

Zambia and Malawi Community Partnership

Chairpersons Report 2024

UK Reg Number: 1136225 **Registered Address:** 2 Ivy Close, Akeley, MK18 5GZ

Chair: Katharine Rhiannon James, **Treasurer:** Michael Layland James, **Other Trustees:** John Greener, Alison Greener and Keith Hare.

The Zambia and Malawi Community Partnership [ZMCP] is managed by the trustees, who meet for a minimum of two ordinary meetings and an annual general meeting a year. New recruits are identified by getting interested people involved with the work of the charity and then discussing trusteeship with them.

Activities, Achievements and Performance

This year saw continued support of our Ngoli Scholarship in Zambia and our projects in Malawi go from strength to strength.

- Ngoli Scholarship – The aim of the scholarship is to support intelligent but disadvantaged and vulnerable students, who would not otherwise be able to afford it, to get a good secondary and tertiary education. We also support them to find employment or a means of supporting themselves as we believe this is the main benefit we hope to achieve from our work. It benefits them, their families, their communities and the Zambian economy. We are currently supporting:
 - A degree qualified teacher who runs his own small business to support him and his family. He is hoping for government employment in the next round of recruitment.
 - Two qualified nurses – one has been successful in gaining employment in NHS Scotland and in 2023 and 2024 contributed some funds back into the scholarship. The other is working in Northern Province Zambia.
 - Six qualified nurses/midwives working as volunteers in clinics in Zambia . These young people have been supported to start small businesses to sustain themselves.
 - Three students at medical school.
 - Four students doing business and finance courses, one of whom is being mentored by one of the trustees and is now doing paid remote book-keeping for his business.
 - Two students doing further professional development while working.
 - Two students doing engineering at a technical college.
 - One student studying mechanics at a technical vocational college.
 - Two students repeating Grade 12 exams to improve their overall results.
- Ngoli School
 - We continue to support the school with a budget for the science lab. Science exam results are higher than before the science lab was built although covid has severely damaged all results.
- Tafika – Youth organisation in Malawi
 - We continue to support Tafika in delivery of a self-grown feeding programme at 10 schools in northern Malawi as a pilot project with Mary's Meals (UK NGO). Tafika mobilise the community to prepare land designated by the chief, sow biofortified maize and soya (with extra vitamins and iron), then tend the crops, harvest them, mill the maize, build cook shelters, prepare daily porridge and feed it to the school children. Early measurement indicates that attendance in the schools rose from 65% to 85% following the start of feeding. This is a significant step in the need to support improvements in education and benefits the children themselves as well as having a wider societal benefit.
 - Tafika are keen to have their own income and to determine how it is spent to benefit their communities rather than continued reliance on aid. We worked with them during 2023 and 2024 to find sympathetic investors and build a hostel for students from the local nursing

college. This has been a challenging project to undertake but we are really pleased that the hostel is complete and has some paying tenants in 2024.

- We have supported the planting of a 12-acre commercial forest. In 10 to 15 years' time this will provide a steady income as an acre per year is cropped on a rolling basis and the stumps left to re-sprout. In 2023 and 2024 Tafika were supported to develop a successful tree nursery to provide all the saplings for planting.
 - IT Lab – We were successful in gaining a grant from Leggatt Trust to create an IT Hub and run it for a year. This hub will provide a facility for the 3 nearby secondary schools who do not have any IT equipment, a facility for teaching courses on basic IT skills and an 'internet café' for members of the community to access computers, a printer and strong wi-fi.
 - Tomato Greenhouses – Following our 2022 work to link Tafika with Malawi Fruits (a Scottish/Malawian Not for Profit business) to construct a borehole and five greenhouses, the first two were planted in 2023. The business case demonstrates the income the women hope to achieve in this 'guaranteed price, farm-gate deal'. It also benefits Tafika as the women will put time into tending the forest as well as tomatoes. Early crops have not had the high yield required to make this a profitable business; measures are being implemented to improve this.
 - Cookstoves – Tafika volunteers were shown how to teach communities to build simple mud-brick cook stoves that use 1/3 of the wood and generate less smoke. They are now demonstrating how to build these in a number of communities.
 - Boreholes – A successful relationship with US NGO Formidable Joy has resulted in more than 20 boreholes now having been drilled in Tafika communities since 2022, This has increased the availability of clean safe water and its proximity to the schools.
- IT Equipment
 - We have successfully persuaded NHS Lanarkshire to channel their surplus IT equipment to Turing Trust who send equipment out to Malawi for lease to schools rather than send the equipment to a crusher. We are working on other organisations.
 - Tiko
 - We continue to support Tiko community in Zambia by providing an online route for donors to make donations and claim UK tax relief.

Objectives for 2025:

- To continue to support the students in our Ngoli Scholarship, with as many as possible of them finding paid employment or a means to sustain themselves at the end of their studies and contributing back into the scholarship to sustain the support of future students.
- To grow the capacity of Tafika volunteers in project management and financial skills so that they can manage and expand the projects detailed above with less ZMCP support.
- To maximise the income generating potential of the income generating projects with Tafika (mainly the hostel and forest). We aim to bring the income generation of the hostel into a profit situation in 2025. The forest will not start generating income until approximately 2032, although the tree nursery could be developed to make profit sooner than that.
- To open the IT Lab and measure the positive impact on the users of the lab. Also to gain further funding for year two onwards.
- To support the Tomato Greenhouse project through to production of income generating tomatoes and management of the project without ZMCP input.
- To raise sufficient funds directly, through grant funding or finding investors to cover the current liabilities of seeing the existing Ngoli Scholarship students through to the end of their tertiary education and the income generating projects with Tafika through to income generation.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Zambia and Malawi Community Partnership

1136225

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
1/1/2024


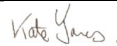
To

Period end date
12/31/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations via DonorSee	6,892	-	-	6,892	3,971
Tax reclaimed from HMRC	3,245	-	-	3,245	1,754
Grant Awards	17,000	-	-	17,000	-
Interest Earned	249	-	-	249	132
Payroll Giving Income	4,492	-	-	4,492	5,760
Donations via CAF donate	1,114	-	-	1,114	3,623
Monthly Donors	1,901	-	-	1,901	1,989
Donations via JustGiving	1,611	-	-	1,611	7,888
Other Donations	37,131	-	-	37,131	18,232
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	73,635	-	-	73,635	43,349
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	73,635	-	-	73,635	43,349
A3 Payments					
Payment for Ngoli Projects	9,113	-	-	9,113	34,073
Payments for Tikondane Projects	-	-	-	-	1,675
Payments for Tafika Projects	13,206	-	-	13,206	39,333
Payments for Bakashana Projects	-	-	-	-	-
Bank Charges	60	-	-	60	60
Foreign Exchange Charges	150	-	-	150	200
Other Expenses	89	-	-	89	556
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	22,618	-	-	22,618	75,896
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	22,618	-	-	22,618	75,896
Net of receipts/(payments)	51,017	-	-	51,017	32,547
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	5,476	-	-	5,476	38,023
Cash funds this year end	56,493	-	-	56,493	5,476

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CAF Cash Account	7,906	-	-
	CAF Gold Account	48,587	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	56,493	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Michael James	2/20/2025	
		Katharine James	2/20/2025	



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name

Zambia and Malawi Community Partnership

On accounts for the year ended

2024

Charity no (if any)

1136225

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024.

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

The charity's gross income was between £25,000 and £250,000 and I am suitably capable of undertaking the examination of these accounts.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

D. McIntosh

30/08/2025

Date:

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Name:

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.