

Ankoma, Ghana Toilet Project

Completion Report Jan 17.

An Appleby, Upper Eden, District 1190 Grant Project.

During a visit to the village of Ankoma located in a remote area of Northern Ghana by 2 Upper Eden Rotarians in late 2015 a need for School toilet blocks was identified.

The existing toilets consisted of some rudimentary tin sheeting in the bush and it was established that due to diarrhoea and sickness the pupils were absent for upwards of 25% of school time. The project for the provision of toilets for them fitted 4 of the 6 Rotary Areas of Focus.



Water and Sanitation.
Basic education and literacy
Disease prevention and treatment
Maternal and child health.

Three locations were identified at a cost of £1500 per unit for the supply of the materials with the villagers to undertake the construction work under the supervision of a British Project Manager (Craig Richardson) who resides in the area.

It was agreed that the Appleby and Upper Eden Clubs would provide the funding for two of the units with the third being covered by a District 1190 Grant.

Construction work started Mid 2016 with the villagers digging the underground chambers and foundations.



The Chinese cement was delivered – this is the largest cost in the project due to the 5 hour delivery time from Accra.

Block production using locally sourced sand and a steel mould.
Curing time is short in the climate.





Groundwork at the various sites.



The underground tanks were rendered to make them watertight.

Site layout with blocks stacked for construction of the walls.



Wall construction underway.

Sheet material for the roofs being delivered





Final paint and finishing touches.



Completed toilet block with water tank in place.



Completed toilet block – a shady place out of the mid day sun.



The Schools and villagers are highly delighted with the units with the pupils taught the importance of hygiene. 2500 bars of soap have been provided courtesy of an Eden Valley soap manufacturer.