



Bulletin 17

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

December 2024 – project update

Project update

Project Africa is a long-term project and much happens between visits to Africa.

Bulletin 17 explains our continuing work building on the strong legacy from the successful visit to Malawi in the summer of 2024.

The continuing programme is managed by the **Project Africa Team**.

Funding for second building

Our fundraising efforts from *Malawi 2024* have given us the opportunity to fund a second building project.

We will therefore be supporting [Joshua](#) with a second classroom (an extension to an existing building) at one of their other community care centres at Solomoni, near to Blantyre airport. Work is due to commence imminently.

The photograph below is the community care centre at Milo (partly built and fully funded by Berkshire Scouts during the summer of 2024).



The building above is the community care centre at Solomoni. Berkshire Scouts are funding the building of an extension (second classroom).

New bore hole at Milo

As we saw during our visit, having a reliable source of water can be a real challenge.



We are pleased to be supporting the Milo community by funding an additional bore hole.



Scouting in Milo going strong

We are pleased to report that 50 young people now regularly turn up to meetings of the new Scout Group launched during our visit. It is fantastic to see that the equipment donated by Berkshire Scouts is in regular use. We remain in regular contact with the Malawi Scout leaders who frequently express their appreciation for our ongoing support!



The recent [Milo Scout Group weekend camp](#) (with 30 tents and equipment donated by Berkshire Scouts in the background).

Bringing Malawi Scouts to WINGS

WINGS (Windsor International Guide & Scout Camp) takes place in 2026. We have set ourselves the challenge to support a number of Scouts from Malawi to attend the event. Let us know if you'd like to be involved.

100 scarves



It is not always possible for Scouts in Malawi to obtain Scout scarves. Berkshire Scouts have designed this special scarf and 100 are being sent to Malawi as a Christmas gift.

New JustGiving campaign

The Malawi 2024 JustGiving page has been closed with the final total reaching **£34,170** (including gift aid and offline donations) – thanks for all your support.

A new **Project Africa** campaign page has been launched and the funding is to support:

- local community projects between visits;
- developing Scouting in our project areas;
- to help meet the costs for a small group of Malawi Scouts to attend WINGS 2026.

www.justgiving.com/campaign/projectafrica

Video links

[Malawi 2024 video](#)

[Video message from Malawi Scouts](#)

[Video message from Joshua](#)



Useful links

[Malawi 2024 web page](#)

[Malawi 2024 Facebook page \(public\)](#)

[Malawi 2024 Facebook page \(group\)](#)

[Project Africa Facebook page](#)

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