated by the project teams to the funds received from the donors.

e) Capital funds

This represents restricted funds utilised for purchase of equipment. The initial amount is credited to a deferred grant account known as capital grants. The grant balance is amortised annually at an amount equal to that of depreciating the assets purchased with the grants.

f) General reserve fund

These are unrestricted funds and represent the accumulated reserve that is available for use at the discretion of management in furtherance of the objectives of the organisation.

g) Taxation

The nature of the programme is not for profit and is not expected to be subject to taxation. The organisation however is yet to receive a tax exemption certificate. The trust has applied for the Tax Exemption Certificate in 2019, undergone a site inspection and complied with all requirements asked of it by the authority and has received a letter approving the exemption. The interest earned from the company's bank accounts is taxed at a rate of 30% and no expenses are allowed against such interest.

h) Grant and other receivables

Grant receivable is the excess expenditure over donation as at year end is only recognised where there is commitment of additional funds from grant providers.

Other receivables include deposits and prepayment for services/goods to be delivered in future and advances to staff. Other receivables are only accounted for if there is tangible evidence that the service/goods will be performed/delivered in future or a refund will be made in the event the service/goods is not performed/delivered.

i) Payables

Payables arise in the ordinary course of business where the company receives goods and services and pays for them at a later date. Payables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

j) Property and equipment

All property and equipment is initially recorded at cost and thereafter stated at historical cost less depreciation. Historical cost comprises expenditure initially incurred to bring the asset to its location and condition ready for its intended use.

NOTES (CONTINUED)

3. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

j) Property and equipment (continued)

Depreciation is calculated on reducing balance basis to write down the cost of each asset, to its residual value over its estimated useful life using the following annual rates:

	<u>Rate %</u>
Computer equipment	30
Motor vehicles	25
Software	30

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposal of equipment are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are taken into account in determining operating surplus or deficit.

k) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks.

l) Retirement benefit obligations

The company employees contribute to the National Social Security Funds (NSSF) a statutory defined contribution scheme registered under NSSF Act. The Company's contributions to the defined contribution scheme are charged to the statement of donations and expenditure in the year to which they relate.

m) Translation of foreign currencies

The company maintains the project funds in USD which is the functional currency. Transactions in USD during the year are converted into Kenya Shilling (the reporting currency), at the rates ruling at the transaction date. Assets and liabilities at the reporting date are translated into Kenya Shilling at rates ruling at that date.

The resulting differences from conversion and translation are dealt with in the receipts and payment in the year in which they arise.

n) The trust as a lessee

Leases of assets under which a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are effectively retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases are charged to statement of donations and expenditure on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

o) Comparatives

Where necessary, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation in the current year.

4. Restricted donations received

For year ended 31.12.2019									
Name of donor	Deferred Grants B/Fwd Kshs	Grants receivable B/Fwd Kshs	Receipts during the year Kshs	Grants receivable C/Fwd Kshs	Deferred Grants C/Fwd Kshs	Grant income f=(a-b+c+d-e) Kshs	Capital grants Kshs	Revenue grants Kshs	h=(f-g)
Sidekick Foundation	20,369,220	9,166,149	37,291,890	-	-	48,494,961	-	48,494,961	48,494,961
Sheldrick Wildlife Trust	-	2,406,411	9,060,308	2,508,142	3,607,554	5,554,485	-	5,554,485	5,554,485
Oak Foundation	-	2,546,153	10,089,016	2,644,279	395,035	9,792,107	-	9,792,107	9,792,107
Mara Conservancy	-	-	264,995	-	-	264,995	-	264,995	264,995
Angama	-	-	4,416,657	-	4,416,657	-	-	-	-
Prince Constantin-Shimba Hills	-	-	1,652,376	-	1,221,535	430,841	-	430,841	430,841
Eden Wildlife Trust	-	-	631,554	-	631,554	-	-	-	-
Donations through Sidekick:									
Lori Price	-	-	5,190,220	-	3,493,989	1,696,231	-	1,696,231	1,696,231
Elephant Crisis Fund	-	-	6,255,180	-	-	6,255,180	5,809,428	445,752	445,752
Internship Evans Imboma Jan-Aug	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals - year 2019	20,369,220	14,118,713	74,852,197	5,152,421	13,766,324	72,488,801	5,809,428	66,679,373	
For year ended 31.12.2018									
Name of donor	Deferred Grants B/Fwd Kshs	Grants receivable B/Fwd Kshs	Receipts during the year Kshs	Grants receivable C/Fwd Kshs	Deferred Grants C/Fwd Kshs	Grant income f=(a-b+c+d-e) Kshs	Capital grants Kshs	Revenue grants Kshs	h=(f-g)
Sidekick Foundation	-	-	27,498,447	9,166,149	20,369,220	16,295,376	2,020,000	14,275,376	14,275,376
Sheldrick Wildlife Trust	-	-	2,649,444	2,406,411	-	5,055,855	-	5,055,855	5,055,855
Oak Foundation	-	-	-	2,546,153	-	2,546,153	-	-	-
Karen Lo	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,258,800	-	-
Tusk Trust	-	-	-	-	-	-	220,000	-	-
Donations through Sidekick:									
Individual donations to support helicopter for MEP	-	-	54,997	-	-	54,997	-	54,997	54,997
Internship Evans Imboma Jan-Aug	-	-	122,215	-	-	122,215	-	122,215	122,215
McCormick family donation	-	-	2,647,999	-	-	2,647,999	-	2,647,999	2,647,999
Wildaid, Inc. donation	-	-	2,343,682	-	-	2,343,682	-	2,343,682	2,343,682
Totals - year 2018	-	-	35,316,784	14,118,713	20,369,220	29,066,277	13,498,800	27,046,277	

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4. Restricted donations received (continued)

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Name of donor	Deferred grant B/Fwd US \$	Grants receivable B/Fwd US \$	Receipts during the year US \$	Grants receivable C/Fwd US \$	Deferred grant C/Fwd US \$	Grant income US \$ f=(a-b+c+d- e)	Capital grants US \$	Revenue grants US \$ h=(f-g)
Sidekick Foundation	200,000	90,000	368,000	-	-	478,000	-	478,000
Sheldrick Wildlife Trust	-	23,628	89,408	24,751	35,600	54,931	-	54,931
Oak Foundation	-	25,000	99,559	26,094	3,898	96,755	-	96,755
Mara Conservancy	-	-	2,615	-	-	2,615	-	2,615
Angama	-	-	43,584	-	43,584	-	-	-
Prince Constantin-Shimba Hills	-	-	16,306	-	12,054	4,252	-	4,252
Eden Wildlife Trust	-	-	6,232	-	6,232	-	-	-
Donations through Sidekick								
Lori Price	-	-	51,218	-	34,479	16,739	-	16,739
Elephant Crisis Fund	-	-	61,727	-	-	61,727	57,328	4,399
Totals - year 2019	200,000	138,628	738,649	50,845	135,847	715,018	57,328	657,690

For year ended 31.12.2018

Name of donor	Deferred grant B/Fwd US \$	Grants receivable B/Fwd US \$	Receipts during the year US \$	Grants receivable C/Fwd US \$	Deferred grant C/Fwd US \$	Grant income US \$ f=(a-b+c+d- e)	Capital grants US \$	Revenue grants US \$ h=(f-g)
Sidekick Foundation	-	-	270,000	90,000	200,000	160,000	19,834	140,166
Sheldrick Wildlife Trust	-	-	26,014	23,628	-	49,642	-	49,642
Oak Foundation	-	-	-	25,000	-	25,000	-	25,000
Karen Lo	-	-	-	-	-	-	110,547	-
Tusk Trust	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,160	-
Donations through Sidekick								
Individual donations to support helicopter for MEP	-	-	540	-	-	540	-	540
Internship at MEP - Evans Imboma (Jan - Aug)	-	-	1,200	-	-	1,200	-	1,200
McCormick family donation	-	-	26,000	-	-	26,000	-	26,000
Wildaid, Inc. donation	-	-	23,012	-	-	23,012	-	23,012
Totals - year 2018	-	-	346,766	138,628	200,000	285,394	132,541	265,560

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5. Other donations	2019 USD	2019 Kshs	2018 USD	2018 Kshs
Unrestricted grant - Karen Lo	-	-	239,443	24,386,317
Unrestricted grants through Sidekick Foundation	513,491	52,035,447	220,927	22,500,473
Unrestricted grants - other donors	131,189	13,294,231	26,717	2,721,022
Insurance Proceeds	2,102	212,976	-	-
Interest income (gross)	2,954	299,350	4,145	422,200
Gain/(Loss) on foreign exchange	(6,411)	(649,698)	(7,469)	(760,671)
Gain/(Loss) on disposal	2,986	302,595	(7,303)	(743,750)
	<u>646,311</u>	<u>65,494,900</u>	<u>476,460</u>	<u>48,525,590</u>
6. Capital Fund				
As at start of the year	145,536	14,912,524	78,185	8,053,125
Addition during the year:				
Capital grant	57,328	5,809,428	132,541	13,498,800
Utilisation of general fund	10,104	1,023,919	19,626	1,998,790
Release to general fund	(8,811)	(892,829)	-	-
Amortisation of capital fund	(43,100)	(4,367,622)	(49,375)	(5,028,629)
Disposal of capital grant	(19,701)	(1,996,405)	(35,441)	(3,609,562)
At end of year	<u>141,356</u>	<u>14,489,015</u>	<u>145,536</u>	<u>14,912,524</u>
Summarised as below:			2019 Shs	2018 Shs
Capital grant			11,950,146	10,967,850
General funds			<u>2,538,869</u>	<u>3,944,674</u>
Total			<u>14,489,015</u>	<u>14,912,524</u>
7. Administrative expenses				
	2019 USD	2019 Kshs	2018 USD	2018 Kshs
a) Employment expenses				
Salaries and wages	<u>38,872</u>	<u>3,939,080</u>	<u>34,709</u>	<u>3,534,927</u>
b) Other administrative expenses				
Administration fees	-	-	24,333	2,478,229
Bank charges and commissions	4,103	415,837	3,873	394,401
Legal and professional fees	9,085	920,728	41,967	4,274,219
Audit Fee	8,654	876,960	-	-
Postage and telephone	8,298	840,894	5,803	591,061
Printing and stationery	7,500	760,042	6,304	642,006
Write offs	2,193	222,185	-	-
Rent and rates	6,908	700,019	2,455	250,000
Governance meeting expenses	158	16,030	10,413	1,060,512
	<u>46,899</u>	<u>4,752,695</u>	<u>95,148</u>	<u>9,690,427</u>
Total administrative expenses	<u>85,771</u>	<u>8,691,775</u>	<u>129,856</u>	<u>13,225,354</u>

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8. Program Costs

	2019 USD	2019 Kshs	2018 USD	2018 Kshs
Salaries and wages	421,201	42,683,083	265,158	27,005,313
Staff welfare and medical	41,665	4,222,051	108,394	11,039,499
Vehicle running expenses	76,133	7,714,996	82,267	8,378,579
Aircraft running expenses	46,877	4,750,334	50,728	5,166,472
Organizational development	4,903	496,885	-	-
Animal care expenses	34,586	3,504,764	21,023	2,141,146
Security expenses	66,459	6,734,956	3,792	386,162
Community engagement	19,639	1,990,223	4,309	438,842
Equipment expenses	27,839	2,821,031	4,544	462,782
Travelling expenses	10,858	1,100,323	5,733	583,894
Helicopter flying costs	201,006	20,369,252	-	-
Insurance	13,550	1,373,151	2,020	205,764
Licences and Permits	3,372	341,668	1,936	197,204
Repairs and maintenance	-	-	3,489	355,355
Depreciation	46,482	4,710,295	49,375	5,028,628
	<u>1,014,570</u>	<u>102,813,012</u>	<u>602,769</u>	<u>61,389,640</u>

9. Trust deed

The trust was incorporated on 1 May 2015. The first trustees on incorporation deposited into the trust fund an initial sum of Kshs. 1,000 and thereafter any further funds or asset given to the trust will be held by trustees as part of these trust fund.

The trust deed:

- i. allows the trustees to participate in charitable purposes and projects in the East Africa and particular emphasis to the Kenya's greater Mara ecosystem and Tanzania's greater Serengeti ecosystem. The activities include conservation and effective management of the environment and of its indigenous fauna and flora;
- ii. also requires the trustees to accumulate and capitalise the whole or any part of the income of the trust fund by investing in authorised investments.

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10. Property and equipment - Kshs

	Computers Kshs	Motor Vehicles Kshs	Motor cycles Kshs	Total Kshs
Cost:				
At start of year	319,430	21,688,553	405,542	22,413,524
Additions	272,048	5,918,666	213,812	6,404,526
Disposal	-	(7,861,000)	(192,000)	(8,053,000)
Translation reserve	-	36,983	-	36,983
At end of year	591,478	19,783,201	427,354	20,802,033
Depreciation:				
At start of year	106,329	7,778,742	97,907	7,982,978
Charge for the year	177,474	4,365,510	154,421	4,697,405
On disposal	-	(5,864,595)	(111,000)	(5,975,595)
At end of year	283,803	6,279,657	141,328	6,704,788
Net book value:				
At 31 December 2019	307,675	13,503,544	286,026	14,097,245
At 31 December 2018	213,101	13,909,810	307,635	14,430,546

10. Property and equipment - USD

	Computers USD	Motor Vehicles USD	Motor cycles USD	Total USD
Cost:				
At start of year	3,142	214,390	4,026	221,558
Additions	2,685	58,406	2,110	63,200
Disposal	-	(77,573)	(1,895)	(79,468)
At end of year	5,826	195,223	4,241	205,290
Depreciation:				
At start of year	1,046	76,975	977	78,997
Charge for the year	1,751	43,079	1,524	46,354
On disposal	-	(57,872)	(1,095)	(58,967)
At end of year	2,797	62,182	1,405	66,384
Net book value:				
At 31 December 2019	3,029	133,041	2,836	138,906
At 31 December 2018	2,096	137,415	3,049	142,561

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11. Intangible assets	2019 USD	2019 Kshs	2018 USD	2018 Kshs
Cost				
At start of year	6,076	616,672	1,845	190,000
Additions	-	-	4,231	428,800
Translation reserve	-	2,128	-	(2,128)
At the end of year	<u>6,076</u>	<u>618,800</u>	<u>6,076</u>	<u>616,672</u>
Amortization				
At start of year	2,215	224,902	553	57,000
Charge for the year	127	11,817	1,661	168,540
Translation reserve	-	638	-	(638)
At end of year	<u>2,342</u>	<u>237,356</u>	<u>2,215</u>	<u>224,902</u>
Net book value	<u>3,734</u>	<u>381,444</u>	<u>3,861</u>	<u>391,770</u>
12. Cash and cash equivalents				
Cash at bank	559,774	56,725,603	305,488	31,112,746
Cash in hand	-	-	14	1,404
	<u>559,774</u>	<u>56,725,603</u>	<u>305,502</u>	<u>31,114,150</u>
13. Trade and other receivables				
Account receivable	4,925	499,056	4,900	499,056
Other receivables	8,133	824,139	15,229	1,551,019
	<u>13,058</u>	<u>1,323,195</u>	<u>20,129</u>	<u>2,050,075</u>
14. Grant receivable				
Sidekick Foundation	-	-	90,000	9,166,149
Sheldrick Wildlife Trust	24,751	2,508,142	23,628	2,406,411
Oak Foundation	26,094	2,644,279	25,000	2,546,153
Unrestricted grants through Sidekick Foundation	44,410	4,500,361	-	-
	<u>95,254</u>	<u>9,652,742</u>	<u>138,628</u>	<u>14,118,713</u>
15. Trade and other payables				
Account payables	22,576	2,287,744	27,643	2,815,301
Other payables and accruals	32,522	3,295,626	22,927	2,335,034
	<u>55,098</u>	<u>5,583,370</u>	<u>50,570</u>	<u>5,150,334</u>

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16. Deferred Grants	2019 USD	2019 Kshs	2018 USD	2018 Kshs
Sidekick Foundation	-	-	200,000	20,369,220
Angama	43,584	4,416,657	-	-
Prince Constantin-Shimba Hills	12,054	1,221,535	-	-
Eden Wildlife Trust	6,232	631,554	-	-
Sheldrick Wildlife Trust	35,600	3,607,554	-	-
Oak Foundation	3,898	395,035	-	-
Lori Price	34,479	3,493,989	-	-
Deferred grants	<u>135,847</u>	<u>13,766,324</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>20,369,220</u>

17. Related party transactions

	2019 Shs	2018 Shs
The following transactions were carried out with related parties:		
i) Key management personnel compensation		
a) Short term employee benefits	<u>13,132,998</u>	<u>10,232,103</u>

18. Events after the end of the reporting date

Subsequent to the year, a highly infectious virus called Corona Virus (COVID-19) that causes respiratory disease was discovered in China and announced towards the end of December 2019. The rate of its spread has forced various governments, organisations and businesses to take serious actions to contain its spread including closing down of schools, restriction of international and national travel and encouraging people to work from home. These actions have had serious financial implications on many organisations.

The principal activity of the trust is wildlife conservation and poverty alleviation to the public through reduction of human wildlife conflicts and conservation education which requires some travelling, community engagement and monitoring patrols for the same to be implemented. As an organization, MEP rangers are the first line of defence, but with the necessary restriction of their movements across the ecosystem, we now cover less area and respond to less incidents on the ground but have already put in place measures to ensure each ranger patrol unit remains as isolated as possible while out in the field. We have also implemented strict protocols for limiting outside interaction. The rapid and global spread of the COVID-19 virus has brought with it challenging future implications for the communities in the Mara that rely on income from tourism and conservation activities as well as impacting MEP's fundraising efforts. Unfortunately, some of our planned activities will have to be deferred to a later time in the year as we comply with and await the government's directives.