

Bulletin 4

Occasional news and snippets for participants, leaders, and supporters of Malawi 2024

August 2023

Malawi recce

Four members of the Malawi 2024 (Project Africa) team spent a busy week in Malawi in preparation for the main visit in the summer of 2024.

The first half of the recce was spent with our partners 'Joshua in Malawi' looking at project sites. The second half of the recce was looking at rest and recreation opportunities with support from 'Orbis'.

Bulletin 4 provides a brief overview of the adventure which lies ahead.



above – local pre-school children that will benefit from the new community building.



above – camping area at Project Site 1 (Milo, near Blantyre). This will be the main base and operational centre for Malawi 2024.

The main task at Project Site 1 (Milo) is to build a new community centre which will be used by pre-school children during the day and provide a much needed multi-purpose space for the local community.



above – this building (built by 'Joshua') will be replicated at Project Site 1 (Milo). The building contains two spacious rooms and a store.

Other work at Project Site 1 will be refurbishing an existing small building and kitchen as well as replacing a toilet block damaged in the recent cyclone. Project Site 1 provides a variety of work to keep Berkshire Scouts well occupied!

Project Site 2 is at the village of Kausiwa (a 30 minute walk from Project Site 1).



above – Berkshire Scouts will be refurbishing this existing community centre at Kausiwa.

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A third project at the nearby village of Manyowe is under consideration. This project is to replace an existing toilet block.

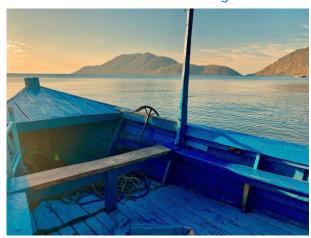


Rest and recreation

It's not all work and no play! Approximately one third of the time in Malawi will be to explore the country. The plan is to include a safari, a visit to Lake Malawi, as well as cultural activities.



above – the safari will include an evening boat safari as well as an early morning game drive with accommodation in lodges.



above – a sunset boat trip on Lake Malawi will be a special way to relax and recuperate.



above – getting to know the culture of Malawi will be an important part of the programme.

JustGiving page

Berkshire Scouts has set up a JustGiving page to help fund all the central projects. If you have friends and other contacts that might be willing to contribute to the projects, please share the following link:

www.justgiving.com/campaign/projectafrica2024

Reminders!

Training camp -15-17 September 2023 (details to be circulated via OSM).

Next stage payment – £600 An invoice will be sent to all participants (payable by 30 September)



Useful links

Malawi 2024 web page

Malawi 2024 Facebook page (public)

Malawi 2024 Facebook page (group)

Project Africa Facebook page

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