



NEWSLETTER

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TRUSTEE AND PATRON UPDATE

Resignations of Bishop Alan and Adam Dunning

We announce with regret the resignation of the Right Reverend Dr Alan Smith, who as Bishop of St Albans has honoured LTPT as a Patron since 2011. Bishop Alan has now retired from his See and relocated to Wiltshire.

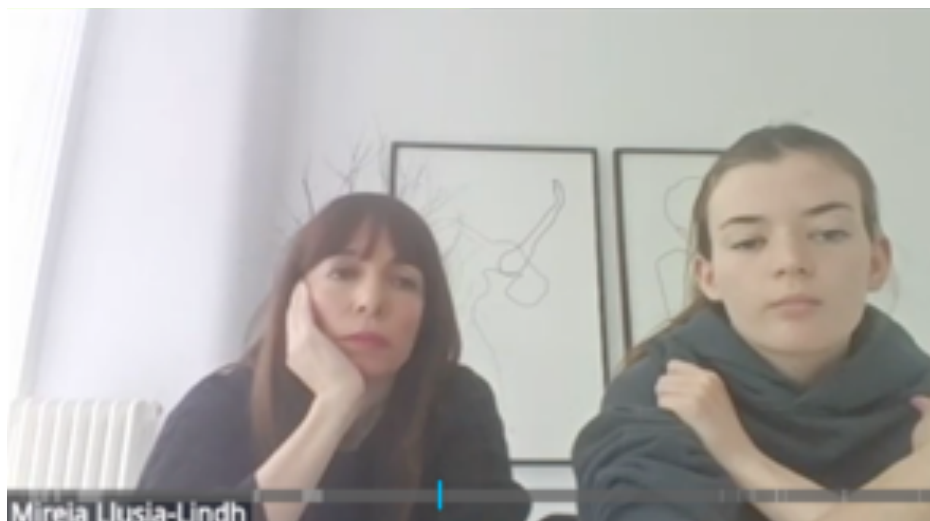
In Newsletter 52 we reported that Reverend Dr Adam Dunning had been appointed Team Rector of Falmouth from April 2026. As expected, his new appointment has brought a further proliferation of responsibilities, and last week, with regret, he announced his resignation from his LTPT trusteeship. We are losing a most valuable friend and supporter, who has been vital to the Trust's progress over 13 years through his role at Cheltenham College, as reported in newsletters from time to time.



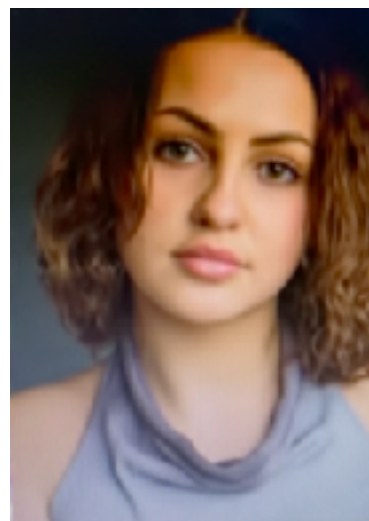
Revd Dr Adam Dunning, now
Rector of Falmouth, April 2026

BOARD WELCOMING OBSERVERS AT MEETINGS IN PERSON OR ON ZOOM - MIREIA, OLIVIA AND SOPHIA.

The LTPT has widened participation in Board meetings by inviting very interested people to attend Board meetings as observers, either in person or via ZOOM. Invitations have been issued to Mireia Lluçia - Lindh and her daughter Olivia Lindh-Lluçia (aged 17), and Gordon's granddaughter, Sophia Gaddes (aged 20). Mireia and Olivia attended our latest meeting via ZOOM and made a significant contribution; Sophia plans to attend the next Board meeting in September. 😊



Mireia Lluçia- Lindh and Olivia Lindh-Lluçia



Sophia Gaddes



LTPT BOARD MEETING 4 JULY

This was a pivotal meeting, opened up for the first time to specially invited observers who want to help LTPT. The Treasurer's Trustee Financial Dashboard and the Accounts were approved to be sent to the Independent Examiner and a number of important recommendations are to be discussed in detail on 19 September. The 2026/2027 Budget has sufficient funds to cover the 12 month programme listed below. The LTPT website is to be transferred to the system of Gary Clueit, reviewed by the Chairman and then Aimee Luther, linking with Mareia Lluia - Lindh, will complete an update and redesign. This will enable an orderly approach to social media possibilities by Aimee and Mareia, and in the meantime Olivia will run a pilot social media campaign with her network on 19 September. Our intention is to broaden the age range of those participating in Board discussion and decisions.

SHOP EMPOWERMENT AND TRANSFORMATION - NADIA A CASE STUDY



A concept introduced in Issue 44 February 2022 was 'Succour, Hope, Optimism, Progress', the acronym being a rallying cry for the Trust. Our thought, in the face of so much negativism about so many things and happenings, was to bring hope and optimism through clear and maybe unexpected progress. This concept has underpinned our efforts to spread help further and to make a visible contribution. Our latest intention is to try to show, if there are any, the effects of our work on empowerment of women and transformation.

Some research is in progress but the first stage involved me in communication with Nadia Petersen, our representative and co-ordinator in Cape Town. Below is an extract of a short paper, well received when given to the Board at its meeting on 4 July.

I first met Nadia late in 2015 and included her written thoughts in my book, 'Cape Town Stories, the effects and ending of Apartheid'. These early thoughts indicate how she felt at that time, and their significance is as a context for what she wrote to me last July, words and punctuation just as she wrote it.

2015

'Work is allocated on a quota system by race: Africans, whites, Asians and coloureds. Many would say that we are living in Apartheid reversed where Africans are in control, the whites second and the coloureds last'.

I have learned early in life that you do not have to become like where you came from not having an ideal life, I believe I am content and appreciate the little rainbows I get every so now and again meeting people such as yourself motivating hope in a world of self- gain and I should say spoil those of us coming from a poor background. I am a living testimony of the ripple effects of Apartheid and believe me when I say I do not know how I am going to better my children's future when I hear their dreams and my heart breaks but do you inspire your child or do you give them the reality of life killing all hope of a better future ... don't get me wrong there are truths I do share and truths I keep away, does that make me a liar or a protector yet I am only a mother who tells them the truth where I have come from already knowing I matriculated in a world of freedom but cannot get a good job do I tell them what prospects they have or should I still hope that one day will be our time all I can say is that I have hope and a song."



SHOP EMPOWERMENT AND TRANSFORMATION - NADIA A CASE STUDY... CONTINUED

2026

Gordon continuing this story indicated that she had studied business management at False Bay College and had put this to use in founding Groundbreakers, a charitable endeavour to support people in her township, Ocean View. Clearly her early reflections in 2016 indicate that she saw little prospect of getting employment to use and develop what she had learnt. Move on a decade and Nadia has written, 'Meeting Mr G to work alongside his vision and mission has been a blessing. LTPT has grown and invested above and beyond its mission'.

Continuing, she states that she has been able to apply what she learnt at College and has developed bookkeeping skills; she has come to understand and deal with Government compliance rules relating to buildings, health and safety and the running of pre-schools and now links up with government and other agencies. She has learnt how to communicate and liaise with different parties, how to co-ordinate different stakeholders and how to resolve problems arising. Her ever expanding role, especially in relation to the Langa Early Child Development Forum, has involved planning events including the training of teachers, shopping and the delivery of food and vouchers. She has developed significant experience in face to face communication and the intensive use of the computer, e-mail, messaging and the phone.

Note that following several weeks of training the Nomonde office manager in office practice and the use of equipment in 2018, Nadia has been employed by LTPT for two days monthly rising latterly to three days, and she states that 'employment has helped her family through challenging financial times.'

Concluding her reflections Nadia wrote, let the world know what great work, I Nadia am part of.'

The LTPT Board concluded that there is clear evidence that Nadia in her work for LTPT has been empowered and in a transformational way. 🥰



Nadia (Representative and Co-ordinator) in 2015 and Clarence Nomonde
(Repair and Maintenance) in August 2016

OVERVIEW BY PERCENTAGE TO DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES, STRESSING THE MOVE TO GIVE HELP MORE WIDELY

The final Accounts for 2025/2026 show that 93% of spend was in Cape Town and on programmes focussed through the Cape Town LTPT account and also separately payments for the maintenance of the Nomonde Pre-School. Taking account of the direct spend on Nomonde Pre-School, circa 50% of the total and separately circa 50% spend on projects for the 42 pre-school Langa Early Child development programme and the monthly vegetables for the 6 pre-schools in Ward 52, Nomonde Pre-School's political district, the Board's intention to broaden its pre-school support beyond Nomonde Pre-School is being achieved. 🧐



THE PROGRAMME APRIL 2026 TO MARCH 2027

The following has been budgeted for:

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| • On-going monthly contribution to LTPT Nomonde Account | £500 |
| • On-going Nomonde Pre-School maintenance on-going | £4000 |
| • July 2 two-day Site Learning Courses, each for 20 staff | £3200 |
| • May nutrients delivered | £2000 |
| • September nutrients | £2000 |
| • November Christmas vouchers for 42 pre-schools | £3000 |
| • January Nutrients | £2000 |
| • March fund raising event the JJ Cale Story 🤔 | |

LOOKING AT OUR INVESTMENT ... IN PHOTOS



Training aids box for each participant

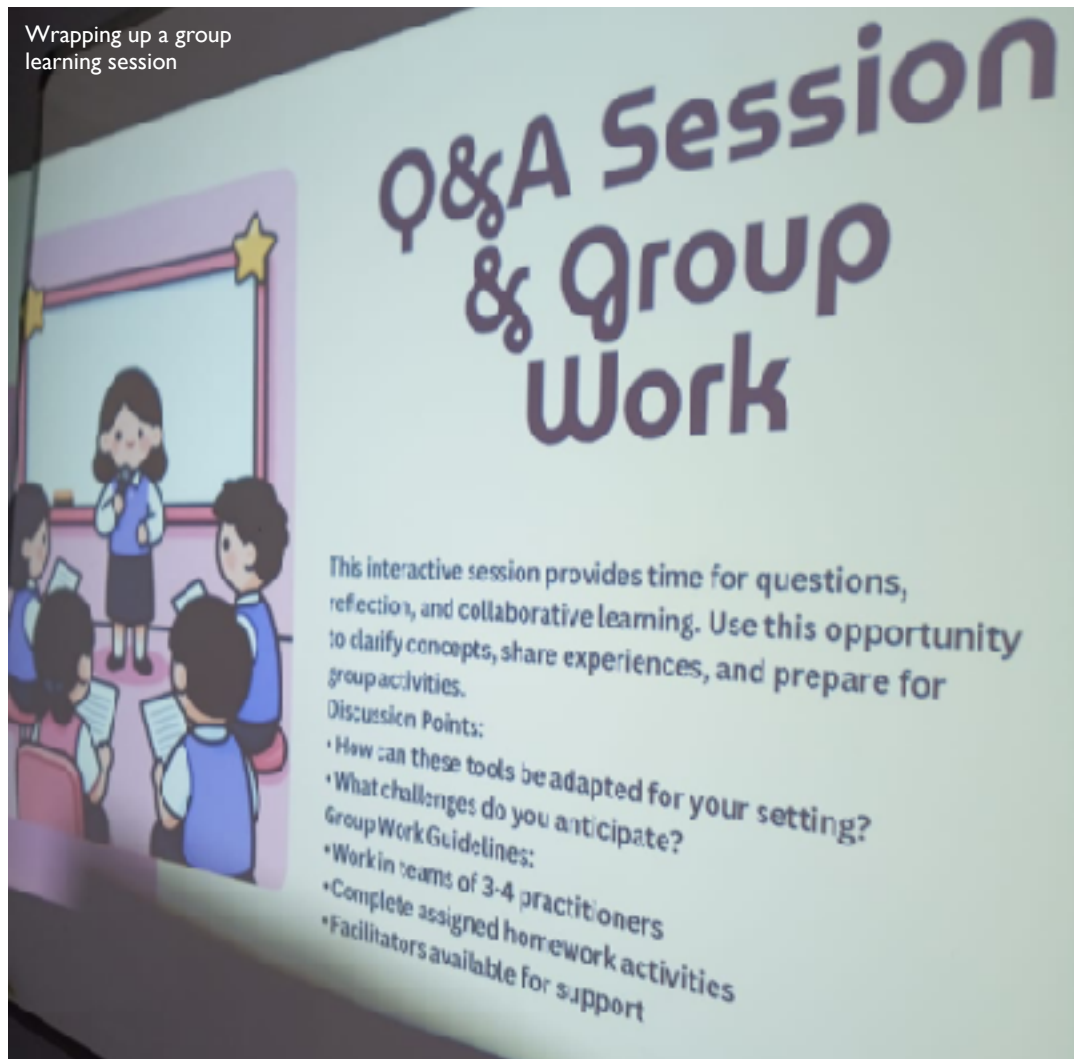


Working it out





Wrapping up a group learning session



Certificated teachers LTPT Site Training Course





Red Alert storm damage.



On-going maintenance - with brand new fencing in place

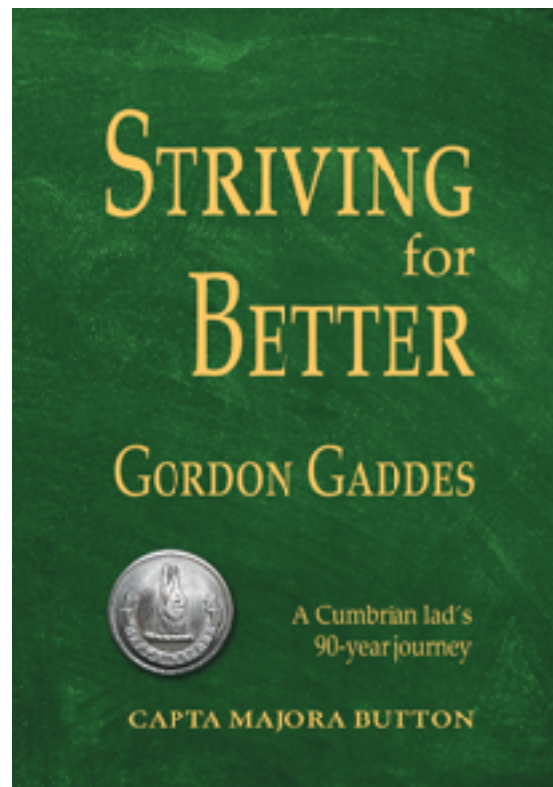


STRIVING FOR BETTER

The sale of 102 copies of 'Striving for Better, A Cumbrian lad's 90 year journey', Gordon's private edition autobiography linked with the celebration of his 90th birthday on 22 May, together including gift aid raised circa £5200 for the Trust. There are 8 copies still in stock and LTPT can order more if required. It costs £20, plus postage, of which £8 goes into LTPT funds. Please let us know if you would like to purchase a copy.



'Thank you Jeff' for May nutrients for 1200 children. Veronica - Forum Chair, Nadia - LTPT Cape Town representative, Yolisa Nomonde Pre - School administrator



FINANCIAL NOTE TO READERS

Just Giving challenge to e-mail recipients. This Trust, run in England by volunteers free of charge, relies almost completely on donations. In recent years individuals or groups of individuals have shared fund raising with us by organising a fund raiser. Coming to mind in the last year are the 138 mile, 4 country walk of Sophia Gaddes, the half marathon of Olivia Lindh-Llucia and the donation by Jeff Wallis, 3 major donations to fund 3 issues of nutrients for 22 government unfunded pre-schools serving 1,200 children. Should you wish to take part in this wonderful work please consider a Just Giving initiative. 😊



Present a Charity fundraiser concert at:-

St Mary's Church

Old High St, Hemel Hempstead HP1 3AE

Friday 9th October

An Evening of Laid-Back R n' B, with the music of JJ Cale & Eric Clapton, with:-

THE JJ CALE STORY



Doors & bar open at 6:45pm

£15 in Advance or at the door

<https://www.ticketsource.com/thejjcalestory>

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