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## Strategic Planning Weekend: hands on!

In the immortal words of The Castle's Darryl Kerrigan, the HAT Committee gathered in February for our annual Strategic Planning weekend to do a bit of dreaming, seek some advice from wise counsel and set the direction for the 2014-16 3 year period spanning HAT's Strategic Plan.

Our wise counsel came from Ian Harris, whose 45 years' experience in the not for profit sector gave us a powerful insight into the possibilities that lay ahead for HAT.

The dreaming that occurred centred around what shape and size HAT may become in the future, particularly as we await the progress of our application for DGR (Deductible Gift Recipient) status. HAT achieved a milestone in February by gaining registration with the Australian Charities & Not For Profit Commission, an important milestone as we move towards DGR status.

The guts of the weekend revolved around our planning for the next 3 years. We worked through the options posed to us by Ian Harris and considered the resources and support required to achieve our vision and mission. HAT will continue to work closely in partnership with our Tanzanian NGO partners and our Australian supporters to improve the wellbeing and resilience of rural Tanzanians.

The HAT Committee expresses its gratitude to Ian for his input and also to Carolina & Amelia Constable for their culinary contribution to the weekend.

## HAT calls a Special General Meeting

As a result of our discussions during Strategic Planning and feedback received from the ATO, HAT is calling a Special General Meeting to adopt the necessary changes to our Constitution for our overseas fundraising.

- Time: 7:30pm Thursday, 13th March**
- Venue: 50 Asling Street, Preston VIC 3072**
- Purpose: Clause 35 section (7) is proposed to be changed**

All other aspects of the Constitution to remain unchanged.

# Walk for Rights!

Have you registered for the HAT 'Walk for Water & Sanitation' event?

On March 23rd HAT supporters will walk along the Yarra River to show support for universal access to water and sanitation, because everyone should have access to clean drinking water and a safe toilet!

**All proceeds raised will be used to fund [the Mampando Village Hygiene & Sanitation Project](#).**

With only 4 weeks to go, now is the time to show your support. [Click here to register](#).

**Date: Sunday March 23, 2014.**

**Time: 10:00 am**

**Where: Alexandra Gardens Melbourne CBD – Kooyong Station. (Approx 7km, or 1.5 hours).**

**Cost: \$10 registration donation, or \$30 registration donation and T-shirt.**

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