Bambisanani Review 2022:

Charity Leader praises volunteers and supporters for outstanding year

2022 was an outstanding year for the Bambisanani Partnership, the Menston based charity that continues to gain national and international acclaim for its work in South Africa using the power of sport and education to change lives. Despite considerable continued challenges posed by Covid 19 the charity, which is run entirely by volunteers, has demonstrated great determination, resilience and creativity in not only sustaining its ground breaking work but developing it in many significant areas. This year saw the number of young people from South Africa and the UK who have participated in Bambisanani projects and programmes rise to more than 10,500 over the past 16 years.

Leader of the partnership, David Geldart said: "Despite the frustration and disappointment of student volunteer visits to South Africa not being possible for the third successive year because of Covid we have continued to focus on what we can do rather than on what we cannot. The amazing Bambisanani team from both countries has grown to more than fifty volunteers as a result of new projects being developed on the ground and new relationships being established. Members of the UK team have recently managed to visit South Africa in order to develop these relationships and begin preparations for no less than five groups of students to visit in 2023. We have used the last three years to develop a fantastic base from which to launch future initiatives, in fact we have never been in a stronger or better position to advance the work of the partnership. All of this is only possible because of our remarkable team and our supporters; my sincere thanks must go to each and every one of them for their unique contributions that continue to take us forward together in a spirit of Ubuntu. Much has been achieved and indeed recognised externally in 2022 but our focus now is on the year ahead. We are really excited by the prospect of 2023 and making our most ambitious plans to date a reality. We are committed to bringing young people together from both countries in order that they may work together and learn together."

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"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."

Zulu Proverb

