

Annual Report 2021/22

Rising above
challenges.....

to strengthen partnership



The Logie Legacy is a registered charity with the purposes of:

1. Supporting the formally established twinning partnership with NHS Borders to achieve improvements in education, service delivery and patient experience at St Francis Hospital (SFH), Zambia
2. Promoting the value of voluntary engagement in global health for NHS Borders staff and partners in bringing knowledge, skills and ideas back to the UK
3. Raising income and monitoring expenditure in the support of the above

Past & Present

Our roots go back to 1991 when Dr Sandy Logie from the Borders General Hospital, Scotland went to volunteer at SFH. Since then many more staff have supported various projects. It has 450 beds with a high occupancy rate often exceeding 100% - patients on floor. Located in the Eastern Province of Zambia it serves a population of 1 million, nearly 60% of which fall below the poverty line (\$1.90 per day). Approximately 70,000 patients are seen annually for day care. The hospital is a government grant aided institution, jointly managed by the Anglican and Catholic dioceses. It has training schools for Registered Nursing, Public Health Nursing and Midwifery.

The Covid-19 pandemic has impacted on the way we have operated. Travel restrictions and the need to focus on clinical responsibilities in Scotland have meant none of our volunteers have been to Zambia since 2019. However we have worked hard to maintain our support from afar and seized opportunities to review ways of strengthening our partnership in the years to come. Key examples include the following:

1. Leading on the development of a network of UK and European partners supporting SFH. Establishing regular video link meetings with hospital management and network partners
2. Strengthening digital infrastructure information technology capacity by securing funding for Wi-Fi routers and data packages
3. Providing financial assistance in purchasing personal protective equipment for staff
4. Funding two bike repair and maintenance workshops as well as providing suitable wet season clothing for the TB community support volunteers
5. Working with Scottish Government Global Health Coordination Unit and KidsOR to secure equipment (10 oxygen concentrators, 4 ventilators and 2 ventilator trolleys) to better prepare for the pandemic



6. Strengthening cardiology support through the procurement of a cardiac probe and offering continued support for its use
7. Continued support for the Water for Life programme – two new bore holes and submersible pumps
8. Completion of a Scottish Government funded project (through CORRA Foundation) to review our partnership. Key partnership recommendations included: Need to modernise the approach to partnerships; Develop a strategic plan and clear lines of accountability; Start building African capacity; Facilitate a Zambian project management team. Key project recommendations include: Creating a framework for selecting projects; Creating a framework for managing projects; Supporting volunteer management.

The future of our partnership?

Our trustees offer these reflections.

- **Brian Magowan (Chairperson & Consultant Obstetrician)**

Colleagues at SFH have shown remarkable courage and resilience during the significant pressures imposed by increasing workload demands and resource constraints. Particular tribute is paid to Dr Lalick Banda (medical superintendent) and Mr Fred Ntongwe (chief administrator) for their leadership and commitment to strengthen the partnership with us back here in Scotland.



SFH undertakes a staggering 4,000+ deliveries annually with sustained reductions in infant and maternal mortality rates. This is enormously encouraging in the light of practical and educational support we have offered to staff in the recent past.

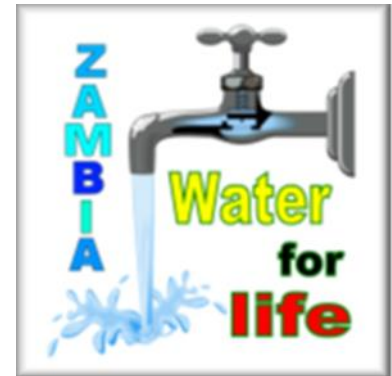
It is important that we look forward as a charity and reassess our goals. Personnel move on and projects draw to a close and yet new needs arise continually. Realistic expectations are needed if our ambitions are to be met. Fresh interest is to be welcomed. Of immense importance has been the recognition formally by the Board of NHS Borders of the value of our contribution to global health and the positive impact this has had on our volunteers on their local roles in the Borders.

- **Chris Faldon (Consultant Nurse)**

We are committed to emerge stronger as a partnership following the weakening impact of the pandemic. As the Immunisation Coordinator for NHS Borders I was mightily relieved at the roll out of the vaccination programme and thrilled to see our local population uptake being amongst the highest in Scotland. This undoubtedly saved many lives. Zambia on the other hand did not receive their vaccine supplies until many months later than the UK. Sadly we learned of the deaths of several staff members as well as patients. There has been a high level of vaccine hesitancy, causing Zambia to fall below the 10% of the adult

population. This increases the likelihood of devastating infection waves and there is still much work to be done.

The country's economic growth has been flattening over the past decade and health and economic prospects have further worsened in the wake of the pandemic. For example the rate of the reduction in TB cases has slowed. Encouragingly the hospital in 2022 has recently been awarded a higher status of funding by the Zambian Ministry of Health in recognition of its quality care and strategic importance to the remote Eastern region. Basic needs we take for granted in the UK however still go unmet. We will continue to work with our Zambian colleagues to identify and support projects they see as high priority but have minimal prospect of local funding. Building on our highly successful 'Water For Life' project we are now setting our sights on a radical overhaul of the hospital sanitation system, a vital necessity as hospital patient and workforce activity increases.



- **Alison Aitken (Secretary and retired nurse)**

The work undertaken to review our charities governance arrangements will undoubtedly hold dividends for the long term. New volunteers will be key to this and it is important that we seek ways to recruit and better support these. The strengthening of relationships through our UK and European Partner network has been particularly pleasing to note. It has enabled us to work more collaboratively and efficiently with others. More importantly it has reduced the impact of the constraints imposed by the pandemic by seeking out ways to better connect remotely with one another.

- **Lorraine Wilson (Treasurer and Midwife)**

Our finances are in good shape as concluded in our recent audit of the accounts. We are confident that that current projects represent good value for money and future ones will be carefully scrutinised and contribute to sustainable developments with long lasting impacts. We are extremely grateful to our many supporters for their generous and very welcome gifts to enable our valuable work to continue.

Finances	Income £14,136	Expenditure £6,302	Balance £35,622
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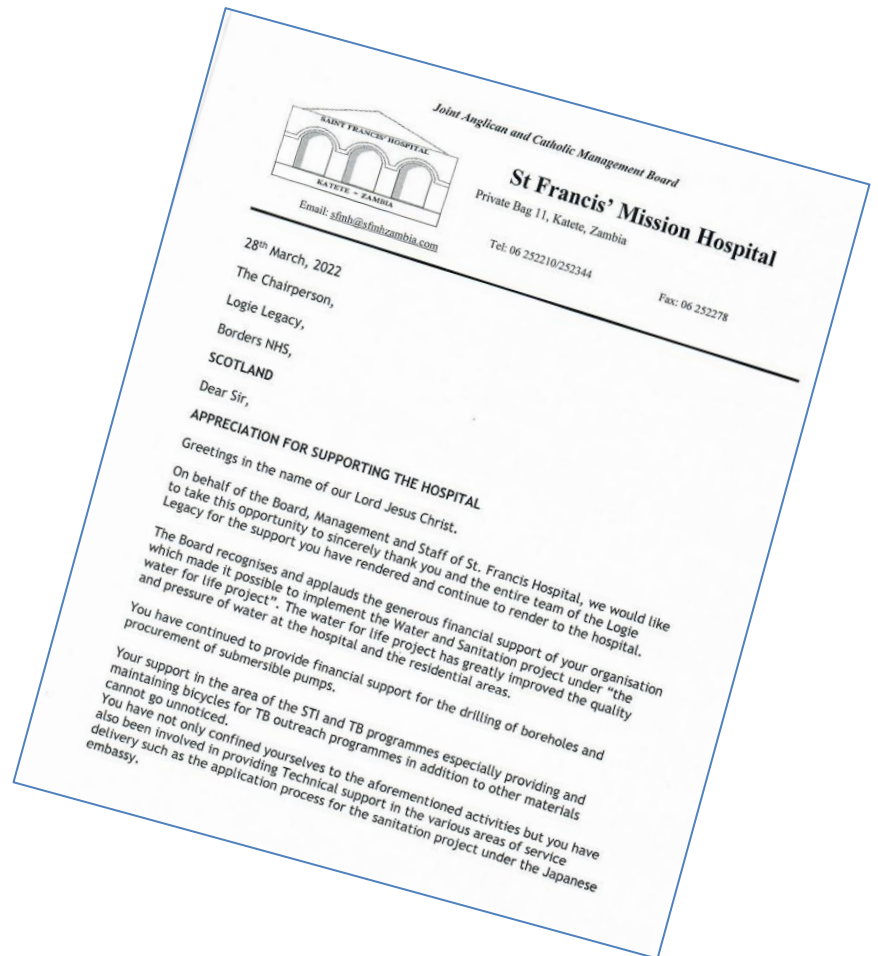
Here is an extract from a letter we received from the SFH Board Joint Chairs - Bishop Lungu (above) & Bishop Chombo (below with Chris Faldon)

“On behalf of the Board, Management and Staff of St. Francis Hospital we would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank you and the entire team of the Logie Legacy for the support you have rendered and continue to render to the hospital.

The Board recognises and applauds the generous financial support of your organisation which made it possible to implement the ‘Water for Life project’. This has greatly improved the quality and pressure of water at the hospital and the residential areas. You have continued to provide financial support for the drilling of boreholes and procurement of submersible pumps.

Your support in the area of the STI and TB programmes especially providing and maintaining bicycles for TB outreach programmes in addition to other materials cannot go unnoticed.

We want to assure you that the Board is committed to strengthening its partnership with you in order to attain an efficient and robust health system”.



How can you help?

We rely on volunteers entirely to achieve our aims and objectives. None of our funds raised go to pay salaries. Instead all income is used exclusively on the projects we have in place. There are many ways to support the work of our charity and we would be delighted to hear from you if you would like to get more involved. Here are a few suggestions for you to consider.

1. Keep in touch – join our mailing list
2. Become a member – have an increased say in how the charity operates
3. Financial
 - Small or large, one-off or regular – all have a BIG impact
 - With 'Gift Aid' we can claim tax relief on your gift and stretch it further
 - Fund raise – Transform your creative ideas into action!
4. Volunteer
 - Scotland – administration, maintaining digital/media resources, writing, speaking etc
 - Zambia – NHS Borders present and retired clinical and non-clinical staff as well as non NHS workers (ie Scottish Water, electricians) have visited the hospital to assist in establishing and maintaining new and existing projects

Thank you for your interest

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The Logie Legacy is formally known as St Francis Hospital, Zambia Twinning Partnership with NHS Borders (SCIO), SC047148

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My response



Please tick one or more of the boxes below and complete your contact information (overleaf)

- I would like to join the mailing list to receive information about the work of the Logie Legacy
- I would like to know more about becoming a member
- I would like to discuss about how I may be able to volunteer my time and skills
- I would like to make a financial donation

Please know that your gift will be used wisely and effectively to provide much needed quality health care to the patients of St Francis Hospital in the remote eastern province of Zambia. Payment options:

- send your cheque, postal order or charity voucher to:
'The Logie Legacy' c/o NHS Borders Board Chair, Headquarters, Borders General Hospital, Melrose, TD6 9BD
- make an online payment to: **The Co-operative Bank plc; Sort Code: 08-92-99 Ac. No. 65836002**
- Just Giving page <https://www.justgiving.com/logielegacy>

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OR Where most needed (tick) []

<p>If you are a tax payer we can claim tax relief on your gift and stretch it further! If so please complete this box</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick the appropriate box. Please treat as Gift Aid donations:</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The enclosed gift of £ _____ OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> All gifts of money that I make today and in the future as Gift Aid donations OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> All gifts of money that I have made in the past four years and all future gifts of money that I make from the date of this declaration as Gift Aid donations.</p> <p>I understand that I must have paid sufficient income tax or capital gains tax during the relevant tax year to cover the amount reclaimed on my donation.</p> <p>Note: if you pay income tax at the higher rate, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self Assessment tax return if you want to receive the additional tax relief due to you.</p> <p>Please notify The Logie Legacy if you: want to cancel this declaration; change your name or home address or no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains</p>	<p><i>giftaid it</i></p>
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Thank you for your interest!

St Francis Hospital, Zambia Twinning Partnership with NHS Borders
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