

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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Reference and administration details

Charity name	International Peace Project 200	0	
Other names charity is known by	International Peace Project or II	PP or IPP2000	
Registered charity number (if any)	1101966		
Charity's principal address	Peter M. Southwood, Hon. Secretary		
	110 Purves Road, Kensal Rise,		
	London. England.		
	Postcode	NW10 5TB	

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Ms Y. S.K. Kuimba			The charity trustees themselves
2	Dr A Lemon		From 30 July 2015	
3	Dr E.O. Mogire			
4	Prof J. Oshomuvwe			
5	Air Vice Marshal M.N. Umaru (r'td)	Chairman		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Bankers	CAF Bank Ltd	25 Kings Hill Avenue, King's Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ
Solicitors	Farrer & Co.	66 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2A 3LH

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Declaration of Trust executed on 2 November 2002
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	A trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by existing Trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

'The objects of the Trust are the advancement by all charitable means of the education of the public in the differing means of securing a state of peace and avoiding a state of war.'

- * To organise 'Peace Games':
- to predict the prospects for peace and war in various areas of conflict:
- to publish the findings of differing methods of analysing each conflict;
- to judge and debate the results against the subsequent course of events.

The Trustees again note the Commission's guidance on public benefit with the qualification made in their 2009 Report.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

* To undertake a pilot project in two schools and two community bodies in Zimbabwe, on peaceful and constitutional means of conflict resolution, once the necessary governmental permissions have been obtained. This would be focused on the new Constitution of Zimbabwe, enacted in 2013.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

Policy on grantmaking:

No grants made up to year-end. Contributors to IPP Briefings on conflict areas will be selected by the Trustees on the basis of (a) Technical merit; (b) Objective criteria for judging outcomes in conflict areas; and (c) Political balance. They would be recompensed, when funding permits, in respect of all eligible costs by prizes that cover loss of salary or wages and reimbursement of expenses while undertaking approved work for the 'Peace Games'. Chapters to be submitted in pre-specified format.

Contribution made by volunteers:

The research, writing up and publication of IPP Briefing No. 1 on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict was undertaken in 2005/06 on an entirely voluntary basis to illustrate the concept and practice of the 'Peace Games'.

The planned pilot project on 'Peace & The Constitution' in Zimbabwe was taken forward with the active assistance of the ZG Club, a Zimbabwean business and philanthropic organisation based in London, and Ndoro Children's Charities who met with IPP personnel to discuss how best to publicise the project proposals within the Zimbabwean community in England and seek to fundraise for it.

In 2014 the pilot project was carried out In Goromonzi, Mashonaland East in co-operation with IPP's main Zimbabwean partner, the Southern Institute of Peace-building and Development (SIPD). IPP also helped to fund the subsequent course in Mabvuku, Harare Metropolitan District.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

After four years of preparation, with many setbacks and difficulties along the way, this was the year in which the pilot project on 'Peace & The Constitution' finally happened. Moreover it was a big success and reflects well on IPP's main partner in Zimbabwe, the Southern Institute of Peace-Building and Development, and the far-sightedness and persistence of all concerned. SIPD is a non-governmental body based in Harare (reg. #MA319/2008), led by a Board of Trustees and run on a day-to-day basis by its Director, Samuel Maruta, with a small staff. SIPD's network of community hubs which had been built up since 2008 proved crucial to community engagement with the project. IPP, for its part, helped with course preparation and funding. The public benefit was demonstrated by the students themselves who participated voluntarily and, after initial reticence, with real interest and commitment to peaceful and constitutional means of conflict resolution in their country.

The pilot course began in rural Goromonzi on 3 July 2014. A SIPD/IPP team (including Peter Southwood on behalf of IPP) arrived from Harare to be greeted by the headman outside the church where the sessions would be held. Twenty students had been promised; twenty turned up along with the local SIPD leadership team. These were school leavers who had completed their high school education and might be expected, in some cases, to go on to University or nursing college, if only funding were available. Copies of the new Constitution of Zimbabwe were distributed and one of the students read its stirring Preamble. Then the two Shonaspeaking teachers, Ross Nhemachena and Norman Chivasa, and Peter from England began the process of explaining why this document was a good foundation for peaceful conflict resolution in Zimbabwe, built on the national liberation struggle and taught through a non-partisan educational process in each locality.

The results speak for themselves: attendance was nearly 100% during the six sessions over three weeks; the teaching material, linking the Constitution to examples of local conflicts, usually engaged the students well; a feedback questionnaire at the end of the course showed mostly high levels of understanding of basic concepts like facts vs opinions, justice, mercy and the Golden Rule. The local councillor came and publicly gave strong support and praise for SIPD and the course itself. One of the student leaders spoke of their capacity now to go out into their communities as ambassadors of peace.

The importance of hospitality in Zimbabwean communities should also be stressed. Local women provided refreshments and a cooked lunch for everyone involved in the course, which was greatly appreciated.

There was difficulty in obtaining police clearance for the other planned course in Mabvuku. Once again, though, quiet persistence by the SIPD Director paid off and one month later (after Peter's return home) the same course was run in that township by the SIPD teachers with, if anything, even better results. In addition local representatives of Harare Municipality and government ministries were in attendance.

So, from 2015, the opportunity is there to roll the course out country-wide although this will be dependent on gaining wider support from the Zimbabwean community in the UK and the home country. IPP intends to focus on fundraising amongst the Zimbabwean Diaspora in England. In the longer term the aspiration remains that of adapting the course for schools so that it becomes part of the national curriculum.

Section E	Financial review
Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The Trust has no financial reserves.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	None.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The charity's principal source of funds & how expenditure has supported key objectives of the charity:

Peter Southwood, the former IPP promoter, continued to provide most of the funding for the charity as gifts in kind to support both charitable activities and governance costs. The amounts involved, as disclosed in the accompanying accounts, were not felt to compromise the independence of the Trustees but were essential for the follow-up to the trial peace games and, more recently, for the proposed pilot project in Zimbabwe. However, the need to extend the base of funding support is well recognised by the Trustees.

An important development this year was a generous Gift-Aid donation from an individual to the pilot project which led to IPP applying to register with Her Majesty's Custom and Excise (HMRC) for the purposes of reclaiming tax on such gifts. This was completed successfully after the year-end and the Annual Accounts 2014 reflect that anticipated outcome.

Subscribers to the Briefings were also asked if they would support a 'peace tax' on future briefings as a means of raising funds. Some were willing to consider this. With respect to fundraising, it is relevant to note that as Peter Southwood, Special Editor of IPP Briefing No. 1, hopes to participate in future peace games that was the only IPP Briefing he would edit.

Section F	Other optional information		

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees				
Signature(s)				
Full name(s)				
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)				
Date				

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Section G