

Company no. 05883832
Charity no. 1117844

Global Witness Trust Limited
Report and Financial Statements
30 November 2010

Global Witness Trust Limited

Reference and administrative details

For the year ended 30 November 2010

Company number	05883832
Charity number	1117844
Registered office	Russell Square House 10-12 Russell Square London WC1B 5LF
Operational address	6th Floor, Buchanan House 30 Holborn London EC1N 2HS
Trustees	Jeremy Bristow Caroline Digby Lorna Mackinnon Chris Mitchell (Chair) Tony Stevenson (Treasurer)
Bankers	The Cooperative Bank 6 Olympic Court Montford Street Salford M5 2QP
Auditor	Chantrey Vellacott DFK LLP Russell Square House 10-12 Russell Square London WC1B 5LF

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Report of the trustees

For the year ended 30 November 2010

The trustees present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 November 2010.

Legal and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005 and revised in July 2008).

Structure, governance & management

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 21 July 2006 and registered as a charity on 2 February 2007.

The company was established under a memorandum of association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its articles of association.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of the report are listed on page 1. The trustees have no beneficial interest in the charity.

Trustees have the power to appoint or to co-opt new members onto the Board. Appointments are ratified in accordance with the charity's Deed of Trust. There is a process of induction for new trustees, which includes meetings with staff and the provision of key information.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charities Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives and in planning future activities and setting the grant making policy for the year. The Trust's activities provide benefit to the public through education in the areas of human rights and environmental protection. In line with the Trust's grant making policy, these activities are facilitated through support for the charitable aspects of work undertaken by Global Witness Limited. The results of this work are made available to the public through reports, press releases, briefing documents, videos and audio clips published in various media and online.

Risk management

The trustees have examined the major risks that the charity faces and confirm that systems have been established so that the necessary steps can be taken to manage any such risks. All of the charity's income arises from fundraising. The trustees regularly monitor the progress of development and fundraising through the year and are aware of the need for there to be challenging, yet achievable targets.

Objectives and activities

The objects of Global Witness Trust Limited, as laid out in the memorandum of association, are as follows:

- 1) to advance the education of the public in environmental matters, the preservation and conservation of the natural environment and its sustainable development and the causes and effects of environmental degradation; and
- 2) to carry out or promote research into the maintenance and observance of human rights in places or areas where there may have been an impact on the human rights of the inhabitants of such places and areas as a consequence of environmental damage or change and to publish or otherwise disseminate the useful results of such research.

Achievements and performance

The remaining financial operations and assets of Global Witness Trust (charity number: 1071946) were transferred to Global Witness Trust Limited on 5 January 2010. The remaining funds were granted directly to Global Witness Limited. The Trustees of Global Witness Trust applied for the Trust to be merged into Global Witness Trust Limited. Following Charity Commission approval, Global Witness Trust was removed as a charity on 9 February 2010.

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Global Witness Trust Limited applies for grants to fund activities in line with the objects of the charitable company. In 2009/10 the Trust attracted grants from the Sigrid Rausing Trust, Ajhama Trust, Ashden Trust, the Rufford Foundation, the Waterloo Foundation and the David and Elaine Potter Foundation, amongst others.

Grant making policy

The trustees acting as a board have determined that the best way for Global Witness Trust Limited to fulfil its objects is to support the charitable aspects of investigations and campaigns undertaken by Global Witness Limited, a separate company. This decision is reviewed annually, or as and when the trustees consider appropriate. The trustees consider applications for funding from Global Witness Limited in light of the charity's objects, and each successful application is governed by a separate and specific grant agreement.

Financial review

Global Witness Trust Limited raised income of £469,230 in 2009/10, compared to £467,207 in 2008/09. £460,957 (2009: £506,696) was granted to Global Witness Limited as well as a small service charge of £11,731 (2009: £11,680). The trustees planned the deficit of £6,415 (2009: £53,381 surplus) in order to reduce their reserves in line with the reserves policy.

Reserves policy

The trustees of Global Witness Trust Limited approved a reserves policy in 2008/09 which represents one year's expenditure requirements. The reserves held at 30 November 2010 total £18,482. The trustees believe this is adequate to meet all current needs of the organisation.

Plans for the future

Global Witness Trust Limited will continue to raise funds for Global Witness Limited in line with the grant making policy outlined above.

Statement of responsibilities of the trustees

The trustees (who are also directors of Global Witness Trust Limited for the purposes of company law) 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).

Company law 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 income and expenditure, 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 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

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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 them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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.

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditor is unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislations in other jurisdictions.

Members

Members of the charity guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charity in the event of winding up. The total number of such guarantees at 30 November 2010 was 5 (2009 - 5). Each of the trustees are members of the charity but this entitles them only to voting rights. Each of the trustees has no beneficial interest in the charity.

Auditors

Chantrey Vellacott DFK LLP have expressed their willingness to continue as auditor.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the trustees on 14 June 2011 and signed on their behalf by



Chris Mitchell
Chair of Trustees

Independent auditor's report

To the members of

Global Witness Trust Limited

We have audited the financial statements of The Global Witness Trust Limited for the year ended 30 November 2010 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet, and the related notes. The financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the Charity's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of section 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Charity's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and auditor

The trustees' (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) responsibilities 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) and for being satisfied that the financial statements give a true and fair view are set out in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view, have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report is consistent with those financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the charity has not kept adequate accounting records, if the charity's financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made.

We read the Report of the Trustees and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charity's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Independent auditor's report

To the members of

Global Witness Trust Limited

Opinion

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 30 November 2010 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006; and
- the information given in the Report of the Trustees is consistent with the financial statements.



SALLY BONNER (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of **CHANTREY VELLACOTT DFK LLP**
Chartered accountants & statutory auditor
London

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Statement of financial activities

For the year ended 30 November 2010

	Note	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	2010 Total £	2009 Total £
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Voluntary income	2	-	68,854	68,854	116,599
Investment income		-	376	376	608
Incoming resources from charitable activities					
	3				
Environmental and human rights research and campaigning		<u>100,000</u>	<u>300,000</u>	<u>400,000</u>	<u>350,000</u>
Total incoming resources		<u>100,000</u>	<u>369,230</u>	<u>469,230</u>	<u>467,207</u>
Resources expended					
	4				
Cost of generating funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities					
Environmental and human rights research and campaigning		100,000	372,688	472,688	518,521
Governance costs		<u>-</u>	<u>2,957</u>	<u>2,957</u>	<u>2,067</u>
Total resources expended		<u>100,000</u>	<u>375,645</u>	<u>475,645</u>	<u>520,588</u>
Net movement in funds	5	-	(6,415)	(6,415)	(53,381)
Total funds brought forward		<u>-</u>	<u>24,897</u>	<u>24,897</u>	<u>78,278</u>
Total funds carried forward	9	<u>-</u>	<u>18,482</u>	<u>18,482</u>	<u>24,897</u>

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. There were no other recognised gains or losses other than those stated above. The notes on pages 9 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet

30 November 2010

	Note	2010 £	2009 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>32,913</u>	<u>39,222</u>
		32,913	39,222
Liabilities			
Creditors: amounts due within 1 year	7	<u>(14,431)</u>	<u>(14,325)</u>
Net current assets, being net assets	8	<u>18,482</u>	<u>24,897</u>
Funds			
Restricted funds		-	-
Unrestricted funds			
General funds		<u>18,482</u>	<u>24,897</u>
Total funds	9	<u>18,482</u>	<u>24,897</u>

Approved by the trustees and authorised for issue on 14 June 2011 and signed on their behalf by:



Chris Mitchell
Chair of trustees

Company Registration Number: 5883832

The notes on pages 9 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

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Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 30 November 2010

1. Accounting policies

- a) The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Charities Act 1993. They follow the recommendations in the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005 and revised in July 2008).
- b) Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included in full in the statement of financial activities when receivable.
- c) Revenue grants are credited to the statement of financial activities when received or receivable whichever is earlier.
- d) Resources expended are recognised in the period in which they are incurred. Grants payable represent funding transferred to Global Witness Limited and are recognised in line with recognition of the related income. Resources expended include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

Support costs are re-allocated to each of the activities on the following basis which is an estimate, based on staff time, of the amount attributable to each activity:

- (i) Environmental and human rights research and campaigning
- (ii) Governance Costs

Governance costs are the costs associated with the governance arrangements of the charity. These costs are associated with the constitutional and statutory requirements and include any costs associated with the strategic management of the charity's activities.

- f) Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund.
- g) Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes.
- i) Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange on the balance sheet date. Income and expenditure in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange on the date of transaction. Gains or losses caused by exchange rate differences are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

2. Voluntary income

	Restricted	Unrestricted	2010 Total	2009 Total
	£	£	£	£
The Ajhama Charitable Trust	-	50,000	50,000	50,000
The Joffe Charitable Trust	-	-	-	30,000
Other donations	-	18,854	18,854	36,599
Total	-	68,854	68,854	116,599

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3. Incoming resources from charitable activities

	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	2010 Total £	2009 Total £
The Ashden Charitable Trust	35,000	-	35,000	35,000
The Rufford Foundation	30,000	-	30,000	30,000
The David and Elaine Potter Foundation	25,000	-	25,000	25,000
The Sigrid Rausing Trust	-	300,000	300,000	260,000
The Waterloo Foundation	10,000	-	10,000	-
Total	100,000	300,000	400,000	350,000

4. Charitable expenditure

	Environmental and human rights research and campaigning £	Governance costs £	Support costs £	2010 Total £	2009 Total £
Grants to Global Witness Limited	460,957	-	-	460,957	506,696
Global Witness Ltd management fee ¹	-	-	11,731	11,731	11,680
Audit fees	-	2,700	-	2,700	2,067
Other charges	-	257	-	257	145
	460,957	2,957	11,731	475,645	520,588
Support costs	11,731	-	(11,731)	-	-
Total resources expended	472,688	2,957	-	475,645	520,588

¹ Global Witness Ltd. charges the Trust an annual fee based on an estimation of its staff's time spent administering the charity.

5. Net movement in funds for the year

This is stated after charging:	2010 £	2009 £
Auditor's remuneration:		
▪ Audit	2,700	2,644
▪ Other services	223	213
	<u>2,923</u>	<u>2,857</u>

6. Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

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7. Creditors : amounts due within 1 year

	2010 £	2009 £
Creditors	11,731	11,680
Accruals	<u>2,700</u>	<u>2,645</u>
	<u><u>14,431</u></u>	<u><u>14,325</u></u>

8. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Restricted funds £	General funds £	Total funds £
Current assets	-	32,913	32,913
Current liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>14,431</u>	<u>14,431</u>
Net assets at the end of the year	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>18,482</u></u>	<u><u>18,482</u></u>

9. Movements in funds

	At the start of the year £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	At the end of the year £
Restricted funds				
Environmental and human rights research and campaigning	-	100,000	(100,000)	-
Total restricted funds	<u>-</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>(100,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
Unrestricted funds	<u>24,897</u>	<u>369,230</u>	<u>(375,645)</u>	<u>18,482</u>
Total funds	<u><u>24,897</u></u>	<u><u>469,230</u></u>	<u><u>(475,645)</u></u>	<u><u>18,482</u></u>

