

# **ACTION in AFRICA**



## **ANNUAL REPORT For the year ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2014**

Action in Africa is a registered charity No 1072661 and is constituted under Articles of Association. Its registered address is 6, Crofton, Woodfield Lane, Ashted KT21 2BH.

During the year the charity's trustees were

Mr Peter Exworthy	Chairman
Mr Raymond Quinlan	Treasurer
Mr Michael Agius	
Mr Andy Dutton	
Mr John Earl	
Mr Alan Kelly	
Mr Bill Moonie	

Alan Kelly and Ray Quinlan have both decided it is time to stand down after many years of valuable work with us. Both are sincerely thanked for their notable contributions.

### **OBJECTS**

The objects of the charity are the relief of poverty, sickness and distress in Africa and in particular in the Nyaishozi and Mtandika areas of Tanzania and the advancement of education. The beneficiaries are all the people of the area irrespective of race, religion or gender.

### **EDUCATION**

Our education policy in Nyaishozi directs us to use the majority of our available funding to support poor students' education costs. Therefore we have used our allocated budget to support the education costs of 39 secondary school students. We also pay the salaries of the teachers of the Kindergarten, which has some 40 students.

However the schools and students we strive to support in Nyaishozi desperately need our help with small capital projects such as: -

- Provision of dormitories particularly for female students;
- Portable solar powered lights
- Books and equipment for the secondary schools.

Therefore we continue to seek funding help from external sources.

## **HEALTH**

Even though the number of patients has increased over the last year we have still been able to subsidise each of the patients attending the St Michael's Dispensary. Through the subsidy from AiA the dispensary is able to remain open and to provide healthcare to the people. The number helped is in the region of 2,600 of whom over 1,000 were children under 5.

We have also been able fund the very poor and needy so they receive free medical aid and medication. This fund has helped 650 people of whom 350 were children under 5.

Malnutrition is still a major problem and we have continued our funding of the Emergency Food Supply. Food is distributed by the dispensary staff as malnutrition is often the major contributing factor in their health problems. The fund has helped feed 160 families.

During this year we have spent £4,000. These funds are far from what is needed and the amount of good we could do is only restricted by our lack of additional funds.

## **Mtandika EDUCATION**

At Mtandika we continue to educate some 30 secondary school students and 10 girls at the Trade School with the support of monthly Gift Aided donations.

## **HEALTHCARE**

A further donation of £12,000 from The Ashla Trust, set up by long term benefactors of the Mtandika Trade School, has enabled work to be completed on the new nurses home adjacent to the hospital in Mtandika.

## **MTANDIKA TRADE SCHOOL**

The main construction emphasis this year has been in the building of a new accommodation block for teachers at the Trade School.

Financial support continues to be given to the general running of the Trade School where some 30 girls are given a three year course in tailoring, resulting in obtaining a nationally recognized Vocational Diploma. In addition the girls are taught general life skills, such as the growing of crops and preparation of food.

## **VISITS**

No visits to either Nyaishozi or to Mtandika have been made this year.

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR TO 5 APRIL 2014

RECEIPTS	Fundraising (see Note)	£12,214.60
	Donations	£37,497.62
	Gift Aid	2,733.98
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£52,446.20</b>
COSTS	Administration (Tanzania)	£1,750.00
	Cash transfer costs	70.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,820.00</b>
NETT INCOME		<b><u>£50,626.20</u></b>
PAYMENTS TO BENEFICIARIES		
	EDUCATION	£29,481.59
	HEALTH	£6,002.35
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>£35,483.94</u></b>
Excess of receipts over payments for the year		£15,142.26
Funds at 5 April 2013		8 816.94
Funds at 5 April 2014		<b><u>£23,959.20</u></b>
Note to Accounts for the year to 5 April 2014		
Fundraising		
	Golf	£7,421.00
	Music Hall 2014	£1,689.32
	Marathon	£998.28
	Bridge	£541.00
	Quiz	£1,501.00
	Brandenberg Concert	£91.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£12,214.60</b>
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