Impact and Sustainability Report 2016
2016 in numbers

Zambia

- 72 communities
- 2,339 families
- 15,229 people

Mozambique

- 10 communities
- 649 families
- 3,246 people

£ 525,268 raised

Healthier families

- 82% reduction in cases of diarrhoea
- 82% reduction in cases of eye infection
- 77% of households now have handwashing devices
- 83% of households now have latrines
- 94% of water committees are active

Girls’ absenteeism from school decreased by 81%
Good hygiene saves lives

We know that water alone is not enough to improve health. Our integrated approach ensures everyone has the facilities and the knowledge to lead healthier lives. Simple things like handwashing and using a latrine have a huge impact on people’s health.

83% of households have latrines
77% of households have handwashing devices

Well construction

19.72m was the average well depth

2016 efficiency rates are excellent. On average it takes 2 strokes to produce water and 52 to fill a 20 litre container.

We are strong advocates of manual drilling as a technology. Over the years we have nurtured local enterprises to form manual drilling teams. Manual drilling is a low cost, high quality method of drilling boreholes. The portability of the tools used in this method also helps us reach communities where drilling is not possible with heavy mechanical rigs.
We reached 4,567 people with menstrual health promotion. After the lessons:

- Teachers saw a positive change in attitude in 100% of pupils.
- 55% of the girls reported a change in their practices.
- 93% of pupils felt free and confident to speak about menstruation.
- 86% of all pupils felt boys now understood menstruation and were more supportive.

“Our life is changed because of Village Water. We thank everyone who participated in the improvement of our life. We are now drinking clean safe water.” Nela Mwasheka, Mongu District
Manual drilling pilot in North Western Province. All 6 wells were drilled successfully!

72 waterpoints; 15,229 people in 2,339 families; 28 plastic drum latrines installed in 3 schools and one permanent latrine block.

Completed permanent latrine block in Kamiheto School in Kaoma, Zambia

Previous water sources are on average 860m away.

Manual drilling technology used for the first time in the area for drinking water.
94% of communities have formed a water committee.

65% of communities have started collecting a maintenance fund.

We received 467 village reports during 2016 from old villages.

Our local partners continue to work with communities long after the initial intervention. This ensures that our projects are sustainable and the benefits are long lasting. Of 530 communities that we have visited dating back to 2004, 98% are still functioning.

Our core work aligns with 3 of the sustainable development goals:

1. No Poverty
2. Good Health and Well-Being
3. Clean Water and Sanitation
1 in 10 people in the world lives **without** safe water.
9 in 10 people can change this.

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