



Scotland and Malawi working together since 1859 – a sustainable partnership



How was my visit to Malawi?



Malawi– the warm heart of Africa

teachers are paid £ 55 per month

child marriage is common

death in pregnancy is common

Infant mortality is high

the population is growing rapidly with
44% under 14 years – life exp. 50

23% of girls in secondary schools are
raped and become pregnant

primary schools are very large – over
6000

significant gender issues

deforestation is significant

dependency and learned helplessness is
a significant feature of engagement

corruption is prevalent – cashgate

Hunger is an issue



However..... while this is the reality
for many



or this



and this....



this too...



things are changing



a world of possibilities



partnerships are changing



young people are becoming
entrepreneurs



they know what they want for them
and from us



very small next steps

- our five year cooperation agreement
- a Scottish conference to share practice refocus partnerships
- support for Chance for Change
- stronger partnerships- SMP, University of Strathclyde, LINK Community development and Eurotalk
- new partnerships including DIFID, USAID, GIZ, World Bank, UN women