



Annual Report

To 31st March 2020

LCP Trustees

The work of Luwero Community Projects Ltd continues to be overseen by five trustees from a wide variety of backgrounds, church denominations, professions and parts of the UK and Europe. All serve as trustees on a voluntary basis setting policy, dealing with governance and oversight decisions. A smaller executive group drawn from the Trustees meets periodically addressing routine issues. In Uganda a separate governance group, 'Luwero Community Ministries' (LCM) continues to oversee the work locally.

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The year ending March 2020 was another busy year as the work continued to grow and develop.

UK Activities

Funds continue to be generously donated by individuals, churches, para-church groups, schools and others through regular giving, single donations, corporate giving, sponsorship, trusts, calendar sales and proceeds from special events arranged by supporters. Gift Aid is reclaimed wherever possible. During the year income fell by approximately 9% to £116,351 whilst expenditure increased by slightly less than 15% to £113,980. The Board continues to be indebted to those who faithfully support the project both prayerfully and practically.

Items financed during the year included child and staff sponsorships £33,456; bursary fund £864; boys and girls new secondary school dormitories £60,000; vocational college £1,000; youth camp £7,750 and other amounts for items such as Christmas gifts for sponsored children £1,030; Gabriel and Deborah's personal support £3,000; Gabriel's UK visit £2,589; lightning conductors £708. Funds received allowed both capital and current expenditure in connection with the project.

Luwero's child sponsorship scheme continues to support 110 children at the primary and secondary schools, ten of whom are sponsored by friends from Germany. Sponsors receive school reports of their sponsored child each term and an updated photograph each year. A

bursary scheme has been introduced to assist the funding of pupils during times of financial hardship often brought about by poor harvests or family circumstances. At present 6 children are covered by the scheme. Occasionally due to relocation or changes in a sponsored child's personal circumstances at Luwero it is necessary to allocate new children to sponsors.

A sister organisation, Christliches Kinderhilfswerk Luwero, in Germany, is now fully operational and has assumed responsibility for their own sponsored children. Regular close liaison is maintained with our German friends on matters regarding policy and practice. Some German supporters visited the project in Luwero during the year.

Regular contact between Gabriel and the Board is maintained. During the year two Board members visited the project. In addition nearly 40 UK visitors spent time at Luwero. One group comprised a former head teacher, former pupils and some parents from an East Kilbride secondary school. The team included a dentist who was able to attend to the dental needs of children at the school and people living in the area around Kiryanyonza. Board members maintain regular contact with those visiting Luwero or who spend time working there, thus providing independent reports of the work. All those visiting the project do so entirely at their own expense.

Other UK activities during the year included the ongoing publication of our bi-monthly Luwero Newsletter, supporting the translation from English into Luganda of a book entitled 'Knowing and Doing' by John McQuoid, pastoral and practical support for the project, the promotion of 2020 calendars and assisting Gabriel's 5-year visa renewal application.

Gabriel had two UK visits during the year. The first was a 2-week visit in June when he spent part of his time with a church in Irchester celebrating its 150th Anniversary. The second was a 9-week visit in the autumn during which approximately 100 meetings were held with groups of supporters across the UK including Northern Ireland. One feature of his visit was a concert at which his CD, Gabriel's favourite hymns, was launched. Prior to his autumn visit Gabriel spent three weeks in Germany.

Luwero Activities

Gabriel continues to actively lead the project. He, his wife Deborah, and their daughter enjoy good health. Gabriel is supported by a team of up to 50 staff and volunteers at Luwero.

Approximately 400 children, including pre-schoolers, attend the primary school. Pupil numbers are restricted largely due to the poor harvests which make it difficult for parents to pay school fees. The school has 17 members of staff. Good results were obtained by all P7 pupils presented for national exams at the end of the school year. Luwero's secondary school has approximately 200 pupils across S1 to S6 classes with 18 members of staff. Approximately 150 pupils at the primary and 60 secondary school pupils are boarders and live on site. Construction of male and female dormitory blocks for the secondary school continues. Completion of the new vocational training centre was achieved during the year.

The church continues to see growth both numerically and spiritually. Gabriel continues in his role as chairman of a 700+ strong group forming the Luwero Pastors' Fellowship. He is also chair of the Luwero private schools association.

The clinic continues to facilitate HIV/Aids and pregnancy testing, treatment for malaria and typhoid, 1st aid and other ailments, outpatient and short-term admissions. Nurse Rose continues to oversee the work. A doctor visits the clinic periodically.

Crops harvested from the farm include maize, coffee, bananas and pineapples which are used to feed the children. Surpluses are sold in the market. The project suffered from poor harvests of the crops during the year. Rearing livestock including pigs, cows, goats and chickens also contributes to the feeding programme. The intention to purchase 100-200 acres of ground for farming purposes continues to be a key objective. Two new boreholes were drilled supplementing the one remaining well at the project. Luwero now has an excellent supply of water which can support the high numbers (often around 1,000 people) regularly on site.

The 9th annual 5-day Pastor & Church Leader's conference was held in May 2019 attended by approximately 750 delegates from Kenya & Rwanda as well as Uganda. The main theme was God's Covenants. Additionally modules for the International Christian College, Uganda (ICCU) ran in parallel with the conference.

At the same time as the conference, a 5th annual 5-day Children's Club, attended by approximately 800 children and facilitated by volunteers from Scotland and Uganda, was held. The 13th annual 5-day Youth Camp for 14-35 year olds took place in September 2019 with approximately 800 young people attending. The theme was, 'Lord enlarge my borders' and included an in-depth study of the Book of Joshua. Both the conference and youth camp were supported by speakers from Scotland. Bibles for both events were supplied for delegates not already having their own copies.

A global pandemic, coronavirus, was declared on 12th March 2020 by the World Health Organisation. The Trustees will monitor and address the impact of coronavirus upon the work at Luwero both in the UK and Uganda as events develop.

Financial Statement for the period ending 31st March 2020

Accounts have been independently examined for the financial year. Copies of the accounts are available upon request. Reports and accounts have also been submitted in compliance with OSCR and HMRC requirements.

It is important to note that the high balance of funds held at the end of the year is due to funds being reserved for specific purposes such as the purchase of additional land for the farm, sponsorship fees and the development of the Bible College, etc. The balance held at the year-end totalling £254,996 includes restricted funds of £23,696 and designated funds of £179,562.

Income and Expenditure

	2020	2019
Income	116,351	127,765
Expenditure	113,980	99,166
Net (deficit)/surplus	2,371	28,599
Funds as at 01.04.19/18	252,625	224,026
Funds at 31.03.20/19	254,996	252,625

Thank you for taking time to read this report.



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