



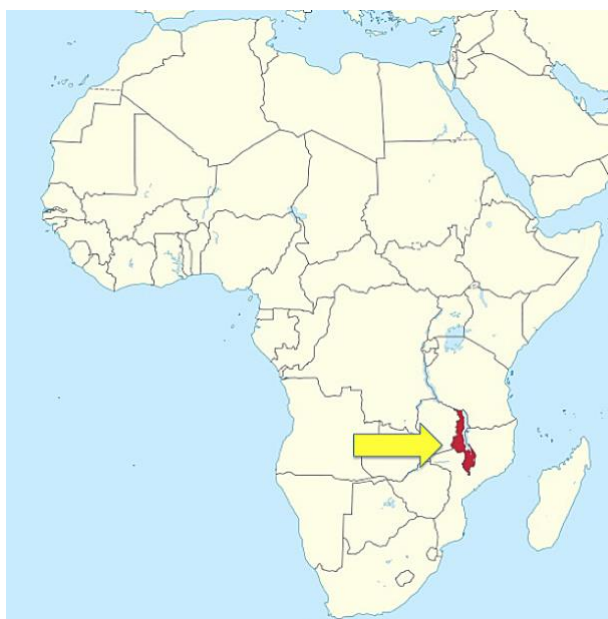
Bulletin 3

Occasional news and snippets for participants, leaders, and supporters of Project Africa 2024

July 2023

Malawi

Following months of research, including contact with many international charities and Scouting connections, the decision has been taken that Malawi is the country of choice for the next phase of Project Africa.



Malawi is rated the 8th safest country in sub-Saharan Africa (Global Peace Index) which compares to Uganda being 28th in the same table. Malawi means 'fire flames'. The country takes its name from the reflection of the rising sun on the waters of the vast Lake Malawi.

The Republic of Malawi has an approximate population of 20 million people. The country is famed as the 'warm heart of Africa' for good reason: Malawi is known for its happy people, beautiful landscapes, and rich culture.

Malawi stretches about 520 miles (840 km) from north to south and varies in width from 5 to 100 miles (10 to 160 km). Lake Malawi covers a fifth of the country.

Malawi continued

Projects in Malawi will be very similar to those completed in the three previous visits to Uganda. The projects will take place in villages approximately 30–40 minutes from the second city of Blantyre. The in-country partner supporting projects is [Joshua Orphan & Community Care \('Joshua'\)](#). We are also exploring a partnership with the Malawi Scout Association at their national campsite near the town of Zomba.



'Joshua'

Joshua is a British charity working in the Blantyre area of Malawi. Established in 1998, the charity believes 'in giving children the best possible start in life through Early Child Development work'.

Rest and recreation in Malawi

Now we have a destination we are researching the rest and recreation activities which are likely to include: a safari; local hikes; local games and sports; as well as cultural activities.



Next steps

Final checks by Core Team (recce to be held July/August; participant/leader numbers; flight costs to be confirmed August);

Pay deposit by 21 July to confirm place;

Please register on OSM;

First training weekend (15–17 September, Rushall Farm near Bradfield);

Fundraising (for project and personal costs);

Launch join-in programme;

Keep in touch with monthly *Bulletins*, Facebook pages, web page, OSM, and briefings/webinars.

Join-in programme

This new adventure will provide lots of opportunities for join-in activities, eg: the Berkshire Scouts Join-in Badge and the Project Africa Challenge Badge. Plans are also being finalised to include sections in getting engaged with fundraising to support the local communities we'll be working with.

Young people supporting young people!

Stage payments

A deposit of £450 is required by 21 July 2023 to confirm a place for Project Africa 2024. The full payment schedule is:

Deposit: £450 – 21 July 2023

Stage 2: £600 – 30 September

Stage 3: £600 – 30 November

Stage 4: £600 – 30 January 2024

Stage 5: £600 – 30 March

Balance: £900 – 30 May

An invoice will be sent direct to participants and leaders for each stage payment above. The invoice will include payment method, eg: bank transfer details.



Joshua 
Assisting Orphans & their Communities in Malawi

Useful links

[Project Africa 2024 web page](#)

[Project Africa 2024 Facebook page \(public\)](#)

[Project Africa 2024 Facebook page \(group\)](#)

[Project Africa Programme Facebook page](#)

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