

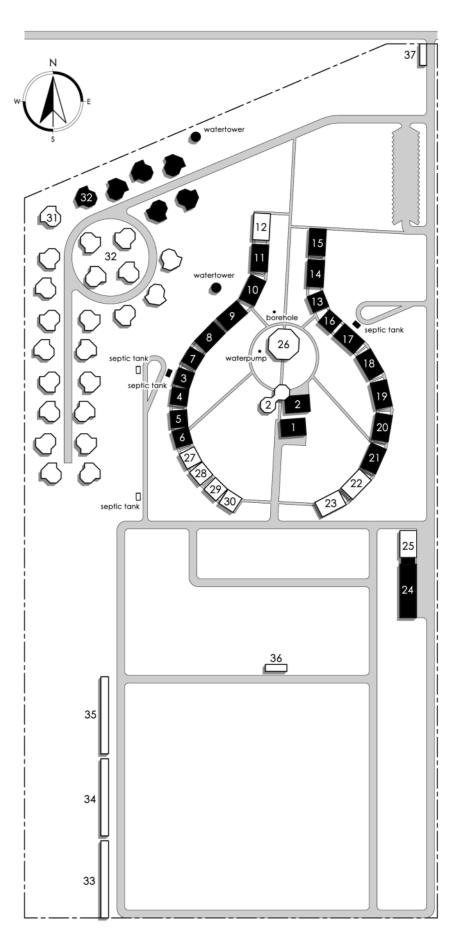
## Report VTC 15<sup>th</sup> of September 2014

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**Reception Building** 

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Following you'll find my report on the activities at the VTC.

**Classroom 4.** We have finished the interior of one of the classrooms for the IBALA course which started the first of this month. Our intention was to make the chairs and tables completely out of timber, but we found out that TEVETA prescribes the use of metal frames. The making of the metal frames was outsourced to a welder and our carpenters finished the furniture off with some of the Musase that is stocked at the VTC. In total we made 12 student tables, 24 student chairs, one teacher desk and one teacher chair ( $\downarrow$ ). Also a big white board was installed on the wall near the entrance.





**Student Toilets.** The male students can use the temporally toilet we made for the workers last year. For the female students we made an identical toilet some twenty meters away from the males' (↑).

**Title Deed.** Zambia is decentralizing the system concerning land issues. Because of this we cannot apply for the title deed right now. We are thus waiting for the system change to be finalized.

## **Business Unit Carpentry.**

OUTGOING					INCOMING				
Material	Amount	UP	Paid	То рау	Product	Client	Amount	Received	Balanc
Glue (850g)	1	24		24	Fixing table, 2 chairs	GCMF	116	116	
Musase 25x300x2500	4	45		180	Cloth stand	Mr. Nkata	200	200	
Screws 10x40	2	34		68	Picknick table	Mr. Nsali	450	0	45
Screws 6x50	2	18		36	4 Restaurant tables	Mr. Vigili	1400	1400	
Dusk Masks	4	5		20	Planing and cutting	Mr. Chisanga	750	750	
Kayimbi 40x100x5000	10	45	450	0					
Parrafine (It)	1.5	10		15					
Lunch allowance			240						
Salaries (piece work)	50		50						
Rent (month)	1	150		150					
TOTALS			740	493	TOTALS		2916	2466	45
Profit (10%)				168					
Pay to GCMF				661	Pay out carpenters		1515		

Our carpenters have been involved in making the tables and chairs for classroom four. Because of this, they could not make many products for customers, as a consequence profits are very low and I cannot make them pay the full rent. Like I mentioned in my last report, when the machines are not fully available (and they are not going to be fully available as long as construction activities go on) it will be difficult if not impossible to make the business unit a financial success. My suggestions are to

temper expectations for now and continue to make furniture on demand but only if time and manpower is not needed for constructions at or furniture for the VTC. By doing it this way we keep serving customers, keep the carpenters busy and they remain part of the project even when we are not constructing. They become more experienced with the machines and learn to become entrepreneurs through experience while the machines remain available at all time for construction.

**Guesthouse** - **Roof.** We have started replacing the roof of the television room/public kitchen at the guesthouse. When built, six years ago, the contractor fixed a grass roof on a for metal sheets designed roof construction. Therefore the roof did not have the minimum angle of 40 degrees which is required for a thatched roof and this is why it started bending and leaking. We demolished the old roof, increased the angle and replaced the white wood rafters with Kayimbi and the grasses with reeds. At the moment of writing the thatchers are putting the reeds. After the rainy season we will also replace the roof of the reception/office ( $\downarrow$ ). The old grasses will be used for compost making during the IBALA course at the VTC.



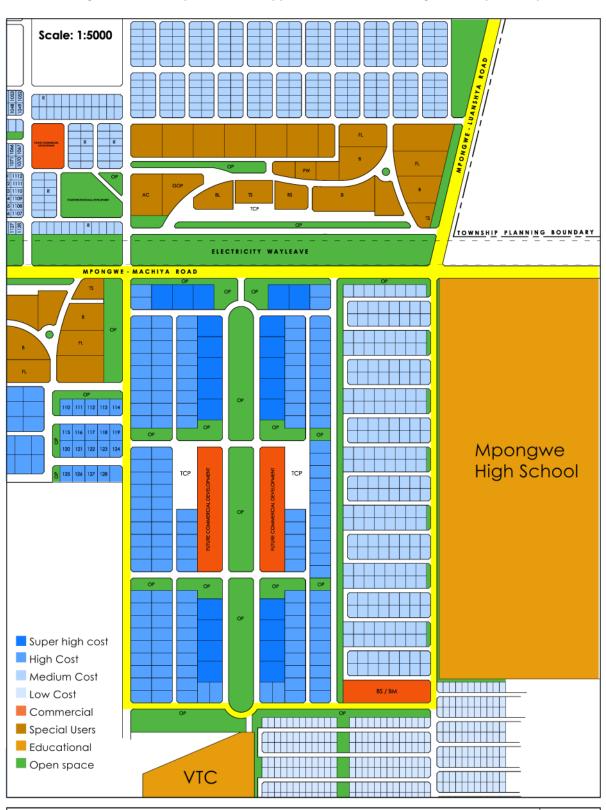


**Guesthouse - Television Restaurant.** Following requests from our customers, the steering committee decided to ask Pious to buy a big television screen for the restaurant. Since the restaurant is an open building we had to install it in such a way that it cannot be stolen at night. To avoid making a cage, George (also our welder at the VTC) made a metal plate with two treaded bars welded on it that could be screwed on the back of the screen. The treaded bars are anchored with washers and nuts on the other side of the wall inside the kitchen  $(\downarrow)$ .



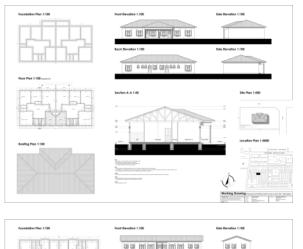


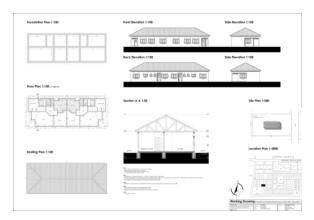
**Other - Road Plan Proposal.** As requested by the planning officer of the counsel I assisted in designing a road plan for a new high cost residential area which connects the VTC to the main road. A long boulevard with a green area in between gives for our college a favourable access route by foot and a beltway provides the possibility of access by bus. This plan is currently being presented to Ndola Planning Office and I hope to receive approval before the coming out of my next report  $(\downarrow)$ .

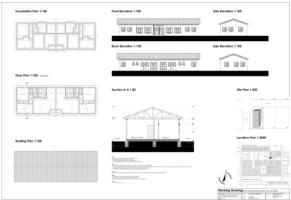


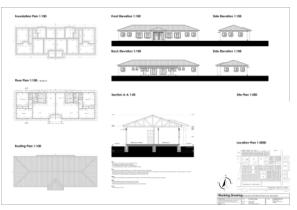
## Proposal for New Special Users, Commercial and Residential Plots in Mpongwe Township

General notes - Figured dimensions are to be taken in preference to scaling. Unless otherwise specified all dimensions are given in Millimeters. All dimensions are to be checked on site. Date: 2nd of September 2014 Drawing: Location Plan Mpongwe Township Scale: 1:5000 Size: AS Client: Mpongwe District Council Drawn by: M. C. Kaira and Eng. A. B. Sol **Other - Houses.** The counsel secretary, the headmaster of Mwanawasa secondary school, a businessman from Kitwe and a police officer from Mpongwe came to me with the request to draw building permit plans for houses on some of the new plots in Mpongwe. Due to the lacking of time I refused at first but after insisting I decided to spent some of my own time (and a little bit of GCMF time) to make the drawings. For this I charged all of them between KR 800 and 1500 depending on the plot and building costs ( $\downarrow$ ).









**VTC Football Team.** Our VTC team has been assisted with 13 new balls and KR1600 donated by HJL-groep from Wapserveen, 15 training suits and 14 jerseys were donated by V.V. d' Olde Veste from Steenwijk and to the MAFA a floating championship trophy has been donated by Swaen's Bamboo Underwear from Havelte. These assets were organized and brought to Zambia by my father, who is visiting us for three weeks ( $\downarrow$ ). The floating trophy will be handed out to the champions of the 2014 league and the 14 jerseys to the winner of the independence cup, both on the 24<sup>th</sup> of October in official ceremonies during Independence Day.







There are only four more games to play, we are leading the table by four points and have a much better goal difference than the number two. It looks like FC VTC might become champion in their first year  $(\downarrow)$ .

## MAFA FOOTBALL LEAGUE STANDING SEPTEMBER 2014 Position Team GD Pts VTC Golden Bullets Blue Sky Angels Bwembelero Chinwa -3 -5 Youngstars Tiger Rangers -6 -5 Shingwa -12 France Big Cops Chipese -7 -5 West Leopard Young Academy -8 Rhino Rangers -16 Bulimba -15 **Red Lions** -44 **Old Timers** -45

**Proposed New Planning.** The rainy season is starting soon. During the coming six months we cannot construct the veranda at the boys' wing, nor the water basin and gutters nor thatching any roofs. In short, it could be an idea to focus only and entirely on finishing the girl's wing for now. By this I mean furnishing the remaining three classrooms, finishing the interior of the sanitary block and putting up the water tower. We can even initiate conversations with the Rotary Luanshya about when and how to supply only the girls' wing with electricity. By doing this we can also start thinking about offering more courses next year. If this is agreeable with both the GKMT and the GCMF board, it would mean that the available funds will be used for the latter mentioned new purposes only. Please let me know how you think about this, so I could start making quotations and orders.

Kind regards, Bram