
ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOSSIL GROVE TRUST

Charity Number SC012033

For the Year Ended 31 March 2018

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❖ Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2018. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 2 to the accounts and comply with the charity's trust deed, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

❖ Objectives and Activities**Charitable purposes**

- Advancement of the Arts, Heritage, Culture or Science; and
- Advancement of Environmental Protection or Improvement.

Summary of main activities in relation to these objects

The specific charity purposes as outlined in the Trust Deed are:-

- the acquisition and subsequent maintenance, repair and improvement of the Fossil Grove, Glasgow and in addition the extension of the building facilities at the Fossil Grove as a place of public recreation and education.
- the education of the general public of fossils and related geological, botanical, zoological and geographical matters.
- the provision of assistance to and co-operation with any other body or organisation, voluntary or otherwise having similar or complementary purposes.
- the raising of funds for all or any of the foregoing purposes.

❖ Achievements and Performance**Summary of main achievements of the charity during the financial period**

During the year ended 31 March 2018 the Trustees continued to consider ways in which they might assist Glasgow City Council in fulfilling their statutory obligation as owners to maintain Fossil Grove and conserve the fossils sustainably for public exhibition. In the absence of funding for restoration and maintenance, the state of Fossil Grove remains highly unsatisfactory. As the charity has no direct interest as owner or occupier of Fossil Grove, their power to achieve results is limited.

❖ Financial Review

The Statement of Financial Activities shows total resources expended for the year of £3,426 (2016/17: £10,955). A total of £373,957 was retained in accumulated funds as at 31 March 2018 (2016/17: £381,237).

These funds are to be considered as part of the funding package for the future renovation of the Fossil Grove.

Reserves policy

The fund reserves are unrestricted. The balance held as unrestricted funds at 31 March 2018 is £373,957, of which £373,138 are tied up in investments plus £1,959 in current assets less the £1,140 of creditors outstanding at the year end.

Risk management

The principal risk faced by the charity lies in the performance of investments. The Trustees consider variability of investment returns to constitute the charity's major financial risk. This can be mitigated by retaining expert investment managers and having a diversified investment portfolio.

Plans for future periods

To continue to seek ways to raise support and finance to assist the owners in the future running of Fossil Grove.

❖ Structure, Governance and Management**Type of governing document**

Fossil Grove Trust is an unincorporated Scottish Charity governed by its trust deed, adopted on 20th December 1989.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Trustees are appointed by invitation, the Charitable Trust consisting of a maximum of 10 Trustees.

❖ Reference and Administration Details

Charity name	Fossil Grove Trust
Registered charity number	SC012033
Charity's principal address	Glasgow City Council Corporate Finance Exchange House 2nd Floor 231 George Street Glasgow G1 1QX

Names of the charity trustees during the year and to date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Councillor Gilbert Davidson	Chair	1 April 2017 to 18 May 2017
Walter Semple	Chair	
Councillor Kenny McLean		1 April 2017 to 18 May 2017
Neil Robertson		
Michael Herrigan		
Elizabeth Brown		
David Webster		
Bailie Philip Braat		1 April 2017 to 18 May 2017
Bailie Ade Aibinu		From 18 May 2017
Councillor Feargal Dalton		From 18 May 2017
Councillor Maggie McTernan		From 18 May 2017
Campbell Forrest		From 12 June 2017

Auditor	Scott-Moncrieff Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor 25 Bothwell Street Glasgow G2 6NL
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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law, regulations and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

The law applicable to charities in Scotland requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure 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 FRS 102 Charities SORP (Update Bulletin 1);
- make judgements 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; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, Regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the provisions of the charity's constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the Charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of accounts may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' report above.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Full Name Walter Semple

Position Chair

Date 30 October 2018

Independent Auditor's Report to the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2018**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Fossil Grove Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2018 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2018 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. 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 charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or

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- the Trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charity's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Other information

The Trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than 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 we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. 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.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Trustees' Report; or
- proper accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2018**Responsibilities of the trustees**

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees Responsibilities set out on page 5, the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of 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 charity'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 charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

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 ISAs (UK) 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.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Auditor's Report.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2018**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with regulation 10 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's Trustees, as a body, those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Scott-Moncrieff

Statutory Auditor

Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

25 Bothwell Street

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Date 30 October 2018

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

FOSSIL GROVE TRUST		Charity No SC012033	
	Note	Unrestricted funds	
		Total 2017/18	Total 2016/17
		£	£
Income from:			
Donations	3	<u>1,140</u>	<u>968</u>
Total		1,140	968
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	4	(3,426)	(10,955)
Net (losses)/gains on investments	5	<u>(4,994)</u>	<u>43,719</u>
Net (expenditure)/income		(7,280)	33,732
Reconciliation of funds:			
Total funds brought forward		<u>381,237</u>	<u>347,505</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>373,957</u>	<u>381,237</u>

The notes on pages 13 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2018

FOSSIL GROVE TRUST		Charity No SC012033	
	Note	Unrestricted funds	
		Total 2017/18	Total 2016/17
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Investments	5	<u>373,138</u>	<u>391,132</u>
Total Fixed Assets		<u>373,138</u>	<u>391,132</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	6	1,140	968
Cash and cash equivalents	7	<u>819</u>	<u>1,105</u>
Total current assets		<u>1,959</u>	<u>2,073</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(1,140)</u>	<u>(11,968)</u>
Net current assets		819	(9,895)
Net assets		<u>373,957</u>	<u>381,237</u>
Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted funds		<u>373,957</u>	<u>381,237</u>
Total funds		<u>373,957</u>	<u>381,237</u>
Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:			
Walter Semple		Date	30 October 2018
David Webster		Date	30 October 2018

The notes on pages 13 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2018**1. General Information**

These financial statements are presented in pounds sterling (GBP) as that is the currency in which the charity's transactions are denominated. They comprise the financial statements of Fossil Grove Trust.

The continuing activities of Fossil Grove Trust are to maintain and improve the Fossil Grove and educate the general public on Fossils and related geological, botanical, zoological and geographical matters.

Fossil Grove Trust is an unincorporated charity, recognised as a charity for tax purposes by HMRC and registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) under charity number SC012033. Details of the principal address can be found on page 4 of these financial statements.

2. Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are noted below. These policies have been applied consistently to all the years presented, in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements unless otherwise stated.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland' ("FRS 102") (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)', the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

Fossil Grove Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2018**2. Accounting Policies (continued)**

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires trustees to exercise their judgement in the process of applying the accounting policies. Use of available information and application of judgement are inherent in the formation of estimates. Actual outcomes in the future could differ from such estimates. The Trustees do not consider that there are any areas that require a higher degree of judgement or estimation.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The validity of the going concern basis depends on the ability of the charity to operate within available funding.

The Trustees are satisfied that the charity can meet its liabilities as they fall due for the foreseeable future and on this basis consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Donations are recognised and included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity has control over the donation, any conditions associated with the donation have been met, the receipt of economic benefit is probable and the economic benefit can be measured reliably; and
- Investment income is recognised when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably.

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2018**2. Accounting Policies (continued)****Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified under the following headings:

- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services including grants made. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity including the audit fees.
- Other expenditure represents those items not falling into the above headings.

Grants

Grants awarded are recognised as liabilities in the financial statements when the Trustees approve the grant unconditionally or the conditions included in the grant fall outside the control of the charity. When grants are approved with conditions attached, but payment by the charity is considered possible but not probable, the grant is disclosed by way of a note as a commitment.

Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred. Gains and losses are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they arise.

Debtors

Accrued income is recognised in the financial period to which it relates to and when the charity is entitled to receive the income.

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

2. Accounting Policies (continued)**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.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

Financial instruments

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

Fund accounting policy

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

3. Donations Income

	2017/18	2016/17
	£	£
Donations	<u>1,140</u>	<u>968</u>

Glasgow City Council has agreed to contribute a donation of £1,140 in respect of the audit fee for 2017/18 (2017: £968).

4. Analysis of Expenditure

		2017/18	2016/17
		£	£
Charitable Activities	Business Case feasibility study	-	8,725
	External audit fees	1,140	968
	Room hire	122	34
	Display materials	1,564	-
	Equipment purchase	<u>600</u>	<u>1,228</u>
		<u>3,426</u>	<u>10,955</u>

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

5. Investment Assets

	2017/18	2016/17
	£	£
Fixed Asset Investments		
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	391,132	347,413
Less: disposals at carrying value	(13,000)	-
(Deduct)/Add: net (loss)/gain on revaluation	<u>(4,994)</u>	<u>43,719</u>
Market value at end of year	<u>373,138</u>	<u>391,132</u>
Carrying value at end of period	<u>373,138</u>	<u>391,132</u>

6. Debtors

	2017/18	2016/17
	£	£
Glasgow City Council	<u>1,140</u>	<u>968</u>

7. Cash and cash equivalents

	2017/18	2016/17
	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>819</u>	<u>1,105</u>

8. Creditors

	2017/18	2016/17
	£	£
External audit fees	1,140	968
Glasgow Caledonian University for feasibility study	-	9,772
Equipment purchase	<u>-</u>	<u>1,228</u>
	<u>1,140</u>	<u>11,968</u>

9. Payments to Trustees

No Trustees were remunerated during the year (2017: nil), nor was there any requirement for any expenses to be paid (2017: nil).

No Trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year (2017: nil).

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

10. Financial Assets and Liabilities

	2017/18	2016/17
	£	£
Fixed asset investments held at market value	373,138	391,132
Cash and cash equivalents	819	1,105
Financial assets held at amortised cost	1,140	968
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Financial liabilities held at amortised cost	(1,140)	(11,968)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise accrued income.

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost comprise accruals.

10. Ultimate Controlling Party

In the opinion of the Trustees, there is no ultimate controlling party.