STATES OF JERSEY



ECOLOGY FUND: REPORT FOR 2003

Presented to the States on 15th June 2004 by the Environment and Public Services Committee

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THE ECOLOGY FUND – 2003

The establishment of the Ecology Fund (P.32/91) required that an annual report be presented to the States. This report details the activities of the fund during the year ending 31st December 2003.

The Fund was established in March 1991 by the States of Jersey with a sum of money (£344,592) received as an insurance settlement from the Amoco Cadiz oil tanker disaster of 1978. The fund is invested by the States Treasury to generate an income that can be used in whole or partial support of local environmental projects.

The Trustees and their meetings

The Trustees under the chairmanship of Deputy J. Hilton met on 4 occasions during 2003, with additiona telephone votes. The Trustees, in addition to Deputy J. Hilton, are Mr. R. Burrow, Mr. C. Le E Mr. H. Forshaw and Mr. R. Long.

The Trustees are pleased to report that the fund is in a healthy condition with the investment capital at £468,733 and they would like to take this opportunity to request that any States member who is aware of potentially worthy environmentally based projects to encourage members of the public to apply to the fund. The Trustees are especially interested in applications from urban areas, such as schools and housing estates.

Projects approved prior to 2003 and paid for in 2003

Conservation Garden at Le Squez Primary School

A grant was made to Le Squez Primary School to fund the creation of an educational conservation garden facility.

Granted £2,228.25 Paid £615.48

Red Squirrel GIS Modeling Study

A grant was made to the Environment Department to fund a GIS modeling study into the conservation of Red Squirrels in Jersey.

Granted £4,675.00 Paid £4,675.00

Grouville Marsh Topological Survey

A grant was made to Grouville Marsh Tenants to fund a full topological survey of Grouville Marsh Wetland.

Granted £600.00 Paid £600.00

Part fund Ph.D. course fees

A grant was made to the Agile Frog Group to part fund Ms L. Racca in the third year of her Ph.D. on the conservation of the Agile Frog in Jersey.

Granted £9,000.00 Paid £9,000.00

Squirrel road sign

A grant was made to the Environment Department to pay for the construction and sighting of a road sign alerting drivers to the presence of squirrels at a road in St John.

Granted £320.00 Paid £112.50

Fund attendance at British Ecological Society

A grant was made available for Ms L. Racca to attend the British Ecological Conference.

Granted £289.75 Paid £289.75

Conservation Garden at Jersey Animal Shelter

A grant was made to the Jersey Animal Shelter to assist with funding the creation of a foundation stage Environmental Garden.

Granted £2,470.00 Paid £2,016.00

Agile Frog Genetic study

A grant was made to the Agile Frog Group to assist with the cost of a study into the genetics of the Jersey Agile Frog population.

Granted £2,000.00 Paid £1,981.70

Projects approved and paid for in the year 2003

Fund attendance at General Meeting of Societas Europaea Herpetologica

A grant was made available for Ms L. Racca to attend the European Herpetological Conference.

Granted £646.29 Paid £641.73

Environmental Garden at St. Peter's Primary School

A grant was made to St. Peter's Primary School to assist in the funding of an educational conservation garden facility.

Granted £2,234.00 Paid £221.89

Ranger Training Program

A grant was made to the National Trust for Jersey to fund the attendance for staff on a Ranger Training courses.

Granted £1,828.00 Paid £1,828.00

Purchase of Entomological Storage Cabinet

A grant was made to the Entomological Section of the Société Jersiaise to fund the purchase of a storage cabinet.

Granted £1,825.00 Paid £1,825.00

Earthwatch Project

A grant was made to Ms J. Meldrum to attend an Earthwatch conservation Project.

Granted £775.00 Paid £775.00

Establish Ecological management regime on heathland

A grant was made to the National Trust for Jersey to fund the establishment of an Ecological management regime on heathland between Les Mouriers Valley and Sorel Point. Granted £3,260.00 Paid £3,260.00

States Treasury

Debit interest allocation and interest allocation charge.

Paid £17.67

Total paid at 31st December 2003

£27,859.70

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2003

2002 £			2 £	003 £
18,463		Receipts	17,019	
18,090	LESS:	Payments	27,860	
373		Net payments		-10,841
134,609	ADD:	Revenue Balance brought forward as at 1st January 2003		134,982
134,982		Revenue carried forw	vard at 31.12.03	124,141
2002 £	BALANCE S	SHEET AS AT 31ST DE	<u>CEMBER 2003</u>	2003 £
344,592	Capital			344,592
134,982	Accumulated Revenue Balance (as above)			124,141
479,574				468,733
	Represen	ited by:		
479,906	Term Dep	posit		468,543
(332)	Cash held in Central 'pool' and petty cash (Deficit of cash in Special Funds 'pool' £10.17)			190
479,574				468,733