

# Activity and Impact Report

## April 2018 – March 2019



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## REPORT SUMMARY:

In keeping with our commitment to transparency and accountability, every six months the Scotland Malawi Partnership publishes a public report outlining key events and activities against the network's agreed outcomes and outputs for 2017-2020. This is separate to the Partnership's Annual Report which is published at the autumn AGM. This Activity and Impact Report draws heavily on the SMP's formal reporting to the Scottish Government for the core funding it receives.

2018-19 was another busy and productive year for the Scotland Malawi Partnership. It began by welcoming His Excellency, Arthur Peter Mutharika, President of Malawi, to the UK. While the President was in London for the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM), the SMP organised a meeting for the President to [address the Malawi All-Party Parliamentary Group](#) in the House of Lords.

After CHOGM, the President spent almost a week in Scotland, with the SMP supporting a series of events with members and in the Scottish Parliament. The SMP hosted its [own event with the President](#) in which 175 members, including many friends in the Malawi diaspora community, were able to come together to meet the President. Six members had the opportunity to present their work and a further sixty had their links with Malawi profiled in a [special hard-back book](#) the SMP published as a gift for the President.

Also in April, the SMP supported Josephine Mphango to be the [Partnership's Youth Ambassador at the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting](#). She was trained and supported in this role to [record videos](#) and publish blogs giving a young Malawian's perspective of CHOGM 2018. We established a [social media platform](#) for Josephine to share her views and created an opportunity for her to directly ask a question of the President of Malawi about youth leadership in the House of Lords.

During the summer months, the SMP supported two Ministerial visits, hosting roundtables on gender equality and agriculture and irrigation for members to speak with the visiting Malawian Ministers. Other visitors to Scotland from

Malawi supported by the SMP in the summer included a [choir of 30 girls from the Edinburgh Girls' High School](#) in Mzuzu, who performed every night of the Edinburgh Military Tattoo with a choir from their partner school Mary Erskine.

The Partnership's [Faith Links Conference](#) brought together members with church partnerships or links with faith-based NGO's for active networking, followed by a [Faith Links Roadtrip](#) to take this engagement to members in Fife, Aberdeen, Argyll and Bute, and the Borders. In May-June, the SMP also organised and hosted a [series of Chichewa Language and Cultural Workshops](#) with, for the first time, a live webstream for members to take part remotely.

At the end of the September the SMP and MaSP co-hosted, with the Scottish and Malawi governments and parliaments, the [Malawi and Scotland: Together for Sustainable Development](#) Conference in Lilongwe. This conference brought together 350 individuals across Malawi and Scotland to explore how best to work together in this coming chapter to help implement the *Global Goals Partnership Agreement*.

The Partnership's 2018 [AGM](#) on the 6<sup>th</sup> October was another memorable day, with hundreds of members joining us at the University of Glasgow to share information about their own inspiring connections with Malawi.

In October we welcomed the Vice-President of Malawi to [address the Malawi All-Party Parliamentary Group](#) in Westminster. Following this, through December-March our Malawi APPG had a series of meetings as part of its joint-inquiry with the Africa and Migration APPGs, representing members' concerns about visa applications for those applying from Africa. These included meetings with the Immigration Minister and the Chief Independent Inspector, as well as public and expert evidence sessions.

The 28<sup>th</sup> February was a real highlight in the year. With hundreds of young Scots joining us in McEwan Hall for our [Youth Congress](#) and, that evening, we hosted the [Scottish Premiere](#) of the award winning *The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind* which is filmed and set in Malawi.



Ken Ross, SMP Chair, presents the President of Malawi with a gift from the SMP

## Key Events and Engagements:

In this 12-month period, the SMP hosted 37 events attended by 2,252 people in 2018-19:

Date	Event	Venue	No.	Summary
17 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	<a href="#">House of Lords Presidential Event</a>	House of Lords	62	The Malawi APPG welcomed H.E. President Peter Mutharika to a special meeting of the APPG.
25 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	<a href="#">President of Malawi Visit</a>	Edinburgh City Chambers	175	The SMP hosted the President of Malawi on a visit to Edinburgh to celebrate the civic-society links between Scotland and Malawi.
22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2018	<a href="#">Chichewa Workshops</a>	Edin. City Chambers & Strathclyde University	29	The SMP hosted a series of language and culture workshops in Edinburgh and Glasgow.
6 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	<a href="#">CPG on Malawi</a>	Scottish Parliament	31	The CPG met to discuss Scotland-Malawi relations and climate change. We heard from projects funded by the Scottish Government's Climate Justice Fund, and from Tearfund's Country Representative for Malawi.
16 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	<a href="#">Faith Links Conference</a>	City of Edinburgh Methodist Church	23	The Faith Links Conference brought together faith-based members to discuss themes of 'narrative and communication' and 'collaboration and partnership'.
11 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	<a href="#">Roundtable with the Minister for Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development</a>	Edinburgh City Chambers	39	With the Scottish Government and the University of Strathclyde, the SMP hosted a roundtable meeting for members to meet a senior water delegation from the Government of Malawi and Parliament.
31 <sup>st</sup> July 2018	<a href="#">Faith Links Roadtrip</a>	Glenrothes, Aberdeen, Oban, Borders	38	Member Services Officer Grace travelled around Scotland to meet with faith-based members, so as to network, share updates and feed into the work of the SMP.
7 <sup>th</sup> August 2018	<a href="#">Roundtable with the Ministry of Gender</a>	Edinburgh City Chambers	34	The SMP hosted a senior delegation from the Government of Malawi, discussing gender, children, disability and social welfare.
17 <sup>th</sup> August 2018	<a href="#">Malawi Choir</a>	Edinburgh City Chambers	78	The SMP hosted a special live performance from the Malawian Youth Choir who performed at the Edinburgh Military Tattoo.
28 <sup>th</sup> August 2018	<a href="#">Progress on the Global Goals in Scotland and abroad</a>	Edinburgh City Chambers	74	The SMP, Alliance, Scotland's SDG Network and the UN co-hosted a panel discussion on the UN SDG's.

13 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	<a href="#">CPG on Malawi</a>	Scottish Parliament	34	This CPG on Malawi focused on the Year of Young People and the CPG's AGM.
13 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	School Partnership Activity Workshop	Biggar High School	34	This was a Malawi Information and Partnership Workshop delivered by Youth and Schools Officer Gemma.
20 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	Chichewa Workshop	Beath High School	13	YSO Gemma and one of the SMP's Chichewa tutors, Brave Mnyayi, delivered a language and culture session.
28 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	SMP Youth Committee Meeting	Edinburgh City Chambers	8	This was the first meeting of the new SMP Youth Committee.
28 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	Water Witness International Meeting	Edinburgh City Chambers	70	With Water Witness International, SCIAF, JTS and the Climate Challenge Programme Malawi, the SMP co-convened an this event on Scotland's role in supporting climate justice in Malawi.
28 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	<a href="#">Malawi Scotland Conference</a>	Lilongwe	350	The SMP, MaSP, Scottish Government, Government of Malawi and both Parliaments delivered a high-level national conference in Lilongwe.
6 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	<a href="#">SMP AGM 2018</a>	University of Glasgow Student Union	230	The AGM was held at the University of Glasgow Student Union, with the theme of 'Our Shared Future: Youth Participation and Sustainability'.
17 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	<a href="#">Malawi APPG Meeting with the Vice-President</a>	Westminster	13	Meeting with the Vice President of Malawi attended by MPs, Peers and senior officials
23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2018	<a href="#">Health Forum- Connecting &amp; Collaborating</a>	Edinburgh City Chambers	24	We heard from a Malawian obstetrician/gynaecologist with interest in cervical screening, a midwife, and some of the Scottish Government funded health projects.
7 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	<a href="#">Schools Forum, Aberdeen</a>	MDEC, Aberdeen	8	The Schools Forum was run in partnership with MDEC Aberdeen for a Fairer World.
8 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	<a href="#">BITT Roundtable with MITC</a>	Edinburgh City Chambers	11	MITC and the Government of Malawi joined SMP members at the Edinburgh City Chambers for a Roundtable on Business, Trade, Investment and Tourism in Malawi.
22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2018	<a href="#">CPG on Malawi</a>	Scottish Parliament	30	We heard from the Association of People with Albinism in Malawi, and the Chair of the SMP Board on the Malawi and Scotland: Together for Sustainable Development Conference.
26 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	School Visit to St Ronan's Primary	Innerleithen	17	Visit and meeting with School Malawi Committee to hear upcoming events and to give a Q&A session on Malawi.
29 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	<a href="#">Further and Higher Education Forum</a>	University of Strathclyde	19	The meeting was chaired by Dr Yonah Matemba of the University of the West of Scotland, which focused on accreditation for Malawian

				qualifications, and the stories from Malawian students studying in Scotland.
6 <sup>th</sup> December	<a href="#">Translation and Interpretation Webinar</a>	Online	12	Co-hosted webinar for Angela Crack to present the findings of her research on the use of language by NGOs operating in Malawi
7 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	Workshop at Kelvinside Academy	Glasgow	20	Introductory session on Malawi and school partnerships.
10 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	<a href="#">Malawi APPG</a>	Westminster	12	AGM of the UK Parliament's Malawi All-Party Parliamentary Group
10 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	Lunchtime Club Workshop	George Watson's College, Edinburgh	20	Lunchtime club session on Malawi and introduction to the SMP.
11 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	Workshop at Kelvinside Academy	Kelvinside Academy, Glasgow	22	Follow up workshop on preparation for their trip to Malawi and on Global Citizenship.
17 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	<a href="#">Governance Forum</a>	Edinburgh City Chambers	20	The SMP's first Governance Forum was held for those involved in existing or past partnerships around governance strengthening initiatives.
22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2019	<a href="#">Malawi APPG</a>	Westminster	52	Meeting of the Malawi APPG as part of the Inquiry on UK Visa issuing, taking evidence from a range of stakeholders
13 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	<a href="#">Malawi APPG</a>	Westminster	22	Meeting of the Malawi APPG as part of the Inquiry on UK Visa issuing, meeting with Caroline Nokes MP (UK Government Immigration Minister)
22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2019	<a href="#">Roundtable Meeting with Richard Leonard MSP, Leader of Scottish Labour</a>	Edinburgh City Chambers	33	The SMP and the Alliance co-hosted a roundtable meeting with members of both networks to discuss Scottish Labour's involvement in international development and the bilateral relationship with Malawi.
28 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	<a href="#">Youth Congress</a>	McEwan Hall, Edinburgh	215	Annual Youth Congress took place at McEwan Hall on the themes of Culture and Partnership.
28 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	<a href="#">The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind: Special Scottish Screening</a>	Dominion Cinema, Edinburgh	350	The SMP hosted the exclusive Scottish screening ahead of its official Netflix launch on 1 <sup>st</sup> March.
7 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	<a href="#">Renewable Energy Forum</a>	Edinburgh City Chambers	20	The SMP hosted a new member-led Renewable Energy Forum.
27 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	<a href="#">Online Schools Forum</a>	Online	10	The SMP held its first ever online schools forum for teachers to learn more about school partnerships and Learning for Sustainability.
<b>Total: 37</b>			<b>2,252</b>	



**Ben Macpherson MSP, Scottish Government Minister for International Development, is welcomed in Malawi by Dr Anne Phoya, Chair of the Malawi Scotland Partnership**



**The SMP co-hosted or supported a further 44 events attended by 4,595 people in 2017-18:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Summary</b>
20 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	ScotDec's Education Event	Codebase	40	We loaned our SDG banners to ScotDec for their event at Codebase.
23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2018	RCPSG event with the President of Malawi	RCPSG, Glasgow	45	First event with the President of Malawi after arriving in Scotland.
24 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	Meeting with Harriet Baldwin	Whitehall	6	Joint meeting with BUILD, UKOWLA and SMP and the UK Government Africa Minister.
26 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	<a href="#">"Politics, Society and Christianity in Malawi and Beyond": Jack Thompson John McCracken Memorial Conference</a>	University of Edinburgh	72	A memorial conference was held in honour of John McCracken and Jack Thompson at the University of Edinburgh.
26 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	<a href="#">Scottish Parliament Reception with the President of Malawi</a>	Scottish Parliament	76	The President addressed MSP's at the Scottish Parliament.
5 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	UK-Malawi Business Group Meeting	Malawi High Commission	23	Supported the latest meeting of the group, offering specific support on Scottish and advocacy points.
9 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	SMP Talk on Building Personal Resilience	DFID, East Kilbride	34	Invited by DFID to give a talk and workshop at a special CPD day for DFID staff, looking to increase their personal resilience and effectiveness based on the SMP's experience.
11 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	IDEAS Residential	Coatbridge	45	The SMP loaned its SDG banners to IDEAS.
11 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Learning for Sustainability Conference	Edinburgh Napier University	15	The SMP loaned its SDG banners to LfS.
25 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	SCVO SDG's & You	Edinburgh	20	The SMP loaned its SDG banners and attended this event on the SDG's.
29 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Climate Justice Fund Information Day	Edinburgh City Chambers	16	The SMP supported the Scottish Government's Climate Justice Fund Information Day and members applying.
2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2018	UK-Malawi Business Group Meeting	Malawi High Commission	9	Supported the latest meeting of the group, offering specific support on Scottish and advocacy points.
5 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Senior Induction and SDG's Showcase	Beath High School	490	The SMP loaned its SDG banners to Beath High School.

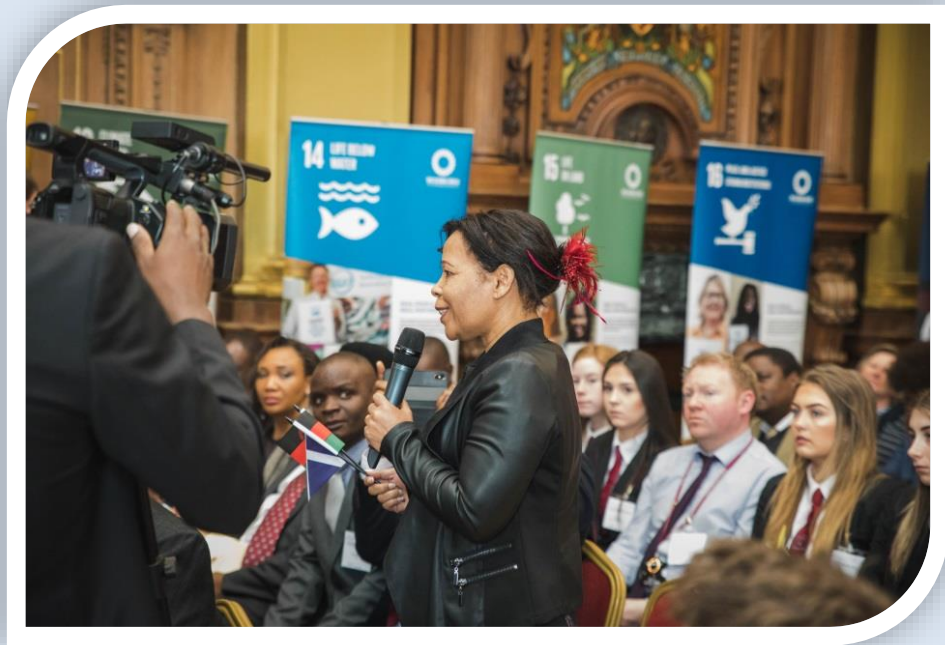
14 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	<a href="#">Malawi Independence Celebrations</a>	Glasgow	81	Organised by the Association of Malawians in Scotland, Independence Day celebrations saw visits from Ben Macpherson MSP and the Malawian Minister for Agriculture.
15 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	Meeting with Rt Hon Harriet Baldwin	Edinburgh City Chambers	3	Hosted a meeting with the UK Government's Africa Minister at the SMP offices; briefing on the SMP's work and advancing key advocacy agendas.
20 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	<a href="#">MaSP AGM</a>	Malawi	110	MaSP's AGM on 'Working Partnerships' was the first gathering of members since the New Cooperation Agreement between Malawi and Scotland on 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2018.
6 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> August 2018	SDG Showcase	Biggar High School	490	The SMP loaned its SDG banners to Biggar High School.
22 <sup>nd</sup> August 2018	Malawian visitors from Thondwe	Biggar High School	6	Youth and Schools Officer Gemma attended a visit from Malawian partners in Thondwe at Biggar High School.
23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2018	Reflection Session on Malawi Visit	The Community School of Auchterarder	13	Youth and Schools Officer Gemma supported a reflection session on pupils' recent visit to Malawi.
6 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	Social Enterprise Academy Global Gathering	Glasgow	260	Offered practical and financial support for a Malawian delegation to take part in the SEA Global Gathering.
7 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	<a href="#">Small Grants Information Day</a>	Methodist Church, Edinburgh	48	The SMP and the Alliance supported the Information Day and gave a brief presentation on what support the SMP can offer members applying.
19 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	Scotland Africa Business Exchange (SABE) Heads of Mission Reception	Edinburgh City Chambers	26	The SMP supported a SABE reception Heads of Mission reception with the Edinburgh Lord Provost, connecting the Malawi High Commission with the PM's Africa Trade Commissioner for Africa and other business leaders.
19 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	Scottish Learning Festival	Exhibition Centre, Glasgow	10	The SMP supported a workshop run by Beath High School on school partnerships using their school partnership as an example.
12 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	<a href="#">Penicuik High School's Malawi Partnership Day</a>	Penicuik High School	600	Penicuik High School held its first Malawi Partnership Day, which we helped to support by lending materials, give talks, and showcase Malawi links.
29 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	Water Witness International Event	Edinburgh	100	Promotion to subject-specific SMP members and input into relevant stakeholders.
5 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	Malawi-UK Business Group Networking Reception	Scotland House	80	Networking reception with CDC, key stakeholders and prospective investors



Members of the Youth Committee enjoying the 2018 AGM

7 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	<a href="#">Christmas Tree Festival</a>	St Andrews and St George's West, Edinburgh	250	Organised by the Mamie Martin Fund, SMP helped promote and support MMF by informing media and gaining media coverage about their 25 <sup>th</sup> anniversary message at the Christmas Tree Festival.
13 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	Scottish Government Grant Information Day	Edinburgh	120	Presented session on SMP services and sought input from attendees on their needs.
15 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	2050 Climate Group Gathering	Glasgow	28	Took part in workshop with two Youth Committee members discussing cultural experiences in Malawi.
15 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	Talk at the University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh Global Partnerships	University of Edinburgh	33	Delivered a talk on charity vs. partnership for the Edinburgh Global Partnerships team.
22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2019	Information Session at IDEAS	Quaker Meeting House, Edinburgh	20	Gave short talk on SMP support for schools and took part in discussion groups on Global Learning in the classroom.
4 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	MaSP Regional Meeting	Blantyre, Malawi	60	SMP delivered a presentation and had contact with the Scottish Government team, grantees and other delegates.
5 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	<a href="#">MaSP Annual Symposium 2019</a>	Lilongwe, Malawi	85	70 representatives of projects funded by the Scottish Government attended MaSP's 2019 Symposium.
7 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	MaSP Regional Meeting	Mzuzu, Malawi	48	SMP delivered a presentation and had contact with the Scottish Government team, grantees and other delegates.
7 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	WOSDEC Fairtrade Fortnight Session	WOSDEC Glasgow	25	Gave short talk and had a stall at the event to give information on resources for schools around Fairtrade.
13 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	<i>The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind</i> UK Premier	British Film Institute, London	200	Supported the UK Premiere, bringing the Malawi High Commissioner, his Deputy, Lord McConnell and the UK Government's Africa Minister and Private Secretary
14 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	St Ronan's Warm Heart of Africa Day	Innerleithen	261	Helped organise, and make and publish a video about their event.
15 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	2050 Project leaving event for Malawi partners	Edinburgh City Chambers	21	Event bringing together those who had hosted and supported the Malawi partners of the 2050 project
22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2019	Global Citizenship Day at Head of Muir Primary School	Denny, Falkirk	300	Head of Muir Primary School borrowed our Sustainable Development Goals banners for their Global Citizenship Day across the school.
20 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	Merchant Schools' Photo Event and Auction	George Watsons, Mary	96	Financial support given to support the running costs of the event and the SMP attended in person.

		Erskine's and Stuart Melville Schools – Edinburgh		
25 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	Model UN	Edinburgh City Council	100	We loaned our SDG banners to the Edinburgh City Council for a Conference held in partnership with UN House. The theme was 'single-use plastic' and reinforced the SDG agenda for P7 pupils and teachers.
26 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	MDEC Screening of 'The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind'	MDEC Aberdeen	14	The SMP attended the screening, gave a short talk and an introduction to the film and other SMP support.
26 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	Just Trading Scotland 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	Scottish Parliament	36	The SMP spoke at the event honouring JTS' 10 <sup>th</sup> anniversary in the Scottish Parliament.
27 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	VIP4SD Conference on Sustainable Development	University of Strathclyde, Glasgow	180	We loaned our SDG banners for the Sustainable Development Conference and attended to support the student Malawi projects and ongoing research in Malawi.
<b>Total: 44</b>			<b>4,595</b>	



**We supported 175 SMP members to have the chance to take part in the President's visit**

## Activities and Impact

<p><b>OUTCOME 1:</b> Civic links between Scotland and Malawi are coordinated, and the capacity of partnerships to be effective and impactful is enhanced</p>	<p>The SMP succeeded in delivering an ambitious and impactful programme of events and activities in this 12-month period.</p> <p>In this year the SMP hosted <a href="#">37 events</a> attended by 2,252 people and co-hosted or supported a further 43 engagements attended by 4,595.</p> <p>Together, the 222 qualitative impact and positive feedback statements from members (Addendum One), the data from the Membership Survey (Addendum Two), the event feedback forms (Appendices 7-15) and the University of Edinburgh research paper, offer strong evidence of the impact achieved against this outcome.</p>
<p><b>OUTPUT 1.1:</b> Programme of development and capacity building opportunities offered to members</p>	<p>Since April 2018, there have been a number of development and capacity building opportunities offered to members, as well as opportunities to network, for example, including:</p> <p><b><a href="#">SMP Chichewa Workshops, May-June 2018:</a></b></p> <p>These workshops offered members the opportunity to learn Chichewa and have an introduction to Malawian culture. For the first time they were open for both members available to join in-person and others to join remotely through a web-link. The training was delivered by Malawians resident in Scotland for the SMP. They were attended by a range of members, including a number of NGO's with active partnerships, members of faith-links, and school groups.</p> <p>75% of attendees who completed a feedback form described the training as "Excellent", 12.5% as "Very Good", and 12.5% as "Good".</p> <p>On average, before the training, respondents rated their knowledge of Chichewa as "poor" and afterwards as "average"/"good". On average, before the training, respondents rated their knowledge of Malawian culture and traditions as "poor"/"average" and afterwards as "good"/"very good".</p> <p>See full feedback in Addendum Four.</p> <p>Attendee reflections included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>"I feel that I will be able to progress with speaking Chichewa so that next time I go to Malawi I will enjoy being able to speak to people in their own language."</i></li> <li>• <i>"[I am] more confident about not making cultural faux pas"</i></li> <li>• <i>"I feel more confident in travelling to Malawi. Very happy I learned this course".</i></li> <li>• <i>"Good three-week intro – I wouldn't expect to be average in a language until a couple of years!"</i></li> <li>• <i>"Great sessions, will definitely be recommending to others".</i></li> <li>• <i>"I feel more confident in travelling to Malawi"</i></li> </ul>



Members at the SMP-hosted Scottish Premiere of *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind*



**Faith Links Conference, 16th June 2018:**

This Conference, held in the City of Edinburgh Methodist Church, helped support and develop a range of faith links, sharing updates and discussing priorities amongst the faith community. See full feedback in Addendum Five and event report in Addendum Five.

Attendees said the conference supported/strengthened their links:

- *“By understanding how others work”*
- *“A great way of information sharing and networking”*
- *“Networked with a lot of members”*
- *“Networking, thought-provoking and also confirmation that we’re working on the right lines”*
- *“Made at least one new connection that will improve my links”*

As a result of attending, member said they would:

- *“Feedback to Malawian partner on discussions and check next steps with them”*
- *“Make closer links with other partners”*
- *“Encourage more “thank you’s” from recipients of items from donors; look at more collaborative elements (ie. Sharing bank transfers); setting up Malawian project delivery/capacity building/financial training unit; lots of new ideas – busy time ahead”*
- *“Communication”*

While the quality of engagement with, and feedback from, churches that attended was excellent, we feel attendance was lower than expected. For many, the geographies were an impediment to attending. In response to this, the SMP undertook a [‘faith-links road trip’](#), hosting a series of meetings with faith leaders through the summer months across Scotland (Borders, Glenrothes, Aberdeen and Oban). Feedback from this was excellent (see Addendum Six).

**Water scarcity and Risks to Agriculture Roundtable with the Minister for Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018:**

This meeting brought together 38 members working in agriculture and irrigation, to support their work. We heard from Scottish Government Climate Justice Fund recipients and other members working in the water sector in Malawi.

**Government of Malawi Ministry of Gender Roundtable, 7<sup>th</sup> August 2018:**

Bringing 28 members together with delegates from the Government of Malawi, members met guests from the Malawi NGO Board and Ministry of Gender.

**AGM 2018, 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018:**

Around 230 people attended the AGM at the University of Glasgow Student Union on the theme of 'Our Shared Future: Youth Participation and Sustainability'.

100% of the post-event survey respondents said the AGM helped "strengthened or support their links with Malawi". 55% rated the AGM as 'Excellent' and 33% rated the event as 'Very Good'. None rated it 'poor'. See full feedback in Addendum Seven.

Feedback included:

- "A well run, engaging afternoon"
- "Very informative. Good variety of topics covered. Opportunities to network"
- "We got to speak to lots of people and make some interesting contacts. It was also really useful to gain a better understanding about the Partnership principles"
- "Well organised, varied, great opportunities to network and meet others with whom one can work"

**Health Forum, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2018:**

24 members attended this Health Forum where we heard from a Malawian obstetrician/gynecologist, a midwife and SG funded health projects. [Videos were recorded](#) and shared of each of the speakers, to help raise awareness of SG funded health projects.

50% rated the event 'Very Good', 33% as 'Excellent' and 17% as 'good'. See full feedback in Addendum Eight. Feedback included:

- "Good to hear about the various projects"
- "An eye-opener!"
- "Always useful and stimulating"
- "Really good"
- "Good to hear about the various projects"

All those who responded to this question said the meeting had strengthened their Malawi links:

- "Helping keep me interested"
- "Added to my links"
- "Strengthened"
- "Yes"
- "A bit. Sharing contacts should be helpful"

**Schools Forum, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018:**

This forum was run in partnership with MDEC Aberdeen for a Fairer World, to help build capacity of school links.

**BITT Roundtable with MITC, 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018:**

22 members attended. 75% rated the meeting as 'Excellent', and 25% as 'Very Good'. See full feedback in Addendum Nine. Attendees felt the meeting strengthened their links in the following ways

- "General discussion around trade and development, and on the ground around tourism, etc."
- "Links/networking"
- "Investment identification and meeting people"
- The presentations, speakers and attendees

**Further & Higher Education Forum, 29<sup>th</sup> Nov 2018:**

27 members attended this meeting, which helped strengthen FE/HE links, focusing on accreditation for Malawian qualifications, and the stories from Malawian students studying in Scotland.

**Translation and Interpretation Webinar, 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2018:**

12 attended this SMP co-hosted webinar for Dr Angela Crack to present the findings of her research on the use of language by NGOs operating in Malawi, with recommendations to strengthen NGO's work.

**Governance Forum, 17<sup>th</sup> January 2018:**

20 members attended the SMP's re-convened Governance Forum, which supported governance links by creating a space for the sharing of learning between projects.

**Youth Congress, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019:**

215 attended the 2019 Youth Congress on themes of Culture and Partnership. 33% rated the event as 'Excellent' and 33% rated it as 'Very Good'. See full feedback in Addendum Ten.

Examples of how attendees said the event strengthened their links, include:

- "We immediately changed the itinerary for our trip based on workshop information and it was so easy to do this."
- "It helped to get our group to focus more on our trip in June"
- "Better understanding of language; seeing how others are getting involved"
- "Gave us a few ideas."
- "I thought it was a very good day, and the marketplace worked very well. I spent all day, apart from the plenary sessions, having students wanting to chat which was great. Please pass on my congratulations to the committee for such a good event"
- "I was so impressed by the questions from the attendees, which were all thoughtful, challenging and pertinent. It was such an engaging and inspiring event!"

**The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind Screening, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019:**

350 attended this SMP event. 83% of those who completed the feedback form said the event had strengthened their Malawi work. See full feedback in Addendum Eleven. For example:

- *“The event and of course the film was so inspiring that I feel more knowledgeable when sharing with teachers.”*
- *“An inspiring film & event”*
- *“It gave a real sense of connection and connectedness to see the film. Thank you so much!!!”*
- *“A good talking point to encourage friends to increase support for Malawi”*
- *“Helped understand more of the issues affecting people in Malawi.”*
- *“We are thinking about how we can promote both the film and the book more across the schools and teachers that we work with, possibly with a climate focus or making links with STEM.”*
- *“It was good to be able to show parts of life in Malawi to other Colleagues who haven't yet been able to visit themselves”*
- *“More insights into the country, and the creative sector / its potential”*
- *“Just reminded me of the beauties of the country and made me really want to go back to Malawi.”*
- *“Inspiring story. Strengthened connection with SMP”*

It was a challenge having the film premiere on the same day as the Youth Congress but this was unavoidable due to the global Netflix release to 90 million. While a capacity challenge for the SMP, it had the advantage of making best use of the many key stakeholders in Edinburgh that day.

**Renewable Energy Forum, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019:**

The SMP hosted 20 members at its new member-led forum, where 45% rated the meeting as ‘Excellent’ and 33% as ‘Very Good’. See full feedback in Addendum Twelve. Examples of how attendees said the event strengthened their links, include:

- *“Gaining background and direct experience of project links”*
- *“Meeting new people”*
- *“Useful and interesting mix of people. Energy – encouraging the time and focus it is being given and the consensus for the value and learning to be captured. Relevant data will help people navigate how to learn and not duplicate/repeat and build stronger informed partners/partnerships.”*
- *“Lots of useful background information”*
- *“Information sharing can greatly improve the quality of projects being implemented as partners can learn from other projects.”*
- *“Contacts and connections with energy-oriented SMP members.”*
- *“Working out the approach of the Forum, and creation of platforms”*
- *“Networking and the ‘start of something’”*
- *“Participation from a variety of organisations with interesting perspectives. Meeting other interested people.”*

**Online Schools Forum, 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019:**

10 teachers joined the SMP’s first online schools forum where teachers across Scotland connected to strengthen their links, learn more about school partnerships and Learning for Sustainability.

	<p><b>SMP Supported Events</b></p> <p>The SMP supported an additional 62 events in 2018-19 with partner organisations, universities and schools across Scotland. These partnered events, which reached 4,442 people, provided additional development, capacity building and networking opportunities across Scotland for the membership. The SMP also loaned its SDG banners 13 times to members across the year, and its Partnership Principles banners 4 times. The total audience reach of these banner loans exceeded 1,645 people across Scotland.</p> <p>89% of SMP event attendees giving feedback described the event they attended as "excellent" or "very good". This is above the 83% target.</p> <p>92% of SMP event attendees giving feedback, where this question was asked, stated that their link with Malawi had been supported/strengthened as a result of attending that event. This is above the 80% target.</p>
<p><b>OUTPUT 1.2:</b> Members receive regular bulletins, and have access to current information, online</p>	<p>The news bulletin has been especially important during this period in keeping our members informed about unfolding news stories such as the flooding in Malawi, as well as regular updates on announcements like the Small Grants Programme and events such as our Youth Congress. It is also a useful outlet for sharing updates from government and parliament and inspiring news about SMP members' work.</p> <p>Between April and March, 59 weekly news bulletins and school newsletters were sent to an average of 1,242 members. The total number of bulletin email opens is 12,091.</p> <p>In the annual Member Needs and Impact Survey 51% of respondents rated the SMP's work disseminating information as "extremely useful", and 41% rating as "quite useful".</p> <p>When asked how SMP membership had helped strengthen links, responses included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>"The Malawi news link in the bulletin keeps me up to date with Malawian priorities and has allowed more organisations involved with Steka in particular to engage."</i> Caroline Beaton, Kenyawu Kids</li> <li>• <i>"Newsletter is helpful in providing up to date local information and funding calls."</i> Louisa Pollock, Children's Medical Care Malawi</li> <li>• <i>"Kept us aware of ongoing events in areas where we are not working"</i> David Thomson, FROM Scotland</li> </ul> <p>When asked how the news bulletin could better support Members' links, responses included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>"No suggestion"</i></li> <li>• <i>"Not much - it's great."</i></li> <li>• <i>"Maybe a "meet the members" short section highlighting a different organisation each week?"</i></li> <li>• <i>"It's ok as it is"</i></li> <li>• <i>"N/A It is fine"</i></li> <li>• <i>"Not possible - it's great!"</i></li> <li>• <i>"Happy with current set up"</i></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>“Happy with this”</i></li> <li>• <i>“Already perfect.”</i></li> <li>• <i>“This meets our needs at the moment”</i></li> <li>• <i>“I enjoy the weekly bulletin and it keeps us abreast of issues in Malawi.”</i></li> <li>• <i>“I can’t think of anything to add to this.”</i></li> <li>• <i>“It has a many good articles. It is already good for a weekly bulletin.”</i></li> <li>• <i>“Weekly bulletin is excellent”</i></li> </ul> <p>During this period, we carried a thorough GDPR check, in keeping with new legal compliance requirements, meaning recipients had to actively choose to opt in to continue receiving the bulletin. This, unsurprisingly, led to a small drop in the number of recipients (1,242 actual against 1,450 target) and a resultant drop in the number of opens (12,091 against 15,000 target) but it is reassuring to see the overwhelming majority were unaffected, opting in to continue to receive SMP updates, where required.</p>
<p><b>OUTPUT 1.3:</b> Creation of opportunities for in-person networking and sharing between members</p>	<p>In the annual Member Needs and Impact Survey 96% of respondents said the SMP’s work creating networking opportunities was useful (50% “extremely useful”; 46% “quite useful”; 3% “not very useful”; 0% “not useful at all”).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>“It has provided new contacts which in turn have helped create new projects, ones which we find exciting”.</i> Alan Laverock, The Bananabox Trust</li> <li>• <i>“Helped to tie together all other parties involved with partnership in Malawi”.</i> Andy Tomison, The Community School of Auchterarder.</li> </ul> <p>94% of event attendee feedback, where this question was asked, stated that they made new contacts as a result of attending an SMP event.</p> <p>All 35 SMP, and 43 SMP-partnered/co-hosted, face-to-face SMP events in this period have involved an element of networking as this remains a core priority in all we do.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p><b><u><a href="#">The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind Screening, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019:</a></u></b> 350 attended this SMP event (see full feedback in Addendum Eleven) with many saying it was a valuable networking evening, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>“Great to meet some SMP members”</i> Jennifer Macalister Hall</li> <li>• <i>“Earlier in the week, I had a phone call from an SMP member regarding the Likhubula Partnership. We mentioned that we were both going to the film premiere and coincidentally were sitting in the same row. A text was sent, we stood up and walked over and shared a lovely Malawian hug!”</i> Fiona Anderson, Head of Muir Primary School</li> <li>• <i>“Good networking opportunity”</i> Prof Geoff Simm, University of Edinburgh</li> </ul> <p><b><u><a href="#">Youth Congress, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019:</a></u></b> 50% of attendees that gave feedback said the chance to meet other people with links between Malawi and Scotland was the most <i>useful</i> aspect of the day, and 33% saying this was the most <i>enjoyable</i>.</p>

**AGM 2018, 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018:**

89% of respondents said they made useful new contacts during the AGM. Comments included:

- *“Great opportunities to network and meet others with whom one can work”*
- *“Opportunities to network”*
- *“Good networking!”*
- *“Very fun, great networking.”*
- *“We got to speak to lots of people and make some interesting contacts.”*
- *“Thoroughly enjoyed ... opportunities to network”*
- *“Opportunity to network”*

**Renewable Energy Forum, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019:**

Many respondents praised the networking opportunity when asked in the feedback form what was the most useful part of the meeting:

- *“Meeting new people and catching up with friends”*
- *“Useful and interesting mix of people”*
- *“Contacts and connections with energy-oriented SMP members”*
- *“Networking”*
- *“Participation from a variety of organisations with interesting perspectives. Meeting other interested people.”*

**Faith Links Conference, 16th June 2018:**

Many of the respondents when asked what they found most useful about the day, highlighted the networking:

- *“Meeting others with similar interests, learning about other links with Malawi”* Phil Moss, Oban
- *“Making links with new Malawi/Scotland members”* Robin Tatler, Scottish Borders
- *“Names and contacts with other interests concerned”*
- *“Knowledgeable about organisation and enthusiastic.”*
- *“Good to hear about other organisations’ work”*
- *“Meetup groups from the Borders with such an interesting mix of projects and experience and outlook in Malawi”*  
Archie Hinchcliff, Scottish Borders

**Malawi Presidential Visit 25<sup>th</sup> April:** When the President of Malawi attended the SMP event held in the Edinburgh City Chambers he was presented with a [book produced by the SMP](#) showcasing the work of 60 members. This was shared with members and there was time before and after the meeting for networking, with a networking prize for the best new link made.

**Faith Links Roadtrip, Summer 2018:**

Highlights from these meetings identified by members included a number of comments relating to networking, including:

- *“Knowledgeable about organisation and enthusiastic. Good to hear about other organisations’ work”*
- *“Meeting others with similar interests, learning about other links with Malawi, and the advice given”*
- *“Gave me a greater understanding of what the SMP does and is”*



Members listening to the President of Malawi's speech





Members meeting with the visiting Malawi Ministerial delegation

<p><b>OUTCOME 2:</b> The value of partnerships between Malawi and Scotland, and the experience and learning of SMP members, is reflected in the policy and outputs of political and policy making fora</p>	<p>Addendum Thirteen, the Lobbying and Advocacy Impact Report details the 39 key activities the SMP undertook in 2018-19, which catalysed 182 actions by MPs, MSPs and Ministers, mapping each of these against the five strategic objectives for the SMP in this year:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Raising awareness of, and building engagement with and support for, the Scotland-Malawi relationship and the work of the SMP.</li> <li>(2) Raising awareness of, and building engagement with and support for, the work of SMP members.</li> <li>(3) Lobbying for improvements in the way those invited to the UK from Malawi are treated as they apply for UK Visas.</li> <li>(4) Lobbying for increased sustainable and ethical investment in Malawi from the UK.</li> <li>(5) Raising awareness of the human impact of the March 2019 floods in Malawi, SMP members' work responding to the floods, and lobbying for a swift and impactful Scottish and UK Government response.</li> </ol> <p>There is strong evidence that the SMP has had good positive impact against each of its lobbying and advocacy strategic priorities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Ministers, Cabinet Secretaries, MSPs and MPs -and the President and Vice-President of Malawi- have all publicly spoken in very positive terms about the Scotland-Malawi relationship and the work of the SMP, and have referenced and praised the SMP's core narratives.</li> <li>(2) As a direct result of SMP engagement and briefings, the work of SMP members has been repeatedly referenced and praised by Ministers, MSPs and MPs.</li> <li>(3) 100% of SMP supported visa applications have been successfully approved in this year, and SMP model of engagement with UKVI will be used as a model of good practice for others to follow in a forthcoming Parliamentary all-party inquiry.</li> <li>(4) Both the Chair and Chief Executive of the Commonwealth Development Corporation have stated publicly that Malawi is a top investment priority country, including once in giving evidence to a UK Parliament Select Committee.</li> </ol> <p>Scottish MPs and MSPs, of every political party, have come together to raise awareness of the floods and call for swift governmental response. The First Minister has given a pledge of support in the Scottish Parliament, as has the UK Government's Africa Minister, who used the opportunity to praise the work of the SMP. In total £325,000 was committed by the Scottish Government and £3.4 million by the UK Government.</p>
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**Malawi Scotland Partnership Chair (l) and Chief Executive (r) with Inkosi Ya Makosi Gomani IV, the Ngoni King, at the MaSP-SMP Conference**

**OUTPUT 2.1:**

Programme of cross-party political strategic engagement

Addendum Thirteen, the Lobbying and Advocacy Impact Report details the 39 key activities the SMP undertook in 2018-19 and the 82 resultant actions by MPs, MSPs and Ministers.

Highlights in this year include:

- Three meetings of the Malawi Cross Party Group in Holyrood
- Five meetings of the Malawi All-Party Parliamentary Group in Westminster
- Meetings with: the UK Government Foreign Secretary, Africa Minister and Immigration Minister; and the Scottish Government International Development Minister
- Debates and parliamentary questions in Holyrood and Westminster
- Both the President of Malawi and, separately, the Vice-President of Malawi addressing the Malawi APPG
- MSP, MP and Ministerial involvement at SMP and SMP-partnered events
- Influence with key government departments and senior officials

A challenge has been the predominance of Brexit as an issue in Westminster. However, we have been greatly impressed at the commitment of MPs and Peers, with Malawi APPGs still on all bar one occasion going ahead even on days of intense Brexit activity.

Another potential challenge has been ensuring the SMP and MaSP maintain their political neutrality. This is most critical in Malawi, in the run up to the May 2021 tripartite elections.



Members at the 2018 SMP AGM

**OUTPUT 2.2:** Local authority engagement programme

We continue to engage and support the 17 Scottish Local Authorities which are members of the Scotland Malawi Partnership.

We have been particularly active in supporting our most recent Local Authority member, the Scottish Borders Council. We were invited to a Civic Reception celebrating Malawian visitors they were hosting, and continued support and engagement regarding the early stages of partnership are ongoing.

The SMP is working to develop a detailed 'Local Authorities Toolkit' for all councils across Scotland. It builds upon earlier online resources, originally created by UKOWLA and BUILD but which are no longer publically available.

The work is in response to requests from Scottish local authorities for advice and support for possible new Malawi partnerships. We are keen to build on existing work in this area.

We are following the below timeline for this work:

- April: First full draft of the Toolkit completed
- May-June: Phase 1 of consultation with key partners, updating Malawi country profile in co-production with Commonwealth Local Government Foundation; Phase 2 of consultation including gathering case studies from Scottish Local Authorities (Glasgow, Edinburgh, Borders, Inverclyde, Fife, and North Lanarkshire) and images, asking for MaSP to provide Malawian input and an update on local governance in Malawi, including anecdotal experiences from Malawian councillors
- June: Soft launch of the Toolkit
- June-August: Engaging Scottish Local Authorities, building contacts and preparing for a launch event, bringing members from councils together as well as key governance partners
- September: Launch event

These timescales have been designed around the May 2019 Local Elections in Malawi.

An injury to the Member Services Officer, who leads with Local Authority, led to an extended period of sick leave. This meant we had to postpone a planned trip to Orkney to engage Orkney Council. Plans are still in place but we have decided to hold this until the Toolkit is in place. This is why we have one fewer new SLA member that hoped at this stage.

<p><b>OUTPUT 2.3:</b> Support for Scottish Government International Development Strategy: assisting constructive synergy between governmental and non-governmental efforts</p>	<p>The SMP supported a new SG-led initiative, helping broker a partnership between the 2050 Group in Scotland and the Malawi Scotland Partnership, for a youth-led climate leadership programme <a href="#">announced by the First Minister in April 2018</a>. The SMP agreed to be a contractual intermediary on a no-cost basis to support this programme. This has involved significant SMP support during this period, including acting as a bridge between it and MaSP in this new relationship. The SMP has also hosted, with desk-space in the SMP office (weekly: October '18-April '19), 2050's Engagement &amp; Information Assistant (Malawi), Lotte Beekenkamp.</p> <p>At the end of April 2018 the SMP worked to support the SG around the Presidential visit and the new <a href="#">Partnership Agreement</a>. Specifically, the SMP hosted an <a href="#">event on the 25<sup>th</sup> April</a> bringing together the civic and governmental links.</p> <p>On the 10<sup>th</sup> May the SMP, with the Alliance, was an active part of the Corra/SG Small Grants Sweep-up session, drawing out learning from the previous year.</p> <p>On the 29<sup>th</sup> May the SMP hosted a Climate Justice Day with the Scottish Government to bring together stakeholders and help launch the Climate Justice Innovation Fund. A Malawi <a href="#">Cross Party Group meeting</a> organised by the SMP the following week then focused on Climate Justice, with speakers from organisations funded by the SG's programme. The SMP also worked with SCIAF through this period to support the SG's new <a href="#">Climate Challenge Programme Malawi</a>.</p> <p>In August, the SMP worked closely with the SG to promote their <a href="#">Malawi Development Programme funding announcement</a>. The SMP was active supporting this announcement in the media, both in Scotland and Malawi.</p> <p>Also in August 2018, the SMP supported the announcement of the latest <a href="#">Small Grants Programme call for applications</a>.</p> <p>On the 7<sup>th</sup> September the SMP supported and spoke at the <a href="#">Small Grants Information event</a>, offering advice and support for prospective applicants. Over the coming weeks and months the SMP supported five organisations developing applications.</p> <p><i>Through August-October the SMP hosted Nicola Cogan the SG's Malawi Development Officer one day a week, to help support cooperation and mutual understanding between the SMP and SG.</i></p> <p>In September, the SMP supported the <a href="#">launch of the SG's 'Contribution to International Development Report'</a>.</p> <p>Also in September, the SMP <a href="#">supported Ben Macpherson's first visit to Malawi</a> as SG International Development Minister.</p> <p>At the end of the September the SMP and MaSP co-hosted with the Scottish and Malawi governments and parliaments, the <a href="#">Malawi and Scotland: Together for Sustainable Development</a> Conference in Lilongwe. This conference brought together 350 individuals across Malawi and Scotland to explore how best to work together in this coming chapter to help implement the <i>Global Goals Partnership Agreement</i>.</p>
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The SMP worked closely with the Scottish Government, MaSP and the Alliance on the important issue of safeguarding. Safeguarding was made an integral part of the level conference in Lilongwe (September '18), [Malawi & Scotland: Together for Sustainable Development](#) and the SMP has been working to support MaSP's continuing work in this area, at the request of the Scottish Government. The SMP has also signposted Members to Scottish Government events and the Alliance's [Safeguarding questiontime](#) at SCVO's annual 'The Gathering' at the SECC Glasgow in February.

From 8th March, the SMP has been active in responding to the severe floods in Malawi through:

- Government engagement – working with the Scottish, UK and Malawian Governments, sharing news of Government aid pledged;
- Coordination and information sharing – including a [regularly updated webpage](#) keeping members informed and efforts coordinated;
- Parliament engagement;
- Public awareness and fundraising co-ordination:

At its Grantees' Information Day the Scottish Government encouraged grant holders to take part in the '50/50 by 2020' initiative for gender balance on Boards. The SMP was pleased to have [signed up to this initiative within 24hrs](#) of being made aware of it.

The SMP has supported the Scottish Government's NHS Scotland Global Citizenship programme as part of the Scottish Global Health Co-ordination Unit, making SMP membership possible for all 22 Health Boards across Scotland and inputting to their Volunteering opportunities.

The SMP has actively supported the Scottish Government's small grants programme through this period, offering support and feedback on the design of the programme, supporting the promotion of the call, and supporting members to be able to develop applications.

Feedback from some of those we have supported to apply for the small grant fund:

- *"There is no doubt whatsoever that our project would not have been possible without the SMP. When it was just a tiny seed of an idea, Emily made time to discuss it with us and motivated us to believe in its significance. She also effected essential introductions to schools which are now our partners . Your support at the grant workshop was also really important – especially the enthusiasm of your team in encouraging us to 'give it a go'. And, of course, the fact that 3 of you came to our public seminar and took time to really understand our approach has been significant – especially as you then gave up an opportunity to speak to teachers through workshops at your hugely successful Youth Forum, and to pupils via my appearance at the plenary that day.  
"The collegiate and supportive approach you encourage at all your networking events is also a huge contributor to organisational success in this area.*



	<p><i>...I feel that I have been able to translate and develop work in Malawi, not only because of the excellent quality of the resources you provide, but also because of the community you have created and the values you instil. I'm not overstating things when I say that our charity, our work or the great relationships we have built in Malawi could not have happened without the SMP. Please don't ever change – and keep on motivating and leading the great relationship between our countries”</i> Emma Wood FCIPR Chair, STEKAskills and board member of STEKA (Step Kids Awareness), Senior Lecturer Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>“We've found the SMP's support in reviewing grant applications to be extremely helpful. Getting an experienced yet fresh set of eyes to look over an application has led to several important points being addressed that otherwise we might never have noticed. The proof is certainly there as we recently were awarded funding from the Scottish Government for an application SMP had directly helped us with!”</i> James Turing, Turing Trust</li> </ul> <p>The SMP was responsive to the Scottish Government's concerns about the NGO Amendment Bill. We met with officials and the Minister to discuss the Bill, engaged with representatives of OSCR who had been in dialogue with the NGO Board, consulted our partners and members, and <a href="#">shared information publicly</a> on our website to raise awareness of the issues.</p> <p>The SMP connected the <a href="#">Malawi-UK Business Group</a> with the Scottish Government to have their Malawi Business Networking event hosted at the Scottish Government's Scotland House in London.</p> <p>Through this period the SMP helped amplify and promote various Scottish Government announcements, including around: St Andrews Day celebrations on social media, <a href="#">small grants announcements</a>, grant-holder events, a project <a href="#">reducing early and child marriages</a>, <a href="#">2050 meeting</a> and the <a href="#">Minister's first visit to Malawi</a>.</p>
<p><b>OUTCOME 3:</b> Scottish publics beyond SMP membership are informed and engaged on Scotland-Malawi links, opportunities and impact</p>	<p>There were a total of 262 features relating to Malawi in the Scottish media in this 12-month period.</p> <p>The SMP published 53 news stories in our <a href="#">online news section</a> of the SMP website and posted <a href="#">35 event webpages</a> about networking/information sessions being held or co-held by the SMP.</p> <p>The SMP had six articles published in the Scotsman between April and September.</p> <p><a href="http://ow.ly/IAKV30mtgFY">http://ow.ly/IAKV30mtgFY</a>  <a href="http://ow.ly/N61530mtgM8">http://ow.ly/N61530mtgM8</a>  <a href="http://ow.ly/pQEg30mtgRC">http://ow.ly/pQEg30mtgRC</a>  <a href="https://bit.ly/2K09BqZ">https://bit.ly/2K09BqZ</a>  <a href="https://bit.ly/2FQwlia">https://bit.ly/2FQwlia</a>  <a href="https://bit.ly/2YJ6uag">https://bit.ly/2YJ6uag</a></p> <p>The Scotsman has a circulation of 16,349 for its print edition and 64,100 daily average unique browsers for its digital edition.</p>

The SMP also featured in or led with 58 articles in the press during this period (see full details in Addendum Three).

There were a further **155 positive Scotland-Malawi features** in the press (see full details in Addendum Three). These articles are collated from Google Alerts and are outside of the control of the SMP.

In this year there were also 19 negative stories relating to Malawi (although none related to the Scotland Malawi Partnership itself in any way). This means that 92% of all Malawi media coverage in the press remained positive in this period despite the media challenges around safeguarding, especially around Tearfund's work in Malawi. All of the sector saw an increase in negative reporting associated with the safeguarding coverage during this time.

It should be noted that none of the negative media coverage in this period was directly critical of Scotland's relationship with Malawi but rather was either relating to safeguarding issues (x11) or linked to an interview with Tumeliwa Mphopo and her experiences of living in Malawi with albinism (x8).

"Opportunity to view" is the number of articles multiplied by the average circulation for that publication. Using this calculation, there were 48+ million opportunities to view coverage relating specifically to Scotland and Malawi. This is an underestimate as there are 25 media outlets for which published circulation figures are not available and hence have not been included. This is well above target but we highlight that changes in the way circulation figures are calculated means we cannot guarantee this is a fair comparison with Year One figures.

On social media, our pages (across Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn) had 1,114,788 impressions between April 2018 and March 2019. Our Instagram page has 848 followers.

The SMP has been performing especially well on Twitter, with Twitter impressions for March 2019 sitting at 109K for the month which is a strong increase on our monthly average of 50K. Using Twitter impressions, the daily total impressions between April 2018 and March 2019 is 751,300. This is 97,792, 15% above the year-end target.

Using Facebook Insights Data, the daily total impressions between April 2018 and March 2019 was 343,856 Facebook Impressions. This is 347, which is 107 below target due to the changes in the algorithms Facebook uses, which came in in March 2018 and has had an impact on all Facebook stats for all users (see <https://tinyurl.com/y774a59h>). This change has significantly reduced Facebook impression figures for all organisations using Facebook and consideration should be made when making target for next milestone.

By having a focus on video in the second half of this reporting year, we have seen an increase in numbers from the first half of the year, so this will be a continued focus for sharing inspiring content. Following an interview process in January, we have created a pool of industry-standard Videographers, enabling us to build up our offering of video content.

On Instagram, we have 848 Instagram followers, meaning we achieved 214% above the March 2019 target.

Using LinkedIn insights the daily total impressions between April 2018 and March 2019 was 19,632. This was just slightly above target of 19,632 for March 2019.

The SMP created 31 videos during this period. In addition, we hosted [7 videos made by our members](#) which were submitted for our annual [Member Awards](#). These were uploaded to Facebook and shared on our social channels.

Across Facebook, Twitter and YouTube, the total number of video views between April 2018 and March 2019 was 19,616.

On Facebook alone, the total number of impressions ( the number of times your content is displayed no matter if it is clicked or not) for our videos published between April 2018 and March 2019 was 41,166. Please note, the other social platforms do not capture data for this figure so this will be much higher in reality.

In the April 2019 Member Needs and Impact Survey 45% of respondents rated the SMP's representation of Malawi links in the media as "extremely useful" and 50% as "quite useful" Only 5% rated it "not very useful" and no one rated it "not useful at all".

In the same survey 54% rated the SMP's representation on *social* media as "extremely useful" and 41% as "quite useful", 0% said "not very useful" and 4% said "not useful at all".

In this period, we also engaged with author Alexander McCall Smith regards an operetta which he will write for the SMP, to be staged in 2020. It will aim to reach new audiences in telling the story of David Livingstone and contemporary links between the two nations. We also had dialogue with the David Livingstone Trust on contributing to their Legacy space ahead of the centre's re-opening after major overhaul.



**SMP Chief Executive, David Hope-Jones, with the UK Minister of State for Africa as she visited the SMP's offices and helped launch the latest edition of the SMP's *Scotland Street Coffee***



**Scottish MPs and Peers meeting with the President of Malawi in the House of Lords, as part of the SMP's Malawi APPG**

<p><b>OUTPUT 3.1:</b> New Media and Communications Strategy developed and implemented</p>	<p>A 'Communications &amp; Digital Communications Strategy' was updated in August 2018 and will continue to be updated as required. A new Media and Communication Officer Pamela Tulloch, from STV, was recruited in August 2018</p>
<p><b>OUTPUT 3.2:</b> SMP website development and maintenance as national hub for Scotland-Malawi interactions</p>	<p>Between April 2018 and March 2019, the SMP website welcomed 21,616 visitors to the site, which was above 14% target – an encouraging figure which shows we are continuing to engage with new audiences.</p> <p>It was also encouraging to see that the total number of sessions on the SMP website was 4% above target, at 33,304.</p> <p>We had 87,049 page-views during the same period, which is 3% below the 90,000 target. Improving SEO is something we are hoping to invest time on in the next quarter to continue to boost this figure.</p> <p>The SMP also implemented a design refresh during this time, working with <i>39 Steps</i> (brand and web design agency) to make design changes on the website and have an overall simpler layout.</p>
<p><b>OUTCOME 4:</b> New and priority areas of engagement between Scotland and Malawi are progressed</p>	<p>As outlined below and in the appendices, we had good progress and impact in our priority areas of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agriculture and food security (see Addendum Fourteen)</li> <li>• Business, Trade, Investment and Tourism (see Addendum Fifteen)</li> </ul> <p>Youth and Schools (see Addendum Sixteen)</p>
<p><b>OUTPUT 4.1:</b> Delivery of the Business, Investment, Trade and Tourism (BITT) programme</p>	<p>As outlined in the Business, Investment, Trade and Tourism Progress and Impact Report (Addendum Fifteen), the SMP has had strong impact in this area.</p> <p>The SMP has used its leverage to increase pressure on the Commonwealth Development Corporation (CDC) to <a href="#">increase its investment portfolio in Malawi</a>.</p> <p>The SMP worked with the UK Parliament's International Development Committee in advance of their <a href="#">evidence session with CDC (Commonwealth Development Corporation)</a>, as part of the <b>Committee's enquiry into DFID's Economic Development Strategy</b>. During the session the Chair and Chief Executive of CDC were asked by the Committee "what efforts are being made to increase investments in Malawi". <i>Three weeks after the session, the SMP was involved in the <a href="#">launch of CDC's new impact report</a> which included specific information about increased investments in Malawi.</i></p> <p><i>In July the SMP was involved in the <a href="#">launch of CDC's Annual Impact report</a>, with the Chair and Chief Executive using this report to outline their increased investment with Malawi. The SMP has already been invited to the launch for the 2019 report.</i></p> <p>In November, the SMP supported the Malawi-UK Business Group's networking reception in Scotland House, securing CDC's involvement. At the reception the CDC Chair stated that Malawi was a top investment priority for CDC.</p>

The SMP helped lead the Malawi-UK Business Group with a networking event and five teleconferences held in the reporting period, and hosted a [roundtable with the Malawi Investment and Trade Centre \(MITC\)](#) in Edinburgh.

In association with the Malawi Travel Marketing Consortium, we published a [new Malawi Tourism Brochure: "Discover Malawi"](#). We also developed a strategic partnership with STA Travel to support tourism to Malawi; worked with Orbis Travel around their specialist school visits and began consultation with travel industry experts and specialist SMP Members on the potential of initiating direct flights from Scotland to Malawi.

In December, an [SMP Member consultation](#) of those working in Business, Investment, Trade & Tourism helped inform targets for and the best time to hold the 2019 Buy Malawian Campaign which will be run in Autumn 2019. The SMP supported the development of a new range of Mzuzu Coffee to be imported into Scotland during this period and launched the second edition of Scotland Street Coffee, in partnership with Alexander McCall Smith and Brodies. We continued to support Just Trading Scotland with their 90KG rice Challenge. Speaking of their links with Malawi and SMP support, John Riches of JTS (Just Trading Scotland) said:

*"...we have been extraordinarily fortunate to be working in a country where there are such strong links with Scotland. There is so much support and advice and practical help which comes with belonging to such a vigorous and wide network and we are very conscious of it. It's what makes the kind of wide-ranging partnership that we have with KASFA possible, which in turn makes it all worthwhile and achievable. Very many thanks for your help over the last ten years.*

In the April 2019 Member Needs and Impact Survey, 89% of respondents said they were aware the SMP was active supporting sustainable economic development in Malawi, of whom 79% said they had reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP's work, and 38% said they had changed their actions in this area because of the SMP.



Minister Ben Macpherson MSP meeting young Malawians as part of the SMP-MaSP conference

**OUTPUT 4.2:** Expand schools outreach, support for school partnerships and wider youth engagement

Gemma Burnside joined the team as Youth and Schools Officer (YSO) in June 2018. After starting, Gemma immediately sought to make strong connections and build on previous relationships with many partners and members to expand schools and youth outreach over the rest of the year. The success of these connections can be seen in the number of engagements with schools and young people across the rest of the year.

This activity included recruiting 10 young people for the Youth Committee who then went on to co-design and lead the [2019 Youth Congress](#) held in McEwan Hall in Edinburgh, attracting c200 young people from across Scotland to take part in a full day of interactive activities on the theme of *Culture and Partnership*.

A number of the Youth Congress attendees and partners have spoken of the impact of the day:

- *“Better understanding of language; seeing how others are getting involved.”* – Ian Mitchell, Beath High School
- *“Yes! We immediately changed the itinerary for our trip based on workshop information and it was so easy to do this.”* – Deborah Gallacher, Kelvinside Academy
- *“It helped to get our group to focus more on our trip in June”* – Richard Wilson, Kingussie High School
- *“Gave us a few ideas.”* – Andy McKay, St Margaret’s High School

Other feedback from partners and teachers included:

- *“I thought it was a very good day, and the marketplace worked very well. I spent all day, apart from the plenary sessions, having students wanting to chat which was great. Please pass on my congratulations to the committee for such a good event.”* - Mary Popple, Director Just Trading Scotland.
- *“Thank you so much for having us! Lucy, Sus and I had a fantastic afternoon – I wish I could have been there in the morning. I was so impressed by the questions from the attendees, which were all thoughtful, challenging and pertinent. It was such an engaging and inspiring event!”* - Fiona Burns, British Council Scotland.
- *“Thanks a lot for inviting me, I loved the plenary and thought it was really interesting and fun to see the wonderful event you planned. It looked like the students were all having a great time and I liked the set up with the round tables in the middle, rather than a big lecture-style hall. Everything in terms of schedule, directions, and logistics was arranged really nicely. Great to see how involved the youth committee was, a great example of co-design!”* - Lotte Beekenkamp, 2050 Climate Group.
- *“The kids thought it was a great day, not one complaint.”* – Andy McKay, St Margaret’s High School.

Feedback from young people included:

- *“I enjoyed the language workshops.”* Olivia
- *“We learned about the type of music Malawians make/listen to.”* Olivia
- *“I enjoyed when we got to ask questions.”* Kerr



- *"I enjoyed making collages and learning Chichewa."* Michael
- *"Making postcards was good."* Szymon.
- *"I enjoyed listening to the live music."* Leah
- *"It was good listening to the music and listening to the panel."* Kathleen.
- *"I enjoyed listening to interesting questions and answers."* Jamie
- *"I enjoyed listening to the history of the Partnership and making collages."* Alix
- *"We enjoyed the making of the collage postcards because we got to see photos of people and animals of Malawi."* Niamh and Lucy
- *"I enjoyed being taught how to do event planning."* Charis
- *"I enjoyed singing and learning how people sing in other countries."* Kylie
- *"I enjoyed collage making and how to prepare a good event."* Heather
- *"I enjoyed the architecture and the event in the main hall and learning how to speak Chichewa."* Mia.

The YSO has been able to offer support and take part in a number of key partner events and sessions throughout the year, increasing the visibility and knowledge of the SMP's support for schools across Scotland.

The [Youth Competition](#), co-designed by the Youth Committee, was successfully launched within this period and will support young people to run their own event:

There continue to challenges with engaging teachers in events such as the schools' forums, due to increasing pressure on teachers' time in school. This is a challenge experienced sector-wide.

This led to the pilot of an ['online' schools forum](#) in late March to offer teachers a more accessible way of taking part in a key information session. Positive feedback received after the event suggests that this format should be repeated in future. For further details of activities, please see the Youth and Schools Progress and Impact Report (Addendum Sixteen).

The first half of the year had a period of absence between Youth and School Officers and, as a result, we are 22% under target in the number of young Scots benefitting from SMP support and outreach. However, this reduction was only in the first half of the year, and our year-end totals for the number of SMP youth and schools points of support and engagement is 121% over target.

**OUTPUT 4.3:**

Convening and supporting a community of practice on Agriculture and Food Security

The SMP hosted a Malawian delegation which included the Minister for Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development, his Opposition Party counterpart and civil servants. The [SMP's roundtable meeting](#) on the 11<sup>th</sup> July brought members together with the Government of Malawi and Scottish-based practitioners including Professor Robert Kalin and other Scottish Government grantees.

Agriculture and food security has been included in Malawi Cross Party Group events and we have been proactive and responsive in convening and supporting activities with key agriculture & food security organisations including SEBI, GALVmed, CTLGH, Water Witness International, SCIAF, Just Trading Scotland and the Global Academy for Agriculture & Food Security whose Director Prof Geoff Simm said:

*"We value highly our membership of SMP. It has been extremely helpful in connecting us to partners in Malawi and Scotland, and is an impressive, agile, imaginative, efficient operation, that is highly respected and valued in both countries."*

Further information can be found in the Agriculture and Food Security Progress and Impact Report (Addendum Fourteen).



SMPs members at the Scottish Premiere of *The Boy Who Harnesssed the Wind*



Members at the SMP 2018 AGM

## External Assessment of Evidence of the Scotland Malawi Partnership (SMP) Impact / Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) Data, April 2019

By the Corra Foundation



### **INDEPENDENT OVERVIEW:**

#### **Background**

Corra Foundation was approached to undertake a short independent review of the Scotland Malawi Partnership's end of year reporting to Scottish Government, including an assessment of evidence provided for progress made towards the four outcome areas outlined in the logframe: 1. Co-ordination and partnership capacity building 2. Advocacy and policy work 3. Public awareness raising and engagement 4. Pre-identified priority areas: business, investment, trade and tourism; youth and schools; agriculture and food security.

This review does not constitute a full impact assessment. Rather, it is a two-to three-day exercise comprising a desk-top document review and short consultation meeting which serves to provide an independent assessment of the evidence provided by SMP in reporting on its progress during the year in question, April 2018-March 2019.

The assessment is structured around the SMP logframe and largely follows the format established in the 2017-18 external review undertaken by Fiona Talcot of a short narrative report and annexed table commenting on

progress by individual indicator. In terms of information sources, the assessment has considered: □ the documents listed in the annex (all provided to Corra by SMP), □ SMP website content, and, □ a discussion on selected issues highlighted by the document review (held on 30 April 2019 at SMP offices with David Hope-Jones, the SMP Chief Executive in a meeting with Chrissie Hirst from the Corra Foundation).

These primary sources have been complemented by observations on SMP's work from Corra staff working on international issues and participating in SMP-led or attended activities, as well as informal feedback from a number of SMP members, many of which are also Scottish Government and Corra grantholders. However, while knowledge and information gained informally through engagement in the Scottish international development sector have inevitably been relevant for this review of the last year, it should be underlined that Corra did not undertake any specific enquiry or interviews with SMP members in order to gather information or evidence for this review of the SMP reporting.

## **Comments on MEL Framework and Quality of Data**

As noted in the last external end of year review, the SMP appear to have prioritised MEL and put significant effort into documenting activities and progress. As detailed in Annex 2, SMP has diligently collected data and information to evidence the indicators and targets listed in the logframe as part of its reporting on progress under this grant.

While the logframe does provide a useful framework to capture the varied aspects of the SMP's work with different audiences and in different strands, the assessment has highlighted a few points for consideration. Annex 2 lists certain specific points in relation to individual indicators, and some additional general observations relevant across the logframe follow.

As highlighted in the 2017-18 external assessment, there is a prevalence of quantitative indicators used in the current SMP logframe – while many of these offer useful evidence to track SMP's progress, there is also a sense that for some outcomes significant areas of SMP's work fall outside the “torch beam” of existing indicators, and options for better evidencing this work could be an area to explore in this final year, particularly given end-of-grant reflection and as strategic documents are prepared for the next programme phase.

An additional observation, echoing a similar point in the 2017-18 assessment, is that while 11 of the current SMP logframe indicators refer to “impact”, the logframe targets set and related information provided are in places limited in conveying evidence of or perspectives on longer-term change. Going forward into the final year of the current SG grant, it would be useful to consider options for additional steps to identify and track longer-term changes initiated and/or supported by SMP's work.

The review also identified an important area for improvement, namely to address the lack of any gender or diversity disaggregation in MEL indicators, targets or reporting. Beyond this assessment of the existing MEL framework, reported participant feedback from events (e.g. the AGM) also included recommendations to place greater emphasis on gender balance and diversity of speakers and panels. More analysis of participants at meetings (men/women, background, age, etc.) would give valuable information on audiences and needs to inform SMP planning going forward,

not to mention stronger evidence in relation to the Impact Statement and Outcome 1 in particular.

A final observation in relation to quality of evidence was that while SMP staff have been diligent in collecting participant feedback at multiple events, the reported feedback from participants at different forums or events was in a number of cases of limited value as evidence for the quality of event due to the relatively small numbers of participants who provided it. The reports presenting feedback on various SMP forums and meetings give a detailed breakdown of responses to key questions rating the event's quality and providing a summary of responses to open questions / comments on the event. However, when only a small number of participants provided feedback, the evidence for reporting which presents the percentage which gave the event positive ratings is weakened (i.e. 75% of respondents may have rated the event as “excellent” but those who responded may comprise only 10% of participants).<sup>1</sup>

Suggested priorities for Year 3: □ Introduce gender disaggregation wherever possible in activity monitoring (and activity planning). Identify relevant diversity disaggregation responding to strategic priorities (e.g. Malawi/African/Scottish background, youth/non-youth, etc.) and introduce into activity monitoring and internal strategic reflection points. Incorporate gender and diversity aspects into future strategic planning and MEL. □ Increase efforts to secure a higher proportion of event participants who provide feedback, aiming for a minimum of 50%. □ Explore options for tracking medium- to long-term changes resulting from SMP activities; selecting strategic priority areas could be a useful frame to support focus. □ Consider (for both end-of-grant reporting and the development of next generation MEL tools) potential needs and options for tracking and evidencing work relevant to achieving Outcomes 1-4 which is not currently captured or presented through reporting using existing indicators.

<sup>1</sup> For example, of the 24 participants attending the Health Forum, only 6 gave feedback; of the 22 at the MITC Roundtable only 4 gave feedback; of the 215 at the Youth Congress, only 6 gave feedback; of the 20 at the Renewable Energy Forum, only 9 gave feedback; and of the 250 who attended the SMP AGM, the report does not note the number of attendees who provided feedback.



Davie Luhanga at the SMP's Youth Congress 2019

## **Assessment of Evidence of Specific Outcomes**

Review of the annual report documentation shared by the SMP notes a range of evidence provided to support the conclusion that the SMP has successfully met targets in the 2018-19 year of implementation.

Following the structure of the 2017-18 external review, a shortened logframe with notes on achievements and evidence has been attached as Annex 2 (continuing the traffic light colour coding from the last review). To complement the assessment comments on the evidence provided for each Outcome and Output in the Annex 2 table, a summarised overview is provided below by Outcome.

### **Review of Outcome One: Civic links between Scotland and Malawi are co-ordinated, and the capacity of partnerships to be effective and impactful is enhanced**

As detailed in Annex 2, the evidence provided in SMP reporting indicated that targets were largely met or exceeded for Outcome 1.

However, from general knowledge of SMP's work and some reporting references, an assessment observation would be that the aspects of co-ordination of links between Scotland and Malawi, the focus of Outcome 1, felt only partly reported as the current framework does not provide for discussion of SMP's work with its sister organisation, the Malawi Scotland Partnership (MaSP). This area of work is of great value and relevance to the achievement of Outcome 1 (as well as the other three Outcomes), and it is recommended that Year 3 reporting consider options for reflecting on it in more detail.

In this respect, echoing the points made on MEL and diversity above, being able to disaggregate participant feedback so that Malawian perspectives could be reviewed and compared to Scottish views would be very helpful for supporting reflection on how SMP's activity is meeting all needs. This suggestion also links to that from the 2017-18 review which encouraged

SMP to track the types of members/participants engaging in different kinds of activities.

"Impact statements" (Outcome Indicator 1.1. and Output Indicator 1.1.4) have also been understood as (mostly short) testimonial statements from members – to some extent inevitable give the size of target expected as it would be unreasonable for SMP to devote staff time to collecting 30/40 detailed case studies evidencing causal chains and resulting impact. However, for SMP to be able to reflect more deeply on member support processes and longer-term outcomes, the development of a few more detailed case studies which evidence "effective" and "impactful" partnerships would be useful.

Suggested priorities for Year 3:  Explore options to report on work with MaSP.  Explore options to disaggregate and capture Malawian perspectives and feedback on SMP's activities.  Consider the development of more detailed case studies looking at longer-term impact for different types of SMP members and partnerships.

### **Review of Outcome Two: The value of partnerships between Malawi and Scotland, and the experience and learning of SMP members, is reflected in the policy and outputs of political and policy making fora**

As noted in Annex 2, the SMP Lobbying and Advocacy Report 2018-19 and additional reporting provided a range of useful information and evidence that SMP has achieved the targets set for the Outcome 2 and that this is an area of strong performance.

In addition, when asked as part of this review about the presentation of advocacy results and impact in relation to policy changes achieved or facilitated, including 'before and after' starting points of key stakeholders' political positions or policies, SMP was able to quickly adjust and strengthen the Lobbying and Advocacy Report to include additional analysis and

evidence. Going forward, SMP is encouraged to continue efforts to convey progress in advocacy and lobbying more clearly in reporting – and enhanced efforts to present this in the 2018-19 Lobbying and Advocacy Report (as compared to the 2017-18 advocacy and lobbying report) following the 2017-18 suggestion to put a greater focus on analysis were well noted, with the further requested adjustments to the 2018-19 report much appreciated. While it is always hard to ‘quantify’ progress in policy change and attribution will inevitably need to be considered among multiple external factors, tracking and reflecting on SMP’s contributions will have value for strengthening advocacy work and team capacities going forward, as well as better evidencing this area of high achievement.

Local authority work appears to be an area of future growth, despite the generally limited international perspective from this target group, and one with great potential to enhance links with Malawi that could inform and enrich civic governance in both countries. The SMP’s demonstrated ability to facilitate exchange and inspire new partnerships and activities, including bridging or brokering links with relevant institutional stakeholders such as the Commonwealth Local Governance Forum and Westminster Foundation for Democracy, represents an important resource for the field of civic governance in Scottish engagement with Malawi. In this respect, it is very encouraging to read that SMP are developing resources to support increased local authority engagement. In considering end of grant reporting and the development of new strategic MEL documents, SMP would be encouraged to review the current MEL and logframe indicators for this area of activity in particular to ensure that the breadth/depth of work is fully captured and reporting and learning properly informed.

Additionally, while only partially reflected in the logframe and the narrative reporting submitted, it is evident that the SMP has put time and effort into supporting other organisations in their work within the framework of, and in line with the wider aims of, the Scottish Government’s International Development Strategy. Collaboration is a key aspect of advocacy and policy work, and an assessment observation is that the SMP’s relationships with other key actors in the sector such as Scotland’s International Development Alliance, and not least the Corra Foundation, have been consistently intelligent and constructive.

Suggested priorities for Year 3: □ Continue exploring options to enhance / deepen tracking and learning from advocacy and lobbying results □ Consider options to capture in more depth relevant learning and progress in relation to work with local authorities

### **Review of Outcome Three: Scottish publics beyond SMP membership are informed and engaged on Scotland-Malawi links, opportunities and impact**

SMP reporting evidenced that the targets for this Outcome 3 were almost all met and several exceeded in this reporting period. Notably, the number of Malawi features published in the Scottish media more than tripled from the last reporting period.

The use of different kinds of social media in target setting alongside website views and users meant that for a couple of targets SMP reporting fell slightly under targets, while in others it exceeded the set targets. A general comment on the targets set for this Outcome 3 would be that beyond ‘opportunities to view’ or ‘impressions’, it would be helpful going forward to have data relating to the number of actual ‘engagements’ as evidence of the numbers of people who have read, reviewed, forwarded/ retweeted/ liked media posts and content.

An additional note would be that SMP has also put effort during the reporting period into developing other communications products with/for members, including 31 short videos. This appears a positive new area of activity and it would be interesting if end of grant reporting is able to reflect on benefits and learning from this new area of communication activity. Building on earlier suggestions regarding disaggregation of participant feedback and a recommendation from the 2017-18 review, SMP would benefit from further analysis of its communications to help identify who is being reached and what tools work best for different groups/types of members.

A further comment on indicators used under Outcome 3 particularly relates to Output Indicator 3.1.3, “Percentage of Malawi features in the Scottish media which are positive in tone”, which does not appear to function well as a gauge of whether Scottish publics are informed and engaged on Scotland-



Malawi links and issues. This review would suggest that: □ There is nothing inherently “negative” about Scottish media discussing/covering problematic issues related to Malawi in an intelligent and well-informed way (and this may indeed support progress towards SMP advocacy goals, such as funding for the 2019 flood response for example); □ Many media articles cover multiple points of view and a range of issues, meaning categorisation into “positive” or “negative” for data recording purposes becomes challenging; and, □ Scotland-Malawi links and partnership should provide for healthy discussion and engagement on issues of importance to both countries (including for example human rights, albinism, historical profits from colonialism, corruption, safeguarding in relation to development assistance, climate change, etc.), some of which risk being categorised as “negative” when in fact such media coverage may be accurate, intelligent and contributing to informed and constructive public engagement.

Suggested priorities for Year 3: □ Explore options to analyse user preferences and uptake of different SMP media channels and tools to help refine and target future activities for different groups/particular audiences. □ In end of grant and future reporting, consider alternative indicators for analysis of media coverage of Malawi in relation to its support of SMP principles / key messages / advocacy priorities.

#### **Review of Outcome Four: New and priority areas of engagement between Scotland and Malawi are progressed**

This assessment has focussed on reviewing the evidence shared by SMP for the three listed areas detailed in the logframe of: business, investment, trade and tourism (BITT); youth and schools; and, agriculture and food security.

While SMP narrative reporting evidences good progress achieved against all Outputs, the information provided on BITT and youth progress indicates significant increases in the quantity and depth of engagement with Malawi resulting from SMP activity. Additionally, work under

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Outcome 2 on advocacy and lobbying for policy change has clearly been well integrated and complementary to activities and progress in this Outcome 4.

Particularly positive changes in each of the three areas included: in relation to BITT, the CDC prioritisation of Malawi and to new investments in Malawi; the support for a Youth Ambassador to speak at high-level and public events and organisation of a Youth Congress; and, organisation of roundtable on water scarcity and agriculture involving ministerial-level Malawian participants.

Beyond the three priority areas, SMP has also undertaken work to support a focus on other thematic areas, such as its Health Forum, Renewable Energy Forum and faith-based activities, indicating that there are additional areas of engagement and policy relevance where SMP members would have interest or needs for network support.

Going forward, given the currently rather broad formulation of Outcome 4, it is recommended that MEL for SMP’s work in these thematic areas would be enhanced if clear objectives were identified for each priority area, with specific indicators based on progress towards these. While it is clear that SMP is already working in an integrated way across outcomes, developing tailored plans per thematic area may bring additional benefits in helping to identify further opportunities for working across areas (e.g. renewable energy or agriculture as a topic for youth engagement, etc.).

Suggested priorities for Year 3: □ Review existing and potential additional / alternative priority areas of engagement to gauge whether adjustments to priorities or focus are now appropriate and to set objectives and indicators for each area.

## **Value for Money**

This assessment was focussed on the evidence provided by SMP progress reporting against its logframe for the Scottish government grant and did not review the financial reporting from SMP on this grant or attempt to gauge 'value for money' by considering output and delivery against annual spend.

In general however, this assessment would echo the comment made in the 2017-18 review that "the SMP seems to be delivering at least £250K of value, especially in support of the SG's International Development Strategy ". With a small staff and limited budget, SMP has delivered a wide range of activities and provided evidence that its work has led to a number of very significant positive changes that have benefitted its members and different communities in Malawi.

## **Conclusions**

In reviewing this second year of a three-year grant, this assessment has found good evidence of progress in relation to the logframe for almost all indicators. Given the staff changes affecting the small SMP team during this period, maintaining outputs across the wide range of SMP programming is commendable.

While this narrative overview and the logframe tabular commentary provided in Annex 2 offer a more detailed consideration of how and whether individual indicators have been met, the overall conclusion would be that SMP has made solid, in some areas excellent, progress towards its four Outcomes. This progress has required a very wide range of activities, tasks and audiences as SMP has responded to diverse member needs, sector developments and its responsibilities under this Scottish Government grant.

Going forward into the final year of the grant, which will bring end-of-grant reporting and the development of strategic and MEL frameworks for the next phase, the assessment makes a number of suggestions for better capturing the positive changes and anticipated longer-term 'impact' which the SMP's work will deliver or facilitate. Key among these are the encouragements to better capture gender and diversity information on SMP activities and to consider how to evidence and present in final reporting SMP activities which fall outside the current logframe structure and indicators but still have direct relevance and contribute to achieving the desired impact and outcomes.



Minister Ben Macpherson MSP with members of the SMP's Youth Committee at the 2018 AGM

## Independent Indicator Review

<b>OUTCOME 1</b>	<b>Outcome Indicator 1.1</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
<b>Civic links between Scotland and Malawi are coordinated, and the capacity of partnerships to be effective and impactful is enhanced</b>	Number of impact statements from SMP members illustrating the impact membership has had supporting their link with Malawi	Planned: 40+	Planned: 40+	Targets for this Outcome Indicator have been exceeded, and many members reference important positive changes resulting from SMP's work, including benefits from SMP co-ordination and from SMP support that has enhanced members' capacity and effectiveness. In respect to this Outcome, current reporting provides more member statements noting positive changes than referencing longer-term impact per se; this notwithstanding, the end of year reporting provides an abundance of civil society member testimony on the importance and value of SMP for their work with Malawi.
		Achieved: 76	Achieved: 94	
<b>OUTPUT 1.1</b>	<b>Output Indicator 1.1.1</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
Programme of development and capacity building opportunities offered to members	Total annual attendance at SMP events and SMP-supported/partnered events	Planned: 32 SMP events engaging 1800 + 20 partner events	Planned: 32 SMP events engaging 1850 + 20 partner events	For a relatively small organisation SMP has organised a large number of diverse events covering different thematic sectors and in different formats, exceeding its target. Work in this period has also seen the target number of SMP-supported partner events doubled, an indication of SMP's positive external engagement with other organisations and networks.
		Achieved: 32 SMP events engaging 1,932 people + 40 partner events engaging 4,772 people.	Achieved: 37 SMP events engaging 2,252 people + 43 partner events engaging 4,595 people.	

<b>Output Indicator 1.1.2</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
Percentage of SMP event attendee feedback describing the event as "excellent" or "very good"	Planned: 83% Achieved: 84%	Planned: 83% Achieved: 88.5%	Based on the reports of participant feedback prepared, SMP has exceeded its target for positive feedback on SMP events. Going forward however, this indicator should also be considered in relation to the percentage of event participants providing feedback, and SMP is encouraged to consider options to increase this, and to aim for a target of gathering feedback from at least half of participants at each event.
<b>Output Indicator 1.1.3</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
Percentage of SMP event attendee feedback stating that their link with Malawi had been supported/strengthened as a result of attending	Planned: 80%	Planned: 80%	Based on the reports of participant feedback prepared, SMP has exceeded its target for participants stating events had strengthened their link with Malawi. As above, going forward, SMP is encouraged to consider options to increase the percentage of event participants providing feedback.



Young people from schools across Scotland at the SMP's 2019 Youth Congress

	<b>Output Indicator 1.1.4</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
	Number of members giving case study testimonial evidence illustrating the impact membership has had supporting their link with Malawi	Planned: 31 Achieved: 65	Planned: 31 Achieved: 94	While member statements noting positive changes resulting from their SMP membership were recorded in response to this Indicator, there were smaller numbers of statements which provided sufficient detail in case study form to fully illustrate "impact" or longer-term changes or effects. This comment notwithstanding, the current end of year reporting provides an abundance of civil society member testimony on the importance and value of SMP for their work with Malawi. In future, suggest complementing this quantitative indicator with a selection of more detailed case study reviews which explore how and which SMP services/support have helped 3-5 different members (small / medium / large chairities, faith group, business, school, etc.) strengthen links with Malawi and enhance the long-term impact of their work.
<b>OUTPUT 1.2</b>	<b>Output Indicator 1.2.1</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
Members receive regular bulletins, and have access to current information, online	Number of SMP news bulletins sent in the year	Planned: 53	Planned: 53	SMP exceeded the target set for number of bulletins issued in the year reported on, also producing thematic bulletins in some areas, with a good level of use and uptake indicated by the member survey.
		Achieved: 60	Achieved: 59	
	<b>Output Indicator 1.2.2</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
		Planned: 1400	Planned: 1450	

	Total number of recipients of the SMP news bulletin	Achieved: 1864	Achieved: 1242	The number of reported recipients of the SMP news bulletin has dropped since last year but remains close, which is a positive indication of good uptake given the impact of new GDPR requirements.
	<b>Output Indicator 1.2.3</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
	Total number of bulletin email opens	Planned: 14650 Achieved: 14596	Planned: 15000 Achieved: 12091	As above, while the number of recipients opening the bulletin has dropped and the set target has not been achieved, the number of 'opens' is not too far behind and this will be an area where new GDPR requirements will have had an effect.
<b>OUTPUT 1.3</b>	<b>Output Indicator 1.3.1</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
Creation of opportunities for in-person networking and sharing between members	Total annual number of opportunities for in-person networking hosted by the SMP / and supported by the SMP	Planned: 32 SMP / 20+ SMP supported Achieved: 32 / 40 Lower number of events reflects staffing shortage and therefore lacking the capacity to host more events.	Planned: 32 SMP / 20+ SMP supported Achieved: 35 SMP events engaging 2,230 people + 43 partner events engaging 4,595	SMP has exceeded the set targets for number of SMP-hosted networking events/opportunities, and more than doubled the targets for networking events supported by the SMP: this is impressive, particularly for a year when a small team faced multiple staff changes.
	<b>Output Indicator 1.3.2</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
	Percentage of SMP event attendee	Planned: 90%-100%	Planned: 90%-100%	



feedback stating when asked that they made new contacts as a result of attending SMP event	Achieved: 91%	Achieved: 94%	This target is set quite high, and SMP's collected participant feedback indicates it has been exceeded.
<b>Output Indicator 1.3.3</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
Percentage of SMP event attendee feedback describing networking at the event as "excellent" or "very good"	Planned: 90%	Planned: 90%	This is another high target, and the feedback SMP has collected indicates that it has been exceeded, which is very positive.
	Achieved: 91%	Achieved: 93%	



OUTCOME 2	Outcome Indicator 2.1	Milestone 1 (2017/18)	Milestone 2 (2018/19)	Assessment
<p><b>The value of partnerships between Malawi and Scotland, and the experience and learning of SMP members, is reflected in the policy and outputs of political and policy making fora</b></p>	<p>Annual SMP Advocacy Impact Report outlining evidence of political and policy impact</p>	<p>Planned: 2017/18 report to show strong evidence of advocacy impact</p>	<p>Planned: 2018/19 report to show strong evidence of advocacy impact</p>	<p>The SMP Lobbying and Advocacy Report 2018-19 provided a range of useful information; in addition, when asked during this review about the presentation of advocacy results (before/after situations, identified change), SMP was able to quickly adjust and strengthen this report by offering additional analysis and evidence. In general, for a relatively small Edinburgh-based organisation, SMP appears to have a genuinely impressive reach in terms of relationships with key stakeholders elsewhere in the UK and abroad and to be effectively leveraging these relationships to help progress towards desired policy change.</p>
		<p>Achieved: 2017/18 Lobbying and Advocacy shows very significant influence and impact</p>	<p>Achieved: Appendix 16, the Lobbying and Advocacy Impact Report, details the 35 key activities the SMP undertook in 2018-19 and the impact seen across the five strategic objectives</p>	

<b>OUTPUT 2.1</b>	<b>Output Indicator 2.1.1</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
Programme of cross-party political strategic engagement	Percentage of political parties in the Scottish Parliament actively engaging and supporting Scotland's links with Malawi	Planned: 100%	Planned: 100%	Related to the comment above, this is an indicator where targets have been firmly met, with the evidence provided by SMP indicating not only 'lighter' engagement and support but significant levels of commitment and responsibility demonstrated by MPs from all five parties, such as chairing roles in cross-party groups, signing motions or speaking in parliament, etc.
		Achieved: 100%	Achieved: 100%	
	<b>Output Indicator 2.1.2</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
	Number of cross-party political meetings convened or supported by the SMP	Planned: 4	Planned: 4	SMP has doubled the set targets for this Outcome Indicator, a further point of evidence that achievements in relation to this Output 2.1 have been particularly significant.
		Achieved: 8	Achieved: 8	
	<b>Output Indicator 2.1.3</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
	Number of actions taken by Parliamentarians in support of the SMP's advocacy work	Planned: 88	Planned: 88	As above, the number of actions taken by parliamentarians have been more than double the set target for this Outcome Indicator; while the response to the floods in Malawi will have catalysed a number of these, this remains an area of particular success. [As a side note, from SMP reporting it appears this indicator of "actions..in support of" has been defined as participation in SMP meetings or relevant debates and issuing formal letters or statements; this is appropriate but it would be helpful to have this definition recorded/ clearly articulated for future MEL consistency.]
		Achieved: 212	Achieved: 182	

<b>OUTPUT 2.2</b>	<b>Output Indicator 2.2.1</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment</b>	
Local authority engagement programme	Percentage of Scottish Local Authorities engaged by the SMP	Planned: 100%	Planned: 100%	While the target is reported as met, the "engagement" of all local authorities reflects only their receipt of SMP briefings. However, SMP provided other reporting evidence which is not captured by the current logframe and indicates more significant, active SMP engagement with several local authorities, as well as on SMP preparation for increased local authority engagement with the preparation of tailored resources for launch later in 2019.	
		Achieved: 100%	Achieved: 100%		
	<b>Output Indicator 2.2.2</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>		<b>Assessment</b>
	Number of Scottish Local Authorities choosing to be members of the SMP	Planned: 17	Planned: 18		The target of an increase in local authority member numbers by one in the reporting period has not been met. However, as noted above, SMP narrative reporting evidenced other substantive actions which indicate engagement with local authorities is progressing, and that plans for the coming year will see improved support and resources for existing local authority members. No concerns here.
		Achieved: 17	Achieved: 17		
	<b>Output Indicator 2.2.3</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>		
Number of Scottish Local Authorities supported by the SMP to develop their own Malawi link	Planned: 3	Planned: 3	SMP reports evidence that this target has been achieved, and, as noted above, that SMP is investing in the development of new materials to support enhanced progress in relation to this Output in the coming period.		
	Achieved: 4	Achieved: 3			

OUTPUT 2.3	Output Indicator 2.3.1	Milestone 1 (2017/18)	Milestone 2 (2018/19)	Assessment
Support for Scottish Government International Development Strategy: assisting constructive synergy between governmental and non-governmental efforts	Number of SMP points of support for the SG's international development strategy (e.g. supporting information events or hosting networking and collaboration meetings around a call, or helping raise awareness of key announcements)	Planned: 9	Planned: 3	SMP reports detail a wealth of "points of support" for the SG's international development strategy, far exceeding the target and including very significant actions such as the part-time hosting of the SG development officer for 3 months to enhance co-operation between SG and the SMP.
	Achieved: 12	Achieved: 21		
	Output Indicator 2.3.2	Milestone 1 (2017/18)	Milestone 2 (2018/19)	Assessment
	Number of opportunities for the SMP and/or its members to offer input, support and feedback to the Malawi Development Programme and the SG's work towards the SDGs (for example through SMP-SG meetings)	Planned: 4	Planned: 4	Exceeding the target, SMP reports outline five specific opportunities when SMP provided substantive input to SG on these issues; other reporting also evidences additional SMP efforts to support work towards the SDGs. [As a side note, suggest this indicator continues to be read as "no. of opportunities SMP has used to offer input, support and feedback... etc." to support consistency of reporting.]
		Achieved: 4	Achieved: 5	



Musical performances at the 2019 Youth Congress

OUTCOME 3	Outcome Indicator 3.1	Milestone 1	Milestone 2 (2018/19)	Assessment - GREEN
<p><b>Scottish publics beyond SMP membership are informed and engaged on Scotland-Malawi links, opportunities and impact</b></p>	<p>Number of opportunities to view Scotland-Malawi features in the mainstream media, and total SMP reach across social media</p>	<p>Planned: At least 6 million opportunities to view Scotland-Malawi features in the mainstream media. Aim to have: 651,852 Facebook impressions; 610,756 Twitter impressions; 370 Instagram followers; 18,460 LinkedIn impressions</p>	<p>Planned: 6 million+ opportunities to view. 690,963 Facebook impressions; 2,980 Twitter followers; 653,508 Twitter impressions; 396 Instagram followers; and 19,567 LinkedIn impressions</p>	<p>SMP reporting evidences that some elements of this indicator have been exceeded (opportunities to view, Twitter followers and impressions, Instagram, LinkedIn impressions), while other elements have not reached the set target (Facebook impressions); no concerns here with generally high numbers in the rapidly changing landscape of social media usage.</p>
		<p>Achieved: 7 million+ opportunities to view. 430,800 Facebook impressions; 930,700 Twitter impressions; 502 Instagram followers; 25,787 LinkedIn impressions</p>	<p>Achieved: 48+ million opp. to view. 343,856 Facebook Impressions; 4,755 Twitter followers; 751,300 Twitter impressions; 848 Instagram followers; and 19,632 LinkedIn impressions</p>	



OUTPUT 3.1	Output Indicator 3.1.1	Milestone 1	Milestone 2 (2018/19)	Assessment - AMBER
New Media and Communications Strategy developed and implemented	Updated strategy produced and reported annually against	Planned: In 2017/18, SMP Communications Strategy updated and progress reported against, capturing key learning	Planned: Progress reported against Communications Strategy, capturing key learning	SMP reporting references the new Strategy and related steps taken, however no separate/dedicated report on progress against the new strategy was available to review.
		Achieved: Presented to SMP Board March 2018, to be launched Year 2	Achieved: A 'Communications & Digital Communications Strategy' was updated in August 2018 and will continue to be updated as required. A new Media and Communication Officer Pamela Tulloch, from STV, was recruited in August 2018	
	Output Indicator 3.1.2	Milestone 1	Milestone 2 (2018/19)	Assessment - GREEN
	Total number of Malawi features in the Scottish media	Planned: In 2017/18, aim to have at least 155 Malawi features	Planned: 155	SMP reporting evidences that the target was exceeded by over 100 features; although the 2019 floods will have been behind many features, this

	in the Scottish media		level of coverage is still easily meeting and exceeding targets.
	83	Achieved: 262	
<b>Output Indicator 3.1.3</b>	<b>Milestone 1</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
Percentage of Malawi features in the Scottish media which are positive in tone	Planned: In 2017/18, aim to have 95%-100% of Malawi features in the Scottish media to be positive in tone	Planned: 95%-100%	SMP reporting references a detailed list of media stories and features over the reporting period, categorising them into 'positive' or 'negative' and evidencing the target is close to being reached. There are no concerns over the level of SMP's media engagement and narrative reporting indicates SMP staff are clearly tracking media coverage in detail and engaging with Scottish media outlets to promote constructive coverage of events and developments in Malawi. [As a side note, this indicator is unhelpful in capturing effective media engagement on a range of challenging ("negative") issues which remain important and relevant for SMP and Scottish engagement with Malawi (such as the 2019 floods, albinism, safeguarding, etc.) and articles which consider a range of issues (both "positive" and "negative" in tone). Suggest that in future the indicator is adjusted to encourage review of media coverage which supports achievement of / awareness raising on key SMP policy messages or directions.]
	Achieved: 98%	Achieved: 92%	

<b>OUTPUT 3.2</b>	<b>Output Indicator 3.2.1</b>	<b>Milestone 1</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>	
SMP website development and maintenance as national hub for Scotland-Malawi interactions	Total number of page views on the SMP website	Planned: In 2017/18, aim to have at least 88,000 page views	Planned: 90000	SMP reports based on Google Analytics indicate the target was nearly reached, with website views slightly lower than last year; no concerns in this respect for SMP's general external communication, particularly as more users shift to social media channels such as Twitter for information and updates.	
		Achieved: 88398	Achieved: 87049		
	<b>Output Indicator 3.2.2</b>	<b>Milestone 1</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>		<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
	Total number of new visitors on the SMP website	Planned: In 2017/18, aim to have 18,500 new visitors on the SMP website	Planned: 19000		SMP Google Analytics reports evidence that the target for new visitors was exceeded.
		Achieved: 19966	Achieved: 21616		
	<b>Output Indicator 3.2.3</b>	<b>Milestone 1</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>		<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
	Total number of sessions on the SMP website	Planned: In 2017/18, aim to have 31,500 sessions on the SMP website	Planned: 32000		SMP Google Analytics reports evidence that the target for website sessions was exceeded.
		Achieved: 33683	Achieved: 33304		

OUTCOME 4	Outcome Indicator 4.1	Milestone 1 (2017/18)	Milestone 2 (2018/19)	Assessment - GREEN
<p><b>New and priority areas of engagement between Scotland and Malawi are progressed</b></p>	<p>Summary Progress and Impact reports published annually on the SMP's work on: business, investment, trade and tourism; youth and schools; and agriculture and food security</p>	<p>Planned: 2017/18 report to show strong evidence of impact in these three areas</p>	<p>Planned: 2018/19 report to show strong evidence of impact in these three areas</p>	<p>SMP narrative reporting on BITT and youth progress in particular indicates a number of significant increases in the quantity and depth of engagement with Malawi resulting from SMP activity. Particularly significant positive changes included: in relation to BITT, the CDC prioritisation of Malawi and to new investments in Malawi; the support for a Youth Ambassador to speak at high-level and public events and organisation of a Youth Congress; and, organisation of roundtable on water scarcity and agriculture involving ministerial-level Malawian participants.</p>
		<p>Achieved: 2017/18 reports show significant activity and impact in each of these three areas.</p>	<p>Achieved: 2018/19 reports show significant activity and impact in each of these three areas.</p>	
OUTPUT 4.1	Output Indicator 4.1.1	Milestone 1 (2017/18)	Milestone 2 (2018/19)	Assessment - GREEN
<p>Delivery of the Business, Investment, Trade and Tourism (BITT) programme</p>	<p>Number and scale of SMP points of engagement advancing the BITT programme (e.g. BITT forums, Malawi CPG meetings on BITT, BITT campaigns)</p>	<p>Planned: 5</p>	<p>Planned: 5</p>	<p>SMP narrative reporting recording key meetings and activities relevant to BITT provides evidence this target was easily exceeded.</p>
<p>Achieved: 10</p>	<p>Achieved: 14</p>			

	<b>Output Indicator 4.1.2</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
	Number of member testimonial case studies giving evidence from businesses, importers, investors, etc illustrating the positive impact of the SMP's BITT support	Planned: 4	Planned: 4	The SMP BITT Progress and Impact Report 2018-19 provides four short testimony quotes from 3 members and the President of Malawi which reflect positively on SMP's BITT support.
		Achieved: 4	Achieved: 4	
	<b>Output Indicator 4.1.3</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
	Number of written testimonials from the Government of Malawi illustrating the impact of the SMP's BITT support	Planned: 1	Planned: 1	As above, SMP reporting includes a quoted reference from the President of Malawi in which he praised the SMP's work on the UK-Malawi double taxation treaty.
		Achieved: 1	<i>Achieved: We are awaiting this data</i>	
<b>OUTPUT 4.2</b>	<b>Output Indicator 4.2.1</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
Expand schools outreach, support for school partnerships and wider youth engagement	Number and scale of SMP youth and schools points of support and engagement	Planned: 36	Planned: 38	SMP has continued to exceed targets in this area, and it is clear that the new appointment of a Youth and Schools Officer has given additional impetus to work in this area, supporting a range of different activities and directly engaging with both students, youth and teachers.
		Achieved: 49	Achieved: 84	

	<b>Output Indicator 4.2.2</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
	Estimated number of young Scots benefitting from SMP support and outreach in the year	Planned: 59000 Achieved: 65174	Planned: 62000 Achieved: 50749	While SMP's reports and calculations of young Scots directly benefitting during the reporting period fall short of the target by around 11,000, SMP's work exceeds the set target in the indicator above and narrative reporting provides additional evidence that work in this area is progressing meaningfully, and indeed that the reporting period also included a quarter affected by staffing levels; the assessment finds no concerns in relation to this Output.
<b>OUTPUT 4.3</b>	<b>Output Indicator 4.3.1</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
Convening and supporting a community of practice on Agriculture and Food Security	Number and scale of SMP agriculture and food security points of support and engagement	Planned: 2	Planned: 2	SMP narrative reporting recording key meetings and actions to support / resolve issues relevant to members' work on agriculture and food security provides evidence this target was easily exceeded.
		Achieved: 2	Achieved: 11	
	<b>Output Indicator 4.3.2</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>
	Percentage of members and partners engaged in this area stating they have benefitted from new connections and increased shared learning as a result of the SMP's activities	Planned: 75% Achieved: 100%	Planned: 75% Achieved: 100%	SMP reporting notes that the four members invited to comment on the specific SMP support they received in this area all confirmed it had benefitted their work. While all positive, given the limited numbers of responses, wider consultation with SMP members and other relevant stakeholders would be beneficial to inform future directions in this thematic area.
	<b>Output Indicator 4.3.3</b>	<b>Milestone 1 (2017/18)</b>	<b>Milestone 2 (2018/19)</b>	<b>Assessment - GREEN</b>

Numbers of case study testimonials from key individuals illustrating the impact of the SMP's agriculture and food security work	Planned: 2	Planned: 2	The SMP Agriculture and Food Security Progress and Impact Report 2018-19 provides four short testimony quotes which reflect positively on SMP's support in this area.
	Achieved: 2	Achieved: 3	

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Young people at the SMP 2019 Youth Congress



**ADDENDUM ONE**  
**Member Impact Statements 2018-19**  
April 2019

This document brings together 222 pieces of positive feedback received in 2018/19 by the Scotland Malawi Partnership, illustrating the positive impact the Partnership has achieved for its members between April 2018 and March 2019, and our members' appreciation of this work.

We are always keen to capture and record this type of feedback as it allows our members, in their own words and often unprompted, to communicate in qualitative terms what value they place on SMP membership.

This positive feedback data has taken from emails sent to the SMP, responses to the annual member survey and responses to individual event feedback forms.

**Feedback emailed to the SMP**

*"We value highly our membership of SMP. It has been extremely helpful in connecting us to partners in Malawi and Scotland, and is an impressive, agile, imaginative, efficient operation, that is highly respected and valued in both countries."*

**Prof Geoff Simm**

**Director, Global Academy of Agriculture and Food Security Assistant  
Principal**

*"The Scotland Malawi Partnership (SMP) put GALVmed in contact with its sister organisation, the Malawi Scottish Partnership, which has been very helpful in facilitating access to Malawi government officials with regard to arranging a stakeholder meeting to discuss the sustainability of one of the most important African centres in animal health in Malawi – the Centre for Tick and Tick Borne Diseases (CTTBD)."*

**Dr Lois Muraguri**

**Director Policy & External Affairs  
The Global Alliance for Livestock Veterinary Medicines (GALVmed)**

*"I just want to take a little time to send a huge thankyou to you and your colleagues for the really significant support you have given to QMU and STEKAskills over the last year or two which has culminated in our successful application for STEKAskills' international development small grant.*

*"I have written before about how David's support in navigating the horrors of the visa system was absolutely essential in us being able to bring first Sandra Ndale and then Gift Thompson to study at QMU. The fact that many organisations seem terrified of losing Tier 4 status if students fail , in my experience, has seemed to have an incredibly negative effect on us being able to include bright ambitious and talented young people from poor backgrounds in Malawi to participate in education which I believe will enable them to work at grassroots level to build communities in the country. It took me many months of hard work, supported by David, to circumnavigate this to get Gift here. And I am pleased to say that, despite not having internationally recognised qualifications, he is getting very high marks and performing well academically. In addition he is enriching our students' educational experience in many ways every week. And of course, he has worked with us to co-produce our new model of Voluntourism and will be continuing to do all this for the next three years.*

*"We have had very positive feedback on our new project , not only from Corra but also from people who have been working in global development*

for many years and are referring to our work as 'revolutionary'. There is no doubt whatsoever that our project would not have been possible without the SMP. When it was just a tiny seed of an idea, Emily made time to discuss it with us and motivated us to believe in its significance. She also effected essential introductions to schools which are now our partners. Your support at the grant workshop was also really important – especially the enthusiasm of your team in encouraging us to 'give it a go'. And, of course, the fact that 3 of you came to our public seminar and took time to really understand our approach has been significant – especially as you then gave up an opportunity to speak to teachers through workshops at your hugely successful Youth Forum, and to pupils via my appearance at the plenary that day.

"The collegiate and supportive approach you encourage at all your networking events is also a huge contributor to organisational success in this area. Setting up a small charity is no mean feat – but just as I was about to be defeated by the amount of protocols and documents needed, I was saved by the generosity of the Mamie Martin Fund in sharing their resources (originally shared with them by EMMS). I'd met Moira Dunworth at a number of SMP events, so felt confident enough to email her and ask for help. I was absolutely overwhelmed by her very quick and very generous response though – which helped streamline and explain the work we needed to do. This seems typical of the way in which your members are encouraged to behave – I feel that I have been able to translate and develop work in Malawi, not only because of the excellent quality of the resources you provide, but also because of the community you have created and the values you instil. I'm not overstating things when I say that our charity, our work or the great relationships we have built in Malawi could not have happened without the SMP. Please don't ever change – and keep on motivating and leading the great relationship between our countries"

**Emma Wood FCIPR**

**Chair, STEKAskills and board member of STEKA (Step Kids Awareness)**

**Senior Lecturer Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh**

"...the feedback on the grant application was generally really helpful. Having a fresh set of eyes helps to spot things that everyone else in the organisation just doesn't see. In particular, having written feedback was very very helpful as it gives you time to digest and respond to it meaningfully in the draft."

**James Turing  
The Turing Trust**

"Thank you so much for coming to our reception last week...It all made for a very good evening with lots of really positive reactions and network building. As I said, we have been extraordinarily fortunate to be working in a country where there are such strong links with Scotland. There is so much support and advice and practical help which comes with belonging to such a vigorous and wide network and we are very conscious of it. It's what makes the kind of wide-ranging partnership that we have with KASFA possible, which in turn makes it all worthwhile and achievable. Very many thanks for your help over the last ten years"

**John Riches  
Just Trading Scotland**

"The SMP provides us with access to a range of organisations who can help us to access information or resources in our work in Malawi. The networking that comes about because of the activities of SMP make us stronger in terms of learning new and better ways of managing our resources and raising the quality our Governance systems. We also appreciate the support of SMP in sharing information about our work and raising our profile on social media. The SMP made a video of us in December; as well as being a great resource for us to have, this enabled us to share information about our work very widely."

**Moira Dunworth,  
Mamie Martin Fund**

"First I must commend you and the team for synthesising all that 2 days' work [High Level Conference, September 2018] in 9 pages. Initially I thought 9 pages were too much for a Conference Statement but after reading through I realised how rich and interlinked all the sections are. Simply put it is a great paper. I love the way it has incorporated ownership. We all own the paper. All of us who participated in that paper are owners of that statement. The WE is coming out strongly and I really love that."

**Edgar Bayani Country Director  
Community Energy Malawi**

*“At the SMP AGM in the Autumn I met with the joint Strathclyde University / Ayr Rotarians team who are doing such amazing work on water supply infrastructure in Malawi. I am going down to one of the Ayr Rotary meetings in February to give a presentation on the MalDent Project, so that’s some very useful networking that has resulted from the SMP event!”*

**Prof Jeremy Bagg, University of Glasgow**

*“You could set up a franchise, on how to support large projects anywhere in the world. The SMP is the perfect example.”*

**Rosemary Harley, University of Strathclyde**

*“We’ve found the SMP’s support in reviewing grant applications to be extremely helpful. Getting an experienced yet fresh set of eyes to look over an application has led to several important points being addressed that otherwise we might never have noticed. The proof is certainly there as we recently were awarded funding from the Scottish Government for an application SMP had directly helped us with!”*

**James Turing, Turing Trust**

#### **Impact feedback from Annual Needs and Impact Survey:**

*“The Malawi news link in the bulletin keeps me up to date with Malawian priorities and has allowed more organisations involved with Steka in particular to engage.”*

**Caroline Beaton, Kenyaw Kids**

*“The major impact is on the quality and accuracy of our impact on our link with Malawi.”*

**Brian Kerr, The SOKO Fund**

*“Newsletter is helpful in providing up to date local information and funding calls.”*

**Louisa Pollock, Children’s Medical Care Malawi**

*“Attending the Youth Congress and the MaSP Sustainable Development Conference. Also the need to develop a Safeguarding Strategy.”*

**Denis Robson, Thondwe Community Forum**

*“Supported our grant application to the Scottish Government”.*

**James Turing, The Turing Trust**

*“It feels important to have the SMP behind all our work”.*

**Hazel Dawson, Mamie Martin Fund**

*“It has allowed me to signpost Malawian friends and contacts to they can engage with support services and organisations in Scotland”.*

**Anonymous**

*“It has been the main force behind my attempt to engage the biggest movement for young females in Scotland to engage with the SMP but they are already committed to a further three year commitment in Lesotho as well as an internal restructuring process”.*

**Evelyn Hope, Friends of Malawi  
Guiding**

*“Generally positive. Makes us think more”.*

**Kevin Simpson, Malawi Fruits**

*“Raising economic and climate change issues in prayers and addresses; linking to current World Mission priorities; letter to MP on recent cyclone”.*

**Ian Macaulay, Namadzi Auchtermuchty Church Partnership**

*“Increased exposure of our brand and an increase in both network and sales”.*

**Dominic Webb, Orbis Expeditions**

*“Gives us a bit more back-up and real credibility”.*

**Andy McKay, Saint Margaret’s High School**

*“It has provided new contacts which in turn have helped create new projects, ones which we find exciting”.*

**Alan Laverock, The Bananabox Trust**

*“Great support with visa application and putting me in touch with others who may be able to assist me further”.*

**Jo Davies**

*"Lots of excellent advice given quickly when required. Great to meet up with other schools and get ideas from other staff".*

**Rhona Findlay, Inverkip Primary**

*"It keeps us abreast of developments and in touch with policy makers in Malawi and Scotland".*

**Alex Mackay, Wellcome Centre for Integrative Parasitology**

*"Helped to tie together all other parties involved with partnership in Malawi".*

**Andy Tomison, The Community School of Auchterarder**

*"It has inspired me to keep links to Malawi strong".*

**Rebecca Foster**

*"Strengthened it by having direct links with SMP and MaSP. Provides the security that we knew whom to contact for help/support".*

**Ian Mitchell, The Beath Malawi Partnership**

*"Kept us aware of ongoing events in areas where we are not working".*

**David Thomson, FROM  
Scotland**

*"Considerable in more ways than one".*

**Rosemary Argente**

*"After attending the AGM I tried to get our catering services to use Malawian products. Seeing the special screening of The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind provided an opportunity to email Malawian students for a social – rather than academic – purpose. Unfortunately, the flooding and cyclone tragedy also created an opportunity – checking in that our students were alright".*

**Dr Paula Smith, University of Edinburgh**

**When asked how could the SMP improve its services, responses included:**

- *"Keep them running to the same capacity or if possible build more capacity! I've seen a huge impact particularly in youth and schools development in the past year which is fantastic!"* **Caroline Beaton, Kenyawu Kids**
- *"I think you have already improved them through widening your approach to youth beyond schools".* **Evelyn Hope, Friends of Malawi Guiding**
- *"Carry on – doing ok".* **Dr David Stevenson**
- *"Sustaining current services would be fantastic".* **Ian Macaulay, Namadzi Auchtermuchty Church Partnership**
- *"No improvement needed!"* **Dominic Webb, Orbis Expeditions**
- *"I feel the SMP does an excellent job".* **RoseMary Harley, Graduates Association**
- *"At present, I can find all I need or know whom to contact – so I see no obvious improvements required".* **Ian Mitchell, The Beath Malawi Partnership**
- *"I'm happy with the service offered and we feel very supported"* **Nicola Barker-Harrison, Beath High School**
- *"Have always found SMP to be helpful on any topic we have questions on."* **David Thomson, FROM Scotland**
- *"Carry on as you are doing. The global goals and partnership principles provide the necessary framework and priorities in my view."* **Brian Kerr, SOKO Fund**
- *"Nothing more than the excellent job you are already doing"* **Hazel Dawson, Mamie Martin Fund**

**When asked what extra support members needed, responses included:**

- “None- it’s great!”
- “No suggestion”
- “Not sure”
- “Nothing - it’s hugely helpful already”
- “Does well enough.”

**When asked how the SMP could improve its bulletin, responses included:**

- “No suggestion”
- “Not much - it’s great.”
- “It’s ok as it is”
- “N/A It is fine”
- “Not possible - it’s great!”
- “Happy with current set up”
- “Happy with this”
- “Already perfect.”
- “This meets our needs at the moment”
- “I enjoy the weekly bulletin and it keeps us abreast of issues in Malawi.”
- “I can’t think of anything to add to this.”
- “It has a many good articles. It is already good for a weekly bulletin.”
- “Weekly bulletin is excellent”

**Final comments received included:**

- “You are a brilliant team who do an incredible job and probably don’t get told this enough! Proud to be a member!” **Caroline Beaton, Kenyawu Kids**
- “As I hope our answers indicate, we have found SMP an invaluable source of support, practical assistance, and information so we don’t want them to work any differently! But this exercise has revealed our lack of understanding of the range of SMP activities, so perhaps

*they need to make sure members are fully informed about the extent of their activities!”* **Brian Kerr, SOKO Fund**

- “It meets my present needs”
- “We have not needed the direct support of the SMP much this year -but this is partly due to excellent support in the past! We recognise the importance of wider advocacy by SMP, particularly in supporting continuing the Scots Govt Small Grants fund, which we have successfully applied to for the second time.” **Louisa Pollock, Children’s Medical Care Malawi**
- “Think you’re already doing a great job!” **Denis Robson, Thondwe Community Forum**
- “Thanks!” **James Turing, The Turing Trust**
- “Help for charities registered in England who work in Scotland” **Susan Flynn, CHIFUNDO UK**
- “THANKS” **Hazel Dawson, Mamie Martin Fund**
- “I think the SMP already does a marvelous job”
- “Thank you for all the support you provide. We have been lucky to take part in various activities (visit of the President, AGM, Film Premiere) which has not only strengthened our understanding and passion for Malawi but has also shown to our Malawian partners how much we value our links.” **Fiona Anderson, Head of Muir PS and Dunblane Likhubula Partnership**
- “Happy to be engaged explaining the value of what we have done” **Derek Law, University of Strathclyde**
- “Many congratulations to the whole SMP team for your ongoing hard work in leading the growth & development of the bi-lateral partnership between the two countries. Orbis are always happy to help the cause as and where we can.” **Dominic Webb, Orbis Expeditions**

- *“Keep up the good work”* **Sam Riddell, Westgate Medical Practice, Dundee**
- *“SMP is doing a useful job as far as our charity is concerned.”* **Alan Laverock, Bananabox Trust**
- *“Keep up the good work”* **Andy McKay, Saint Margaret's HS**
- *“You are doing a great job keep up the good work”* **Alex Mackay, Wellcome Centre for Integrative Parasitology**
- *“I have been relatively quiet in the last year so i'm not too much help to your survey, however just embarking on another Malawi visit, so it'd be interesting for me to repeat this survey in a month's time.”* **Steve Taylor, Ideeas Ltd**
- *“SMP have been very supportive of our work already - content with the working processes.”* **Ian Mitchell, The Beath Malawi Partnership**
- *“Thanks for all your hard work to promote Scotland-Malawi links.”* **Dr Paula Smith, University of Edinburgh**

#### Youth and Schools Impact statements:

##### **Penicuik High School Malawi Day**

- *“Firstly, can I thank you and all the SMP team for all the support to run the Malawi Celebration event at Penicuik. I have had a scan through the evaluations we have received from the pupils and it is all looking very positive. We have also had very positive feedback from the staff in school and invited guests. The school had a real buzz about it and it will help set us up on a very positive footing going forward.”* – **Keith Murphy, teacher at Penicuik High School.**

##### **Deborah Gallacher, Kelvinside Academy workshops**

- *“Thank you so much for your support this year. It has been invaluable and I am looking forward to the Youth Congress already.”*

##### **Aberdeen Schools Forum**

- *“It made me want to create a link with Malawi!”* - **Jillian Grant**
- *“Yes - I will be encouraging my school to take on a partnership.”* - **Audrey Herriot**
- *“Ideas to share with school in Malawi”* - **Sandra Jackson**

##### **Youth Congress:**

- *“Better understanding of language; seeing how others are getting involved. Chance to see The boy who harnessed the wind.”* – **Ian Mitchell, Beath High School**
- *“Yes! We immediately changed the itinerary for our trip based on workshop information and it was so easy to do this.”* – **Deborah Gallacher, Kelvinside Academy**
- *“It helped to get our group to focus more on our trip in June”* – **Richard Wilson, Kingussie High School**
- *“Gave us a few ideas.”* – **Andy McKay, St Margaret's High School**
- *“I thought it was a very good day, and the marketplace worked very well. I spent all day, apart from the plenary sessions, having students wanting to chat which was great. Please pass on my congratulations to the committee for such a good event.”* - **Mary Popple, Director Just Trading Scotland.**
- *“Thank you so much for having us! Lucy, Sus and I had a fantastic afternoon – I wish I could have been there in the morning. I was so impressed by the questions from the attendees, which were all thoughtful, challenging and*

*pertinent. It was such an engaging and inspiring event!"* -  
**Fiona Burns, British Council Scotland.**

- *"Thanks a lot for inviting me, I loved the plenary and thought it was really interesting and fun to see the wonderful event you planned. It looked like the students were all having a great time and I liked the set up with the round tables in the middle, rather than a big lecture-style hall. Everything in terms of schedule, directions, and logistics was arranged really nicely. Great to see how involved the youth committee was, a great example of co-design!"* - **Lotte Beekenkamp, 2050 Climate Group.**
- *"The kids thought it was a great day, not one complaint."* – **Andy Mckay, St Margaret's High School.**
- Combined responses from pupils at **St Margaret's** –
  - a. *"I enjoyed the language workshops."* Olivia
  - b. *"We learned about the type of music Malawians make/listen to."* Olivia
  - c. *"I enjoyed when we got to ask questions."* Kerr
  - d. *"I enjoyed making collages and learning Chichewa."* Michael
  - e. *"Making postcards was good."* Szymon.
  - f. *"I enjoyed listening to the live music."* Leah
  - g. *"It was good listening to the music and listening to the panel."* Kathleen.
  - h. *"I enjoyed listening to interesting questions and answers."* Jamie
  - i. *"I enjoyed listening to the history of the Partnership and making collages."* Alix
  - j. *"We enjoyed the making of the collage postcards because we got to see photos of people and animals of Malawi."* Niamh and Lucy
  - k. *"I enjoyed being taught how to do event planning."* Charis
  - l. *"I enjoyed singing and learning how people sing in other countries."* Kylie
  - m. *"I enjoyed collage making and how to prepare a good event."* Heather

n. *"I enjoyed the architecture and the event in the main hall and learning how to speak Chichewa."* Mia.

- *"I wanted to say thank you so much for your very kind email and words of praise for the youth committee. It's a huge honour to work with such an interesting group of people and to have the opportunity to be involved in such an incredible partnership."* – **Daniella Lagus, member of the Youth Committee.**

Online schools forum (from Twitter)

- *"It was great to hear about your work. Thanks @gemburnside for hosting a great and really accessible Schools Forum that I hope more Scottish teachers will be part of next time!"* -  
<https://twitter.com/KenyawiKids/status/1111155302546788352>  
- **Caroline Beaton (Kenawi Kids/Jordanhill School)**

#### **AGM, 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018:**

- "A well run, engaging afternoon"
- "Well organised"
- "Well organised, varied, great opportunities to network and meet others with whom one can work"
- "Very informative. Good variety of topics covered. Opportunities to network"
- "Very lively and interesting. Good networking!"
- "Very stimulating and entertaining"
- "Very fun, great networking"
- "Thanks to the team for a really great event on Saturday. It was really useful personally and I was really impressed with how interesting and well organised it was"
- "A quick thank you. We got to speak to lots of people and make some interesting contacts. It was also really useful to gain a better understanding about the Partnership principles and the SMP as a whole"

- *“I enjoyed it very much. It was a very different AGM, as always. Well done to everyone who prepared the venue, manned the stalls and managed the programme. The whole afternoon had been engaging and varied, with plenty of invaluable networking opportunities so there can be no real criticism of the programme. Altogether it was a very good day. Thank you to all.”*

#### **Chichewa Courses, May-June 2018:**

- *“Very friendly teacher and a great introduction to Malawian culture and Chichewa.”*
- *“Thank you for providing this class. So useful.”*
- *“Great workshop – will definitely help when I go to Malawi. Materials could have been higher quality, ie. links to radio/TV/e-book, etc.”*
- *“Very clear explanations, easy to follow, materials were great.”*
- *“Very good.”*
- *“More confident about not making cultural faux pas”*
- *“Very happy I joined this course”*
- *“Pronunciation practice was helpful.”*
- *“Good three-week intro – I wouldn’t expect to be average in a language until a couple of years!”*
- *“Great sessions, will definitely be recommending to others.”*
- *“Great intro to Malawi culture and Chichewa”*
- *“I feel that I will be able to progress with speaking Chichewa so that next time I go to Malawi, I will enjoy being able to speak to people in their own language”*
- *“I will be able to use the materials to practice and use the language when I go to Malawi”*
- *“Language to use on our next visit!”*
- *“I feel more confident in travelling to Malawi”*
- *“We will use the language a lot”*

#### **Faith Links Conference, 16<sup>th</sup> June 2018:**

- [I found most useful] *“The live WhatsApp conversation (live linking with Malawi)”*
- [I found most useful] *“Sharing, learning, networking, affirming our partnership and work”*
- [I found most useful] *“The group discussions”*
- *“Great idea to use the video and Whatsapp – helps contextualise”*
- *“By understanding how others work.”*
- *“A great way of information sharing and networking.”*
- *“Networked with a lot of members.”*
- *“Networking, thought-provoking and also confirmation that we’re working on the right lines.”*
- *“Made at least one new connection that will improve my links.”*
- *“Updating each other mostly.”*
- *“You’re doing well already!”*
- *“I am delighted to be able to approach the SMP whenever I need it – thank you!”*

#### **Faith Links Road Trip, Summer 2018:**

- *“First meeting, so learning about the SMP for the first time was useful.”* **David Kerr, Scottish Borders**
- [I found useful the] *“Questions & answers and general discussion.”* **Anonymous, Oban**
- [I found useful] *“The exchange of ideas.”* **Chris Thornhill, Oban**
- [I found useful the] *“Hearing report of Netherlorn Group”* **Anonymous, Oban:**
- [I found useful] *“Meeting others with similar interests, learning about other links with Malawi, and the advice given”* **Phil Moss, Oban**
- *“Gave me a greater understanding of what the SMP does and is”* **Ruth Carruthers, Oban**
- *“Found out more about the work of the SMP”* **Fiona Burnett, Scottish Borders**
- [I found useful] *“Making links with new Malawi/Scotland members”* **Robin Tatler, Scottish Borders**
- [I found useful] *“Names and contacts with other interests concerned”* **Anonymous, Glenrothes:**



- [I found useful] “To hear from the SMP on latest Faith Conference and future events” **Denis Robson, Scottish Borders**
- [I found useful] “Knowledgeable about organisation and enthusiastic. Good to hear about other organisations’ work” **Anonymous, Aberdeen**
- [I found useful] “Meetup groups from the Borders with such an interesting mix of projects and experience and outlook in Malawi” **Archie Hinchcliff, Scottish Borders**

#### Health Forum, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2018:

- “Always useful and stimulating”
- “An eye-opener”
- “Really good”
- “Good to hear about the various projects”
- [I found useful the] “Networking”
- [I found useful] “Our visitor from Malawi, Dr Iwe”
- [I found useful the] “Update from members’ projects”
- [I found useful the] “Information on unmet needs in Malawi”
- [I found useful] “Be aware of other projects in Malawi related to Health”
- [It strengthened by Malawi links by] “Helping keep me interested”
- [It strengthened by Malawi links by] “Added to my links”
- [It strengthened by Malawi links] “A bit. Sharing contacts should be helpful”

#### Roundtable with MITC, 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018

- [I found useful the] “General discussion around trade and development, and on the ground around tourism, etc”
- [I found useful the] “Links/networking”
- [I found useful the] “Investment identification and meeting people”
- [I found useful the] “The presentations, speakers and attendees”
- “Yes, I’m not going to change my business plan”
- “Feel connected!”

#### Youth Congress Feedback, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019:

- “Very well organised. Delegates and workshop facilitators buzzing with excitement. Great networking opportunity.” **Monika Wantoch, Edinburgh City Council**
- “It had lots of information” **Sophie, Kingussie High School**
- “Good interaction in workshops. Interesting discussions in main hall. Bright, colourful, lively, welcoming.” **Ian Mitchell, Beath High School**
- “I loved the venue and workshops. The whole event was an inspiring one for us.” **Deborah Gallacher, Kelvinside Academy**
- “There were lots of interesting speakers and workshops but I felt as we only attended in the afternoon we didn’t get the full benefit of the day” **Richard Wilson, Kingussie High School**
- “Very well run and enjoyable.” **Andy Mckay, St Margaret’s High School**
- [Helped strengthen our links through] “Better understanding of language; seeing how others are getting involved.”
- [Helped strengthen our links through] “Yes! We immediately changed the itinerary for our trip based on workshop information and it was so easy to do this.”
- [Helped strengthen our links] “It helped to get our group to focus more on our trip in June”
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### **The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind Screening, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019:**

- *“The event and of course the film was so inspiring that I feel more knowledgeable when sharing with teachers”*
- *“Don’t have specific links with Malawi”*
- *“Engaged me as a viewer as I’ve been to Malawi”*
- *“An inspiring film and event”*
- *“I had read the book years ago. It gave a real sense of connection and connectedness to see the film. Thank you so much!”*
- *“A good talking point to encourage friends to increase support for Malawi”*
- *“Great to meet some SMP members”*
- *“Helped understand more of the issues affecting people in Malawi”*
- *“We are thinking about how we can promote both the film and the book more across the schools and teachers that we work with, possibly with a climate focus or making links with STEM”*
- *“It was good to be able to show parts of life in Malawi to other colleagues who haven’t yet been able to visit themselves”*
- *“Earlier in the week, I had a phone call from an SMP member regarding the Likhubula Partnership. We mentioned that we were both going to the film premiere and coincidentally were sitting in the same row. A text was sent, we stood up and walked over and shared a lovely Malawian hug!”*
- *“More insights into the country, and the creative sector/its potential”*
- *“Just reminded me of the beauty of the country and made me really want to go back to Malawi”*
- *“It was an excellent event and we felt very special to be able to be part of it – thank you”*
- *“Loved the whole evening – really don’t feel it needed improving”*
- *“I thought the whole event was excellent. No real need for improvement”*
- *“Absolutely no major improvements needed, amazing event. Sponsors before the screening perhaps took a little longer than anticipated but not a major issue on the whole”*
- *“It was very well organised. If there was sufficient interest, a Glasgow event would be good”*

- *“Not at all – a highly imaginative event! Keep doing that!”*
- *“You really did it very well! Just so glad I was on one of my visits home”*
- *“Was great”*

### **Renewable Energy Forum, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

- [I found useful] *“Gaining background and direct experience of project links”*
- [I found useful] *“Meeting new people and catching up with friends”*
- *“Useful and interesting mix of people. Energy – encouraging the time and focus it is being given and the consensus for the value and learning to be captured. Relevant data will help people navigate how to learn and not duplicate/repeat and build stronger informed partners/partnerships.*
- [I found useful] *“Lots of useful background information”*
- [I found useful] *“The great interest of Scottish organisations to continue working with Malawi. Information sharing can greatly improve the quality of projects being implemented as partners can learn from other projects.”*
- [I found useful the] *“Contacts and connections with energy-oriented SMP members.”*
- [I found useful] *“Working out the approach of the Forum, and creation of platforms”*
- [I found useful the] *“Networking and the ‘start of something’”*
- [I found useful the] *“Participation from a variety of organisations with interesting perspectives. Meeting other interested people.”*
- *“The meeting was well coordinated. Full of members with great experience is great.”*
- *“Good meeting, thanks.”*
- *“Great meeting from where I have drawn some learning to improve future Renewable Energy Forum meetings.”*
- *“SMP support to help take this idea through to operationalize a Forum has been key!”*

## **ADDENDUM TWO:**

### **Membership Needs and Impact Survey 2018-19: Summary of Results** **April 2019**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Every year the SMP conducts a Membership Needs and Impact Survey, asking members what impact the SMP has had on their work with Malawi over the last year, and what members would like the SMP to do to support their work in the following year. In keeping with our core principles of transparency and accountability, and as a member-led organisation, we're happy to publicly share the results of the survey. This report details exactly what our members told us. A record 104 SMP Members completed the online survey in April 2019.

**IMPACT:** 88% of respondents felt that membership of the SMP in 2018-19 *"helped strengthen, support or develop their links with Malawi"*.

**SERVICES:** The top seven most useful SMP services in 2018-9 were:

1. Office enquiries/ support (73% of users rated "extremely useful" and 27% "quite useful")
2. Support for visa applications (63% of users rated "extremely useful" and 12% "quite useful")
3. SMP events (56% of users rated "extremely useful" and 41% "quite useful")
4. Representation on Social Media (54% rated of users "extremely useful", 41% "quite useful")
5. Disseminating information (51% of users rated "extremely useful" and 41% "quite useful")
6. Networking Opportunities (50% of users rated "extremely useful" and 46% "quite useful")
7. Publications (50% of users rated "extremely useful" and 46% "quite useful")

#### **SUPPORT:**

We received over 70 inspiring messages of support, thanks and endorsement through the survey. When asked what impact SMP membership had had this year, members talked of: new connections with other organisations; increased understanding and awareness; a sense of being well represented and supported; and myriad other benefits stemming from excellent advice, networking, coordination and practical support.

**CAMPAIGNING:** Through 2018-19, the SMP supported and encouraged members to reflect on:

- The UN's Global Goals: 90% knew this was an SMP priority, of whom 79% reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP, and 32% changed their work as a result.
- Supporting the economy of Malawi: 89% knew this was an SMP priority, of whom 79% reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP, and 38% changed their work.
- Agriculture and food security in Malawi: 90% knew this was an SMP priority, of whom 74% reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP, and 30% changed their work.
- Sustainability: 87% knew this was an SMP priority, of whom 85% reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP, and 39% changed their work.
- Working within Malawian priorities: 82% knew this was an SMP priority, of whom 87% reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP, and 29% changed their work.
- What Partnership Principles underpin links: 78% knew this was an SMP priority, of whom 94% reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP, and 39% changed their work.

### **FUTURE IDEAS:**

We received 59 suggestions and ideas for future/enhanced work, including:

- Support with funding applications (x8)
- Case studies from within membership (x7)
- School partnership and education support (x5)
- Support connecting organisations (x4)
- More time for smaller groups (x3)
- Increase geographic reach (x3)
- Flood response and rehabilitation (x2)
- Sustainable Economic development (x2)
- Impact of climate change (x2)
- Buy-Malawian promotion (x2)
- Events for Malawian students (x2)
- More online forums (x2)
- Coordinated shipping (x2)
- Encourage members to update database
- Increase publicity/wider audience
- Build capacity
- Raise awareness of services
- More evening events
- More action-oriented forums. Collaborative work streams
- Put past bulletins on website
- More notice of events/meetings
- More Malawi culture events
- Sustainability
- Assistance transferring money
- Youth congress earlier in year
- One-to-one meetings with members
- Advice on per diems
- Health and maternity needs
- Small businesses and cooperatives
- Scottish Global Health Institute
- Climate change, stories of hope and success of young Malawians
- Accountability and social responsibility
- Less ambitious agendas in big events

### **FUTURE TRAINING:**

We received 19 comments and suggestions for future SMP training:

- Grant application writing (x6)
- Language and Culture (x4)
- Media and Social media (x3)
- Technology
- Visa applications
- Sustainability
- Attracting volunteers and trustees
- Safeguarding
- Monitoring, evaluation and learning
- Upskilling partners

### **FUTURE REPRESENTATION:**

We received 15 comments and suggestions relating to future representation:

- Representation with Scottish Government (x3)
- Issues relating to Gender (x2)
- Lobby DFID to better engage small Scottish charities
- Engage local authorities in responsible Malawi visits
- Lobby SG to have Malawi visits on the curriculum

- Support school funding applications
- highlight Malawian events, issues and developments in Scottish media
- maintain independence from government
- Engage more businesses
- Economic Empowerment
- Small charities
- Healthcare volunteering
- Renewable energy

### **GEOGRAPHY:**

The central belt continues to be the most popular location for SMP events: Edinburgh 35%, Glasgow 33%, Perth 13%, Stirling 10%, Inverness 4%, Aberdeen 3% and Dundee 2%. However, there were a number of specific requests for events outside the central belt.

## **FULL DATA:**

### **1) Process and Participants**

The SMP Needs and Impact Survey 2018-19 was conducted during March and April 2019, using the online survey software, 'Survey Monkey'. A record 104 SMP Members completed the online survey. 43% of the respondents were individuals, 35% were organisations, 18% were schools, 2% were youth members, 2% were Local Authorities and 1% were "SMP Partners".

Members were encouraged to complete the survey, with the first 20 respondents given a free Malawi Scotland Partnership chitenje.

There were 21 questions, surveying opinions on both the impact of SMP work in 2018-19, and membership needs for 2019 and beyond. Not all respondents answered all questions so, for accuracy, the percentages have been calculated against the number of respondents for that question. During this survey the SMP also collected data from members to assist the University of Edinburgh estimate the scale of Scotland Malawi links.

### **2) Impact**

88% of respondents felt that membership of the SMP in 2018-19 "helped strengthen, support or develop their links with Malawi".

Members were asked to comment on what impact they had seen from their SMP membership:

*"The Malawi news link in the bulletin keeps me up to date with Malawian priorities and has allowed more organisations involved with Steka in particular to engage."*

**Caroline Beaton, Kenyawi Kids**

*"The major impact is on the quality and accuracy of our impact on our link with Malawi."*

**Brian Kerr, The SOKO Fund**

*"Newsletter is helpful in providing up to date local information and funding calls."*

**Louisa Pollock, Children's Medical Care Malawi**

*"Attending the Youth Congress and the MaSP Sustainable Development Conference. Also the need to develop a Safeguarding Strategy."*

**Denis Robson, Thondwe Community Forum**

*"Supported our grant application to the Scottish Government"*

**James Turing, The Turing Trust**

*"It feels important to have the SMP behind all our work".*      **Hazel Dawson, Mamie Martin Fund**

*"It has allowed me to signpost Malawian friends and contacts to they can engage with support services and organisations in Scotland".*  
**Anonymous**

*"It has been the main force behind my attempt to engage the biggest movement for young females in Scotland to engage with the SMP but they are already committed to a further three year commitment in Lesotho as well as an internal restructuring process".*

**Evelyn Hope, Friends of Malawi Guiding**

*"Generally positive. Makes us think more".*      **Kevin Simpson, Malawi Fruits**

*"Raising economic and climate change issues in prayers and addresses; linking to current World Mission priorities; letter to MP on recent cyclone".*

**Ian Macaulay, Namadzi Auchtermuchty Church Partnership**

*"Increased exposure of our brand and an increase in both network and sales".*

**Dominic Webb, Orbis Expeditions**

*"Gives us a bit more back-up and real credibility".*      **Andy McKay, Saint Margaret's High School**

*"It has provided new contacts which in turn have helped create new projects, ones which we find exciting".*

**Alan Laverock, The Bananabox Trust**

*"Great support with visa application and putting me in touch with others who may be able to assist me further".*      **Jo Davies**

*"Lots of excellent advice given quickly when required. Great to meet up with other schools and get ideas from other staff".*

**Rhona Findlay, Inverkip Primary**

*"It keeps us abreast of developments and in touch with policy makers in Malawi and Scotland".*

**Alex Mackay, Wellcome Centre for Integrative Parasitology**

*"Helped to tie together all other parties involved with partnership in Malawi".*

**Andy Tomison, The Community School of Auchterarder**

*"It has inspired me to keep links to Malawi strong".*

**Rebecca Foster**

*"Strengthened it by having direct links with SMP and MaSP. Provides the security that we knew whom to contact for help/support".*

**Ian Mitchell, The Beath Malawi Partnership**

*"Kept us aware of ongoing events in areas where we are not working".*

**David Thomson, FROM Scotland**

*"Considerable in more ways than one".*

**Rosemary Argente**

*"After attending the AGM I tried to get our catering services to use Malawian products. Seeing the special screening of The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind provided an opportunity to email Malawian students for a social – rather than academic – purpose. Unfortunately, the flooding and cyclone tragedy also created an opportunity – checking in that our students were alright".*

**Dr Paula Smith, University of Edinburgh**

### 3) **Services:**

Members were asked which services they had used and how useful they found them.

Events: 69% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 56% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 41% rated it as “quite useful”
- 0% rated it as “not very useful”
- 2% rated it as “not useful at all”

Networking opportunities: 60% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 50% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 46% rated it as “quite useful”
- 3% rated it as “not very useful”
- 0% rated it as “not useful at all”

Disseminating news/bulletin: 56% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 51% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 41% rated it as “quite useful”
- 3% rated it as “not very useful”
- 3% rated it as “not useful at all”

Website & online database: 55% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 47% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 47% rated it as “quite useful”
- 3% rated it as “not very useful”
- 3% rated it as “not useful at all”

Publications: 49% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 50% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 46% rated it as “quite useful”
- 0% rated it as “not very useful”
- 4% rated it as “not useful at all”

Office enquiries/ support: 47% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 73% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 27% rated it as “quite useful”
- 0% rated it as “not very useful”
- 0% rated it as “not useful at all”

Member forums: 43% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 45% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 54% rated it as “quite useful”
- 0% rated it as “not very useful”
- 0% rated it as “not useful at all”

Representation in media: 39% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 45% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 50% rated it as “quite useful”
- 5% rated it as “not very useful”
- 0% rated it as “not useful at all”

Representation on social media: 38% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 54% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 41% rated it as “quite useful”
- 0% rated it as “not very useful”
- 4% rated it as “not useful at all”

Funding advice/support: 34% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 35% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 47% rated it as “quite useful”
- 12% rated it as “not very useful”
- 6% rated it as “not useful at all”

Advocacy and lobbying: 25% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 42% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 50% rated it as “quite useful”

- 8% rated it as “not very useful”
- 0% rated it as “not useful at all”

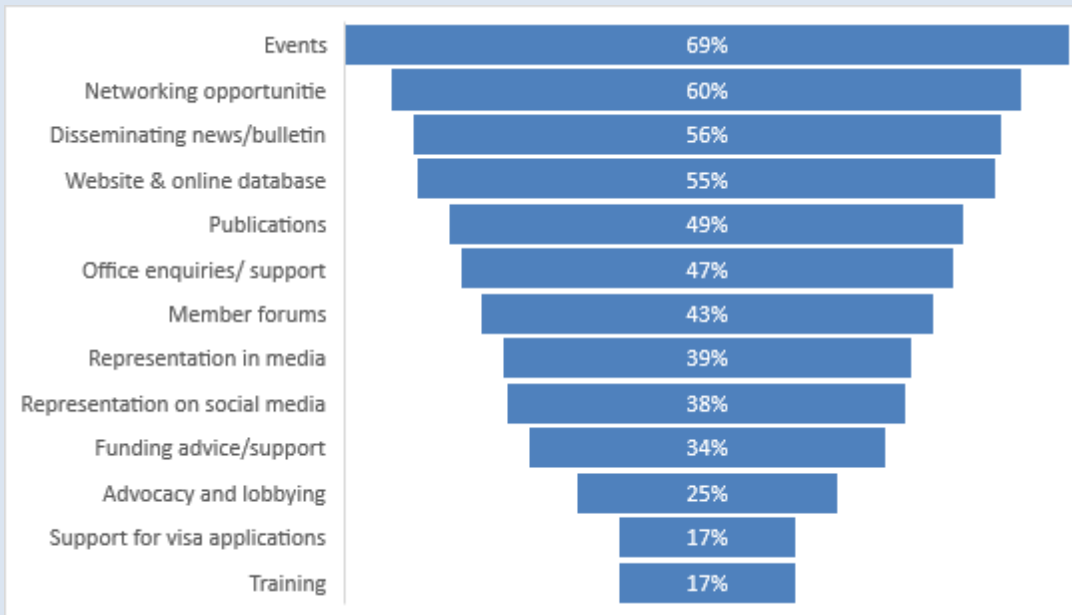
Training: 17% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 22% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 44% rated it as “quite useful”
- 33% rated it as “not very useful”
- 0% rated it as “not useful at all”

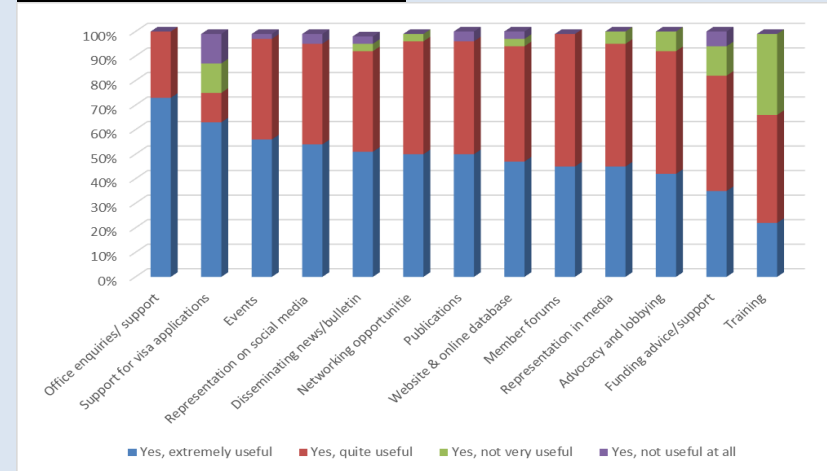
Support for visa applications: 17% of respondents had used this service in 2018-19, of which:

- 63% rated it as “extremely useful”
- 12% rated it as “quite useful”
- 12% rated it as “not very useful”
- 12% rated it as “not useful at all”

### SMP services by usage:



### SMP services by ‘usefulness’:



### 4) SMP Development:

We asked our members how we could improve our work, and were told:

- *“Keep them running to the same capacity or if possible build more capacity! I’ve seen a huge impact particularly in youth and schools development in the past year which is fantastic!”* **Caroline Beaton, Kenyawi Kids**
- *“I would find it useful to know what some of these services are. I wasn’t aware of some, which could have been very useful to us.”* **Brian Kerr, The SOKO Fund**
- *“More committee/training events in evenings rather than during working day.”* **Louisa Pollock, Children’s Medical Care Malawi**
- *“More action oriented forums. Collaborative work streams”.* **Denis Robson, Thondwe Community Forum**



- “Facilitating support for Malawi based grants would be much appreciated, eg. in matching potential projects that have synergies. Also expert advice to support applications, including DFID, would be greatly appreciated for small charities that don’t have in-house grant writing expertise” **James Turing, The Turing Trust**
- “Buy Malawian could do more for us as we haven’t had any enquiries”. **Susan Flynn, Chifundo UK**
- “You can’t really, given our location in the UK and Malawi”. **Ruthie Markus, AMECA**
- “It’s not easy to find on the SMP website what had been in the *Bulletins*”. **Hazel Dawson, Mamie Martin Fund**
- “I think you have already improved them through widening your approach to youth beyond schools”. **Evelyn Hope, Friends of Malawi Guiding**
- “Carry on – doing ok”. **Dr David Stevenson**
- “Longer term planning of Forum meetings would allow for us to participate. We need dates in the diary further ahead”. **Kevin Simpson, Malawi Fruits**
- “Sustaining current services would be fantastic”. **Ian Macaulay, Namadzi Auchtermuchty Church Partnership**
- “No improvement needed!” **Dominic Webb, Orbis Expeditions**
- “Have Schools Conference earlier, away from exam times”. **Andy McKay, Saint Margaret’s High School**
- “Where there are low scores, the services are probably fine, just not relevant for where we are at the moment”. **Alan Laverock, The Bananabox Trust**

- “Some of the events have been in Edinburgh which means a four hour round trip for pupils to come from our school – has to be weighed up with the benefits of impact”. **Ally McGuigan, St Matthew’s Academy**
- “One to one meetings with members”. **Alex Mackay, Wellcome Centre for Integrative Parasitology**
- “I feel the SMP does an excellent job”. **RoseMary Harley, Graduates Association**
- “Have more time for smaller groups”. **David Osborne, Trading Places**
- “More conferences in more Scottish cities”. **Rebecca Foster**
- “At present, I can find all I need or know whom to contact – so I see no obvious improvements required”. **Ian Mitchell, The Beath Malawi Partnership**
- “We would like more events to be held in the North East”. **David Thomson, FROM Scotland**

## 5) Campaigns:

For each of our active campaigns, we asked members whether they knew this was a priority for the SMP, whether they had reflected on their work in these areas because of the SMP, and whether they had changed their working as a result.

### **Working to Malawian priorities**

(see: [Working within Malawian priorities](#) and the [Malawi Growth and Development Strategy](#))

- 82% said they were aware the SMP was active in this area, of whom:
- 87% said they had reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP
- 29% said they had changed their work in this area because of the SMP

### Partnership Principles

(see: <http://scotland-malawipartnership.org/get-involved/principles/>)

- 78% said they were aware the SMP was active in this area, of whom:
- 94% said they had reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP
- 39% said they had changed their work in this area because of the SMP

### Supporting economic development in Malawi

(see: <http://scotland-malawipartnership.org/get-involved/support-malawis-economy/>)

- 89% said they were aware the SMP was active in this area, of whom:
- 79% said they had reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP
- 38% said they had changed their work in this area because of the SMP

### UN's Sustainable Development Goals

(see: <http://scotland-malawipartnership.org/get-involved/global-goals/>)

- 90% said they were aware the SMP was active in this area, of whom:
- 79% said they had reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP
- 32% said they had changed their work in this area because of the SMP

### Agriculture and food security in Malawi

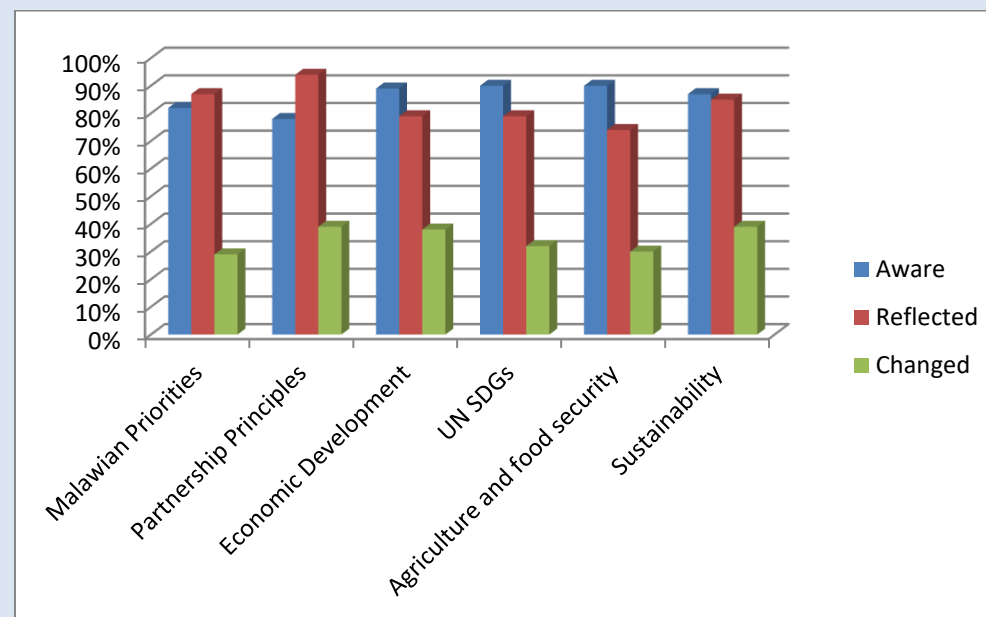
(see: <http://scotland-malawipartnership.org/areas-of-partnership/trade-and-agriculture/>)

- 90% said they were aware the SMP was active in this area, of whom:
- 74% said they had reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP
- 30% said they had changed their work in this area because of the SMP

### Sustainability

- 87% said they were aware the SMP was active in this area, of whom:
- 85% said they had reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP
- 39% said they had changed their work in this area because of the SMP

### Impact of SMP Campaigns:



[Note: the "reflected" and "changed" figures above are all percentages of those that said they were aware of the SMP's work in this area.]

## 6) **Member Needs**

The following results outline the respondents' interest in potential SMP member services, 2019 and beyond.

### **New services:**

Respondents expressed interest in the following new services which they felt the SMP usefully offer in the coming years to better support your work with Malawi?

- *“Funding links and advice for small fish charities like mine as we are too small for major and small government grants. More events for small charities to get together and network- online forum like schools one of this month would be great! More malawian culture events like independence but outwith school holidays would be a bonus!”*
- *“The costs and time spent transferring money to Malawi is a major concern and stress for a small organisation like ours. It must be for others as well. Is there anything that SMP could offer/develop”*
- *“Coordinated shipping”*
- *“Maybe set up a shipping link? Lots of organisations shipping equipment etc, and this could perhaps be co-ordinated by SMP for greater efficiency”*
- *“Partners working and learning together.”*
- *“Facilitating support for Malawi based grants would be much appreciated. e.g. in matching potential projects that have synergies. Also expert advice to support applications, including DFID, would be greatly appreciated for small charities that don't have in-house grant writing expertise.”*
- *“small charities support”*
- *“An occasional London venue!!”*
- *“More case studies of organisations that are making a huge difference in Malawi and what kind of support would enhance their activities”*
- *“Keep up similar support. Concentrate on what is going well rather than widening out to make things less effective. My only disappointment was that I had contacted the office to see if we could borrow the SMP Global Goals banner for our Global Citizenship day at school and never got a reply.”*
- *“Nothing as it is about to draw to a close”*

- *“The new online Schools Forum is a great idea and we would very much like to be involved in this going forwards. Maybe a similar programme could be offered to Scottish Universities/Charities/Businesses interested in forming links?”*
- *“Promote our project”*
- *“More education ideas. Help to sustain school partnerships with continually changing staff.”*
- *“As most of the links are through schools it would be productive if we could work with our partners to improve teacher training and professional development. The British council have schemes available but these can be overly bureaucratic. Would it be possible if this is not already in place to set up links with teacher training establishments in Scotland with those in Malawi if they exist or look at joint funding the establishment of these.”*
- *“Regular events for students studying in Scotland”*
- *“Advice re fundraising etc”*
- *“Fundraising advice. Real advice not lip service”*
- *“A school partnership section with details of anticipated trips to Malawi (dates, venues and contact details) to allow sharing of events and projects etc.”*
- *“More publicity to reach wider audience”*
- *“Provide a direct contact person that we could use for our work with our partner schools.”*
- *“I'm happy with the service offered and we feel very supported”*
- *“Have always found SMP to be helpful on any topic we have questions on.”*
- *“Not new, but continuation of case studies/reports to inform others of work done by SMP membership.”*

### **Areas of work:**

Respondents suggested they would like to see the SMP take forward the following topics, themes and challenges in 2019.

- *“Encouragement of more joined up working for many Scottish organisations that are involved with the same projects in Malawi”*
- *“Carry on as you are doing. The global goals and partnership principles provide the necessary framework and priorities in my view. Keeping members informed about major challenges in Malawi (like the current floods emergency) and how members should or could respond would be very helpful”*
- *“A standard approach from Scottish members on allowances and per diems”*
- *“Technology, communications and use of social media to strengthen partnerships”*
- *“Disaster responses in Malawi. Sustainability and Environmental Conservation”*
- *“Health and maternity needs”*
- *“Nothing more than the excellent job you are already doing”*
- *“Small businesses and cooperatives”*
- *“Difficult to say as this is a partnership”*
- *“I am personally committed to supporting the organisation in any way it sees appropriate”*
- *“Climate change, stories of hope and success of young Malawians”*
- *“Enhancing links”*
- *“Global citizenship, economic empowerment, female empowerment, benefit of challenge fund-raising events in highlighting important issues and generating funds (see the Orbis Challenge), benefit of University links and the development of corporate links and partnerships with the country”*
- *“Coping post flooding”*
- *“Rabies and prisons. I do realise however that prisons are a rather toxic issue so I would understand if you didn’t”*
- *“A movement in aid and assistance towards sustainability and economic development – addressing the ‘enemy’ which is poverty”*
- *“Young people from Malawi who wish to study in Scotland”*
- *“School topics to share”*
- *“Many schools are involved in raising funds for building classrooms and doing this jointly with their partner school, and using the local*

*people and contractors to do this to benefit the local community. Would it be possible to use Scottish Government funding for overseas projects to help boost these projects? Many are small-scale and we are only talking about hundreds of pounds to have a significant impact”*

- *“Establishment of a global Health Institute for Scotland”*
- *“Advice RE funding proposals to Scottish Government”*
- *“Causes and consequences of climate change and its impact on Malawi”*
- *“Climate change, education”*
- *“Accountability and social responsibility”*

### **Training:**

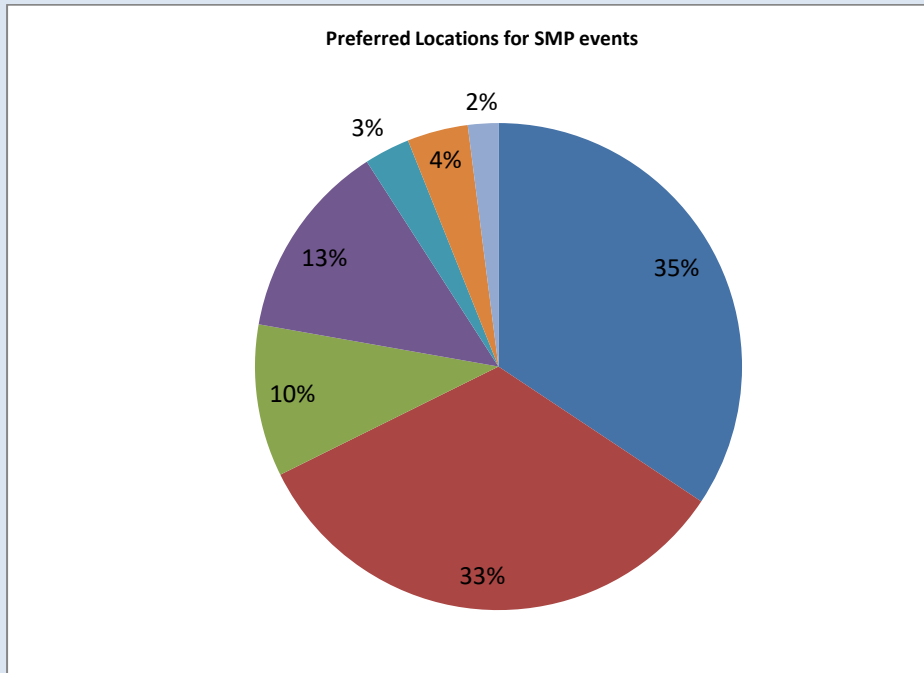
When asked what training the SMP could offer members to support their link the following ideas were suggested:

- *“How to attract volunteers, and new Trustees. Making best use of social media for raising profiles, and fundraising”*
- *“Training in how to promote and force safeguarding policies in Malawi”*
- *“Ways to measure outcomes/monitoring and evaluation”*
- *“More training needed in Malawi to upskill partners”*
- *“Grant writing at a high-level and with DFID experience”*
- *“Grants for SEED approach to projects so that participants pay back for equipment and skills training”*
- *“Media training – not just social media”*
- *“Understanding the culture”*
- *“We would very much like to work with the SMP over the coming years as a marketing partner for Scottish schools, universities, charities and businesses. Hopefully to be discussed further”*
- *“More language courses”*
- *“Training on fundraising and grant applications”*
- *“School topics”*
- *“Training in how to help partners apply for visas”*
- *“Fundraising”*
- *“Possibly some more help with grant funding applications”*
- *“First aid language classes”*

- “How could we better access funding routes? Support with applications for grants, etc”
- “Regular Chichewa lessons”

**Geographies:**

The following results were shown relating to preferred locations for SMP events:



As in previous years, events hosted in the central belt are most popular.

**Representation:**

Members expressed interest in the SMP offering representation around the below issues or topics:

- “SMP should continue to highlight events, issues and developments in Malawi in the Media. It should continue to maintain its independence from government (in terms of opinion, and policy.”
- “Get more businesses on board”
- “Getting UK gov (DFID) to be more transparent and supporting to Scottish charities in their grants.”
- “Economic Empowerment Women’s Empowerment Adult Education “
- “Support for small charities”
- “Issues that relate to women and children”
- “Again I would say political but a partnership would find this difficult”
- “Probably gender issues in Malawi although I am not sure to what extent these have improved in the past decade”
- “Scottish Government links”
- “Lobbying local councils in the dangers and risks of organising independent trips to Malawi & the benefits of working through established & licensed Tour Operators. - Lobbying the Scottish Government in promoting Global Citizenship field trips to Malawi as part of the curriculum.”
- “Opportunities for healthcare volunteering, especially for recently retired doctors, nurses, pharmacists and physiotherapists”
- “Scottish gov”
- “Schools should be recognised as charities since they are audited and run by local authorities - this is needed to allow grants from British Council etc to be available to schools.”
- “Renewable energy - this could have such an impact on many other aspects of Malawian life.”
- “Keep pressure on Scottish Government to support the flood victims as this will be required long term.”

### Support:

The following suggestions and ideas were offered for ways in which the SMP website could better support Members' links:

- "None- it's great!"
- "No suggestion"
- "Not sure"
- "Buy Malawi needs some promotion"
- "Nothing - it's hugely helpful already"
- "Articles by members about their activities in Malawi"
- "I have done away with my broadband so most of my internet business is by simple e-mail now."
- "Prompts to update our details on the database would be really helpful"
- "Further promotion of Global Citizenship School expeditions & Corporate partnerships to Malawi."
- "Does well enough."
- "Not sure"
- "To be honest I haven't looked at it so I couldn't comment on this."
- "Fundraising links to known charities in Malawi"

### Bulletin:

The following suggestions and ideas were offered for ways in which the weekly news bulletin could better support Members' links:

- "As much funding news as you can find!"
- "No suggestion"
- "Not much - it's great."
- "Maybe a "meet the members" short section highlighting a different organisation each week?"
- "It's ok as it is"
- "N/A It is fine"
- "Not possible - it's great!"
- "Happy with current set up"
- "Happy with this"
- "Regular pieces on our work!"
- "Feature a project each time"
- "Already perfect."

- "This meets our needs at the moment"
- "I enjoy the weekly bulletin and it keeps us abreast of issues in Malawi."
- "I can't think of anything to add to this."
- "Include members fundraising news"
- "More on SDGs"
- "It has a many good articles. It is already good for a weekly bulletin."
- "Weekly bulletin is excellent"
- "The format could be more visually enticing, e.g. webmailer format."

### **Final comments received:**

- "You are a brilliant team who do an incredible job and probably don't get told this enough! Proud to be a member!" **Caroline Beaton, Kenyawiki Kids**
- "As I hope our answers indicate, we have found SMP an invaluable source of support, practical assistance, and information so we don't want them to work any differently! But this exercise has revealed our lack of understanding of the range of SMP activities, so perhaps they need to make sure members are fully informed about the extent of their activities!" **Brian Kerr, SOKO Fund**
- "It meets my present needs"
- "We have not needed the direct support of the SMP much this year -but this is partly due to excellent support in the past! We recognise the importance of wider advocacy by SMP, particularly in supporting continuing the Scots Govt Small Grants fund, which we have successfully applied to for the second time." **Louisa Pollock, Children's Medical Care Malawi**
- "Think you're already doing a great job!" **Denis Robson, Thondwe Community Forum**
- "Thanks!" **James Turing, The Turing Trust**
- "Help for charities registered in England who work in Scotland" **Susan Flynn, CHIFUNDO UK**

- **“THANKS” Hazel Dawson, Mamie Martin Fund**
- *“I think the SMP already does a marvelous job”*
- *“Thank you for all the support your provide. We have been lucky to take part in various activities (visit of the President, AGM, Film Premiere) which has not only strengthened our understanding and passion for Malawi but has also shown to our Malawian partners how much we value our links.” Fiona Anderson, Head of Muir PS and Dunblane Likhubula Partnership*
- *“Re: Venues - AGM meetings. I know you are dependent on voluntarily donated premises but for those travelling some distance city centre buildings would be better - ALSO less ambitious agendas as I, personally, do not like to be arriving back in Central Glasgow after dark.”*
- *“Happy to be engaged explaining the value of what we have done” Derek Law, University of Strathclyde*
- *“Many congratulations to the whole SMP team for your ongoing hard work in leading the growth & development of the bi-lateral partnership between the two countries. Orbis are always happy to help the cause as and where we can.” Dominic Webb, Orbis Expeditions*
- *“Keep up the good work” Sam Riddell, Westgate Medical Practice, Dundee*
- *“SMP is doing a useful job as far as our charity is concerned.” Alan Laverock, Bananabox Trust*
- *“Keep up the good work” Andy McKay, Saint Margaret's HS*
- *“You are doing a great job keep up the good work” Alex Mackay, Wellcome Centre for Integrative Parasitology*
- *“I have been relatively quiet in the last year so i'm not too much help to your survey, however just embarking on another Malawi visit, so it'd be interesting for me to repeat this survey in a months time.” Steve Taylor, Ideas Ltd*
- *“We are not so directly involved but more in a network relationship”*
- *“Can we have the greetings in different languages from time to time please.” Peter Howson*
- *“SMP have been very supportive of our work already - content with the working processes.” Ian Mitchell, The Beath Malawi Partnership*
- *“Thanks for all your hard work to promote Scotland-Malawi links.” Dr Paula Smith, University of Edinburgh*

## **ADDENDUM THREE:**

### **SMP featured/led items in the media 2018-19**

#### **April 2018**

1. 14<sup>th</sup> April - Malawi Nyasa Times- Mutharika tells Scots 'If you have not visited Malawi before, then now is the time'\_ Hails Scotland-Malawi Partnership
2. 24<sup>th</sup> April – Edinburgh Evening News - Susan Dalgety: Criticise but don't condemn Malawi over gay rights
3. 26<sup>th</sup> April –The Scotsman – New Scotland-Malawi agreement reached
4. 24<sup>th</sup> April – The Herald – New Scotland-Malawi agreement reached
5. 25<sup>th</sup> April – Edinburgh Edinburgh News – President of Malawi given Capital welcome at Edinburgh Chambers
6. 25<sup>th</sup> April – Malawi Voice – Malawi President Mutharika given capital welcome in Edinburgh
7. 26<sup>th</sup> April – Malawi News Agency – Malawi to continue benefiting from partnership with Scotland
8. 26<sup>th</sup> April – The Scotsman – President of Malawi addresses MSPs
9. 26<sup>th</sup> April - STV – Interview with Ken Ross on Scotland's relationship with Malawi (TV)
10. 27<sup>th</sup> April – Malawi Nyasa Times – Malawi and Scotland agree on new bilateral relations during Mutharika's official visit
11. 27<sup>th</sup> April – The Maravi Post – Malawi and Scotland in new bilateral relations
12. 27<sup>th</sup> April – All Africa – Malawi to continue benefitting from partnership with Malawi
13. 27<sup>th</sup> April – The Scotsman – Mutharika tells Scots to visit Malawi
14. 28<sup>th</sup> April – The Herald – Scotland needs to take a closer look at its relationship with Malawi

#### **May 2018**

15. 4<sup>th</sup> May – Press and Journal – People in fuel poverty need warm homes not warm words- Liam McArthur blog
16. 15<sup>th</sup> May – The Scotsman – Josephine Mpango: Foundation of youth ready to take its place in politics

17. 24<sup>th</sup> May – Dunfermline Press – Teachers and Pars Foundation set for African adventure

#### **June 2018**

18. 4<sup>th</sup> June – Borders Telegraph – Border pupils meet President and First Lady of Malawi
19. 4<sup>th</sup> June – Peeblesshire News – Border pupils meet President and First Lady of Malawi

#### **July 2018**

20. 11<sup>th</sup> July – The Scotsman - Kenneth R. Ross: Deep friendship changing lives here and in Malawi
21. 17<sup>th</sup> July –Daily Record - Shotts and Motherwell high school students enjoy 10-day trip to Malawi
22. 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Motherwell Times - Malawi schools visit is 'super Well' received

#### **August 2018**

23. 14<sup>th</sup> August - Third Force News- £11m Scots aid package for Malawi
24. 2<sup>nd</sup> August – Third Force News - Grants of £60,000 available for Scottish
25. 16<sup>th</sup> August - AllAfrica.com - Malawi Gets £11m From Scotland Govt for Local Projects Until 2023
26. 16<sup>th</sup> August - Malawi Nyasa Times - Malawi gets £11m from Scotland govt for local projects until 2023
27. 14<sup>th</sup> August – Heart Scotland - Malawi projects given £11m
28. 16<sup>th</sup> August - allAfrica.com - Malawi\_ Muluzi Hails UK for Funding Sexual Health Services in Malawi - K47.bn 'Tsogolo Langa' Programme
29. 16<sup>th</sup> August - Malawi Nyasa Times - Muluzi hails UK for funding sexual health services in Malawi\_ K47.bn 'Tsogolo Langa' programme
30. 16<sup>th</sup> August - Devdiscourse New UK aid to provide sexual and reproductive health services for more than 300,000 Malawians



31. 14<sup>th</sup> August – STV - Scottish Government pledges £11m funding boost to Malawi
32. 14<sup>th</sup> August – The Scotsman - Scottish Government pledges £11m to support 10 projects in Malawi

### September 2018

1. 21<sup>st</sup> September – The Scotsman - Karen Chinkwita Kumakanga\_ We call it ubale – partnership that is helping young Malawians into work <https://www.scotsman.com/news/karen-chinkwita-kumakanga-we-call-it-ubale-partnership-that-is-helping-young-malawians-into-work-1-4804368>
2. 22<sup>nd</sup> September - Local MSP is off to Malawi \_ The Edinburgh Reporter <https://www.theedinburghreporter.co.uk/2018/09/ben-macpherson-off-to-malawi/>
3. 27<sup>th</sup> September – Malawi Nyasa Times - Malawi CSOs get K11bn funding Scottish govt for projects <https://www.nyasatimes.com/malawi-csos-get-k11bn-funding-scottish-govt-for-projects/>
4. 28<sup>th</sup> September - Malawi Nyasa Times - Scotland, Malawi for new development <https://www.nyasatimes.com/scotland-malawi-for-new-development-partnership/>

### **A total of 36 SMP Led or featured between April and September 2018**

### October 2018

1. 16<sup>th</sup> October – Nyasa Times - <https://www.nyasatimes.com/chilima-meets-british-peers-scottish-mps-on-malawi-situation-lord-mcconnell-hails-skf-for-strong-analysis/>
2. 16<sup>th</sup> October – The Nation - <https://mwnation.com/former-scottish-first-minister-hails-chilima/>
3. 17<sup>th</sup> October - The Maravi Post - Former Scottish First Minister McConnell salutes Malawi VP Chilima - <http://www.maravipost.com/former-scottish-first-minister-mcconnell-salutes-malawi-vp-chilima/>
4. 16<sup>th</sup> October – All Africa - Malawi: Chilima Meets British Peers, Scottish MPs On Malawi Situation - <https://allafrica.com/stories/201810160280.html>

5. 16<sup>th</sup> October - Edinburgh Live - Midlothian school transformed for a day as pupils celebrate Scotland's links with Malawi - <https://www.edinburghlive.co.uk/news/edinburgh-news/midlothian-school-transformed-day-pupils-15285594>

### November 2018

1. 8<sup>th</sup> November - Nyasa Times - Business reforms bearing fruits, says Malawi Investment and Trade Centre - <https://www.nyasatimes.com/business-reforms-bearing-fruits-says-malawi-investment-and-trade-centre/>
2. 28<sup>th</sup> November - The Scotsman - David Hope-Jones: Best of friends – no wonder UN has praised Scotland's links with Malawi - <https://www.scotsman.com/news/opinion/david-hope-jones-best-of-friends-no-wonder-un-has-praised-scotland-s-links-with-malawi-1-4835394>
3. 22<sup>nd</sup> November - Gov UK - David Mundell calls on Scottish schools to sign up to UK Aid backed programme - <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/david-mundell-calls-on-scottish-schools-to-sign-up-to-uk-aid-backed-programme>

### December 2018

1. 7<sup>th</sup> December – STV (broadcast) Mamie Martin Fund celebrates 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary at Edinburgh Christmas Tree Festival - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s7CPwZbLlnE&feature=youtu.be> (private link but can share if you would like to watch)

### January 2019

1. 21<sup>st</sup> January - What's on Edinburgh - 2019 Scotland Malawi Partnership Youth Congress
2. January - British Council Scotland - Interview: Living, working and ceilidh dancing in Malawi - <https://scotland.britishcouncil.org/living-malawi>
3. 23<sup>rd</sup> January - The Scotsman - Sir Andrew Cubie: What can people of the future learn from collaboration between nations? - <https://www.scotsman.com/news/opinion/sir-andrew-cubie-what-can-people-of-the-future-learn-from-collaboration-between-nations-1-4860312>

## February 2019

1. 28th February – Herald Scotland - ARTS NEWS: Proclaimers put more tickets up for sale, The Tailor of Inverness tours again, Malawi film gets screening in Edinburgh - [https://www.heraldscotland.com/arts\\_ents/17465516.arts-news-proclaimers-put-more-tickets-up-for-sale-the-tailor-of-inverness-tours-again-malawi-film-gets-screening-in-edinburgh/](https://www.heraldscotland.com/arts_ents/17465516.arts-news-proclaimers-put-more-tickets-up-for-sale-the-tailor-of-inverness-tours-again-malawi-film-gets-screening-in-edinburgh/)

## March 2019

1. 31st March - The National - Aid charities praise Scots for raising £2 million for Cyclone Idai - <https://www.thenational.scot/news/17539646.aid-charities-praise-scots-for-raising-2-million-for-cyclone-idai/>
2. 28th March – The Scotsman - David Hope-Jones: Scotland-Malawi partnerships provide routes for potential to grow - <https://www.scotsman.com/news/opinion/david-hope-jones-scotland-malawi-partnerships-provide-routes-for-potential-to-grow-1-4896670>
3. 5<sup>th</sup> March – Edinburgh Evening News - Capital celebrates Malawi link with acclaimed Sundance screening (Newspaper only)
4. 29th March – Aberdeen Evening Express - Government cash will help girls in Malawi learn computer skills - <https://www.eveningexpress.co.uk/news/scotland/government-cash-will-help-girls-in-malawi-learn-computer-skills/>
5. 29th March - Belfast Telegraph - Government cash will help girls in Malawi learn computer skills - <https://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/uk/government-cash-will-help-girls-in-malawi-learn-computer-skills-37963507.html>
6. 29th March - Isle of Wight County Press - Government cash will help girls in Malawi learn computer skills - <https://www.countypress.co.uk/news/national/17536888.government-cash-will-help-girls-in-malawi-learn-computer-skills/>
7. 4th March - The Edinburgh Reporter - Scotland Malawi Partnership – Youth Congress held in Edinburgh - <https://www.theedinburghreporter.co.uk/2019/03/scotland-malawi-partnership-youth-congress-held-in-edinburgh/>
8. 10th March - The Edinburgh Reporter - Scotland Malawi Partnership enjoy film screening at the Dominion -

<https://www.theedinburghreporter.co.uk/2019/03/scotland-malawi-partnership-enjoy-film-screening-at-the-dominion/>

9. 31st March - The Herald - Scots raise nearly £2m for Cyclone Idai appeal - <https://www.heraldscotland.com/news/17539786.scots-raise-nearly-2m-for-cyclone-idai-appeal/>

**A total of 22 SMP Led or featured between October 2018 and March 2019**

## **Positive Scotland-Malawi news**

### **April 2018**

1. Third Force News
2. The Scotsman
3. BBC Sport
4. Evening Times
5. Glasgow Live
6. Cumbernauld News
7. The Edinburgh Reporter
8. Nyasa Times
9. The Maravi Post
10. STV online
11. All Africa
12. Clyde 1
13. HeraldScotland
14. Herald Scotland
15. HeraldScotland
16. The Scotsman

### **May 2018**

17. The Courier
18. STV online
19. Border telegraph
20. Evening Telegraph
21. Glasgow Live

### **June 2018**

22. Glasgow Live
23. Third Force News
24. The Scotsman

### **July 2018**

25. Scottish Field
26. Daily Record
27. Premier
28. Holyrood Magazine
29. The Scotsman
30. BBC News

31. Business Insider
32. SCO News
33. Evening Telegraph
34. Nyasa Times
35. STV online
36. Press and journal
37. STV online
38. The Scotsman
39. The Edinburgh Reporter
40. Forces network
41. SCO News
42. Daily Business Magazine

### **August 2018**

43. 1<sup>st</sup> August - Evening Express - <https://www.eveningexpress.co.uk/news/scotland/performers-tune-up-ahead-of-edinburgh-tattoo/>
44. 2<sup>nd</sup> August – The Scotsman - Obituary Sir Alex Fergusson third Presiding Offi of the Scottish Parliament 2007-2011 nicknamed Hercules Conservative MSP for Galloway and W Dumfries, farmer - <https://www.scotsman.com/news/obituaries/obituary-sir-alex-fergusson-third-presiding-officer-of-the-scottish-parliament-2007-2011-nicknamed-hercules-conservative-msp-for-galloway-and-west-dumfries-farmer-1-4776924>
45. 2<sup>nd</sup> August - The Courier - <https://www.thecourier.co.uk/fp/news/scotland/698763/video-courier-country-performers-join-rehearsals-for-royal-edinburgh-military-tattoo-2018/>
46. 2<sup>nd</sup> August Herald Scotland - <https://www.heraldscotland.com/news/16392385.performers-tune-up-ahead-of-edinburgh-tattoo/>
47. 3<sup>rd</sup> August - Press and Journal - <https://www.pressandjournal.co.uk/fp/news/highlands/1533211/minister-takes-hiv-test-to-end-stigma/>
48. 3<sup>rd</sup> August - Evening Express - <https://www.eveningexpress.co.uk/news/scotland/music-and-dance-spectacular-as-edinburgh-tattoo-begins/>

49. 3<sup>rd</sup> August - Evening Times - <https://www.eveningtimes.co.uk/news/16395955.music-and-dance-spectacular-as-edinburgh-tattoo-begins/>
50. 6<sup>th</sup> August -The National - <https://www.thenational.scot/news/16401712.scottish-government-grant-for-firms-committed-to-social-enterprise/>
51. 7<sup>th</sup> August - The Oban Times - <https://www.obantimes.co.uk/2018/08/07/fort-william-minister-takes-hiv-test-to-tackle-stigma/>
52. 16<sup>th</sup> August- The Southern Reporter- <https://www.thesouthernreporter.co.uk/news/quaich-gift-helps-strengthen-borders-ties-with-malawi-1-4784770>
53. 17<sup>th</sup> August - Scottish Legal News - <https://www.scottishlegal.com/article/hair-raising-visit-to-faculty-for-malawian-girls>
54. 22<sup>nd</sup> August – Malawi Nyasa Times - <https://www.nyasatimes.com/malawian-girls-choir-wows-international-audiences-in-scotland/>
55. 28<sup>th</sup> August - Edinubrgh Evening News <https://www.edinburghnews.scotsman.com/news/girls-from-malawi-joined-mary-erskine-pupils-for-shows-1-4790882>
56. 30<sup>th</sup> August- Peeblesshire News - <https://www.peeblesshirenews.com/news/16607904.smails-makes-an-impression-on-malawi-visitors/>
57. August - Project Scotland- <https://projectscot.com/2018/08/work-underway-at-6-1m-david-livingstone-birthplace-project/>
- September 2018**
58. 8<sup>th</sup> September – Malawi Nyasa Times - <https://www.nyasatimes.com/scotland-donates-50-computers-to-malawi-police-service/>
59. 14<sup>th</sup> September -Falkirk Herald - <https://www.falkirkherald.co.uk/news/twenty-five-reasons-why-malawi-cause-is-a-big-21st-century-success-1-4800005>
60. 27<sup>th</sup> September - Evening Express <https://www.eveningexpress.co.uk/news/scotland/1m-pledged-to-help-marys-meals-feed-children-in-malawi/>
61. 27<sup>th</sup> September - ITV News - <https://www.itv.com/news/2018-09-27/1m-pledged-to-help-marys-meals-feed-children-in-malawi/>
62. 27<sup>th</sup> September - Belfast Telegraph- <https://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/uk/1m-pledged-to-help-marys-meals-feed-children-in-malawi-37360628.html>
63. 28<sup>th</sup> September - Helensburgh Advertiser - <https://www.helensburghadvertiser.co.uk/news/16909578.helensburg-h-dental-nurses-service-with-a-smile-in-malawi/>
64. 27<sup>th</sup> September - Business Insider - <https://www.insider.co.uk/news/marys-meals-receive-more-1m-13319122>
65. 19<sup>th</sup> September - Business Insider - <https://www.insider.co.uk/news/marys-meals-porridge-smiles-maclean-13271268>
66. 14<sup>th</sup> September -The Scotsman - <https://www.scotsman.com/news/opinion/rob-davidson-whether-it-s-scotland-or-malawi-climate-change-is-having-an-effect-on-farmers-1-4799161>
67. 9<sup>th</sup> September - The Scottish Sun - <https://www.thescottishsun.co.uk/news/scottish-news/3185409/marys-meals-charity-poverty-figures/>
68. 30<sup>th</sup> September - The Oban Times - <https://www.obantimes.co.uk/2018/09/30/scots-minister-backs-dalmally-charity/>
69. 13<sup>th</sup> September - The Sunday Post - <https://www.sundaypost.com/fp/scottish-charity-kidsor-unveils-ambitious-expansion-plans-to-provide-children-around-the-world-with-equal-access-to-safe-surgery/>
70. 19<sup>th</sup> September - The National - <https://www.thenational.scot/news/16887129.yes-activist-rowing-3000-miles-for-wateraid/>
71. 9<sup>th</sup> September – The Scottish Sun - <https://www.thescottishsun.co.uk/news/scottish-news/3185409/marys-meals-charity-poverty-figures/>
72. 27<sup>th</sup> September – Aberdeen Evening Express - <https://www.eveningexpress.co.uk/news/scotland/1m-pledged-to-help-marys-meals-feed-children-in-malawi/>
73. 28<sup>th</sup> September - Herald Scotland- [https://www.heraldscotland.com/arts\\_ents/16909371.arts-news-scottish-artist-to-collaborate-in-malawi-morgenstern-performs-in-glasgow-youth-film-festival-success/](https://www.heraldscotland.com/arts_ents/16909371.arts-news-scottish-artist-to-collaborate-in-malawi-morgenstern-performs-in-glasgow-youth-film-festival-success/)

74. 27<sup>th</sup> September – Dundee Courier  
<https://www.thecourier.co.uk/fp/news/local/dundee/732580/nhs-tayside-project-could-save-tens-of-thousands-of-lives-in-malawi/>
75. 29<sup>th</sup> September – Evening Telegraph -  
<https://www.eveningtelegraph.co.uk/fp/dundee-music-star-be-charlotte-stars-in-african-festival-this-weekend/>
76. 25<sup>th</sup> September – Belfast Telegraph -  
<https://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/uk/funding-boost-to-health-project-for-malawian-women-37353007.html#>

**A total of 76 positive Scotland-Malawi news stories between April and September 2018**

**October 2018**

1. 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Mirror Online - Beer brand to let punters to pay whatever they want for a pint - and all the cash goes to charity -  
<https://www.mirror.co.uk/money/beer-brand-punters-pay-whatever-13460382>
2. 22<sup>nd</sup> October - The National - Brewgooder bids to boost charity work by letting drinkers set price -  
<https://www.thenational.scot/news/17000170.brewgooder-bids-to-boost-charity-work-by-letting-drinkers-set-price/>
3. 23<sup>rd</sup> October - STV - Brewgooder launch 'honesty box' campaign for Malawi - <https://stv.tv/news/east-central/1432106-brewgooder-launch-honesty-box-campaign-for-malawi/>
4. 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Insider - Brewgooder launches 'honesty box' campaign where drinkers pay what they want for craft beer -  
<https://www.insider.co.uk/news/brewgooder-honesty-box-social-enterprise-13459510>
5. 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Daily Business Group - Brewgooder says 'pay what you want' to help poor -  
<https://dailybusinessgroup.co.uk/2018/10/brewgooder-says-pay-what-you-want-to-help-poor/>
6. 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Metro Online - Craft brewery introduces honesty box so people can pay what they like -  
<https://metro.co.uk/2018/10/23/craft-brewery-introduces-honesty-box-so-people-can-pay-what-they-like-8065640/?ito=cbshare>

7. 8<sup>th</sup> October - BBC - Dame Kelly's Malawi mission -  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/uk-england-kent-45792892/kelly-holmes-raises-awareness-of-malnutrition>
8. 5<sup>th</sup> October - The Courier - Dundee University expertise to help Malawi scientists -  
<https://www.thecourier.co.uk/fp/news/local/dundee/738652/dundee-university-expertise-to-help-malawi-scientists/>
9. 10<sup>th</sup> October - Times of Malta - Scottish pupils learn to 'make life better' as ethical entrepreneurs -  
<https://www.timesofmalta.com/articles/view/20181010/life-features/scottish-pupils-learn-to-make-life-better-as-ethical-entrepreneurs.691228>
10. 12<sup>th</sup> October - SCO News - Giving street kids a leg up -  
<http://www.sconews.co.uk/feature/56659/giving-street-kids-a-leg-up/>
11. 1<sup>st</sup> October - The Times - Helping Malawi's poor get back on their feet after losing a limb - <https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/charity-helps-malawi-s-poor-get-back-on-their-feet-after-losing-a-limb-g6g08wlb0>
12. 23<sup>rd</sup> October – The Scotsman - Here's how you can pay what you like for Brewgooder beer today -  
<https://foodanddrink.scotsman.com/drink/heres-how-you-can-pay-what-you-like-for-brewgooder-beer-today/>
13. 17<sup>th</sup> October - The List - Kobi Onyame: 'I wanted to capture the call-and-response elements that are common with traditional Highlife' - <https://www.list.co.uk/article/104588-kobi-onyame-i-wanted-to-capture-the-call-and-response-elements-that-are-common-with-traditional-highlife/>
14. 5<sup>th</sup> October - Holyrood - Ministers announce £600,000 for Climate Justice Innovation Fund -  
<https://www.holyrood.com/articles/news/ministers-announce-%C2%A3600000-climate-justice-innovation-fund>
15. 1<sup>st</sup> October - The Courier - Oil tycoon's son to base new Kids Operating Room charity's operations in Dundee -  
<https://www.thecourier.co.uk/fp/news/local/dundee/735391/oil-tycoons-son-to-base-new-kids-operating-room-charitys-operations-in-dundee/>

16. 5th October - SCO News - School declares war on rabies in Malawi - <http://www.sconews.co.uk/youth/56605/school-declares-war-on-rabies-in-malawi/>
17. 23rd October - Third Force News - Social enterprise offers pay what you want beer - <http://thirdforcenews.org.uk/tfn-news/social-enterprise-offers-pay-what-you-want-beer>
18. 6th October - The Times - Solar ovens sent to help African poor - <https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/solar-ovens-sent-to-help-african-poor-578f3zv9r>
19. 23rd October - The Drinks Business - THIS CRAFT BEER BRAND WILL LET YOU PAY WHAT YOU LIKE FOR A SIX-PACK OF LAGER - <https://www.thedrinksbusiness.com/2018/10/this-craft-beer-brand-will-let-you-pay-what-you-like-for-a-six-pack-of-lager/>
20. 15th October - Hospitality and Catering News - TUCO visit Malawi to discover how its donations provide essential school meals - <https://www.hospitalityandcateringnews.com/2018/10/tuco-visit-malawi-discover-donations-provide-essential-school-meals/>
21. 10th November - Insider - Mary's Meals launches Porridge Smiles campaign on World Porridge Day - <https://www.insider.co.uk/news/marys-meals-porridge-smiles-campaign-13391788>

#### November 2018

1. 26th November - Herald Scotland - Brewgooder drafts in big guns in bid to drive sales and projects - [https://www.heraldscotland.com/business\\_hq/17257720.brewgooder-drafts-in-big-guns-in-bid-to-drive-sales-and-projects/](https://www.heraldscotland.com/business_hq/17257720.brewgooder-drafts-in-big-guns-in-bid-to-drive-sales-and-projects/)
2. 6th November - The Courier - Campaign to raise money for Malawi children with V&A photographs - <https://www.thecourier.co.uk/fp/news/local/dundee/757506/campaign-to-raise-money-for-malawi-children-with-va-photographs/>
3. 23rd November - SCO News - Falkirk pupils pack bags full of joy for children in Malawi - <http://www.sconews.co.uk/news/56940/falkirk-pupils-pack-bags-full-of-joy-for-children-in-malawi/>
4. 27th November - Nyasa Times - Malawi hit by dentist shortage: First dental college opens 2019 -

5. 18th November - The Scottish Sun - 'INCREDIBLY MOVING' Mary's Meals founder humbled by Scottish Sun readers who fed African school for whole year by shopping at Sunta Store - <https://www.thescottishsun.co.uk/news/3507486/marys-meals-founder-scottish-sunta-store-st-enoch-glasgow-charity/>
6. 9th November - The National - My visit to Malawi was an experience I will never forget - <https://www.thenational.scot/news/17214195.my-visit-to-malawi-was-an-experience-i-will-never-forget/>
7. 17th November - Press and Journal - School pupils in Moray buy huge shipment of Malawi rice to support students in Africa - <https://www.pressandjournal.co.uk/fp/news/moray/1611452/school-pupils-in-moray-buy-huge-shipment-of-malawi-rice-to-support-students-in-africa/>
8. 11th November - FT Times - Scotland champions businesses with a cause - <https://www.ft.com/content/f7e67eea-e36c-11e8-a6e5-792428919cee>
9. 24th November - SCO News - The magic of Malawi - <http://www.sconews.co.uk/feature/54469/the-magic-of-malawi/>
10. 24th November - Scottish Field - TURN SCOTTISH BEER INTO WATER AND HELP A GOOD CAUSE - <https://www.scottishfield.co.uk/food-anddrink/turn-scottish-beer-into-water-and-help-a-good-cause/>

#### December 2018

1. 18th December - University of Strathclyde - Clean Water for All in Malawi - <https://www.strath.ac.uk/whystrathclyde/news/cleanwaterforallinmalawi/>
2. 17th December - Daily Record - Dumbarton pupils' drive for Malawi school - <https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/local-news/dumbarton-pupils-drive-malawi-school-13745326>
3. 20th December - University of Strathclyde - Environmental health expert makes a difference in Malawi - <https://www.strath.ac.uk/whystrathclyde/news/environmentalhealthexpertmakesadifferenceinmalawi/>

4. 11th December - University of Strathclyde - Ethical beer company teams up with Strathclyde to fix broken water wells in Malawi - <https://www.strath.ac.uk/whystrathclyde/news/ethicalbeercompanyjoinsstrathclydetofixbrokenwaterwells/>
5. 30th December - The Irish News - Ice hockey team sends toys to sick children in Malawi - <https://www.irishnews.com/magazine/daily/2018/12/30/news/ice-hockey-team-sends-toys-to-sick-children-in-malawi-1517511/>
6. 7th December - The Scotsman - Jamie Livingstone: Time is running out to tackle climate change – Scotland can lead the way - <https://www.scotsman.com/news/opinion/jamie-livingstone-time-is-running-out-to-tackle-climate-change-scotland-can-lead-the-way-1-4840150>
7. 1st December - The Herald - Saturday Interview: Profits are water of life for Brewgooder - [https://www.heraldscotland.com/business\\_hq/17268461.saturday-interview-profits-are-water-of-life-for-brewgooder/](https://www.heraldscotland.com/business_hq/17268461.saturday-interview-profits-are-water-of-life-for-brewgooder/)
8. 30th December – STV News - Ice hockey team donates toys to children in Malawi - <https://stv.tv/news/west-central/1434174-scottish-ice-hockey-team-donate-toys-to-children-in-malawi/>
9. 30th December - The Irish Examiner - Scottish ice hockey team sends toys to sick children in Malawi - <https://www.irishexaminer.com/breakingnews/discover/scottish-ice-hockey-team-sends-toys-to-sick-children-in-malawi-894636.html>
10. 12th December - Herald Scotland - The Bottom Line: Water boost, and a Speyside icon - [https://www.heraldscotland.com/business\\_hq/17295309.the-bottom-line-water-boost-and-a-speyside-icon/](https://www.heraldscotland.com/business_hq/17295309.the-bottom-line-water-boost-and-a-speyside-icon/)
11. 13th December - Financial Times - Volunteers' stories: helping Habitat for Humanity change lives - <https://www.ft.com/content/df3a6e1e-f975-11e8-8b7c-6fa24bd5409c>
12. 18th December - Glasgow Live - Watch Gerard Butler direct Malawi schoolkids in Christmas nativity - <https://www.glasgowlive.co.uk/news/celebs/watch-gerard-butler-direct-malawi-15567484>
13. 5th December - Daily Record - Wishaw woman meets African girl she helped sponsor on life-changing Malawi trip -

<https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/local-news/wishaw-woman-meets-african-girl-13684862>

14. 4th December - The Presbyterian Outlook - Zomba Theological College graduates from college to seminary - <https://pres-outlook.org/2018/12/zomba-theological-college-graduates-from-college-to-seminary/>

## January 2019

1. 10th January - Glasgow Live - A Glasgow medic has spent every summer delivering aid in Malawi since she was 15 - <https://www.glasgowlive.co.uk/news/glasgow-news/glasgow-medic-every-summer-aid-15654476>
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3. 23<sup>rd</sup> January - Davos forum shows that we need to share out the wealth – Jamie Livingstone - <https://www.scotsman.com/news/opinion/davos-forum-shows-that-we-need-to-share-out-the-wealth-jamie-livingstone-1-4860317>
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**A total of 79 positive Scotland-Malawi news stories between October 2018 and March 2019**

**Negative stories in the press between April to March 2019**

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2. 6<sup>th</sup> May – Sunday Post - Aid charities admit sex and money scandals as Scots ministers deliver funding ultimatum
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4. 3<sup>rd</sup> May - Malawi 24 - Mutharika angers Scots
5. 5<sup>th</sup> May – Herald Scotland - Tearfund charity 'deeply saddened' about abuse incident in Malawi
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7. 5<sup>th</sup> May – The Times - Top charity in Malawi sex abuse controversy
8. 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Nyasa Times - UK newspaper criticises Mutharika's 'luxury' hotel expenses paid by Scotland
9. 3<sup>rd</sup> June- Sunday Post - Charities detail how Scots aid was lost to fraud and corruption
10. 26<sup>th</sup> July – The Sunday Times - School's out — I've booked my £4,700 trip to the Galapagos
11. 3<sup>rd</sup> August - The Southern Reporter - Your picture of the Week
12. 21<sup>st</sup> October - Nyasa Times - Malawi High Commission in UK shun VP Chilima during visit
13. 11<sup>th</sup> December – The National - 'People with albinism hunted like animals' in Malawi, campaigner says
14. 10<sup>th</sup> December- The Courier - Albinism campaigner speaks of being hunted for body parts
15. 11<sup>th</sup> December – The Scottish Sun - Albino African woman terrified she'll be 'hunted like a wild animal' in her home country after Dundee University trip
16. 12<sup>th</sup> December- Mirror Online - Albino student fears Malawi witch doctors will hunt and kill her for body parts
17. 12<sup>th</sup> December- Daily Record - Dundee student fears Malawi witch doctors will hunt and kill her for body parts for being an albino
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**Note: There are a further 30 articles related to the Malawi floods. I have not included these in this final figure.**

**April to September 2018 total figures:**

112 positive stories

11 negative stories

112/124 = 90.3%

This slight drop is the result of negative coverage associated with the safeguarding reports, especially around Tearfund's work in Malawi. All of the sector has seen an increase in negative reporting associated with the safeguarding coverage.

**October 2018 to March 2019 total figures:**

101 positive stories

8 Negative stories

101/8 = 92%

Between October and March 2019, there were eight Negative stories, which were mainly around an interview with Tumeliwa Mphepo and her own experiences of living in Malawi with albinism.

**Total figures: April 2018 to March 2019: 213 positive stories**

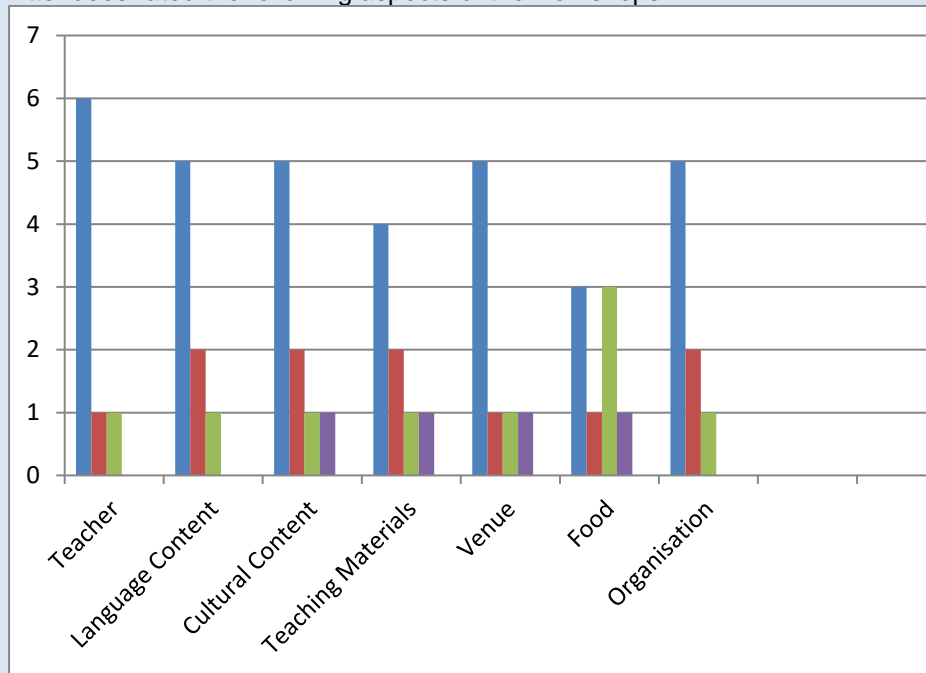
## ADDENDUM FOUR:

### FEEDBACK FROM SMP LANGUAGE AND CULTURE WORKSHOPS 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY – 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, EDINBURGH CITY CHAMBERS & UNIVERSITY OF STRATHCLYDE 17.30 – 20.00

Out of the 29 who attended the SMP Language and Culture Workshops, 8 provided feedback.

Six (75%) attendees stated that the meeting was **excellent**, one (12.5%) stated that it was **very good**, one (12.5%) stated that it was **good**, and none (0%) stated that it was **average** or **poor**.

Attendees rated the following aspects of the workshops:



Attendees commented overall:

- “Very friendly teacher and a great introduction to Malawian culture and Chichewa. Some of the tables in the workbook could be slightly simplified if rearranged.”
- “Please do not have such long sessions. Have shorter sessions and variety. Thank you for providing this class. So useful.”
- “Great workshop – will definitely help when I go to Malawi. Materials could have been higher quality, ie. links to radio/TV/e-book, etc.”
- “Very clear explanations, easy to follow, materials were great.”
- “Very good.”

Attendees were asked to rate their knowledge of the Chichewa Language before and after the training:

Before:

Seven (88%) stated that their knowledge of The Chichewa Language was **poor**,

One (13%) stated that it was **average**

None (0%) stated that it was **excellent, very good, or good**.

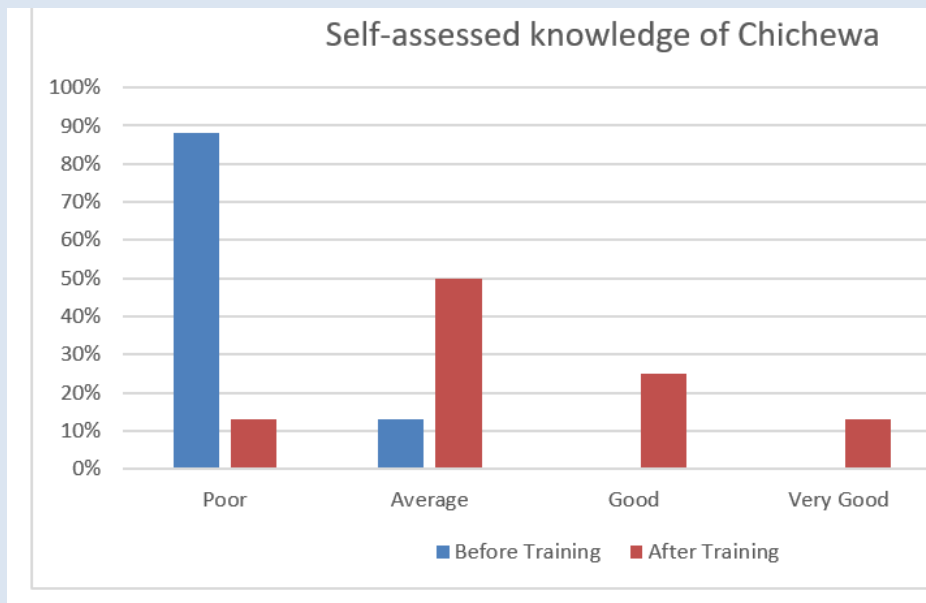
After:

One (13%) stated that their knowledge of The Chichewa Language was **very good**

Two (25%) stated that it was **good**

Four (50%) stated that it was **average**, and

One (13%) stated that it was **poor**.



Attendees were asked to rate their knowledge of Culture and tradition in Malawi before and after the training:

Before

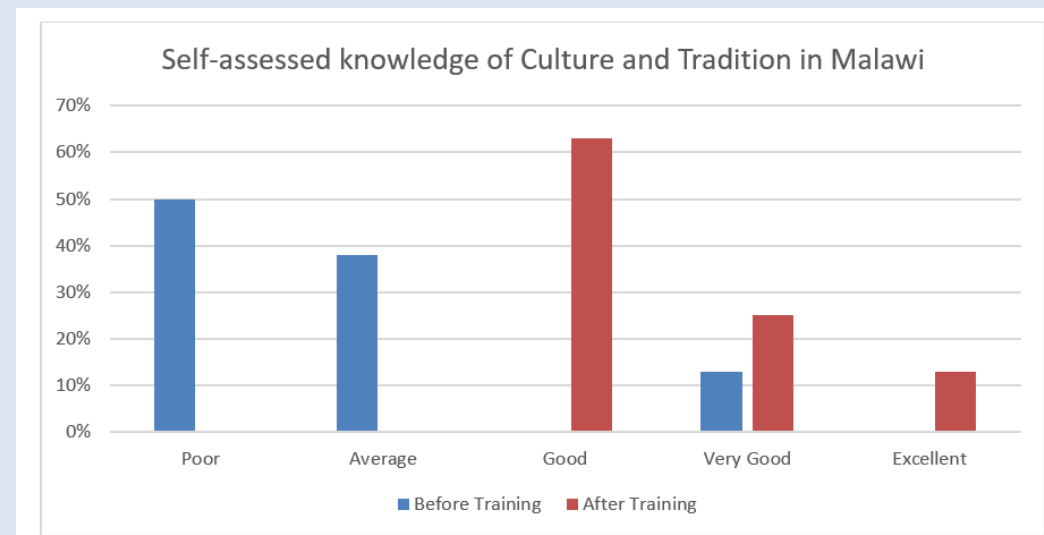
One (13%) stated that their knowledge of (2) Culture and tradition in Malawi was **very good**, Three (38%) stated that it was **average**, and

Four (50%) stated that it was **poor**.

After:

One (13%) stated that their knowledge of (2) Culture and tradition in Malawi was **excellent**, Two (25%) stated that it was **very good**, and

Five (63%) stated that it was **good**.



Comments from attendees included:

- *“More confident about not making cultural faux pas”*
- *“Very happy I joined this course”*
- *“Pronunciation practice was helpful. Doing ALL tenses at once was very hard to learn. Short immersion would help more.”*
- *“Good three-week intro – I wouldn’t expect to be average in a language until a couple of years!”*
- *“Great sessions, will definitely be recommending to others.”*
- *“Great intro to Malawi culture and Chichewa”*

When asked in what way this course will impact future work in, or engagements with, Malawi, attendees answered:

- *“I feel that I will be able to progress with speaking Chichewa so that next time I go to Malawi, I will enjoy being able to speak to people in their own language”*
- *“I will be able to use the materials to practice and use the language when I go to Malawi”*
- *“Language to use on our next visit!”*

- *“I feel more confident in travelling to Malawi”*
- *“We will use the language a lot”*

When asked if there was any way the workshops could be improved, attendees answered:

- *“More often, more please!”*
- *“Would have liked a couple of more sessions”*
- *“Simplify the tables in the handbook and maybe add a small vocab list at the end”*

- *“Use more songs, use more repetition please. The atmosphere was good for learning. After two hours it becomes too intense.”*
- *“No, very good.”*
- *“Better exit instructions – got stuck in the building a couple of times.”*
- *“Longer course, ie. for six weeks – more time to practice”*

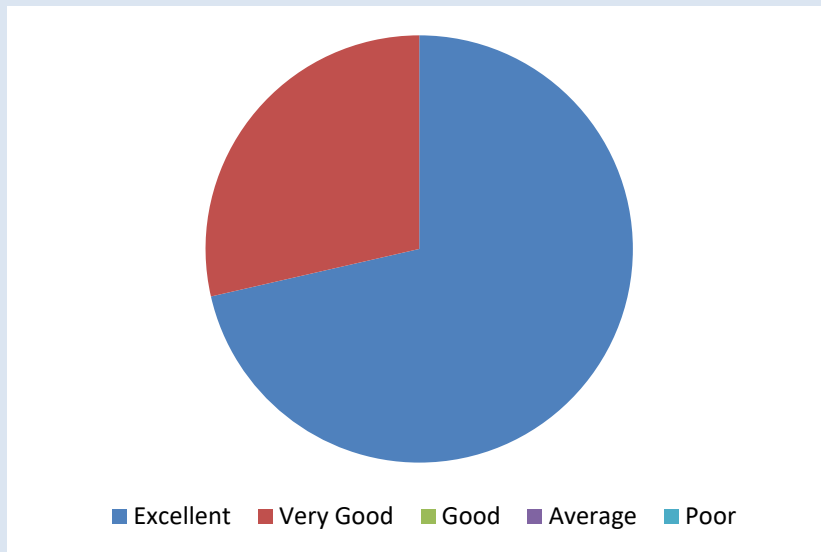
## ADDENDUM FIVE:

### FEEDBACK FROM FAITH LINKS CONFERENCE

16.06.2018, City of Edinburgh Methodist Church

This feedback data is based on seven returned evaluation forms. 23 attended in total.

Attendees' overall rating of their **experience** at the Faith Links Conference:



Attendees selected the sessions that they believed to have improved the **effectiveness/quality** of their faith links with Malawi

All attendees stated that the meeting strengthened/supported their links with Malawi. They listed the following reasons how:

- It justified rather than supported my links.
- By understanding how others work.
- A great way of information sharing and networking.
- Networked with a lot of members.
- Networking, thought-provoking and also confirmation that we're working on the right lines.
- Made at least one new connection that will improve my links.
- Updating each other mostly.

They all stated that they had made new contacts at the meeting.

They also stated that, as a result of the meeting, the following are things they would do differently:

- Feedback to Malawian partner on discussions and check next steps with them.
- Make closer links with other partners.
- Encourage more "thank you's" from recipients of items from donors; look at more collaborative elements (ie. Sharing bank transfers); setting up Malawian project delivery/capacity building/financial training unit; lots of new ideas – busy time ahead.
- Communication.

And, when asked what further information/support they would find useful from the SMP, they stated:

***"You're doing well already!"***

***"I am delighted to be able to approach the SMP whenever I need it – thank you!"***

## ADDENDUM SIX:

### FEEDBACK FROM FAITH LINKS ROADTRIP

28<sup>TH</sup> JULY – 8<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, SCOTTISH BORDERS, GLENROTHES, ABERDEEN, OBAN

The Faith Links Roadtrip took place for two hours on Saturday mornings across Scotland as informal coffee catch-ups in order to connect, listen and learn from members, and provide an informal space for them to share with other faith-based members within their locality.

Overall, 38 cumulatively attended the meetings, and 12 provided feedback.

*Five (45%) attendees stated that the meeting was **excellent**, six (55%) stated that it was **very good**, none (0%) stated that it was **good**, **average** or **poor**.*

One respondent did not indicate a rating to the meeting.

Attendees were asked what they found most useful from the meeting:

- *“First meeting, so learning about the SMP for the first time was useful.”* David Kerr, Scottish Borders
- *“Questions & answers and general discussion.”* Anonymous, Oban
- *“The exchange of ideas.”* Chris Thornhill, Oban
- *“Hearing report of Netherlorn Group”* Anonymous, Oban:
- *“Meeting others with similar interests, learning about other links with Malawi, and the advice given”* Phil Moss, Oban
- *“Gave me a greater understanding of what the SMP does and is”* Ruth Carruthers, Oban:
- *“Found out more about the work of the SMP”* Fiona Burnett, Scottish Borders

- *“Making links with new Malawi/Scotland members”* Robin Tatler, Scottish Borders
- *“Names and contacts with other interests concerned”* Anonymous, Glenrothes:
- *“To hear from the SMP on latest Faith Conference and future events”* Denis Robson, Scottish Borders
- *“Knowledgeable about organisation and enthusiastic. Good to hear about other organisations’ work”* Anonymous, Aberdeen
- *“Meetup groups from the Borders with such an interesting mix of projects and experience and outlook in Malawi”* Archie Hinchcliff, Scottish Borders

Attendees were asked what further information/support they would find useful from the SMP:

- *“More circular information”*
- *“Advice on how to support physically and in faith”*
- *“Will join as an individual member and then access more information”*
- *“Not sure, but I know where to go if I need you!”*
- *“List of SMP members in the Borders”*
- *“More of the above”*
- *“More meetings like this one!”*

## ADDENDUM SEVEN: Feedback from SMP AGM 2018

University of Glasgow Union

6<sup>th</sup> October 2018

### SUMMARY OF FEEDBACK

In total, approximately 250 people attended the 2018 SMP AGM. Nine members completed feedback forms. These are the collated results from the feedback, and are presented unedited.

67% of respondents were **already SMP members**, 33% were not members.

55% rated the **AGM overall** as “excellent”, 33% as “very good”, and one rated it as “average”. No one rated it as poor.

#### Comments on AGM overall included:

- “A well run, engaging afternoon”
- “Well organised”
- “Well organised, varied, great opportunities to network and meet others with whom one can work”
- “Very informative. Good variety of topics covered. Opportunities to network”
- “Very lively and interesting. Good networking!”
- “Very stimulating and entertaining”
- “Speakers were predominantly older men – more diversity would be appreciated and would make for richer discussions. However, was a well-run afternoon”
- “Very fun, great networking. However, comments on sustainability panel”
- “Thanks to Grace and the team for a really great event on Saturday. It was really useful personally and I was really impressed with how interesting and well organised it was”
- “A quick thank you. We got to speak to lots of people and make some interesting contacts. It was also really useful to gain a better understanding about the Partnership principles and the SMP as a whole”
- “I enjoyed it very much. It was a very different AGM, as always. Well done to everyone who prepared the venue, manned the stalls and managed the programme. I found the end of the meeting disappointing because many people had left the hall, presumably to catch trains or long distance buses. The whole afternoon had been engaging and varied, with plenty of invaluable networking opportunities so there can be no real criticism of the programme. However I think it would be helpful if some parts could be reduced on future occasions. It was a pity that those who were unable to stay missed the delightful Malawi videos made by the prize-winning members. Altogether it was a very good day. Thank you to all.”
- “Brilliant day. However, really disappointed that out of >1000 Scottish partners, no female presence on the panel on sustainability.”



## AGM Activities

55% of respondents rated the **SMP/MaSP updates** as “excellent”, 33% as “very good” and 11% as “good”; *no one rated it “average” or “poor”*.

33% of respondents rated the **Sustainability Case Studies** as “excellent”, 33% as “very good”, 22% as “average”, and 11% as “poor”; *no one rated it “good”*.

11% of respondents rated the **Member Awards** as “excellent”, 33% as “very good”, and the rest of respondents did not respond to this question.

55% of respondents rated the **Networking & Stalls** as “excellent”, 22% as “very good”, 11% as “good”, and 11% as “average”. *No one rated it as poor*.

33% of respondents rated the **Youth Q&A** as “excellent”, 44% as “very good”, 11% as “poor”, and 11% did not respond to this question. *No one rated it as “good” or “average”*.

22% of respondents rated the **Core Business** as “excellent”, 33% as “good”, and 44% did not respond to this question. *No one rated it as “very good” or “average”*.

### Comments on the above activities included:

- *“The running from Malawi-Scotland joke always makes me smile. Please continue to develop”*
- *“Youth Q&A should have been longer. It’s the Year of Young People and would have been nice for them to be given longer to speak”*
- *“Important to know what others are doing”*
- *“Poor representation from women and minority groups and some questionable views on sustainability”*
- *“Please brief all speakers to speak clearly”*
- *“Think there could have been greater emphasis on the importance of young people as the future of the partnership”*
- *“All excellent”*

- *“Year of Young People – should have had longer for Q&A. Youth Committee – seemed farcical and tick boxy. Obviously the committee is fairly new but they seemed to have ideas so why not let them share?”*

**89%** of respondents said they made **useful new contacts** during the afternoon. The only person that didn’t, said “No, my fault”. The range of contacts listed by respondents who said they made new contact was 1 to 10. The least amount of contacts made was 2, and the most amount of contacts made was listed as 10. The average number of new contacts made by each respondent was 3.

**100%** of respondents felt the **afternoon strengthened or supported their links with Malawi**.

### Comments:

- *“We are planning on having our organisation re-join the SMP for the benefits we can offer each other, and will encourage our other partners to be more active”*
- *“Supporting young people at our school”*
- *“It would be useful to have a members handbook. I am aware that GDPR might prevent this but to be able to contact like-minded organisations/people would be most useful”*

**When asked “what did you like most about the afternoon?” respondents stated:**

- *“Thoroughly enjoyed MaSP update and opportunities to network”*
- *“Everything”*
- *“Hearing about the diverse ranged of projects that are ongoing”*
- *“Videos from Malawi – all inspiring!”*
- *“Networking & youth committee”*
- *“The informality”*
- *“Opportunity to network”*
- *“Hearing questions the Youth Committee had for Ben Macpherson”*
- *“The variety and quality of presentations, information, lots of people and organisations”*

**When asked “what would you suggest we change to improve the AGM next year?” respondents stated:**

- *“If the focus is on sustainability (safeguarding) and youth involvement, please avoid seating five old men on a stage to discuss this, and repeat the same ideas. Instead, a variety in organisation aims/activities alongside diversity in panel ideologies and backgrounds throughout the day, with greater youth involvement”*
  - *“Stage very high up”*
  - *“More networking time”*
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- *“Try to do less. End of the afternoon went too slowly, many people had to go and it felt sad.”*
- *“More representation!”*
- *“More of the same”*
- *“More discussion and debate on international development in general. More diversity in those on panels, ie. Sustainability case studies and discussion section – they were all old men over 50. Odd”*
- *“Maybe more on impact of both MaSP and SMP on fundamental problems of Malawi”*

**Feedback from the SMP Staff Team:**

**Highlights**

- Mphatso’s sit down was really interesting
- Variety of presentations
- Great youth section and Q&A with Ben Macpherson – nice, relaxed feel
- Lots of people
- Lots of hands helping – volunteers
- Although challenges at back-end, tech worked in the end
- Youth committee – vibrant
- Marketplace!!
- Whole team effort – energy and excitement
- Positive attitude
- Problem solving
- Youth Committee
- Looked great! Colourful and engaging
- Teamwork and comms
- Marketplace – number of stalls and energy
- Van hire and kit movement, all put away quickly
- Videos – fun
- Set-up was on time
- Good teamwork
- Enjoyed working with everyone on the team
- Minister + MPs/MSPs
- Annual report
- Inspiring youth committee inputs
- Spread of topics covered in agenda
- Delegate packs
- Buzzing Marketplace
- Great feedback as people left
- Great youth volunteers
- Davie’s warm-up
- Nice decoration in all the rooms
- Good number of young people in the audience
- Good networking time

## Learning

- Time-keeping
- Sustainability panel – all men
- Better vetting of venue facilities and who will be on hand on day
- Split up events – separate member awards
- More planning for volunteer involvement
- Make the most out of the Marketplace – make this the core of the next AGM?
- More audience participation
- More ownership across agenda for team
- Too many awards/prizes?
- Getting people back from lunch
- Printing could start earlier
- Davie – more visible/vocal
- More interaction with SMP
- Core business earlier
- Clarity on tech needs (and all cables, etc)
- Lost some audience in the second half
- Venue not very accessible
- More face to face time with members – too packed agenda?
- Gender balance – speakers
- Postboxes need to be used better
- More prep time for presentations and kit prep
- More time for networking
- Running presentations required full attention so ate into networking time
- Menti placement
- Tweet wall – did it add?

## Ideas for next time

- Base AGM around Marketplace with many stalls
- Perhaps no theme, just theme of 'networking'?
- If using a theme, stallholders must pre-answer questions and indicate answers on their stalls
- Schools might be the best venues, stacked seating?
- No stages
- Postboxes can be used as people leave – write one question down before they leave room
- Core Business at the start rather than the end
- Make AGM even shorter and punchier?

## Actions

- Feedback Report
- Ordering tech
- Look at venues for next year – schools might be the best venues
- Minutes
- Thank You's: University of Glasgow, speakers, tourism prizes, volunteers, MaSP, tech company, stallholders, Minister, Scottish Government, everyone who came
- Videos and photos
- Update website
- Prize winner list

## **ADDENDUM EIGHT:**

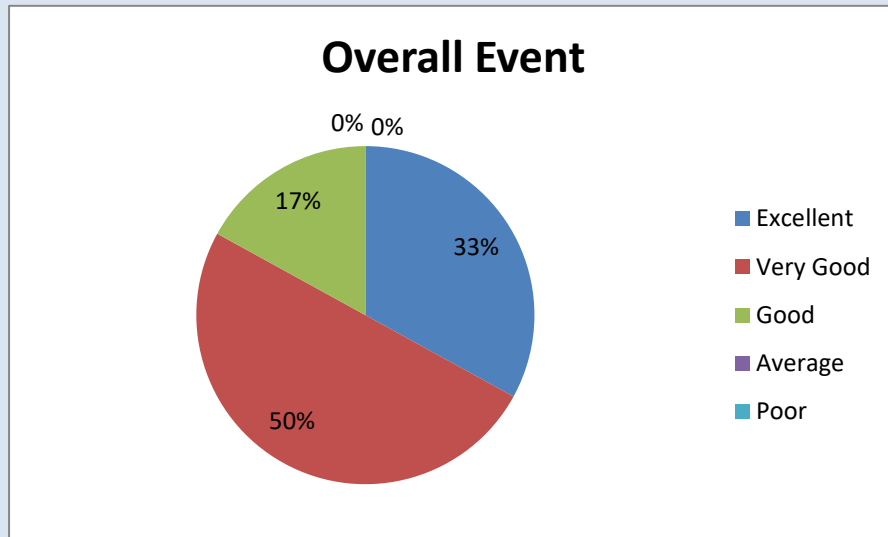
### **Feedback from Health Forum**

23<sup>rd</sup> October 2018, Edinburgh City Chambers

On 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 24 individuals attended a Health Forum at the Edinburgh City Chambers, where we heard from a Malawian obstetrician/gynaecologist with an interest in cervical screening, a midwife, and some of the Scottish Government-funded health projects.

Of the 24 who attended, 6 provided feedback via Survey Monkey. They were asked the following questions.

Overall, how would you rate the SMP Health Forum?



General comments on the Health Forum were as follows:

- “OK”
- “Always useful and stimulating”
- “An eye-opener”
- “Really good”
- “Good to hear about the various projects”

When asked what they found most useful from the meeting, they answered:

- “Networking”
- “Our visitor from Malawi, Dr Iwe”
- “Update from members’ projects”
- “Information on unmet needs in Malawi”
- “Be aware of other projects in Malawi related to Health”

When asked what they would suggest we change to improve future meetings, they answered:

- “No immediate ideas”
- “Have different formats, which you do”
- “Later in the afternoon”
- “Making timing earlier in the day”
- “Create a space/time where we can talk and share our experience and ideas. Collaborations among different groups should be supported”
- “Short presentations on on-going health projects”

When asked if the meeting strengthened/supported Malawi health links, they answered:

- “Helping keep me interested”
- “Added to my links”
- “Strengthened”
- “Yes”

## ADDENDUM NINE:

### SMP Roundtable with MITC Feedback

8<sup>th</sup> November 2018

22 people attended the SMP Roundtable with MITC on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018. Of the 22 people, 4 people gave feedback.

1) Overall, how would you rate the meeting?

75% rated the meeting **Excellent**, and 25% rated it **Very Good**. None rated it Good, Average or Poor.

2) What did you find most useful from the meeting?

Attendees responded:

- *“General discussion around trade and development, and on the ground around tourism, etc”*
- *“Links/networking”*
- *“Investment identification and meeting people”*
- *“The presentations, speakers and attendees”*

3) Did the meeting strengthen/support your links with Malawi? If so, tell us how!

Attendees responded:

- *“Yes, I’m not going to change my business plan”*
- *“Feel connected!”*

4) What further information/support would you find useful from the SMP?

Attendees responded:

- *“Research”*
- *“Sales of coffee”*

## **ADDENDUM TEN:**

### **Youth Congress Feedback**

28<sup>th</sup> February 2019

McEwan Hall, University of Edinburgh

The SMP [Youth Congress](#) took place on the 28<sup>th</sup> February at McEwan Hall in Edinburgh. We welcomed 186 young people and 29 teachers to an event that had been co-designed and was led by the SMP Youth Committee. Every part of the day was led by them including introductions, workshops, and panel discussions.

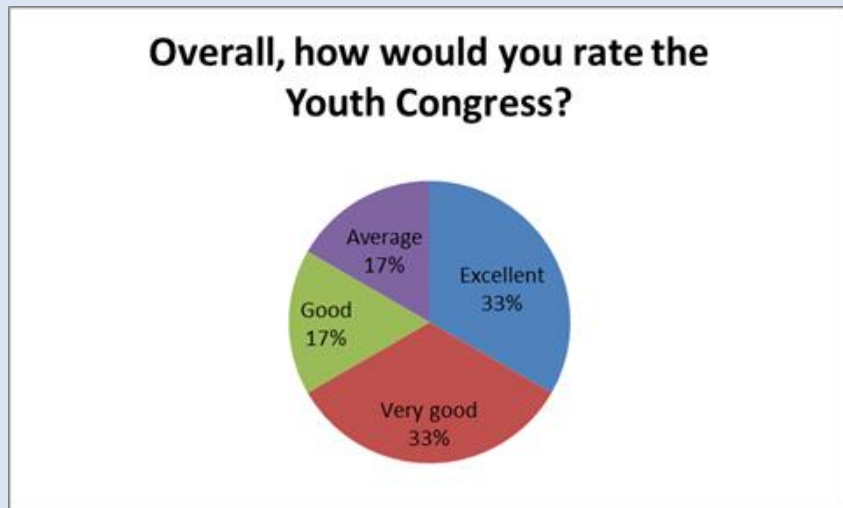
Please see event page here: <https://www.scotland-malawipartnership.org/news-events/past-events/youth-congress-2019/>

The official video for the day can be viewed here: <https://youtu.be/tkejPdvApu4>

186 young people and 29 teachers attended the Youth Congress, with 12 schools from across Scotland represented: Beath High School, Kelvinside Academy, George Watson's College, The Community School of Auchterarder, Gleniffer High School, Biggar High School, Kingussie High School, St Margaret's High School, St Roch's Secondary School, Penicuik High School, Bannerman High School and St Stephen's High School.

#### Feedback:

Of the 215 people who attended, 6 provided feedback.



**What were your overall impressions of the event?**

*"Very well organised. Delegates and workshop facilitators buzzing with excitement. Great networking opportunity."* Monika Wantoch, Edinburgh City Council

*"It had lots of information, but was long"* Sophie, Kingussie High School

*"Good interaction in workshops. Interesting discussions in main hall. Bright, colourful, lively, welcoming."* Ian Mitchell, Beath High School

*"I loved the venue and workshops. The whole event was an inspiring one for us."* Deborah Gallacher, Kelvinside Academy

*"There were lots of interesting speakers and workshops but I felt as we only attended in the afternoon we didn't get the full benefit of the day"* Richard Wilson, Kingussie High School

*"Very well run and enjoyable."* Andy Mckay, St Margaret's High School

**Did the Youth Congress strengthen/support your links with Malawi and how?**

*"No, but it was a lovely opportunity to find out more about what schools are doing with regard to their partnerships (sustaining the existing ones, developing new ones etc.)"*

*"Better understanding of language; seeing how others are getting involved. Chance to see The boy who harnessed the wind."*

*"Yes! We immediately changed the itinerary for our trip based on workshop information and it was so easy to do this."*

*"It helped to get our group to focus more on our trip in June"*

*"Gave us a few ideas."*

**Is there anything that you will do differently after the Youth Congress?**

*"My role is to promote the SMP opportunities to Edinburgh schools and I will continue to do so."*

*"More specific fund raising - greater focus on sustainability."*

Comments from contributors and attendees included:

- Mary Popple, Director Just Trading Scotland: *"I thought it was a very good day, and the marketplace worked very well. I spent all day, apart from the plenary sessions, having students wanting to chat which was great. Please pass on my congratulations to the committee for such a good event."*
- Fiona Burns, British Council Scotland: *"Thank you so much for having us! Lucy, Sus and I had a fantastic afternoon – I wish I could have been there in the morning. I was so impressed by the questions from the attendees, which were all thoughtful, challenging and pertinent. It was such an engaging and inspiring event!"*
- Lotte Beekenkamp, 2050 Climate Group: *"Thanks a lot for inviting me, I loved the plenary and thought it was really interesting and fun to see the wonderful event you planned. It looked like the students were all having a great time and I liked the set up with the round tables in the middle, rather than a big lecture-style hall. Everything in terms of schedule, directions, and logistics was arranged really nicely. Great to see how involved the youth committee was, a great example of co-design!"*

### About the Event:

This year's SMP Youth Congress focused on the theme of Culture and Partnership as over 200 young people looked at how and why cultural exchange is important as a way of developing and deepening the partnership between Scotland and Malawi.

Throughout the day, the young people enjoyed the following workshops:

- Language & Culture
- Malawi & Me
- Conscious Travelling
- Drumming
- Images and Stories of Malawi
- How to Celebrate your Partnership – Events Planning

There was also a marketplace with representatives from 15 different organisations on hand to talk about their links to Malawi as well as the opportunities they can offer young people.

Our Plenary Session began with a special musical collaboration from Davie Luhanga and Euan Mclaughlin.

There was also video input from partners in Malawi, discussing the importance of cultural exchange between young people and what that looks like in today's world and a panel discussion to consider the importance of cultural exchange in discovering and appreciating similarities and differences between people and their respective communities.

Our panellists were:

- Lucy Young (Deputy Director, British Council Scotland),
- John Lwanda (a renowned medical doctor, writer, poet, researcher, publisher and music producer),
- Emma Wood (senior lecturer in communication at Queen Margaret University, member of the Centre for Dialogue and Engagement and board member for STEKA).

We were delighted to welcome Scottish Government Minister for International Development, Ben Macpherson MSP, to lead one of the afternoon sessions, speaking about his visit to Malawi.

As well as workshops for young people, teachers also attended their own workshop and there was a dedicated area set up for networking.

Teachers workshops were:

- Scotdec - Learning and Teaching for the Sustainable Development Goals with Silvia Sabino-Hunt.
- Orbis Expeditions - Travel to Malawi Q&A session with Dominic Webb.
- Emma Wood and Gift Thompson - Discussing aid framed narratives of 'developed' and 'undeveloped' countries.

The event was open to school groups, teachers, or any individual aged between 18-24 who was interested in the link between Scotland and Malawi.



## ADDENDUM ELEVEN:

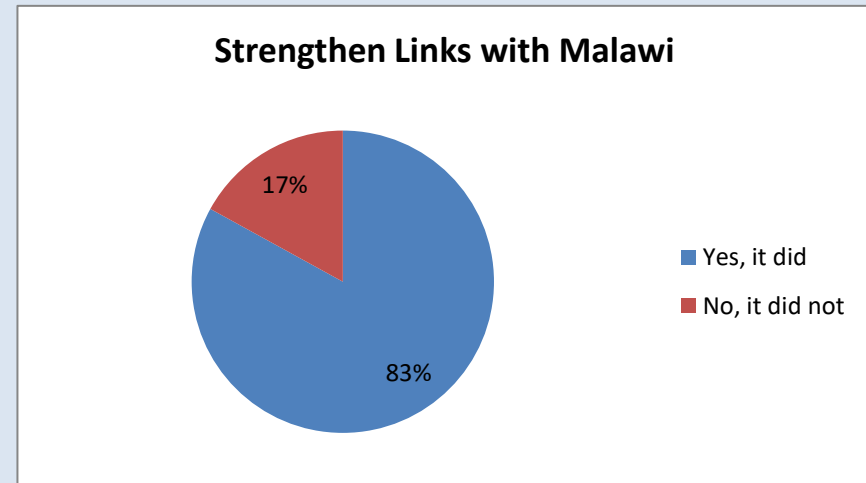
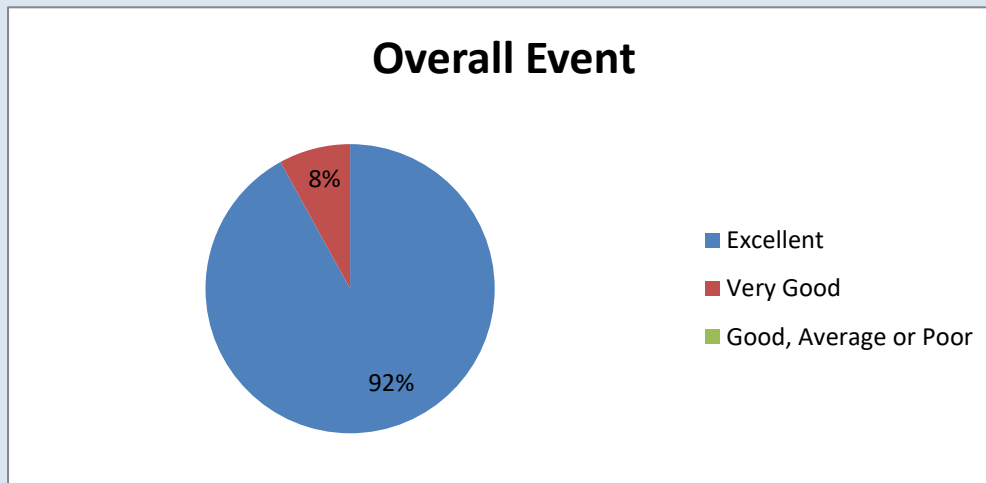
### **Feedback from *The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind*: Special Scottish Screening**

28<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
Dominion Cinema, Edinburgh

Out of the 350 who attended this event, **12** provided feedback on the event.

Of this feedback, 11 (92%) stated that the event was “Excellent”, and the remaining 8% stated that it was “Very Good”. None stated that it was “Good”, “Average” or “Poor”.

When asked whether the event strengthened/supported their links with Malawi, 83% responded that it did, and 17% that it did not.



Open-ended comments to this question were as follows:

- *“The event and of course the film was so inspiring that I feel more knowledgeable when sharing with teachers”*
- *“Don’t have specific links with Malawi”*
- *“Engaged me as a viewer as I’ve been to Malawi”*
- *“An inspiring film and event”*
- *“I had read the book years ago. It gave a real sense of connection and connectedness to see the film. Thank you so much!”*
- *“A good talking point to encourage friends to increase support for Malawi”*
- *“Great to meet some SMP members”*
- *“Helped understand more of the issues affecting people in Malawi”*
- *“We are thinking about how we can promote both the film and the book more across the schools and teachers that we work with, possibly with a climate focus or making links with STEM”*
- *“It was good to be able to show parts of life in Malawi to other colleagues who haven’t yet been able to visit themselves”*
- *“Earlier in the week, I had a phone call from an SMP member regarding the Likhubula Partnership. We mentioned that we were both going to the film premiere and coincidentally were sitting in the same row. A text was sent, we stood up and walked over and shared a lovely Malawian hug!”*
- *“More insights into the country, and the creative sector/its potential”*
- *“Just reminded me of the beauty of the country and made me really want to go back to Malawi”*

When asked how we could improve future events like this, respondents answered:

- *“It was an excellent event and we felt very special to be able to be part of it – thank you”*
- *“Loved the whole evening – really don’t feel it needed improving”*
- *“I thought the whole event was excellent. No real need for improvement”*
- *“Timing – sadly this was quite a late night for me (small kids wake you up early...) so was struggling at the end”*
- *“Absolutely no major improvements needed, amazing event. Sponsors before the screening perhaps took a little longer than anticipated but not a major issue on the whole”*
- *“It was very well organised. If there was sufficient interest, a Glasgow event would be good”*
- *“Not at all – a highly imaginative event! Keep doing that!”*
- *“You really did it very well! Just so glad I was on one of my visits home”*
- *“A more organised welcome”*
- *“Was great”*

## ADDENDUM TWELVE:

### SMP Renewable Energy Forum Feedback

7<sup>th</sup> March 2019  
Edinburgh City Chambers

20 people attended the meeting, of whom 9 provided feedback. The feedback is based on these 9 accounts.

(1) Overall, **4** (45%) rated the meeting as Excellent, **3** (33%) as Very Good, and **2** (22%) as Good. None rated the meeting as Average or Poor.

2) Attendees were asked what they found most useful from the meeting. Responses below:

- *“Gaining background and direct experience of project links”*
- *“Meeting new people and catching up with friends”*
- *“Useful and interesting mix of people. Energy – encouraging the time and focus it is being given and the consensus for the value and learning to be captured. Relevant data will help people navigate how to learn and not duplicate/repeat and build stronger informed partners/partnerships.”*
- *“Lots of useful background information”*
- *“The great interest of Scottish organisations to continue working with Malawi. Information sharing can greatly improve the quality of projects being implemented as partners can learn from other projects.”*
- *“Contacts and connections with energy-oriented SMP members.”*
- *“Working out the approach of the Forum, and creation of platforms”*
- *“Networking and the ‘start of something’”*
- *“Participation from a variety of organisations with interesting perspectives. Meeting other interested people.”*

3) Attendees were asked what they suggest we could change to improve future meetings/forums. Responses below:

- *“Start with a Malawi G&T as well as concluding with one.”*
- *“A focus on ongoing projects and collaboration”*
- *“List of attendees distributed”*
- *“Maybe include opportunities that organisations can access to find projects”*
- *“Improve on timing – having enough time so as to have more time on fruitful discussions”*
- *“Probably allow for Skype or video messages from the Malawian Renewable Energy Forum”*
- *“Plan for themed knowledge sharing is good”*

4) When asked what further information/support they would find useful from the SMP, they answered:

- *“Continuing exchange of information and data.”*
- *“Data mapping when available.”*

5) General comments:

- *“The meeting was well coordinated. Full of members with great experience is great.”*
- *“Good meeting, thanks.”*
- *“Great meeting from where I have drawn some learning to improve future Renewable Energy Forum meetings.”*
- *“SMP support to help take this idea through to operationalize a Forum has been key!”*

## **ADDENDUM THIRTEEN:**

### **Lobbying and Advocacy Report, April 2018 - March 2019**

**NOTE: THE SMP'S LOBBYING AND ADVOCACY WORK IS PREDOMINANTLY NOT FUNDED BY THE SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT BUT FROM MEMBER FEES AND OTHER NON-GOVERNMENTAL INCOME**

#### **Executive Summary:**

Through 2018-19 the Scotland Malawi Partnership (SMP) had significant engagement across Holyrood and Westminster as it worked to advance the priorities of its members. It did so while retaining its political neutrality and professional credibility.

The SMP had five major lobbying and advocacy strategic priorities in this period:

- (6) Raising awareness of, and building engagement with and support for, the Scotland-Malawi relationship and the work of the SMP.
- (7) Raising awareness of, and building engagement with and support for, the work of SMP members.
- (8) Lobbying for improvements in the way those invited to the UK from Malawi are treated as they apply for UK Visas.
- (9) Lobbying for increased sustainable and ethical investment in Malawi from the UK.
- (10) Raising awareness of the human impact of the March 2019 floods in Malawi, SMP members' work responding to the floods, and lobbying for a swift and impactful Scottish and UK Government response.

There were broadly six groups targeted by the SMP to advance these five priorities: (A) Members of the Scottish Parliament (MSPs); (B) The Scottish Government; (C) Members of the UK Parliament (MPs) and Peers; (D) The UK Government, (E) The Commonwealth structures, and (F) The CDC Group (Commonwealth Development Corporation).

This document details 41 key interactions in which the SMP worked to advance its five strategic priorities in 2018-19, mobilizing 184 actions taken by MPs, MSPs and Ministers. Pages 2-3 indicate, for each of these points of engagement which of the five priorities were advanced and which of the six audiences were targeted. Pages 4-8 give summary information for each

of the 41 engagements, providing hyperlinks to signpost to further information which is publicly available.

Pages 11-13 look to analyze the impact these 41 SMP engagements have had in this period against the SMP's five strategic priorities in this area. While recognizing the challenges of attribution, the work of others and the many external influences beyond the SMP's control, it draws out compelling evidence that the Partnership has had good positive impact against each of its advocacy strategic priorities:

- (5) Ministers, Cabinet Secretaries, MSPs and MPs -and the President and Vice-President of Malawi- have all publicly spoken in very positive terms about the Scotland-Malawi relationship and the work of the SMP, and have referenced and praised the SMP's core narratives.
- (6) As a direct result of SMP engagement and briefings, the work of SMP members has been repeatedly referenced and praised by Ministers, MSPs and MPs.
- (7) 100% of SMP supported visa applications have been successfully approved in this year, and SMP model of engagement with UKVI will be used as a model of good practice for others to follow in a forthcoming Parliamentary all-party inquiry.
- (8) Both the Chair and Chief Executive of the Commonwealth Development Corporation have stated publicly that Malawi is now a top investment priority country, including once in giving evidence to a UK Parliament Select Committee.
- (9) Scottish MPs and MSPs, of every political party, have come together to raise awareness of the floods and call for swift governmental response. The First Minister has given a pledge of support in the Scottish Parliament, as has the UK Government's Africa Minister, who used the opportunity to praise the work of the SMP. In total £325,000 was committed by the Scottish Government and £3.4 million by the UK Government.

**Strategic Objective Mapping:**

SMP Engagement:	Messaging					Audience						Number of actions taken by MPs/MSPs
	(1) Scotland-Malawi relationship	(2) SMP Members' work	(3) UK visa issuing	(4) Malawi investment	(5) Malawi floods response	(A) MSPs	(B) Scottish Government	(C) MPs and Peers	(D) UK Government	(E) Commonwealth	(F) CDC	
15 <sup>th</sup> April 2018: Meeting with the UK Foreign Secretary	X		X						X	X		1
17 <sup>th</sup> April 2018: Malawi APPG with the President of Malawi	X							X	X	X		18
25 <sup>th</sup> April 2018: SMP event with the President of Malawi:	X	X					X					2
26 <sup>th</sup> April 2018: President of Malawi Scottish Parliament address and reception:	X	X				X	X					25
9 <sup>th</sup> May 2018: SMP talk to DFID on personal resilience:	X								X			0
6 <sup>th</sup> June 2018: Malawi CPG	X	X				X	X					5
12 <sup>th</sup> June 2018: Int.Dev. Committee evidence with CDC:				X				X	X		X	1
6 <sup>th</sup> July 2018: Visa concerns raised in the House of Commons	X		X					X	X			2
13 <sup>th</sup> July 2018: CDC report:											X	0
14 <sup>th</sup> July: Malawi Independence Celebrations:	X					X	X	X				3
14 <sup>th</sup> August 2018: Meeting with Ben Macpherson MSP	X	X					X					1
15 <sup>th</sup> August 2018: Meeting with Harriett Baldwin MP:	X	X	X						X			1
13 <sup>th</sup> September 2018: Malawi CPG on youth links:		X				X						3
6 <sup>th</sup> October 2018: SMP AGM:	X	X				X	X	X				3
17 <sup>th</sup> October 2018: Malawi APPG meeting with the Vice President:	X							X				5
26 <sup>th</sup> October 2018: Scottish Parliament debate on SG Report:	X	X				X	X					11
5 <sup>th</sup> November 2018: Malawi-UK Business Group Networking Reception:	X			X							X	0
12 <sup>th</sup> November 2018: Meeting with the FM's Special Adviser:	X	X					X					0
19 <sup>th</sup> November 2018: SMP visa issues adjournment debate	X		X					X	X			6
21 <sup>st</sup> November 2018: Meeting with Ben Macpherson MSP:	X	X					X					1

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22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2018: Connecting Classrooms with Sec. of State:	X	X						X				1
22 <sup>nd</sup> November: Malawi CPG on people with Albinism:	X	X				X						4
10 <sup>th</sup> December 2018: Malawi APPG AGM	X							X				5
14 <sup>th</sup> December: FM letter	X	X					X					1
22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2019: Malawi APPG evidence session on Visa Inquiry:	X		X					X	X			6
13 <sup>th</sup> February 2019: Malawi APPG with Immigration Minister:	X		X					X	X			11
13 <sup>th</sup> February 2019: <i>The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind</i> UK Premiere:	X	X						X	X			2
15 <sup>th</sup> February: Meeting with UKVI:	X		X						X		X	0
22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2019: Roundtable with Richard Leonard MSP:	X	X				X						1
28 <sup>th</sup> February: Youth Congress	X	X					X					1
28 <sup>th</sup> February 2019: SMP <i>The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind</i> :	X	X				X	X	X				3
1 <sup>st</sup> March 2019: Lobbying Register Training Day:	X					X						0
3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2019: Evidence submission to Chief Inspector			X						X			0
14 <sup>th</sup> March 2019: First Minister Question on the Malawi Floods:	X	X			X	X	X					3
14 <sup>th</sup> March 2019: Scot.Parliament Malawi Floods motion:					X	X	X					27
19 <sup>th</sup> March 2019: House of Commons question about floods:	X	X			X			X	X			2
20 <sup>th</sup> March 2019: House of Commons question about floods:	X	X			X			X	X			2
21 <sup>st</sup> March 2019: Scot. Parliament written questions on floods:	X				X	X	X					2
22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2019: UK Parliament Malawi Floods motion:	X				X			X	X			22
26 <sup>th</sup> March 2019: JTS tenth anniversary reception:	X	X				X	X					3
February-March: Updating Constituency Mapping Reports:	X	X				X		X				0

## Summary of Key 2018-19 Engagements:

### **15<sup>th</sup> April: Meeting with UK Foreign Secretary:**

On the 15<sup>th</sup> April, in the run up to the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in London, the SMP was able to briefly meet Boris Johnson MP, then UK Foreign Secretary, to brief him on Scotland-Malawi links and briefly but frankly raise the SMP's concerns about how Malawians applying for UK visas are treated.

[Speaking in the House of Lords](#) the President of Malawi said: *"I am greatly impressed that the Scotland-Malawi relationship has played such a big role, helping support Malawi's cause and tell Malawi's story".*

### **17<sup>th</sup> April 2018: Malawi APPG with the President of Malawi**

The SMP organised a meeting of the Westminster [Malawi All-Party Parliamentary Group](#) it established on the 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018, [addressed by His Excellency the President of Malawi](#). The meeting took place in the House of Lords, was chaired by Lord Steel and attended by 18 Parliamentarians (8 SNP, 5 Cons, 4 Lab, 1 Lib Dem). In addition to the President, from Malawi the meeting was attended by: the Foreign Minister, Hon. Emmanuel Fabiano, M.P.; the Secretary for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Dr. Mbuya Isaac Munlo; the Malawi High Commissioner, H.E. Kena Mphonda; the Director of International Cooperation, Mr Richard Pelekamoyo; and five journalists from different Malawi media houses.

The President expressed his appreciation for the Malawi APPG, noting he was proud that Malawi had this forum to help represent Malawi matters across Parliament. He commented: *"I am greatly impressed that the Scotland-Malawi relationship has played such a big role helping support Malawi's cause and tell Malawi's story".* An engaging questions and answers session with MPs and Peers, as well as key representatives of the Diaspora, NGOs and Local Authority, covered areas, including: mining and exploration, gender equality and female representation in Parliament, trade and exports, local government, and the fight against inequality and corruption. [Josephine Mpango, the SMP's Scotland-Malawi Youth Ambassador at CHOGM](#), was supported to ask the President about youth leadership and official support for the Youth Council of Malawi, which will be key in the delivery of the youth commitments made at CHOGM.

### **25<sup>th</sup> April 2018: SMP event with the President of Malawi:**

The SMP hosted a [special event](#) during the Presidential visit, attended by the Cabinet Secretary, the Minister and 160 members, briefing him on the breadth and dept of civic links between Scotland and Malawi. The event, and wider visit, received [strong media coverage](#) and much support. During the event members of the SMP presented case studies of Scotland-Malawi cooperation across the five strands of Malawi's new Growth and Development Strategy III which was launched by the President earlier this year. The SMP published a [new book](#) profiling 60 of its members' links with Malawi, which was given to the President. The event also launched a [new report](#) from the University of Edinburgh showing more Scots than ever before have active links with Malawi.

### **26<sup>th</sup> April: President of Malawi Scottish Parliament address and reception:**

On the 26<sup>th</sup> April the SMP supported a Scottish Parliament reception with the President of Malawi after his [address to Parliament](#), this was attended by MSPs from each of the five parties. The SMP was able to invite dozens of members to meet with the President at the reception. The President used his speech in the Scottish Parliament to praise the work of the SMP and MaSP in supporting the bilateral relationship.

Welcoming the President, the [Presiding Officer of the Scottish Parliament said](#): *"There is not a community, a school, a constituency or a parish in Scotland today that does not enjoy a special bond of a friendship or a connection, whether that'd be economic, social, academic or spiritual with your country."*  
*...We are proud of Scotland's historical ties with Malawi and are pleased that our relationship with your National Assembly is based on friendship, mutual respect, and trust.*  
*... as a progressive, forward-looking parliament with an international outlook, we have benefitted greatly from working with our Malawian counterparts.*  
*...Mr President, I know from speaking to many of my parliamentary colleagues that the longstanding relationship between the Scottish*

*Parliament and the National Assembly is highly valued and that the friendships and professional relations forged since 2005 mean that Malawi will remain a focus of our activity in Sub-Saharan Africa for many years to come.”*

[Addressing the Scottish Parliament](#), the President said: *“I have seen Scottish people in Malawi villages, living our lives to support our people. I have seen them working with our teachers and feeding the Malawi school child. I have seen them working in farming, in water, in climate change and economic development. I have seen Scottish professionals training healthcare providers in mental health problems. When ill men are feared and stigmatised, Scottish professionals have found a cause. I have seen surgeons, scholars, civic society organisations doing great work in Malawi. I have seen much more than I can tell. I am not surprised that nearly half the population of this country can tell you about a personal friend or a family member with a connection to Malawi. This is what it means to have a people-to-people partnership. The Malawi Scotland Partnership has become one of the strongest north-south relationships in the world. Such relationships are rare and precious in our world where basically developed countries like exploiting and manipulating poorer countries in the name of supporting them.”*

[Responding, The First Minister said](#): *“we are and we always have been absolutely united in recognising the value and the importance of the friendship between Scotland and Malawi. As you have, so eloquently, set out today, the ties between our nations are unique and they are very special.”*

*...The Scotland Malawi Partnership includes universities, colleges, schools, faith groups, businesses, charities, social enterprises and many, many other organisations. Indeed, as you have mentioned, almost 100,000 people in Scotland are directly involved in the Partnership, just as are almost 200,000 people in Malawi. And together we have achieved some extraordinary results”*

#### **9<sup>th</sup> May 2018: SMP talk to DFID on personal resilience:**

On the 9<sup>th</sup> May, David Hope-Jones was invited by DFID to give a talk and workshop at a special CPD day for 35 DFID staff, looking to increase their personal resilience and effectiveness based on the SMP's experience and approach.

#### **6<sup>th</sup> June 2018: Malawi CPG on Climate Justice:**

The SMP organised a Malawi [Cross Party Group meeting](#) on the 6<sup>th</sup> June focusing on Climate Justice, with speakers from Tearfund, Community Energy Scotland and Leith Crops in Pots. Vincent Moyo, Tearfund Country Representative for Malawi, who was visiting from Malawi, was the main speaker. The meeting raised awareness of the Scottish Government's Climate Justice Innovation Fund and encouraged organisations to respond to the current call for applications.

#### **12<sup>th</sup> June 2018: International Dev. Committee evidence with CDC:**

The SMP worked with the UK Parliament's International Development Committee in advance of their [evidence session with CDC \(Commonwealth Development Corporation\)](#) as part of the Committee's inquiry into DFID's Economic Development Strategy. During the session the Chair and Chief Executive of CDC were asked by the Committee *“what efforts are being made to increase investments in Malawi”*. Three weeks after the session, the SMP was involved in the [launch of CDC's new impact report](#) which included specific information about increased investments in Malawi.

#### **6<sup>th</sup> July 2018: SMP visa issues raised in the House of Commons:**

On the 6<sup>th</sup> July Patrick Grady, MP for Glasgow North, [raised the issue of visas for those from Malawi in Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for International Development](#) in the House of Commons.

#### **13<sup>th</sup> July 2018: Launch of CDC report:**

On the 13<sup>th</sup> July the SMP was invited to take part in the [launch of CDCs annual Impact Review](#) and a new website showcasing the human impact CDC investments are having. CDC Group have increased their work with Malawi with two major new investments. The SMP was invited along with the Malawi High Commissioner (the only High Commissioner invited) and Scottish MPs. The SMP spoke with the CDC Chair, Chief Executive and senior officials, continuing to promote and support further investment in Malawi. Uniquely, Malawi is the specifically profiled in this annual impact report.



**14<sup>th</sup> July: Malawi Independence Celebrations:**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> July Ben Macpherson MSP, Patrick Grady MP and Linda Fabiani MSP all attended the SMP funded and diaspora-run [Malawi Independence Celebrations](#) in Glasgow.

**14<sup>th</sup> August 2018: Meeting with Ben Macpherson MSP:**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> August the SMP met with the newly appointed Scottish Government International Development Minister, Ben Macpherson MSP.

**15<sup>th</sup> August 2018: Meeting with Harriett Baldwin MP:**

On the 15<sup>th</sup> August the UK Minister for African, Harriet Baldwin MP, visited the SMP's offices to discuss her recent visit to Malawi and learn more about the SMP.

**13<sup>th</sup> September 2018: Malawi CPG on youth links:**

The SMP also organised a [meeting of the Malawi Cross Party Group](#) in the Scottish Parliament on the 13<sup>th</sup> September looking at youth links with Malawi as part of the *Year of Young People*. Speakers included: Mercy Sibande, Mamie Martin Fund; Mike Elm and Lotte Beekenkamp, 2050 Climate Group; and Karen Chinkwita Kumakanga, Jubilee Enterprise. This meeting was also the Group's AGM, with MSPs from all five political parties elected/re-elected to leadership positions within the group.

**6<sup>th</sup> October 2018: SMP AGM:**

The Scotland Malawi Partnership's [Annual General Meeting](#) was attended by Patrick Grady MP and Alexander Stewart MSP, as leaders of the Malawi All-Party Parliamentary Group and the Malawi Cross Party Group, respectively. They both gave a short presentation, with updates from Westminster and Holyrood, presented Member Awards and met with SMP members. Ben Macpherson MSP, the Minister for International Development, also attended the AGM, as a representative of the Scottish Government: talking about his recent visit to Malawi, reflecting on Government priorities, being interviewed by the SMP's Youth Committee, awarding prizes and touring the marketplace of SMP members.

**17<sup>th</sup> October 2018: Malawi APPG meeting with the Vice President:**

On the 17<sup>th</sup> October the SMP organised a [meeting for the Vice-President of Malawi to address the Westminster APPG](#). It was an opportunity for the

Vice-President to discuss national Malawian priorities with MPs and Peers, and to explore further inter-parliamentary cooperation. The SMP was also able to brief the Vice-President on Scotland's many links with Malawi, the strength of friendship between our two nations and the work of our members. The meeting was attended by UK Parliamentarians including Patrick Grady (MP for Glasgow North), Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale, Martyn Day (MP for Linlithgow and East Falkirk) and Sir Henry Bellingham MP. The Westminster Foundation for Democracy and the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association were also closely involved.

**26<sup>th</sup> October 2018: Scottish Parliament debate on SG Report:**

The SMP supported and encouraged MSPs from all five political parties in the Scottish Parliament to take part in a [debate](#) on the Scottish Governments Contribution to International Development 2017-18 report, with each party highlighting the impact achieved in Malawi. The debate was led by the Scottish Government's Minister for Europe, Migration and International Development, Ben Macpherson MSP. The Minister framed the debate around partnership and collaboration: themes that came out from each of the MSPs that spoke. Excellent speeches were delivered in the debate, including by Ben Macpherson MSP (SNP), Claire Baker MSP (Scottish Labour), Alexander Stewart MSP (Scottish Conservatives), Ross Greer MSP (Scottish Greens), Liam McArthur MSP (Scottish Liberal Democrats), Annabelle Ewing MSP (SNP), Jeremy Balfour MSP (Scottish Conservatives), Colin Smyth MSP (Scottish Labour), Bill Kidd MSP (SNP), Lewis Macdonald MSP (Scottish Labour) and Jamie Greene MSP (Scottish Conservatives). There were 65 references to Malawi in the 60-minute debate and every party highlighted the innovative way governmental programmes compliment, and enjoy a synergy with, civic links spread across hundreds of NGOs, schools, churches, hospitals, universities, businesses and all manner of community groups. The work of 15 SMP members was specifically championed during the debate, including: Link Community Development International, Tearfund Scotland, the University of Strathclyde, Police Scotland, SCIAF, Christian Aid Scotland, Dalgety Bay parish church, Dalgety Bay Friends of Engcongolweni, Robin Arnott, Beath High School, Dalgety Bay Primary School, Donibristle Primary School, Lochgelly High School. The Scotland Malawi Partnership was referenced through the debate.

**5<sup>th</sup> November 2018: Malawi-UK Business Group Networking Reception:**

The SMP supported a networking reception, hosted in Scotland House, for the Malawi-UK Business Group. The SMP secured the involvement of the Chair of the CDC Group, who spoke passionately about Malawi as a top investment priority country for CDC.

**12<sup>th</sup> November 2018: Meeting with the First Minister's Special Adviser:**

The SMP met with the First Minister's Special Adviser for international development to debrief from the recent Ministerial visit and discuss continuing priorities.

**19<sup>th</sup> November 2018: SMP visa issues adjournment debate in the House of Commons:**

With the support of the SMP, Patrick Grady, MP for Glasgow North, called an [Adjournment Debate](#) in the House of Commons on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November to represent the concerns of the Scotland Malawi Partnership (SMP) and others in this serious area. The debate highlighted the serious and systemic problems in the way those invited to the UK are treated when applying from countries such as Malawi. His concerns were echoed by [Martin Docherty-Hughes MP \(West Dunbartonshire\)](#), [Carol Monaghan MP \(Glasgow North West\)](#), [Deidre Brock MP \(Edinburgh North and Leith\)](#), [Alison Thewliss MP \(Glasgow Central\)](#) and Jim Shannon MP (Strangford).

**21<sup>st</sup> November 2018: Meeting with Ben Macpherson MSP:**

Meeting with the Minister for International Development discussing the SMP's work, the [NGO Amendment Bill](#) and other priorities.

**22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018: Connecting Classrooms Launch with Secretary of State:**

The SMP supported the launch of the UK Government's Connecting Classrooms programme at a Scottish Primary School on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November. The Secretary of State for Scotland, Rt Hon David Mundell MP, spoke passionately about Scotland's links with Malawi and the benefit young Scots enjoys from school partnerships, supported by the SMP and Connecting Classrooms.

**22<sup>nd</sup> November: Malawi CPG on people with Albinism:**

The [22<sup>nd</sup> November Malawi CPG](#) was attended by 30 stakeholders and MSPs and was addressed by Tumeliwa Mphemo who spoke about her work with the Association of People with Albinism in Malawi. As a person with albinism and active Member of the Association, Tumeliwa is an activist working to end discrimination, abuse, abductions and killings of persons with Albinism in Malawi. Tumeliwa is also a Scottish Human Rights Defender Fellow in the scheme's inaugural year. Scottish Human Rights Defender Fellowship is a partnership between the Scottish Government and the University of Dundee, supported by campaign groups Front Line Defenders, Amnesty International, Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund and Beyond Borders Scotland.

**10<sup>th</sup> December 2018: Malawi APPG AGM:**

The Malawi APPG had its formal [AGM on the 10<sup>th</sup> December](#). The Group reviewed progress and impact from its first year of operation, discussed priorities for 2019-20, and re-elected office bearers. The Group was also briefed on the recent [Malawi and Scotland: Together for Sustainable Development](#) conference and were given copies of the Conference Report.

**14<sup>th</sup> December 2019: Wrote to, and secured meeting with, the First Minister:**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> December the SMP wrote to the First Minister briefing her on the September conference in Lilongwe. The First Minister accepted the SMP's invitation to meet to discuss this further.

**22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019: Malawi APPG evidence session on UK Visa Inquiry:**

The SMP brokered a partnership between the Malawi APPG with the Africa APPG (the largest APPG in Westminster) and the Migration APPG, to undertake a formal Parliamentary Inquiry into the UK Government's handling of UK Visa applications from Africa. The first joint meeting of this Inquiry was held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January, with an evidence session with two panels of experts. The first panel session was chaired by Chi Onwurah MP, Jeremy Lefroy MP & Lord Popat, hearing evidence from Iain Halliday (McGill & Co Solicitors), Albert Tucker (Director Karma Cola Foundation, Associate at Twin Trading) and John Davis (Senior Producer the London International Festival of Theatre). The second panel was chaired by Lord Steel (Panel

Chair), Patrick Grady MP, Liz McInnes MP, hearing evidence from Dr Insa Nolte and (African Studies Association-UK), Matt West (Africa Regional Director at De La Rue). In addition, roughly 25 guests were invited to attend and briefly share their personal experiences.

**13<sup>th</sup> February 2019: Malawi APPG meeting with Immigration Minister:**

In the second joint meeting in the APPGs' UK Visa Inquiry, the Groups met with Rt Hon Caroline Nokes, the UK Government's Immigration Minister. Ten MPs and Peers (mostly from Scotland) presented to the Minister the findings of the inquiry to date, with time for the Minister and senior UKVI officials to respond in detail. It was agreed that the Minister would meet again with the group in six months as part of the on-going inquiry.

**13<sup>th</sup> February 2019: *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* UK Premiere:**

On the 13<sup>th</sup> February the SMP supported the UK Premiere of *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* at the BFI, London. The SMP had ten places at the event and used these to invite: the Minister of State for Africa, Rt Hon Harriett Baldwin MP (plus husband and Private Secretary); Lord McConnell; HE Kena Mphonda, Malawi High Commissioner (plus wife); the Deputy Malawi High Commissioner and daughter. The Chair and Chief Executive of CDC were also invited but were not able to attend. Sadly, Patrick Grady MP was also not able to join us on the evening due to urgent Brexit business. The evening was an opportunity to engage the Africa Minister and Lord McConnell, and discuss priorities in the Scotland-Malawi relationship. In the Q&A the SMP had the opportunity to ask Chiwetel Ejiofor about his experience of Malawi, using this to promote further investment into Malawi.

**15<sup>th</sup> February: Meeting with UKVI:**

On the 15<sup>th</sup> February the SMP met with Chris Waite, the UK Visas & Immigration Regional Operations Manager for West, Central, East & Southern Africa, to discuss specific continued support for SMP members as they apply for UK Visas. Mr Waite is based in the British High Commission Pretoria and had made specific arrangements to visit Scotland so he could meet with the SMP, after recent activity in the UK Parliament. His colleagues also travelled to Malawi to meet with MaSP.

**22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019: Roundtable with Richard Leonard MSP:**

With the Alliance, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> February, the SMP co-hosted a [roundtable meeting](#) with the Leader of Scottish Labour, Richard Leonard MSP. After the meeting Richard Leonard recorded a [special video message](#) giving the support of Scottish Labour to the Scotland Malawi Partnership, to be used alongside similar messages from [all other Scottish Party Leaders](#).

**28<sup>th</sup> February 2019: Youth Congress**

The Minister for International Development, Ben Macpherson MP, spoke at the [SMP's Youth Congress](#) and was interviewed by the Partnership's Youth Committee.

**28<sup>th</sup> February 2019: SMP *The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind* Premiere:**

Liam McArthur MSP, Alasdair Allan MSP and Danielle Rowley MP all attended the SMP's Scottish [Premiere of \*The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind\*](#).

**1<sup>st</sup> March 2019: Lobbying Register Training Day:**

Attended an afternoon training session at the Scottish Parliament by the team responsible for the Lobbying register.

**3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019: Evidence submission to the Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration:**

Submitted evidence as part of the Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration's [inquiry into the 'onshoring' of UKVI casework](#).

**14<sup>th</sup> March 2019: First Minister Question on the Malawi Floods:**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> March, with the support of the SMP, two separate MSPs put in FMQs about the [Malawi floods](#). Maureen Watt MSP was selected and the First Minister [spoke passionately](#) about the Scottish Government's commitment to Malawi in response: "*We stand ready with the people of Malawi at this difficult time, and we will do everything possible to help*". This received all-party support.

**14<sup>th</sup> March 2019: Scottish Parliament Malawi Floods motion:**

The SMP drafted a motion in the Scottish Parliament ([S5M-16375](#)) by Liam McArthur MSP on 14th March, showing cross party support for Malawi during the floods, and supporting the Scottish Government's

response to the floods. The motion quickly received strong all-party support, with MSPs from every political party in Holyrood signing. At present, 27 MSPs have signed this motion.

**19<sup>th</sup> March 2019: House of Commons question about Malawi floods:**

Supported by the SMP, on 19<sup>th</sup> March, Patrick Grady, MP for Glasgow North and Chair of the Malawi All-Party Parliamentary Group, [asked the UK Government](#) about its response to the crises.

**20<sup>th</sup> March 2019: House of Commons question about Malawi floods:**

Again supported by the SMP, on 20<sup>th</sup> March Patrick Grady MP asked Rt Hon Harriett Baldwin MP, Minister of State for Africa, about the UK Government's response to the flood and future preparedness. Minister Baldwin started her reply by saying:

*"This allows me to pay tribute to the Scotland-Malawi partnership, demonstrated by the statistic that 43% of people in Scotland know someone who is, or are themselves, part of links between Scotland and Malawi. I know that civil society across Scotland will be engaging both with these local partnerships but also more widely through the appeal. I thank everyone in Scotland for their generosity towards this cause."*

**21<sup>st</sup> March 2019: Scottish Parliament written questions on the Malawi Floods:**

On 21<sup>st</sup> March, Kezia Dugdale asked four Parliamentary Questions about the floods:

- [What medium to long-term help \[the Scottish Government\] can provide to help people in Malawi who have lost their home following the recent cyclone?](#)

- [Whether \[the Scottish Government\] has plans to increase the aid it offers to Malawi, and how it can ensure that this is spent on immediate relief measures to provide food, medicine and shelter?](#)
- [How aid from Scotland is being deployed in Malawi?](#)
- [What contact \[the Scottish Government\] has had with the Malawi Government following the recent cyclone, and how it can encourage people to support the relief effort?](#)

The Minister Ben Macpherson MSP responded to each of these four questions, extending strong continued support from the Scottish Government for short and long-term assistance to Malawi in response to the floods.

**22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019: UK Parliament Malawi Floods motion:**

On 22<sup>nd</sup> March, Patrick Grady MP tabled a [Motion](#) about the Malawi floods which broadly mirrored the Scottish Parliament motion. This received strong cross-party support, especially from Scottish MPs. 22 MPs have signed the motion to date.

**26<sup>th</sup> March 2019: JTS tenth anniversary reception:**

The SMP supported and spoke at the Just Trading Scotland (JTS) Tenth Anniversary reception in the Scottish Government, alongside Minister for International Development, Ben MacPherson MSP.

**February-March: Updating Constituency Mapping Reports:**

Through Feb-March, the SMP was active updating the Holyrood and Westminster Constituency Reports, which detail how SMP members are active in the constituencies and regions of [all 59 Scottish MPs](#) and [all 129 MSPs](#). The updated reports will be launched, and all Scottish MPs and MSPs briefed, early in 2019/20.

## **ADDENDUM FOURTEEN:**

### **Agriculture and Food Security Progress and Impact Report: 2018/19**

#### **Convening and supporting a community of practice on Agriculture and Food Security:**

Through 2018/19, the SMP continued to support members in the area of Agriculture and Food Security.

The most significant SMP engagement was on July 11<sup>th</sup> 2018 when, together with the Scottish Government and the University of Strathclyde, the SMP hosted a round-table meeting in Edinburgh on [Water Scarcity and Risks to Agriculture](#).

Guests of honour were with the Malawian Government's Minister for Agriculture Irrigation and Water Development, Joseph Mathyola Nakari Mwanamvekha and his opposition party counterpart: John Alfred John Chikalimba MP.

This brought together the Malawian Government, including civil servants and Scottish-based practitioners including Professor Robert Kalin and other Scottish Government grantees.

The event set out to:

- Recognise that Malawi has a unique opportunity in that its priorities on food security, climate change, irrigation issues, all fall under one Ministry – the Ministry for Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development. In other countries these are usually separated. In Malawi this means that there is an opportunity for sharing knowledge and learning.

- Share the views of two Malawian political parties on water resources, regulation, policy and the future of Sustainable Development (SDG 6)
- Share knowledge and information as to how Scotland regulates and monitors water resources so that the delegation might observe and apply this knowledge in achieving SDG 6.
- Note and expand on the fact that there is an intention to establish a partnership under the Water Resources (Scotland) Act 2013 in order to share the Scottish approach to policy regulation with the Government of Malawi in a detailed exchange every two years.
- Recognise that in 2013, Malawi passed a new Water Resources Act, prompting more shared learning of the positives and challenges of implementing this legislation.
- Provide opportunities for networking and discussion amongst Malawian and Scottish-based stakeholders and for participants to listen to the priorities of Government and Parliament in this area.

Minutes of the meeting are available at the above link.

The SMP has been proactive and responsive in convening and supporting activities with key Ag & Food Security organisations including:

- Climate Change being the topic of the June 6<sup>th</sup> 2018, Malawi Cross-Party Group (CPG), with the Malawi Representative of Tearfund speaking, together with Community Energy Malawi and Leith Community Crops in Pots.

- 13th September 2018, the CPG included presentations from the Scottish Government-funded 2050 Climate Group. The SMP has played a co-ordinating role between the 2050 Group in Scotland, 2050's representatives in Malawi and MaSP in this new Scottish Government initiative.
- The SMP supported Fairtrade Scotland's First-500 Mzuzu Coffee Launch in which micro-investors are sought
- 28th September 2018, the SMP co-convened an event on Scotland's role in supporting climate justice in Malawi, co-ordinated with SMP Members: Water Witness International, SCIAF, JTS and Climate Challenge Programme Malawi.
- 11th January 2019, introduction with Centre for Tropical Livestock Genetics and Health (CTLGH), Edinburgh Director, Professor Appolinaire Djikeng
- 24th January 2019, liaison with Agricultural Data & Community of Practice Project - Supporting Evidence Based Interventions (SEBI)'s (Prof Andy Peters)
- 20th February 2019, support to the Global Academy for Agriculture & Food Security (Dr. Lisa Boden; Dr Darren Watt; Prof Geoff Simm, Director) ahead of their Malawi visit
- 20th February 2019, support for the Global Alliance for Livestock Veterinary Medicines (GALVmed) - Dr Lois Muraguri & Dr Jeremy Salt re laboratory: the centre for ticks & tick-borne diseases, Lilongwe.
- 12th March 2019, connected Mission Rabies to specialist courier for transportation of inactivated rabies samples from Malawi to UK

### Member Impact Survey Results:

#### **Agriculture and food security in Malawi**

(see: <http://scotland-malawipartnership.org/areas-of-partnership/trade-and-agriculture/>)

- 90% said they were aware the SMP was active in this area, of whom:
- 74% said they had reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP
- 30% said they had changed their work in this area because of the SM

**Positive Testimonials Included:**

*"We value highly our membership of SMP. It has been extremely helpful in connecting us to partners in Malawi and Scotland, and is an impressive, agile, imaginative, efficient operation, that is highly respected and valued in both countries."*

**Prof Geoff Simm**  
**Director, Global Academy of Agriculture and Food Security Assistant Principal**

*"The Scotland Malawi Partnership (SMP) put GALVmed in contact with its sister organisation, the Malawi Scottish Partnership, which has been very helpful in facilitating access to Malawi government officials with regard to arranging a stakeholder meeting to discuss the sustainability of one of the most important African centres in animal health in Malawi – the Centre for Tick and Tick Borne Diseases (CTTBD)."*

**Dr Lois Muraguri**  
**Director Policy & External Affairs**  
**The Global Alliance for Livestock Veterinary Medicines (GALVmed)**

*"Makes us think more".*

**Kevin Simpson, Malawi Fruits**

*"...we have been extraordinarily fortunate to be working in a country where there are such strong links with Scotland. There is so much support and advice and practical help which comes with belonging to such a vigorous and wide network and we are very conscious of it. It's what makes the kind of wide-ranging partnership that we have with KASFA possible, which in turn makes it all worthwhile and achievable. Very many thanks for your help over the last ten years"*

**John Riches**  
**Just Trading Scotland**

## **ADDENDUM FIFTEEN:**

### **Business, Investment, Trade and Tourism Progress and Impact Report: 2018/19**

#### **Building Scottish Markets for Malawian exports:**

Through 2018/19, the Scotland Malawi Partnership (SMP) has continued to support the availability and uptake of Malawian products in Scotland.

A second edition of [Scotland Street Coffee](#), in partnership with Alexander McCall Smith and Brodies, was launched. A share of profits from sales of this Mzuzu coffee are donated to SMP member, the Mamie Martin Fund.

The SMP also supported the development of a new range of Mzuzu Coffee to be imported into Scotland during this period, starting with a campaign to find the [First 500](#) micro-investors.

In addition to regular meetings in Edinburgh with the Scottish Fairtrade Forum, SMP and MaSP staff members also met the Mzuzu Coffee Co-operative's Director of Production and Quality Control in Mzuzu in February to continue to align the SMP's support for their product.

There has been regular support for Just Trading Scotland (JTS)'s promotion of Kilombero Rice, including for JTS' 90kg challenge.

To ensure that the SMP's work in this area remains Member-led, a survey of SMP Members working in Business Investment Trade & Tourism was conducted early in 2019, to invite specific targets and input on the timing of the 2019 *Buy Malawian* Campaign. Consultation was also conducted with Scottish Fairtrade Forum. Informed by these strategic 'soundings', a targeted Campaign will be mounted in Autumn 2019.

#### **Tourism:**

The SMP has continued to promote Malawi as a holiday destination. In association with the Malawi Travel Marketing Consortium, the SMP published a [new Malawi Tourism brochure](#): "Discover Malawi" in February 2019, specifically for the Scottish market. This was launched at *The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind* premiere, with all 350 attendees given a complimentary copy and challenged to use the film to promote Malawi as a world class tourist destination.

A strategic partnership was formed during this period with [STA Travel](#), providing discounts to SMP members, students, teachers and young people. As well as facilitating travel to Malawi and deepening the links and experiences of Members, STA Travel also donates 15% of all profits from SMP member bookings back to the SMP.

The SMP collaborated with Orbis Travel (specialist Malawi school visit and family tours operator), especially around their support for and participation in SMP Youth Congress.

Consultations have begun with SMP Members, partners in the Travel Industry and with Airline Carriers on the possibility of direct flights to Malawi from Scotland. Whilst ambitious, this venture stands to be of significant benefit in reducing costs and facilitating travel from Scotland to Malawi. We remain at an early stage but if this venture did establish itself, the SMP would not hold any of the financial risk.



### **Investment:**

A sustained and strategic effort to influence the CDC (Commonwealth Development Corporation), the UK's development finance institution to increase its investments in Malawi continued during this reporting period and reaped significant dividends for Malawi.

The CDC Group have increased their work with Malawi with two major new investments: £11.6m supporting local chicken farmers and £4.1m supporting 3,700 hectares of drought damaged land.

The SMP worked successfully with the UK Parliament's International Development Committee in advance of their [evidence session with the CDC](#). Furthermore, the SMP supported the launch of the [CDC's new impact report](#) and a new website showcasing the human impact CDC investments are having.

The SMP remains ready to support the SG-funded Scotland Malawi Investment fund, when further information is made available.

### **Trade - Supporting UK-Malawi Business:**

Having worked closely in the previous reporting period with the Malawi High Commissioner to establish a Malawi-UK Business Group, including as an elected member of their Executive Group and in creating the [group's website](#), the SMP has continued to play an active role, leading three meetings.

On the 5<sup>th</sup> November the SMP supported a Malawi trade and investment networking event at Scotland House in London. We used our leverage to secure the involvement of the Chair of CDC, who publicly stated that Malawi is now a top investment priority for CDC.

In November 2018, the SMP hosted a [Roundtable with MITC](#) (the Malawi Investment and Trade Centre). This event brought together SMP members, representatives of the Malawian Government (including the High Commissioner who joined remotely) to discuss the priorities and opportunities for business, investment and trade in Malawi.

### **Trade Justice:**

The SMP continues to lobby the UK Government to update the colonial 1955 UK-Malawi Double Taxation Treaty, one of the oldest and least just bilateral taxation treaties the UK has.

### **Commercial partnerships:**

The SMP has also developed and strengthened various strategic partnerships with the private sector to support Scotland-Malawi. For example:

We have supported (SMP Member) Brewgooder to promote their craft lager, the profits from which are invested in clean water projects in Malawi, working alongside other SMP members including the University of Strathclyde. We were able to use the SMP's [premiere of \*The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind\*](#) to raise awareness of the Brewgooder brand by showing a [short Brewgooder film](#) before the main feature.

We continue to work closely with (SMP Members) Orbis Expeditions, who offered commercial sponsorship of the SMP's Youth Congress and the Film Screening. We were able to raise awareness of their Kelly Holmes Orbis Challenge by playing [short film](#) of theirs before the main feature.

We continue our commercial partnership with STA Travel, with 15% of all profits from Scotland-Malawi bookings donated to the SMP.

### **Stakeholder Feedback:**

“We have been extraordinarily fortunate to be working in a country where there are such strong links with Scotland. There is so much support and advice and practical help which comes with belonging to such a vigorous and wide network and we are very conscious of it. It's what makes the kind of wide-ranging partnership that we have with KASFA possible, which in turn makes it all worthwhile and achievable. Very many thanks for your help over the last ten years”

**John Riches, Just Trading Scotland**

“We found that all the events we have attended has very big impact on our business. i.e sales and more exposure”

**Francis Kaunjika, Africanos World Ltd**

“The problem ... might look huge, but every action helps. Every bag of rice, every cup of tea. Not doing anything does nothing.”

**Henrietta Lovell, Founder Rare Tea Company**

When the President of Malawi [addressed the Scottish Parliament](#) on the 26<sup>th</sup> April he specifically referenced the SMP's work on the UK-Malawi double taxation treaty, saying:

*“This is what it means to have a people-to-people partnership. The Malawi-Scotland partnership has become one of the strongest north-south relationships in the world. Such relationships are rare and precious in our world where developed countries like exploiting and manipulating poorer countries in the name of supporting them... Scotland has been our voice... **you spoke for us to end the exploitation of double taxation.**”*

### **Member Influence**

In the April 2019 Member Needs and Impact Survey, **89%** of respondents said they were aware the SMP was active supporting sustainable economic development in Malawi, of whom **79%** said they had reflected on their work in this area because of the SMP's work, and **38%** said they had changed their actions in this area because of the SMP.

## **ADDENDUM SIXTEEN:**

### **Youth and Schools Progress and Impact Report: 2018/19**

#### **Staffing:**

A new Youth and Schools Officer, Gemma Burnside, began work with the SMP in June 2018. She quickly got up to speed and continues to be an extremely capable staff member. In addition, at certain points in 2018/19 (especially in the run up to the Feb 2019 Youth Congress) we were able to contract additional hours from Beata Skobodzinska to support Gemma's role.

#### **School Partnerships:**

In early September 2018, the schools' newsletter was sent out to over 230 teachers across Scotland with summaries of news, trips, CPD courses and useful resources.

Between September and November 2018 two new partnerships were established between primary schools in Scotland and Malawi with the support of the MaSP team and their basis focussed on using the Partnership Principles to aid in planning.

The Youth and Schools Officer (YSO) has worked with many schools across the year in a number of ways including 13 visits to schools to offer workshops and meetings with teachers and over 40 interactions via email and phone to offer support to schools on their partnerships on topics such as communications with their partner schools in Malawi, cultural sensitivity ahead of a trip to Malawi, providing a non-bias view of suppliers and press coverage for school events.

As a more in-depth example, over the course of November to January, the YSO supported a new member, Kelvinside Academy with meetings, workshops in school and through email to consider their upcoming trip to Malawi and how they could work towards creating a bilateral relationship with the community they will be visiting. The lead teacher for the group in school, Deborah Gallacher, said of the support: "Thank you so much for your support this year. It has been invaluable and I am looking forward to the Youth Congress already."

On the 12th October, the SMP team supported Penicuik High School's Malawi Day. This involved the whole school, with all staff and pupils taking part in a variety of activities, including workshops, interactive activities and presentations. The YSO supported the Malawi group within the school with their organisation of the day and committed over £500 in financial support for workshop facilitators on the day. Keith Murphy from Penicuik High School wrote: "

Firstly, can I thank you and all the SMP team for all the support to run the Malawi Celebration event at Penicuik. I have had a scan through the evaluations we have received from the pupils and it is all looking very positive. We have also had very positive feedback from the staff in school and invited guests. The school had a real buzz about it and it will help set us up on a very positive footing going forward."

#### **Teacher Training and Support:**

In June, the MSO visited Biggar High School to deliver a presentation at a school INSET day on the history and support on offer from the SMP. As part of the Schools' Newsletter released in early September, several programmes and courses for teachers from partners such as IDEAS were advertised.

On the 19th September, the YSO attended Scottish Learning Festival in support of colleagues from Beath High School delivering a session on their schools' partnership and the SDGs to attendees at the Festival.

The YSO, MCO and MSO all travelled to Aberdeen to hold a schools forum on the 7th November in partnership with MDEC: Aberdeen for a fairer World and Sarah Aitken from Gleniffer High School. 5 teachers attended the event with all attendees rating the event as very good or excellent. Jillian Grant who attended the event stated: "It made me want to create a link with Malawi!"

A schools' newsletter was produced in December reaching over 230 teachers across Scotland.

The YSO continued to work in January and February with the IDEAS forum members such as Scotdec and WOSDEC, attending meetings in Edinburgh with all IDEAS members and a session on Fairtrade Fortnight resources in Glasgow for 20 local teachers.

On the 26th March, the YSO attended a meeting at Bridge of Don Academy to talk to a group of teachers about creating a partnership with a school in Malawi. The end goal of the partnership would be to create a version of the Miniature Earth Learning Project across the two nations.

Aberdeen for a Fairer World Montgomery DEC held an informal screening of "The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind" at their base in Aberdeen. The YSO attended to introduce the film, the SMP's involvement with the film in Scotland and to tell 12 teachers about the support available from the SMP.

The YSO and Beata held a pilot online schools' forum partnering with Kirsten Leask from Connecting Classrooms for Global Learning. The new format was a trial to offer a more accessible version of the schools' forum for teachers from across Scotland. 10 participants took part in the online session, from both Scotland and Malawi, representing 5 schools from Edinburgh and Glasgow. Positive feedback on Twitter - <https://twitter.com/KenyawiKids/status/1111155302546788352>

### **Youth Engagement:**

In April 2018 the SMP recruited Josephine Mphango to be the SMP's Youth Ambassador at the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting. She was trained and supported in this role to record videos and publish blogs giving a young Malawian's perspective of CHOGM 2018. We established a social media platform for Josephine to share her views and created an opportunity for her to directly ask a question of the President of Malawi about youth leadership in the House of Lords.

In May and June, the SMP delivered Chichewa lessons to groups in Edinburgh (at George Watson's College) and Glasgow (Strathclyde University)

The 2050 Climate Group held a workshop on 15th December which the YSO attended with two members of the Youth Committee, Ryan and Nicola. The YSO, Ryan, and Nicola discussed their own experiences of Malawi and fielded questions from the members of 2050 Climate Group

about Malawian culture and how best to prepare for the visit of two member of the Malawian 2050 Youth Leaders group, Promise and Joanna, in January 2019.

On the 15th January, the YSO gave a talk and discussion session on Partnership vs. Charity to the Edinburgh Global Partnerships student group at the University of Edinburgh. The session involved 33 students, some of whom will be taking part in a project based in Salima in the summer of 2019. The YSO has also given support to the Malawian group via email about fundraising and how the SMP could support any events they were planning to advertise their project.

### **Youth Congress:**

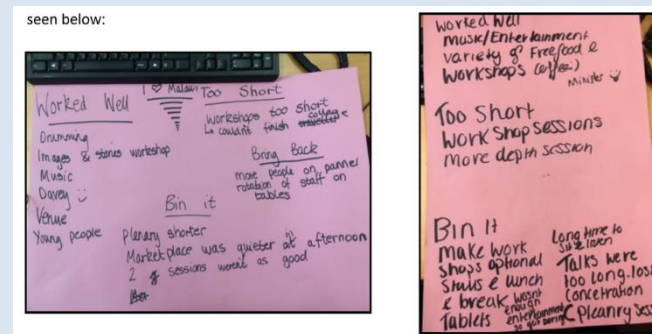
The SMP Youth Congress which took place on the 28th February at McEwan Hall in Edinburgh. We welcomed 186 young people and 29 teachers to the beautiful hall to an event that had been codesigned and was led by the Youth Committee. Every part of the day was led by them including introductions, workshops, and panel discussions.

186 young people and 29 teachers attended the Youth Congress, with 12 schools from across Scotland represented:

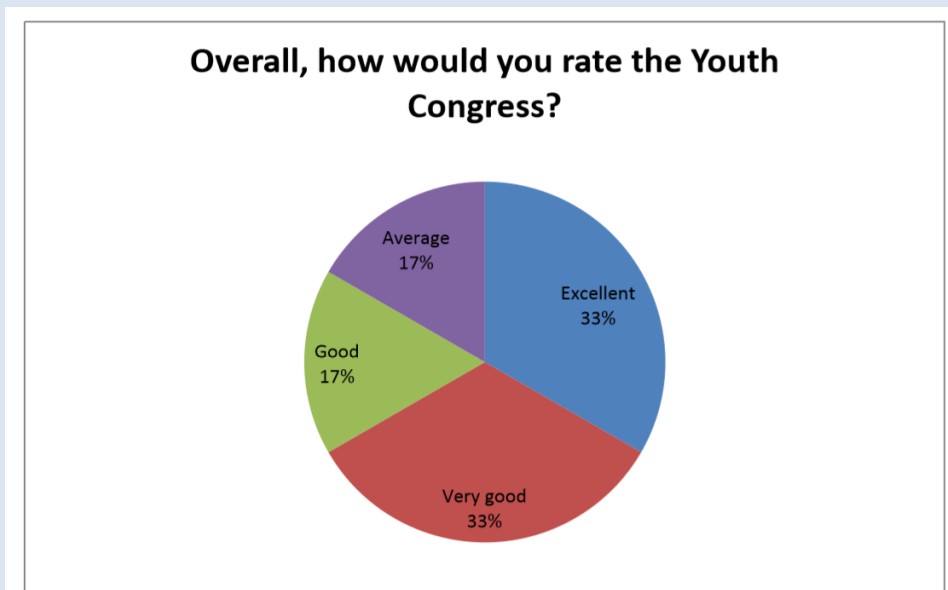
- Beath High School
- Kelvinside Academy
- George Watson's College
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- Gleniffer High School
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- Kingussie High School
- St Margaret's High School
- St Roch's Secondary School
- Penicuik High School
- Bannerman High School
- St Stephen's High School

Feedback was collected in two different ways. Firstly, using a practical method during the event created by the Youth Committee (answer three questions on big sheets of paper – what worked well, what was too short, and what should we bin).

Pictures of two of these feedback sheets can be seen here:



Secondly, an online form was sent out to all group leaders and individuals who attended after the event. 6 responses were gathered and the results can be seen below:



What were your overall impressions of the event?  "Very well organised. Delegates and workshop facilitators buzzing with excitement. Great networking opportunity." Monika Wantoch, Edinburgh City Council

"It had lots of information, but was long" Sophie, Kingussie High School

"Good interaction in workshops. Interesting discussions in main hall. Bright, colourful, lively, welcoming." Ian Mitchell, Beath High School

"I loved the venue and workshops. The whole event was an inspiring one for us." Deborah Gallacher, Kelvinside Academy

"There were lots of interesting speakers and workshops but I felt as we only attended in the afternoon we didn't get the full benefit of the day" Richard Wilson, Kingussie High School

"Very well run and enjoyable." Andy Mckay, St Margaret's High School

Did the Youth Congress strengthen/support your links with Malawi and how?  "No, but it was a lovely opportunity to find out more about what schools are doing with regard to their partnerships (sustaining the existing ones, developing new ones etc.)"  "Better understanding of language; seeing how others are getting involved. Chance to see The boy who harnessed the wind."

"Yes! We immediately changed the itinerary for our trip based on workshop information and it was so easy to do this."

"It helped to get our group to focus more on our trip in June"

"Gave us a few ideas."

Is there anything that you will do differently after the Youth Congress?  "My role is to promote the SMP opportunities to Edinburgh schools and I will continue to do so."

"More specific fund raising - greater focus on sustainability."

Comments from contributors and attendees included:

Mary Pople, Director Just Trading Scotland: "I thought it was a very good day, and the marketplace worked very well. I spent all day, apart from the plenary sessions, having students wanting to chat which was great. Please pass on my congratulations to the committee for such a good event."

Fiona Burns, British Council Scotland: "Thank you so much for having us! Lucy, Sus and I had a fantastic afternoon – I wish I could have been there in the morning. I was so impressed by the questions from the

attendees, which were all thoughtful, challenging and pertinent. It was such an engaging and inspiring event!”

□ Lotte Beekenkamp, 2050 Climate Group: “Thanks a lot for inviting me, I loved the plenary and thought it was really interesting and fun to see the wonderful event you planned. It looked like the students were all having a great time and I liked the set up with the round tables in the middle, rather than a big lecture-style hall. Everything in terms of schedule, directions, and logistics was arranged really nicely. Great to see how involved the youth committee was, a great example of co-design!”

This year’s SMP Youth Congress focused on the theme of Culture and Partnership as over 200 young people looked at how and why cultural exchange is important as a way of developing and deepening the partnership between Scotland and Malawi.

Throughout the day, the young people enjoyed the following workshops:

□ Language & Culture □ Malawi & Me □ Conscious Travelling □ Drumming □ Images and Stories of Malawi □ How to Celebrate Your Partnership - Events Planning

There was also a marketplace with representatives from 15 different organisations on hand to talk about their links to Malawi as well as the opportunities they can offer young people.

Our Plenary Session began with a special musical collaboration from Davie Luhanga and Euan Mclaughlin.

There was also video input from partners in Malawi, discussing the importance of cultural exchange between young people and what that looks like in today’s world and a panel discussion to consider the importance of cultural exchange in discovering and appreciating similarities and differences between people and their respective communities.

Our panellists were:

□ Lucy Young (Deputy Director, British Council Scotland), □ John Lwanda (a renowned medical doctor, writer, poet, researcher, publisher and music producer), □ Emma Wood (senior lecturer in communication at Queen

Margaret University, member of the Centre for Dialogue and Engagement and board member for STEKA).

We were delighted to welcome Scottish Government Minister for International Development, Ben Macpherson MSP, to lead one of the afternoon sessions, speaking about his visit to Malawi.

As well as workshops for young people, teachers also attended their own workshop and there was a dedicated area set up for networking.

Teachers workshops were:

□ Scotdec - Learning and Teaching for the Sustainable Development Goals with Silvia SabinoHunt. □ Orbis Expeditions - Travel to Malawi Q&A session with Dominic Webb. □ Emma Wood and Gift Thompson - Discussing aid framed narratives of ‘developed’ and ‘undeveloped’ countries.

The event was open to school groups, teachers, or any individual aged between 18-24 who was interested in the link between Scotland and Malawi.

Please see event page here: <https://www.scotland-malawipartnership.org/news-events/pastevents/youth-congress-2019/>

The official video for the day can be viewed here: <https://youtu.be/tkejPdvApu4>

### **Connecting Classrooms through Global Learning:**

The YSO was part of a successful consortium bid with Learning for Sustainability Scotland, the University of Edinburgh, and IDEAS, to be the National Expert Lead for the new programme in Scotland – Connecting Classrooms through Global Learning. [Note: this work is funded by the British Council.] The inception period lasted from August to December and included work on the contextualisation of the programme materials to Scotland’s education system, recruitment of staff to manage the project, and training in Manchester to deliver CPD sessions throughout the programme.

The implementation period started in January and will last until 2021 and the YSO (SMP)’s involvement is mainly as a member of the steering and management committees in Scotland.

### **Youth Committee**

In July the Youth Officer and the MSM submitted a bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund for funding for a project based around YOYP and celebrating historical links between young people in Scotland and Malawi. The bid was successful and in August the YSO began work on the project.

The YSO and MCO worked collaboratively on the inception, advertisement and selection of the SMP Youth Committee made up of 10 young people aged between 14-24 from across Scotland with links to Malawi. The Youth Committee is co-designing events and activities to celebrate the historical links between young people in Scotland and Malawi.

The first meeting of the Youth Committee was held on the 28th September at the City Chambers in Edinburgh. The meeting covered introductions,

the background and aims for the Youth Committee and discussion of upcoming events such as the AGM.

The YSO held several meetings over the course of November to February with the Youth Committee. These meetings covered various topics from reflection on the AGM held in October to planning and co-designing the Youth Congress (see above). The YSO has also worked with each member of the Youth Committee on plans for their personal development through the programme.

The members of the Committee represent the most inspiring, motivated and enthusiastic sides of the youth membership of the SMP. Their mature, collaborative, and endlessly empathetic approach to the programme has made the process a delight for the rest of the SMP team.

## **ADDENDUM SEVENTEEN:**

### **Income Generation Update for the Scottish Government 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

#### **This paper:**

Within its 2017-20 core funding agreement with the Scottish Government, the Scotland Malawi Partnership (SMP) has agreed targets for income diversification which it has been comfortably exceeding through this period.

This paper, requested by the Scottish Government, gives a quick update on progress being made in this area. It updates the December 2018 interim paper which forecast £40,000 on non-SG income in 2019-20.

This paper does not include the considerable in-kind contributions to the SMP (£27,700 in 2017/18; £29,330 in 2018/19; £30,960 in 2019/20) which significantly reduce the operating cost of the organisation, rather just financial contributions to the Partnership.

#### **Progress against target in 2018/19:**

The non-SG income target for 2018/19 agreed with the Scottish Government is £17,000. Our actual non-SG income in this period is £46,976 (276% of target), as outlined below:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Status</b>
Membership Fees	£16,544	We have increased our membership fees in 2017/18 and will again in 2018/19. We have also introduced direct debit payments which will increasingly reduce the administrative burden in future years	Cash received in full
Heritage Lottery Fund	£10,000	A grant of £10,000 to support youth engagement activities through and after the Year of Young People, including towards the Youth Committee and Youth Congress	Cash received in full
Event sponsorship	£3,300	Including £1,000 from Orbis Expeditions for the Youth Congress and £1,500 for screening, £500 from the University of Edinburgh for the Youth Congress, £300 from TCC Consultants for the Faith Conference	Cash received in full
Profit-share partnerships	£2,694	Profit share agreement with STA Travel in which 15% of their Scotland-Malawi profits are donated back to the SMP	Cash received in full
British Council/DFID: Funding for Connecting Classrooms CPD	£6,333	Consortium between the SMP, IDEAS and the University of Edinburgh to support the Connecting Classrooms programme in Scotland. Further income in 19-20 in the range of £2,600 to £4,000.	Cash received in full



Donations	£2,785	Larger event donations, including those made at film screening £2,315 and a fundraising dinner £470	Cash received in full
Other income	£3,750	Small Employers Allowance, rental of SMP services, language classes, etc	Cash received in full
Small Donations	£1,090	Multiple small donations to the SMP	Cash received in full
Sales	£480	Sales of SMP goods	Cash received in full
	<b>£46,976</b>		

### **Outlook:**

It is important to emphasize that it cannot be assumed that success experienced this year, as detailed above, will necessarily continue in future years. While we do not envisage the membership fee income reducing, and we are actively pursuing new exciting opportunities, as outlined below, funding such as that from HLF and DFID will not necessarily be repeated in the future. We should not therefore assume that the bottom-line income from other sources will be maintained year-on-year. It is very hard to predict.

### **Other opportunities:**

In addition to the above sources of income, the SMP is active exploring other opportunities across a number of areas, including:

#### (1) Website Advertising:

In 2019 we will launch our website advertising offer on the homepage of the SMP's website and also in the tourism directory.

#### (2) Corporate Sponsorship:

We have met with a number of key advisers and experts as we consider our potential corporate sponsorship ask. We are grateful for the Minister's offer to support this and we will come back with further information. Organisations potentially considered at present include Johnson & Johnson, and Skyscanner. It is likely such an arrangement would be for the sponsorship of one aspect of the SMP, for example sponsoring the Health Forum.

#### (3) Academic Sponsorship:

We have met with the President and Vice President of Arcadia University, who are greatly impressed by the SMP model, and we have begun early conversations about some possible funding of the Partnership.

#### (4) David Livingstone Legacy:

We have agreed in principle a £10,000 funding agreement from the David Livingstone Trust, for the SMP to support the legacy content in the updated David Livingstone Centre to be launched in spring 2020.

Obviously not all of the above will bear fruit but the SMP is being alert and pro-active to opportunities to diversify its income base, as encouraged by the Scottish Government.

**Conclusion:**

While the SMP has –at the encouragement of the SG- invested time and energy to explore alternative income streams, and is comfortably exceeding agreed targets, we do not envisage that this will reduce the core funding envelope required from the Scottish Government to maintain service provision.

The SMP believes the Scottish Government can rightly be proud of what it achieves through its core funding of the SMP and the other two networks. There is a powerful body of evidence showing the impressive return on investment the SG enjoys through this funding, which levers several hundred times further investment from Scottish civil society. This is a model which is working well, is having clear impact, and enjoys considerable public and all-party political support. While the SMP is keen to continue to explore any and all opportunities to attract additional income through new partnerships, we see this income as being able to support innovative new work not able to be funded by the SG, rather than replacing the SG's core funding investment into the network. We would be opposed to any model which looked to fundamentally break up the SMP's core package of services and support, and find individual private funders for these, as we believe this would represent a significant step backwards in the impact of the SMP's work.

We look forward to continuing to work with the Scottish Government and our key partners as we further diversify income to help increase the reach and impact of the SMP without ever increasing core funding.



**The Choir from the Edinburgh High Girls School, Mzuzu, perform for the SMP in Edinburgh and meet the First Minister of Scotland**

