

Highland Malawi Trust

Minute of meeting at 9 Lochardil Place, Inverness, ~~Wednesday~~^{SATURDAY} 6th June 2015

1. Present – Reay Macgill (Trustee) Chrisanne Macleod (Trustee), Douglas Morrison (Trustee), Brian Macgill (Trustee).
2. Previous minute of 4th February 2015, noted and approved.
3. Matters arising were that there had been no action taken with respect to the nursery building at Thandazga Junior School and the Borehole Project.
4. Bank Account – statement balance is £6,307 but after taking account of outstanding payments with respect to recent shipments of banana boxes a working balance of £5,575.
5. Updates from Malawi
 - a. An email had been received from Mr Lupia with a quote for delivery of boxes and also that more photographs were on their way to Inverness via the Raven Trust.
 - b. An email had been sent to and a reply received from Mr Mpomda at the Mzuzu Water Board expressing sincere apologies for the delays but assuring progress and a new estimated completion of July 2015. This feedback had been relayed to the Edinburgh group supporting HMT and with a keen interest in this project.
 - c. Regular batches of banana boxes being shipped from Inverness. From January until May this year 143 boxes had been shipped.
6. Presentations and Fundraising
 - a. A Strawberry Tea is planned for 27th June at Chrisanne's house.. Arrangements are proceeding well.
 - b. A presentation in the Gaelic School will raise awareness of the work of the trust.
 - c. A stall is being run at the Dalneigh Primary School fête later this month. The possibility of utilising the HMT website game was also suggested.
 - d. A Hunger Lunch was suggested for September with new photos from Malawi.
 - e. A coffee morning is planned for November 2015 probably 7th (or even 28th).
7. Trust Website and web activity
 - a. New photos will be added once available to bring supported activity up-to-date.
 - b. The Facebook events page is proving a useful channel for raising interest.
8. Letters: A letter of thanks has been sent to Hobbycraft (Inverness) for their support and adopting HMT as their 'local' charity. A number of individual donors have been thanked for their generosity and support.
9. Date of next meeting will be held on Thursday 24th September at 7.30pm

Signed:

R Macgill

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CA Macleod