Progress Report to the Fondation Eagle Zambia Orphans Aid-UK

Lubushi Boarding House for Girls, Zambia

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## Update on Progress of Project, June 2020

On 20th March 2020 the Zambian Government closed all schools, colleges and universities. Four days later it announced a systematic lockdown banning gatherings of more than 50 people and advising everyone to stay at home. These measures were designed to reduce transmission, but many people from Northern Province who rely on small scale agriculture and petty trading to earn their income have been left without any means of making a living.

Whilst the impact of COVID-19 is still unfolding across Africa, it is already significantly affecting communities where we operate. With high populations, poor healthcare, food insecurity and lack of access to clean water and hand-washing facilities, these communities are already fragile and the spread of COVID-19 and continuing lockdown could leave them even more vulnerable.

While small-scale construction has been able to continue in Zambia, the lockdown has undoubtedly slowed down the progress of the build. However, I am pleased to share with you some recent photos showing the structure of the Lubushi Boarding House for Girls. As is clear from the photos, the roof is very nearly complete. Once this is done the construction team will progress with fitting out the structure internally with plumbing and electricity. We envisage the Boarding House being completed when schools are allowed to re-open for all students in September 2020.





