Trustee Report 2017

In 2017 we worked hard at starting to make a significant impact in a single location Negombo and we initially selected Negombo to create a set of capabilities under the auspices of Father Lloyd to first serve his 12,000 congregation and then the broader community.

This however proved not to be successful and distracted us from doing significant work and also meant the loss of about £3,000 of equipment that had been donated by BQu Lanka Pty to create a 20 computer centre. This loss was due to locating these computers in a non-air-conditioned room for six months. In these six months, the climate essentially destroyed the computers.

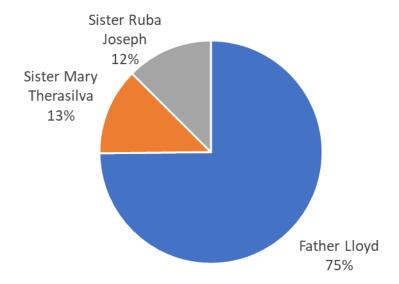
This was a significant set back for the charity but we learned a lot from this, but it prepared us for the successful creation of a computer centre in China Bay in 2018 (which we will report in our next annual report).

We then abandoned our Negombo initiative with great regrets.

Overall Financials

			£	Note
Income/Donations		13,551.85		
Computer equipment			3,000.00	
Peritempo Paypal			87.59	
SLCF Paypal			964.26	
CAF Account			9,000.00	All from LS
Cash			500.00	
Gifts/Expenditure			4,008.97	
Negombo				
	Computer Equipment		3,000.00	
Vavuniya				
	Various		505.98	
Mannar				
	Building		502.99	

Exhibit 1
Split of Donations by Beneficiary
100% = £4,010



This does not include the work done by BQu to install and support the establishment of the Computer Centre.

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Jacques de Cock one of our Trustees also met several times with people in Negombo including Father Lloyd who is also one of our Trustees, to see what we could do in the community and schools to help them. We focussed on creating an IT Centre and Web Café at the church but did not start the implementation of this project.

None of the operating and marketing costs has been paid for by the donations, and these have been paid for solely by the trustees themselves. We will continue this policy of focussing all, or most, of our donations to provide resources and capabilities directly to the beneficiaries in Sri Lanka

2017 was a poor year for the charity but it created some needed impetus for 2018 when we were much more successful but we will discuss that in our next review.