



Water for Kids

Water for Kids Annual Report 2010-2011

Overview

2010-2011 was a year of consolidation for Water for Kids (WfK): a year which saw the growing realisation of the importance of embedding hygiene education and other sanitation practices into the field work and policies of the charity. This is not to say that there was no new field work. The planned programmes in Kenya, Uganda and Zambia continued apace whilst projects in Rwanda and Sierra Leone came to successful conclusions. Please see below for further details.

In this Annual Report I want to celebrate those individuals on the ground where WfK has supported projects. Thus I would recognise and applaud Muzamiru Bidondole, (Uganda), Greenford Sikazwe (Zambia), Helen Perry and Amans Ntakarutimana (Rwanda), Tom Jackson (Kenya) and Richard Hall, Eric Moosa and Delia Kay (Sierra Leone).

The trustees would also like to acknowledge the work, support and vision of its President, Roy Emerson, who sadly passed away this year. A project in Ndhimba, Kenya has been dedicated to his memory.

In addition I must also thank but say “farewell” to two trustees. The first is one of the charities longest serving ones, Barrie Whitehead. Barrie has been a powerful presence within WfK for more years than I care to remember. I have worked with him in Peru, Tanzania and Uganda. And I know of the sterling work he has undertaken in Zambia and Kenya (where he was the charities lead trustee) The trustees will sorely miss him. The work of the charity and its outcomes would have been much diminished without Barrie’s significant contributions. Pauline Wilkinson will also be leaving WfK. In her short time as a co-opted trustee she has challenged the strategic ways in which the charity has been run and offered much sage advice for improvements. We thank both Pauline and Barrie and wish them well.



The water harvesting project at Minya School in the Ndhiwa District dedicated to Roy.

Projects

In 2010-2011 WfK was active, via its partnering organisations, in six African countries: Kenya, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia. In many cases the interventions were made directly utilising the skills and knowledge of local Environmental Health Professionals. In others by funding the activities of charities and agencies that the trustees of WfK have accredited. In every case, whilst the provision of safe drinking water for children and their communities was paramount, trustees also sought associated sanitation and hand-washing facilities as well as health education advice and training.

Kenya

WfK was active at a number of sites in Kenya. All the work was done in partnership with the Kenya Acorn Project www.kenyaacornproject.org and ably lead by Tom Jackson. Rain-water catchment schemes and a replaced hand-pump at Ndhiwa provided hand-washing facilities in six local primary schools. These serve three thousand six hundred pupils. Similar works were started in communities in Rangenya and Minya. In the latter a problem had been discovered in a bore-hole. This is receiving attention and should be operating shortly.

Following the sad loss of Roy Emerson, WfK's distinguished President, and with the blessing of his wife, Dorothy, the project at Ndhimba was dedicated to his memory. Many young Kenyans will benefit from Roy's vision for WfK.

Rwanda

In Rwanda WfK worked with another charity, Help a Rwandan Person (www.harpcharity.co.uk) and Amans Ntakarutimana of the Kigali Health Institute to introduce a water supply to the Karongi Primary School. This meant its four hundred students had no further need to bring a day's water with them as they trekked to the school. The project also saw the construction of six latrines to replace the unsafe and inadequate existing two. Most importantly, the parents of the pupils were involved in the planning and implementation of ten new hand-washing facilities.



Amans Ntakarutimana (left) and Helen Perry of Help a Rwandan Person

Sierra Leone

2010-2011 saw the completion of two projects part-funded by WfK. The first was Yiffin in the remote north of Sierra Leone. WfK worked with an Italian NGO, Caritas www.caritas.org, and the Makeni Trust Fund www.makenitrustfund.org.uk. This allowed for the repair and re-connection of water pipes, broken in the civil war, that fed this otherwise isolated town. The pipes were then extended to provide safe drinking water to the whole of a new secondary school.



Water tank in Bo market



Enjoying Clean Water in Yiffin

In a second project the market place of Bo, the nation's second city, was first provided with a water hydrant and then with a water tower. This feeds stand-pipes which allow local traders to work for up to a ten hour day.

Previously the only water came from either wells in poor condition or from a bowser that ran a fourteen mile round trip to a safe supply. Frequently the many children of these traders would have spent the same gruelling time with their parents without the benefits of a drink. In this case the funding for the project came from WfK and another charity, One World Link <http://www.kenyaacornproject.org> together with Leamington Spa and Kenilworth Rotary Clubs. Richard Hall, of Warwick DC led on much of this project whilst action on the ground in Bo was achieved by a local EHO, Eric Moosa. Eric has previously visited the U.K. as a Commonwealth Fellow.

Tanzania

WfK has begun to work with the charity Tanzania Rural Revival www.tanzaniaruralrevival.com. The project is to dig a bore-hole at Mkwamba Secondary School. Currently, there is currently no water here at all. The pupils, who are all girls, frequently walk up to three kilometres to the nearest source to provide water not only for drinking but hand-washing and flushing. As the local area is infected with typhoid and bilharzia the importance of water and health education cannot be underestimated.



Greenford Sikazwe (Zambia)



Some Water tanks installed (Tanzania)

Uganda

Much of WfK's work this year in Uganda continued to centre on the township of Iganga and its surrounding villages. Mizamiru Bidondole, who is not only the township's Senior Environmental Health Assistant but also WfK's trusted representative, led the work on our behalf. This has included the protection of 4 new water sources serving rural villages and the repair of 4 boreholes serving many people and large schools. In addition, during the group visit to Iganga in July, money was spent on important work at the Operating Theatre in Iganga District Hospital, to ensure the staff at this important and busy facility had adequate supplies of clean water at all times.



Kikeyi water source before protection



Mizamiru Bidondole

Following the advice of Trustees the provision of clean water throughout the district was developed to ensure improved sanitation in the villages having the clean water we have funded. This has included the provision of sanplats and cement to households who have dug the pit for a latrine. Following this they are expected to complete the building of the structure providing the walls, roof, and doors. This has been very successful in most villages and WfK will be expanding this work in the future.

Some funding came from the Glanford and Lindsey Lions Club. This has enabled work to take place at Kikeyi village where a muddy, contaminated pond used to be the village's only water supply. Furthermore access to the pond was dangerous to children with its steep banks giving rise to many potential accidents. The tried and tested method of creating a brick dam together with a covered rock-filled reservoir has ensured that there is flowing, clean spring water. This is important for without this drainage there would be the dangers of stagnation, mosquito contamination and malaria. As a consequence villagers have noticed better attendance at local schools with children suffering fewer stomach upsets and being more attentive as they bare not walking long distances to fetch drinking water.

Zambia

WfK was active in two distinct projects in Zambia. The first was in Chipapa which is a large rural area some thirty kilometres south of the nation's capital, Lusaka. Thanks to a partnership with the Zambian Institute of Environmental Health over three thousand people in Chipapa now benefit from safe drinking water from stand-pipes positioned close to their homes. In 2009 sanitary facilities (a W.C., shower and wash basin) were provided to the local clinic. With this help the number of mothers using the clinic in 2010-2011 to give safe birth has risen dramatically; from two or three per week to the same number per day! More recently the successful provision of local water by WfK has led another charity to build a much needed new class-room block.

Furthermore, the partnership has come to understand more of the local weather conditions. In the rainy season, for instance, the latrines used by the Zambians in rural areas often do not survive. And this is the time when the spread of water-borne disease is at its highest. Thus WfK has assisted in the local production of sustainable concrete based latrines called san-plats. Sixty households have so far built new latrines using these san-plats with another hundred planned.

Another two protected wells are about to be constructed in the same region in the remote villages of Mpande and Kayula. This should help safeguard some hundred and fifty plus families with more than seven hundred children.

An evaluation of WfK's work in Chipapa was carried out by Edgar Mulwanda as his dissertation for his degree in Environmental Health at the University of Zambia. He assessed his findings in terms of the Millennium Development Goals. More can be found at www.waterforkids.org.uk/pdfs/chipapa2011.pdf

In another part of Zambia, Chongwe, and this time still with partners ZIEH but also together with a charity, Village Water www.villagewater.org two more protected wells have been established. This time the project involved hygiene education which led to each house-hold building a latrine, dish-rack and refuse pit. All these contribute to the prevention of the spread of disease.



Tom Jackson

To this end all the Zambian projects are supported by local Environmental Health Technicians who continue to deliver health education.

Partners

None of the above work could have been achieved without the endless good-will and commitment of our partners in the field. Because of the length and loyalty of their service some of these have become our trusted friends as well. These would include Musamiru Bidondole in Uganda, Greenford Sikazwe in Zambia. However, in 2010-2011 the trustees would also like to acknowledge the help of Muriel Armstrong and Tom Jackson in Kenya, Richard Hall and Delia Kay for their work in Sierra Leone and Helen Perry in Rwanda.

Corporate Members

Once again the trustees would like to thank our corporate members for their continuing support in the year. Further details of these can be found by following them from our web-site. They are: the Association of London Environmental Health Managers, Civica Software Systems, Craggan Outdoors, Disccday Ltd, Enviroflow, Kew Environment and Training Consultancy, the Killgerm Group, the Long Mountain Gallery of Ireland, Machin and Toplass, Nevis Computers, the Red Cat Partnership, Reds Building Services Consultants and Transparency Data Services.

The trustees gratefully recognise the support these have given either by donating their services or by contributing to our fund-raising.

Fund Raising

Once more, WfK was only able to undertake its work thanks to the generosity and continuing efforts of its fund raisers. Notable contributions in 2010-2011 include:

JUSACA Charitable Trust	£5,000
St Antony's Church	£1,536
TN Franklin	£3,830
Glandford & Lindsey Lions Club	£1,300
Victoria Newsum	£1,255
Killgerm Dinner	£860
JD Walken	£685
Civica UK Ltd	£600
GL and M Ogden	£1,100
Project 55	£600
Soroptimist International of Preston	£500

The main fundraising events in this year were the Manchester 10k Run, the Civica User Group fund raising event and the Killgerm Dinner. Further details of WfK's income may be found in the approved 2010-2011 Accounts which are shown below. It is worth noting that Gift Aid for the years 2006-2009 were claimed and received in this year.

Governance

The trustees have met on three occasions following the Annual General Meeting in 2010. There have also been three teleconferences. Some important points of principle have been embraced and put into practice during the year. For example, the need for a better understanding of the outcomes of WfK's interventions will be met as projects in Uganda and Zambia are evaluated and the findings published. In addition, trustees have accepted that in order to ensure the sustainability of the charities work then local communities need to be consulted and their wishes recognised in the course of any project development. The need to evaluate any interventions in terms of the people assisted is emerging and will need to be researched in the future.

The trustees have also recognised the growing volume of work before them and agreed to work together in a series of sub-groups. The Field Group, in particular, have produced a Policy designed to ensure consistency in creating interventions implementing works in a range of settings.

This year's AGM will take place in Leicestershire on 21 October, 2011. Two trustees, as required by the constitution, will step down and be eligible for re-election if they should wish. These are Sara Emanuel and Barrie Whitehead this year.

The Year Ahead

WfK plans to have another full year of activity in 2011-2012.

In Kenya WfK is awaiting clarification from a potential new partner for further rain-water harvesting measures.

A further application for works in Bo, the second city of Sierra Leone, is anticipated.

In Uganda there will be work to create latrines in Bugabwe, Naitandu, Obra and Bikhado with new water sources planned for Bulumwaki and Nawaningi. Most importantly WfK will be helping to fund a water source at refugee camp in eastern Uganda with a new partner. **A Field Trip to Uganda is planned for June 2012. Interested participants should contact Peter Minhinnett via the web-site.**

In Zambia it is proposed to appoint an incoming Project Manager who will lead the continuing works at Chipapa (Phase 3), Fumbelo and Madimba. A Phase 2 application to develop the Chongwe project is also anticipated.

The trustees are also committing themselves to a review of their existing administrative, communication and planning processes in order to streamline the work and effectiveness of the charity.

Water for Kids

Our Mission: to preserve and protect the good health of children and communities in the developing world by assisting in the provision of safe drinking water, good sanitation and other public health related measures.

Trustees in 2010-2011

Stephen Young (Co-opted Trustee and Chairman)
Natasha Franklin (Founding Trustee)
Jason Cox (Treasurer and Trustee)
Sara Emanuel (Secretary and Trustee)
Peter Minhinnett (Trustee)
Greg Warwick (Trustee)
Barrie Whitehead (Trustee)
Pauline Wilkinson (Co-opted Trustee)

The trustees were ably assisted once again by the charities Administrator, Carey Minhinnett.

How to participate

You might like to become a member of WfK or sign up to our e-newsletter, Newsplash. Please check our web-site www.waterforkids.org.uk for more details of our projects and how you can help.

Stephen Young
Chairman of Trustees, Water for Kids



Water for Kids Audited Accounts 2010/2011

Income and Expenditure for the period
April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011

Annual Income	2009/10	2010/11
Donations (1)	45,721.75	46,091.00
Gift Aid (2)	-	9,382.44
Membership Fees	1,550.00	2,290.19
Interest (3)	174.82	75.14
Fundraising Events (4)	1,274.56	4,268.26
Goods (5)	748.43	250.00
Christmas Card Amnesty	685.10	45.00
Total Income	<u>50,154.66</u>	<u>62,402.03</u>
Annual Expenditure		
Zambia Project(s) (6)	31,244.25	8,132.00
Uganda Project(s) (7)	10,000.00	25,070.00
Tanzania (8)	-	6,000.00
Rwanda (9)	-	1,000.00
Sierra Leone (10)	4,000.00	7,604.00
Kenya (11)	3,300.00	10,175.09
Fundraising Costs (12)	3,262.09	3,055.48
Administration Fees (13)	3,191.50	4,059.00
Website (14)	115.00	130.06
Meeting Costs (15)	989.76	1,024.28
Insurance (16)	436.31	472.88
Administration Expenses (17)	653.92	607.18
Organisation Subscriptions (18)	174.00	174.00
Fundraising Charge (19)	208.11	194.58
Bank Charges (20)	69.00	44.50
Total Expenditure	<u>57,643.94</u>	<u>67,743.05</u>
<u>Excess of Income over Expenditure</u>	<u>-7,489.28</u>	<u>-5,341.02</u>

Bank Balances as at March 31, 2011

Co-operative Current Account	8,271.66	
Co-operative Deposit Account	1,335.24	9,606.90
CAF Gold Account	<u>22,288.42</u>	
CAF Cash Account	9,134.46	31,422.88
Total Funds Available	<u>41,029.78</u>	

Treasurers Report

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The Charity started the year with total funds of £46,370, and closed the year with total funds of approximately £41,030, a decrease of just over £5,000.

Donations for the year came to just under £46,100. With some of the larger amounts coming from the following people and organisations:

- JUSACA Charitable Trust
- an anonymous charitable trust
- St Anthony's Church
- Natasha Franklin – various fundraising events including 10K & Beech Rd Festival and Christmas Sale, Asda bag packing
- Glanford & Lindsey Lions
- Victoria Newsum's - bike ride sponsorship/donations
- Killgerm Pest Control News Dinner & Donation
- JD Walkden - Donation in lieu of wedding gifts
- Civica UK Ltd
- Mr GL & Mrs M Ogden
- Project 55 donation from musical event
- Soroptimist International of Preston

The Charity managed to re-coup over £9,000 of Gift Aid from the HMRC for the years 2006-09.

A significant amount was also raised at an event held in the memory of Roy Emerson, the Charity's President, who sadly passed away in December 2010.

Of the total expenditure of the Charity, £67,743, over 86% of that was spent directly on projects. Of the funds not spent directly on projects the largest amount was spent on fundraising costs which included the registration of runners for the Manchester 10K run, membership pack materials, t-shirts and caps. A few t-shirts are donated to people who raise significant funds for the charity by undertaking fundraising events – this also raises the profile of the charity.

Of the £41,030 the Charity had at the year end £19,000 has already been or is in the process of being spent on a variety of projects in Rwanda, Uganda, and Zambia. There are also currently in the pipeline applications from Kenya and Sierra Leone.