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### ØRSKOV FOUNDATION

# TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2007

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#### TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2007

#### **Financial statements**

The Trustees present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2007. The report is prepared in accordance with the Trust Deed and the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005) and complies with applicable law.

#### **Establishment and objectives**

The Foundation was established by a Trust Deed in November 2004. The objectives of the Foundation are to promote the advancement of education for graduate students from any countries which are, in the opinion of the Trustees, regarded as developing countries, concerning the development of sustainable land use, through research projects demonstrating the potential to have positive impacts on poverty alleviation and/or sustainable environmental benefits.

#### Charitable status

The Foundation is recognised by the Inland Revenue as a charity and its Scottish Charity Number is SC036117

#### Trustees and principal address

The Trustees serving during the year to 31 March 2007 are:

Mr G Davidson, Chairperson Prof RJ Aspinall Prof. EM Gill Dr RNB Kay Professor ER Ørskov

The principal address of the Foundation is:

Ørskov Foundation The Macaulay Land Use Institute Macaulay Drive Craigiebuckler Aberdeen AB15 8QH

#### **Management of the Foundation**

The management of the Foundation is carried out by the Trustees on a voluntary basis, supported by the staff of the Macaulay Land Use Research Institute. No payment is made for these services. The Foundation does not employ any staff.

The Secretary of the Foundation is Mrs CA Bisset

#### **Bankers**

Bank of Scotland 39 Albyn Place Aberdeen AB10 1YN

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#### **Review of activities and future developments**

The income of the Foundation was £37,215 (2006: £29,414). This was comprised of donations totalling £32,542 (2006: £21,704), tax recovered though Gift Aid of £2,347 (2006: £6,487) and bank interest of £2,326 (2006: £1,223). Management expenses totalled £2,741 (2006: £70).

The second full year of operation for the Ørskov Foundation, saw the successful completion of the first year's four studentships and the second call for individual student applications. In 2007, we also began a programme of community projects facilitated mainly by agricultural university department staff in developing countries.

In 2007, we received 40 applications for individual student grants and 25 applications for community projects. After evaluation by the Foundation's trustees, 3 student grants and 6 community project applications were approved for funding.

#### Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Law applicable to charities in Scotland 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 charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the net income or expenditure of the charity for the year. In preparing those financial statements, generally accepted accounting practice entails that the trustees:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice 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 its activities.

The trustees are required to act in accordance with the trust deed of the charity and within the framework of trust law. They are responsible for keeping accounting records, sufficient to disclose at any time with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the charity at that time and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Trust deed, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the charity and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

#### REPORT BY THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees consider that the Foundation is eligible under Section 7(1) of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 to have an independent examination instead of an audit.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts. Explanations should be sought from the Trustees concerning such matters. The procedures do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

I have carried out an independent examination of the Trustees' report and the financial statements of the Ørskov Foundation on pages 3-8 for the year to 31 March 2007. The accounts have been properly prepared from the accounting records of the Foundation on a receipts and payments basis and are in agreement with those records.

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the Trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that proper accounting records are kept and that accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Regulations. No matter has come to my attention to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mrs Linda Duncan FCCA Macaulay Research Consultancy Services Ltd Macaulay Drive Craigiebuckler Aberdeen AB15 8QH

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2007

		<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	
	Note	2007	2006
		£	£
<b>Incoming Resources:</b>			
Incoming resources from generated funds			
Voluntary income	2	34,889	28.191
Investment income		2,326	1,223
Total incoming resources		37,215	29,414
Resources expended:			
Cost of generating funds	3	2,741	70
Charitable activities	4	11,033	
Total resources expended		13,774	70
Net movement in funds		23,441	29,334
Total funds brought forward		52,944	23.600
Balance at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2007		76,385	52,944

All of the above figures relate to the Foundation's continuing activities.

There is no difference between the surplus for the financial year reported above and the historical cost equivalent.

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those identified above.

#### **BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2007**

	2007	2006
	£	£
Fixed assets	-	-
Current assets		
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	76,385	52,944
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	76,385 -	52,944
Net current assets	76,385	52,944
Total assets less current liabilities	76,385	52,944
Funds Unrestricted funds	76,385	52,944

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 3 October 2007 and were signed on its behalf by:

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Mr Grant Davidson

Trustee

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

#### 1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements.

#### **Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared using the receipts and payments basis under the historical cost accounting rules and in accordance with applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 1992 and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities 2005.

#### **Funds**

The funds are available for use only according to the objectives of the Foundation. All funds are unrestricted funds and are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the Foundation.

#### **Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are recorded in the period when they are received.

#### **Resources expended**

Resources expended are included when the payment is made.

2	Voluntary income	2007 €	2006 £
	Donations from Professor Ørskov Other charitable donations Tax refunds on gift aided donations	27,237 5,305 2,347	1,100 20,604 6,487
		34,889	28,191
3	Cost of generating funds	2007 £	2006 £
	Administration costs Bank charges	2,711 30	65 5
		2,741	70

4 Charitable activities	2007 £	2006 £
Grants payable to students	11,033	-
	11,033	-