



The 2nd Annual report of Devon Centocow Link CIO

Registered Charity No 1183269

1st April 2020 – 31st March 2021

Name of Charity: **Devon Centocow Link**

It was registered as a charity on 7th May 2019

Devon Centocow Link (DCL) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose only voting members are its charity trustees ('Foundation' model constitution)

Number: Registered Charity No. **1183269**.

Main charity address:

4 Tuffery Court, Devon road, Exeter EX4 7BR

Trustees:

| | |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Jane B Habermehl, | Chair |
| Stephen P White, | Secretary |
| Diane L Bishop, | Treasurer |
| Esther Hannah, | Trustee / Signatory |
| Mark Richards. | Trustee (from November 2021) |

Bankers:

TSB, 22 The Strand, Exmouth, Devon EX8 1AG

Sort code: 30-93-15

Account no: 00995423

BIC: TSBSGB2AXXX



A sketch of Centocow Mission Church by Jane Habermehl made during her visit in October 2019.

Summary of Objects

The prevention or relief of poverty in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa and in particular but not exclusively in the Centocow area of KwaZulu-Natal by providing or assisting in the provision of education, training, healthcare projects and all the necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and be self-sufficient.

Chair's Report

There is a slight overlap in this year's narrative account as our last AGM was held in September last year.

With the continuation of the Covid Pandemic affecting everybody's lives last year was particularly challenging for our partners in KZN due to the rural poverty and lack of social benefits.

On the positive side we were delighted to hear that our funding bid for the Women's Leadership Training Programme was successful and the money received was utilised creatively to develop a successful training programme by Sibongile and her team despite there being many restrictions on meetings and workshops and erratic school closures and lock downs due to Covid. It was another year of being inspired by Sibongile's leadership skills and by the enthusiasm of the teenagers as they learnt new skills and became involved in the issues of maintaining water sources alongside their elders and tribal leaders. See the Annual report of the WLTP (Extracts are included in this Report)



During the year the pre-school teachers were still struggling with food poverty in their communities and the need for PPE equipment needed to keep the creches open. We were able to forward some money to help them with this, two donations coming to over £1275 in total were given by us to Creighton Sunflower Help Project in July and October for the distribution of food parcels and face masks which were made by the women of the Womens' shelter for the Pre-school teachers. Debbie Rowe of the Sunflower Project co-ordinated the effective distribution of food with the help of the municipal work force.



Donations have been growing over the last year with 4 regular monthly donors, money from Easy Giving and a charity collection from the Exmouth Quakers during November and December. An online appeal for extra funds and a trust fund application for money to provide First Aid equipment were unsuccessful but we had a surprise donation of £500 from the Just Trust .

We would like to formally thank Di Bishop for all her work as a Treasurer over the past few years. Recognising the demands of her new job she is handing over her role and we wish her well in her job and are pleased that she remains with us as a trustee.

We welcome Mark Richards as a new trustee and treasurer the post he will take up on his return to the UK next March.

We are optimistic about our development in learning from and supporting our partners over the coming year and hope that an end to some of the restrictions will see us contributing more to the Association in outreach in the UK.

A big thank you to all the trustees.



Chairperson



Quaker QPSW Relief Grant

In October we heard that we had been successful in securing a grant for WLTP from the UK Quaker QPSW Relief Grant

This enabled WLTP to run a programme of workshops with teenagers from Centocow and neighbouring rural areas starting in February 2021

This should have started in Jan 2021 but with the Lockdown restrictions in South Africa and the extended summer holiday there they had to wait for schools to reopen.

The original plans for residential workshops could not go ahead but WLTP's resourcefulness meant that they quickly changed to day workshops within the community



Quaker Peace
& Social Witness

Extracts from the Women's Leadership Training Programme (WLTP) Annual Report for 2020

Covid Training for Water Custodians

WLTP was very pleased to have played an important role in the response to Covid-19 in deep rural communities - forgotten communities really.

The work we have been able to do hasn't only equipped people properly for Covid-19 and the current crisis, it has also raised awareness regarding issues of hygiene, immunity, diet and other life style issues that are important for general health.

After training people in 2 workshops, participants took the training to their own communities and trained 5 households each.

The groups from Centocow and Hlokozi met in Ixopo for the COVID-19 Protocol workshop. Another workshop took place in Durban for the KwaMashu group.

The workshops used the Paulo Freire approach, a Code (small play) to generate the discussion about COVID-19.

This method proved to be highly enabling and kept the participants, young and older, engaged the whole day.

The workshops revealed:

Confusion about Covid-19 knowledge and the facts presented on radio and television.

The confusion and fear brought by social and other media in communicating about COVID-19.

The lack of translation of COVID-19 information into local languages.

No engagement with trusted COVID-19 reliable sources like the WHO.

No practical education and skills to prevent COVID-19 spreading in families and communities.

The lack of adherence of most community members to Protocols around funerals and social places in rural areas, where there was no proper policing.

The denial about the existence of COVID- 19 amongst participants.

The Lack of sanitisers, thermometers and masks in families.



Water Training, Testing and Education for Water Custodians

Girls and young women took it into their own hands to understand the state of their water at the present moment. This was done to deal with the water shortage during COVID-19 and beyond. It is common for girls to spend half of their time fetching water after school and during week-ends. This situation has worsened and the biggest worry is ***'What will we do when our water pipes go dry during the COVID-19 pandemic?'***



**Taking Food Parcels to the villages near Centocow
during the Covid Pandemic**



We are continuing to work with our 4 partner organisations;
FLP, ISCA, WLTP and Creighton Sunflower HELP
And are grateful for all their support and local knowledge that they
bring to us.

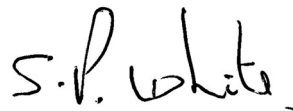
The Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and are satisfied that all of the charity's work is for the public benefit, both in Devon and in South Africa.

The Trustees of the Charity are legally responsible for the overall management and control of Devon Centocow Link (DCL) and meet regularly.

The trustees' report and accounts were approved by a meeting on 26th November 2021 and signed on their behalf by



Jane Habermehl
Chair



Stephen White
Secretary

Devon Centocow Link CIO

Reg. Charity No: 1183269

Accounts for the period

1st April 2019—31st March 2020

These Accounts have been prepared on a Payments and Receipts Basis

Devon Centocow Link
Receipts and payments accounts 2020 - 2021

| Receipts | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total | Last Year 2019-20 |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Donations | £ 1,446.00 | | £ 1,446.00 | £ 3,252.00 |
| Grant Funding | | £ 3,750.00 | £ 3,750.00 | £ 1,250.00 |
| Fund Raising | | | £ - | £ 81.00 |
| Other | | | £ - | £ 154.00 |
| TOTALS | £ 1,446.00 | £ 3,750.00 | £ 5,196.00 | £ 4,737.00 |

Payments

Grants

| | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| WLTP | 1 | £ 4.00 | £ 3,750.00 | £ 3,754.00 | £ 2,500.00 |
| FLP | | | | £ - | £ 795.00 |
| ISCA - Pre-Schools | | | | £ - | £ 1,508.00 |
| Creighton Sunflower HELP | 2 | £ 1,289.00 | | £ 1,289.00 | |
| Total Grants | | £ 1,293.00 | £ 3,750.00 | £ 5,043.00 | £ 4,803.00 |

Admin

| | | | | | |
|----------------------|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Banking/transfer fee | | £ 52.00 | | £ 52.00 | £ 61.00 |
| Insurance | | £ 166.00 | | £ 166.00 | £ 166.00 |
| Publicity | | £ - | | £ - | £ 210.00 |
| Total Admin | | £ 218.00 | £ - | £ 218.00 | £ 437.00 |
| TOTALS | | £ 1,511.00 | £ 3,750.00 | £ 5,261.00 | £ 5,240.00 |

Net of Receipts / (Payments)

| | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--|-----------------|------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | | -£ 65.00 | £ - | -£ 65.00 | -£ 503.00 |
| Cash Funds at last year end 2020 | | £ 802.00 | £ - | £ 802.00 | |
| Cash Funds at this year end 2021 | | £ 737.00 | £ - | £ 737.00 | |

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st March 2021

| | Unrestricted | Restricted | Total Funds |
|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Cash Funds | | | |
| Cash at Bank | £ 737.00 | | £ 737.00 |

Notes to Accounts

- 1 Quaker Grant
- 2 Grants for Covid Relief Food Parcels



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's
report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Devon Centocow Link

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1183269

Set out on pages

(Remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Anthony Cordon

Date:

21 Sep 21

Name:

Anthony Cordon

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

MIAB (Ret'd)

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Section B Disclosure

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



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