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ØRSKOV FOUNDATION

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

Financial statements

The Trustees present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2008. 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 and community 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 2008 are:

Mr G Davidson, Chairperson Professor R J Aspinall Dr R N B Kay Professor E M Gill Professor E R Ørskov

The principal address of the Foundation is:

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

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

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

Review of activities and future developments

The income of the Foundation was £30,063 (2007: £37,215). This was comprised of donations totalling £19,933 (2007: £32,542), tax recovered though Gift Aid of £5,993 (2007: £2,347) and bank interest of £4,137 (2007: £2,326). Management expenses totalled £575 (2007: £2,741).

The third full year of operation for the Ørskov Foundation saw the successful completion of the first year's three studentships and the third call for individual student applications. In 2007/08 the programme of community projects expanded and projects in Indonesia, Malawi, Ghana, Vietnam and Uganda were funded.

In 2008, we received 12 applications for individual student grants and 21 applications for community projects. After evaluation by the Foundation's trustees, 1 student grant from Vietnam and 6 community project applications from Nepal, Cameroon, Sri Lanka, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Ghana 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 3-9 for the year to 31 March 2008. 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.

 Date :

Mrs Linda Duncan FCCA Macaulay Land Use Research Institute Macaulay Drive Craigiebuckler Aberdeen AB15 8QH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

		Unrestricte	Unrestricted funds	
	Note	2008	2007	
Incoming Resources:		£	£	
Incoming resources from generated funds Voluntary income Investment income	2	25,926 4,137	34,889 2,326	
Total incoming resources		30,063	37,215	
Resources expended:				
Cost of generating funds Charitable activities	3 4	575 30,190	2,741 11,033	
Total resources expended		30,765	13,774	
Net movement in funds		(702)	23,441	
Total funds brought forward		76,385	52,944	
Balance at 31 st March 2008		75,683	76,385	
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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.

Trustee

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2008

	2008 £	2007 £
Fixed assets	•	-
Current assets		
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	75,683	76,385
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	75,683	76,385
Net current assets	75,683	76,385
Total assets less current liabilities	75,683	76,385
Funds Unrestricted funds	75,683	76,385
These financial statements were approved by the Board of and were signed on its behalf by:	Trustees on	
Mr Grant Davidson		

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.

Voluntary income	2008 £	2007 £
Donations from Professor Ørskov		27,237
	,	5,305
Tax refunds on gift aided donations	5,993	2,347
	25,926	34,889
Cost of generating funds	2008	2007
	£	£
Administration costs	557	2,711
Bank charges	18	30
	575	2,741
	Donations from Professor Ørskov Other charitable donations Tax refunds on gift aided donations Cost of generating funds Administration costs	Donations from Professor Ørskov Other charitable donations 18,353 Tax refunds on gift aided donations 5,993 Cost of generating funds £ Administration costs Bank charges 18

4	Charitable activities	2008 £	2007 £
	Grants payable to individuals Grants to community projects Other educational grants	1,826 11,0 26,364 2,000	11,033
		30,190	11,033