



BRITAIN-TANZANIA SOCIETY

Forty Second Annual Report and Accounts for the period

1st July 2017 – 30th June 2018



INTRODUCTION FROM THE CHAIRMAN

It has been a transitional year – the first with a Tanzanian Vice-Chair (Petronilla Mlowe), Treasurer (Gabriel Mgambwa), website manager (Alex Paurine) and a majority of Tanzanians on the Executive Committee. BTS is moving forward from being primarily a club for expatriates towards becoming also an organisation which helps Tanzanians living in the UK keep in touch with their roots in Tanzania. The rest of this report shows how much we have achieved.

The two biggest events of the year – the reception to welcome the Vice President of Tanzania Mheshimiwa Mama Samia Suluhu Hassan, and a workshop arranged by Petronilla and Alex on Traceability Systems for Tanzanian Agricultural Products which attracted 60 people and would have had more if it had not clashed with another important diaspora event – both had majority diaspora participation.

There will be more changes next year. Tessa Most will stand down as Secretary, after a year in which she has valiantly held the fort, getting mailings out and looking after most of the admin for the reception. We could not have managed without her, but her experiences demonstrate the challenges of taking on one of the main offices if you are not already a member of the committee and know us and how we work. I will also stand down. Originally, I agreed to do the job for two years and I will have done it for three. I am delighted that Elizabeth Taylor is prepared to be nominated to be the next Chair, and personally look forward to staying on the committee and giving her every possible support. We will also have a new Membership Officer – thank you John Wood for holding the fort this year. But we will go into the future with confidence. I would like to thank everyone who has supported the society, and to wish you all well into the future.

Andrew Coulson, Chairman



SEMINARS AND EVENTS

Last year BTS held seminars on a variety of topics from investment opportunities, agriculture and children's rights, at SOAS and in partnership with the All Party Parliamentary Group.

We also held a very successful seminar on the current successes, challenges and opportunities of education in Tanzania. We have now decided to amalgamate the education group into the core BTS seminars but have at least one seminar with an education focus each year.

Full details of all the past and future seminars are on the BTS website and Facebook group and we hope to see you at one soon.

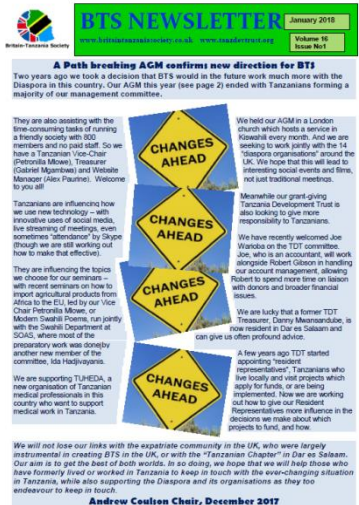
The seminars held during the period of this report were

2018	TITLE	LOCATION
JULY 17	Current Investment Climate and Ethical Investment in Tanzania	Houses of Parliament,
JUNE 23	Implementation of TZ Agricultural Products Traceability System	London South Bank University
MAY 14	Education in Tanzania: Current successes, challenges and opportunities	SOAS, University of London
MARCH 26	Railway Children: Working with vulnerable children on the streets in Tanzania	SOAS, University of London
MARCH 6	Tanzania: Making Progress in Agriculture - Joint meeting with the All Party Parliamentary Group for Tanzania	Houses of Parliament,
JANUARY 29	Seminar: Children's Rights in Tanzania with Kate McAlpine	SOAS, University of London
2017		
NOVEMBER 20	Informal Housing in Dar es Salaam: A Tale of Three Cities	SOAS, University of London
OCTOBER 16	Modern Swahili Poems – Ushairi wa Kiswahili wa Kisasa – a seminar and book launch	SOAS, University of London

PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLICITY

Newsletter

There have been the usual three issues of the 16 page Newsletter, (January, May and September) informing members of visits, small scale projects and initiatives taking place in different areas of Tanzania, regular updates on projects that TDT support, BTS Scottish Group news, plus past and forthcoming seminars and events in the UK. A page devoted to "Swahili Matters" has continued to have an article appear in both English and Swahili, thanks to Donovan McGrath. The Newsletter of January contained a report on our path breaking October AGM outlining how BTS would in future work much more with the Diaspora in this country.



Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the Newsletters and to Andrew's active involvement.

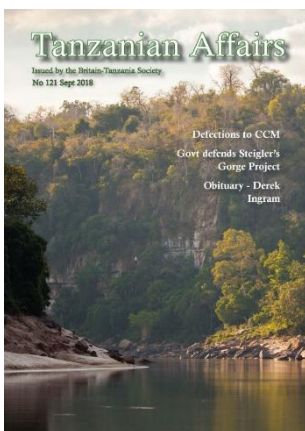
Thank you to Jill Bowden for her careful proof reading of the draft copy, this is really appreciated.

I have edited the Newsletter now for nearly 5 years now. I am happy to carry on but will happily step aside if someone else would like to take on this role.

Sue Mitchell

Tanzanian Affairs

The Tanzanian Affairs team of contributors and editors produced three more issues of the journal, which continues to be well-received by society members and others with an interest in Tanzania.



These are proving to be interesting times for Tanzania. This is most particularly so in politics but also for business and important sectors of the economy including tourism, mining and agriculture. President Magufuli's leadership has drawn both praise and censure in stronger terms than his most recent predecessors. His administration has also taken issue with elements of the national media.

In this context, Tanzanian Affairs endeavours to maintain a strong commitment to objectivity, balance and truth. We report the facts, as best we can.

Key articles in the past year include coverage of the mineral sands export saga, progress in tackling corruption, and political developments under President Magufuli.

Beyond the news sections, the book reviews section is ever-popular, keeping readers informed about the latest publications, and perhaps prompting a few readers to buy the books and read more.

Past issues are available online at tzaffairs.org.

Ben Taylor

Editor, Tanzanian Affairs

BRITAIN-TANZANIA SOCIETY ON THE INTERNET

Our website <http://www.britaintanzaniasociety.co.uk/> is the source of the most up to date information about the Society.

The website for

the Tanzania Development Trust is <http://www.tanzdevtrust.org/>
and that of Tanzanian Affairs is <http://www.tzaffairs.org/>.

MEMBERSHIP

During the year 2017-2018, with the need to conform to the new GDPR rules, we updated our membership list. Our thanks are due to all members for their cooperation. All members may change their preferences for the way in which we communicate with them at any time.

At the end of the year, the total active membership of BTS was 588. This includes individual, group, and corporate membership.

Where members live:

East England	57
East Midlands	27
London	145
North East England	10
North West England	30
South East England	119
South West England	51
West Midlands	35
Yorkshire and Humber	22
N Ireland	4
Scotland	35
Wales	10
Ireland	2
Guernsey	1
Tanzania	19
Europe	10
Other Overseas	11

ANNUAL REPORT FROM BRITAIN TANZANIA SOCIETY SCOTTISH GROUP (BTSS)

The Group has again not been very active. However about 40 people are on our yahoo group, and another 40 on a separate mailing list and in this way, we are able to share notices of members' activities and projects, and of other news items related to Tanzania.

Projects loosely associated with BTSS include RUVUMA DEVELOPMENT AID <http://rudatanzania.org.uk/> and Sashita Scio <http://www.sashita.org.uk/>

The Chair of the BTSS is Ralph Ibbott. For more details contact Ann Burgess annpatriciaburgess@yahoo.co.uk, Jennifer Sharp js@satv.co.uk or Ralph Ibbott at 01875 818658.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2017

Minutes of the 42nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Britain Tanzania Society, held on Saturday 28th October 2017 at 2.00pm on at St Mary at Hill Church, Lovat Lane, London EC3R 8EE

1. **Welcome.** The Chairman, Mr Andrew Coulson welcomed the 51 members present.
2. **Several people associated with the Britain Tanzania Society had died during the previous twelve months:** Sir Andy Chande, a former Vice President and Asian business leader; Ellie Macha, a campaigner for women and the disabled; Justina Mwele, from the Safe House and the young son of Rhobi Samwelly who had the vision for the Safe House and was its first manager.
3. **Minutes of the 41st AGM,** held on 19th November 2016, having been circulated, were agreed by the meeting as a correct record and signed by the Chairman
4. **Matters arising.** No matters arising were reported
5. **Annual Report of BTS (UK)** for the year ended 30 June 2017.

The Annual report had been published on the Society's website; hard copies were available at the meeting or by request to the Executive Secretary.

The Chairman addressed the meeting summarising the information given in the Annual report. He told members that it had been an interesting year with many good things happening. Tanzanian Affairs and the Newsletter continue to be informative and well received. The seminar programme continues to develop well. We are beginning to reach out to the Tanzanian diaspora much more effectively; the chairman thanked Janet Chapman for her work and enthusiasm in this area.

The chairman thanked Elizabeth Taylor who is standing down from being secretary of both BTS and TDT. Special thanks were given to Jill Bowden who, although she stood down as treasurer at the last AGM has continued in that role.

The chairman made a presentation of a painting to Willie Fulton who having been Chair and Vice Chair is now leaving the committee completely.

The Annual Report was unanimously adopted by the meeting.

6. Annual Accounts of BTS (UK) for the year ended 30 June 2017

Jill Bowden presented the accounts for the year to 30th June 2017. The financial position of the Society is in good order. The Chairman expressed thanks to the treasurer.

Janet Chapman proposed that the accounts be accepted, Ben Taylor seconded the motion and the meeting unanimously accepted them.

Ray Bowden was unanimously appointed as external examiner for the accounts.

7. Election of members to serve on the BTS (UK) Executive Committee for the three years 2017-20.

Nominations for members of the executive committee were:

For re-election: Janet Chapman, David Gibbons, Jonathan Pace

For election: Tuni Baraka, June Bugenyi, Ida Hadjivayanis, Peter Kaiza, Dr Gideon Mlawa, Dr Hamza Hassan Mohamed, Godlisten Pallangyo, Jafar Rajab, Jonathan Sutton, Dr Elizabeth Taylor

The motion that these members be elected to serve for the next three years was proposed by Roger Nellist, seconded by Jill Bowden and the motion was unanimously agreed.

8. Election of Officers of BTS(UK) for the year 2017-18:

Mr Willie Fulton took the Chair for the election of the Chairman. Mr Andrew Coulson was nominated by Willie Fulton and seconded by Elizabeth Taylor. Mr Coulson was unanimously elected and resumed the Chair.

Nominations for officers were

Vice Chairman: Petronilla Mlowe, proposed by Janet Chapman, seconded by Andrew Coulson

Secretary: Tessa Most, proposed by Elizabeth Taylor, seconded by Andrew Coulson

Membership Secretary: John Wood, proposed by Elizabeth Taylor, seconded by Janet Chapman

Hon Treasurer: Gabriel Mgambwa, proposed by Andrew Coulson, seconded by Jill Bowden

All were unanimously elected.

9. New Vice President

Members agreed unanimously that David Brewin be made a Vice President of the Society.

10. Annual Report of the Tanzania Development Trust for the year ended 30 June 2015.

Jonathan Pace, Chair of TDT, presented the report which has been posted on the TDT website. Hard copies were available at the meeting and can be obtained from the Executive Secretary on request.

Education projects have met with success. The school which we have supported in Ikimba was the second most improved school in the whole of Tanzania.

We have had a lot of support from local officials, we recognize the importance of working with them.

A donation of £2,000 resulting from the Golden Wedding of Ron and Liz Fennell enabled us to support Kasulu Youth Development.

A method for bore holes which are hand drilled and use rope pumps have been developed by Benedicto Hosea, our Local Representatives in Kigoma. These are significantly less expensive than other methods of developing bore holes.

Enormous sums were raised for the Safe House in response to the request from the former Bishop Hilkiyah Omindo Deya and Rhobi Samwelly. There are some points of disagreement with the new Bishop and we are holding back the remaining funds until the situation is clear; we may use the money to create a girls' rights fund which can be used in the fight against FGM and related activities. Thanks were expressed to all who have been involved in the ongoing discussions, especially Janet Chapman and Julian Marcus.

The Chairman expressed thanks to all Project Officers for their hard work; and to Julian Marcus for the fundraising talks which he has given around the country.

We had received the sad news that Rhobi Samwelly's son had died in hospital. Those present were asked for contributions to the funeral expenses.

The report was unanimously adopted by the meeting.

11. Annual Accounts of the Tanzania Development Trust for the year ended 30 June 2017

The detailed accounts had already been circulated in the Annual Report. Project expenditure was lower than usual but if the Safe House is excluded, then the expenditure on projects is higher.

TDT is grateful to all its donors, both individuals and trusts.

Thanks were expressed to Robert Gibson who prepared the accounts.

Jairo Nyaongo proposed that the accounts be adopted by the meeting, seconded by Julian Marcus, the meeting unanimously approved the motion

Thanks were extended to Ray Bowden who was the independent examiner.

Ray Bowden was unanimously appointed as external examiner for the accounts.

12. Any other business.

The formal meeting ended at 14.50.

The meeting was then pleased to welcome Zawadi Machibya from the BBC Swahili service. She gave an interesting presentation about the work of the service. She invited BTS to tell our stories to the BBC, they can then invite us to tell more.

Those present were then able to network together.

FINANCE

The accounts for 2017/18 show a year end surplus of £322.89.

Events expenses were significantly higher than in 2016/17 due to the major event to welcome the Vice President.

At the end of the year, there was a balance of £2183.78 in the current account and £5636.15 in the deposit account.

Gabriel Mgambwa

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Executive Committee and the Tanzania Development Trust each met on four occasions during the year: 20th September, 29th November, 21st February and 16th May. The Society is most grateful to the management of Central Hall Westminster for allowing us to use one of their committee rooms on a regular basis.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

THE UK EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Ex Officio	President	HE Ali Hassan Mwinyi
	Vice Presidents	
	David Brewin	Trevor Jaggar
	Elizabeth Fennell MBE	Professor Esther Mwaikambo
	Ronald Fennell MBE	
The Officers	Chairman	Andrew Coulson
	Vice Chairman	Petronilla Mlowe
	Executive Secretary	Tessa Most
	Hon Membership Secretary	John Wood
	Hon Treasurer	Gabriel Mgambwa
	Editor Tanzanian Affairs	Ben Taylor
	Editor Newsletter	Sue Mitchell
The members	Tuni Baraka	Albert Mkony
	June Bugenyi	Gideon Mlawa
	Janet Chapman	Jonathan Pace
	Ida Hadjivayanis	Charlotte Pallangyo
	Hassan Mohamed Hamza	Godlisten Pallangyo
	Peter Kaiza	Alex Paurine
	Aseri Katanga	Jafar Rajab
	Fadhili Maghiya	Elizabeth Taylor
	Regatus Mgetta	Joe Warioba

BTS SCOTTISH BRANCH

Leaders	Chair of the BTSS	Ralph Ibbott
	Secretary	Ann Burgess
		Jennifer Sharp

THE TANZANIA DEVELOPMENT TRUST COMMITTEE

The Trustees	Janet Chapman	Julian Marcus
	Andrew Coulson	Petronilla Mlowe
	David Gibbons	Jonathan Pace
	Robert Gibson	
The Officers	Chairman	Jonathan Pace
	Vice Chairs	Dan Cook
		Jill Nicholson
	Hon Treasurer	Robert Gibson
	Executive Secretary	Tessa Most
Project Officers	Janet Chapman	Philippa Grant
	Dan Cook	Julian Marcus
	Kevin Curley CBE	Petronila Mlowe
	David Gibbons	Jonathan Pace
	Phil Grant	Ian Powell
Members	Elizabeth Fennell MBE	Sue Mitchell
	Ronald Fennell MBE	Albert Mkony
	Aseri Katanga	Elizabeth Taylor
	Fadhili Maghiya	
Local Reps.	Philemon Boyo	Godfrey Makenzi
	Linus Buriani	Elias J Mashasi
	Benedicto Hosea	Rhobi Samwelly
	Ezekiel Kassanga	William Shayo
	Evelyn Leonard	

THE TANZANIA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chair	Amb. Paul RUPIA	
Vice-Chair	Dr. Cuthbert KIMAMBO	
Secretary	Rita MKAMA	
Treasurer	Boniface, KANEMBA	
Members	Fauzia CHILWAN	Dr. Strato MOSHA
	Adam GAHHU	Danny MWASANDUBE
	Zakaria HAMZA	Theresia NDIBALEMA
	Edwin KASANGA	Michael NJUMBA
	Cathy MBATIA	Edward RWEYEMAMU
	Patricia Mlozi	Grace SANDE

Note: The next Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, 27th October at 2.00pm at St Mary-at-Hill Church, Lovat Lane, Eastcheap, London, EC3R 8EE. The speaker will be Benedicto Hosea. He will talk about some of the organisations he and has founded, and how young Tanzanians can be entrepreneurial and take initiatives to improve themselves and their communities.

BRITAIN-TANZANIA SOCIETY				
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE A/C Year ending 30th June 2017				
		2017-18		2016-17
INCOME				
Subscriptions	10,280.81		10332.07	
Sales of Tz Affairs	320.66		421.70	
Events income	00.00			
Bank interest	3.23		2.78	
Sundries	1.46		39.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		10606.16		10795.55
PAYMENTS OUT				
Grants to TDT	4000.00		5000.00	
OPERATING EXPENSES				
AGM – Venue Hire	225.00		1830.84	
AGM - Food	220.00			
Annual Reports	288.90			
Stationery			89.20	
Newsletter				
-Postage	1303.51		2566.06	
-Printing	806.61		1366.52	
Seminar expenses			52.20	
Website				
Events expenses	2011.20		1035.94	
Bank charges			8.00	
Committee meetings				
-Printing	30.00			
-Room hire	265.20		354.48	
Transport Refund	24.90			
Sundry expenses			150.00	
TANZANIAN AFFAIRS				
TA expenses				
TA printing	1107.95		1246.94	
TA bank charges			16.00	

TOTAL OUTGOINGS			10283.27	13716.18
Net Surplus/Deficit			322.89	-2920.63

BALANCE SHEET as at 30 June 2018

FUNDS		2018		2017
Balance brought forward 2017		7497.04		10417.67
Surplus/Deficit		322.89		-2920.63
		<u>7819.93</u>		<u>7497.04</u>
ASSETS				
Current a/c	2183.78		1864.31	
Deposit HSBC	5636.15	7819.93	5632.73	7497.04
CREDITORS				
TDT				
NET ASSETS		<u>7819.93</u>		<u>7497.04</u>

Notes to Accounts

In addition to the grants to TDT shown under payment out, BTS received £1961.00 on behalf of TDT (£2574.83 previous year) and paid £1961.00 (2574.83 previous year).

Membership subscriptions are taken into account on a cash basis.

Expenditure is included on a cash basis.

Examiner

I have examined the above statement of assets and liabilities and the accompanying income and expenditure account which are prepared and drawn up in accordance with the books and vouchers of the Society and from explanations given to me.

Peter Kaiza [signed]

8th October 2018



The Britain-Tanzania Society aims to increase mutual knowledge, understanding and respect between the peoples of Britain and Tanzania through seminars, events and publications, and through the development of education, health, water and sanitation and other self-help community development activities and the promotion of gender equality.