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Member of Parliament's  
4<sup>th</sup> Annual Constituency Report  
South East St. Andrew  
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Dear Residents and Stakeholders,

- ▶ 2015 was another challenging year for the country and the constituency. Nationally, we are seeing the benefits of the Economic Reform Program in relation to greater investments, improved business performances and a reduction in unemployment
- ▶ Even with improvements in employment, youth employment remains a challenge affecting the constituency. We launched the National Unattached Youth Program in collaboration with the HEART Trust NTA targeting young persons in the ages 17-30
- ▶ Through the JEEP program, we constructed a new community centre and repaired a number of roads and gullies
- ▶ I wish to thank Councillors Andrew Swaby (Vineyard Town) and Kari Douglas (Trafalgar) for the work in their respective Divisions which supports my work as MP
- ▶ To you, the residents and stakeholders, I thank you for your continued support and look forward to working with you to make 2016 a better year than 2015
- ▶ I welcome your feedback, comments, ideas and recommendations as we work together to build stronger communities and a better nation

Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julian Robinson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'J'.

# Commitment to accountability – publishing annual reports

- ▶ As I have done for the last three years to mark the annual anniversaries of my election as Member of Parliament, I am again publishing an account of my work over the last year
- ▶ This report highlights some of the initiatives and projects undertaken during the calendar year of 2015
- ▶ It does not attempt to cover every single activity, but will provide an overview of my work as Member of Parliament
- ▶ The report will be distributed electronically first and placed on my website ([www.julianjrobinson.com](http://www.julianjrobinson.com)). Hard copies will be printed for physical distribution by the end of January

# Commitment to a participatory democracy – hosting Constituency Development Fund consultations

- ▶ I hosted two Constituency Development Fund consultations. The first took place on April 16, 2015 at the Unity Church Hall in the Trafalgar Division and the second on May 7, 2015 at the Christ Church Hall in Vineyard Town
- ▶ At the consultations, I presented on the projects undertaken, the monies expended under the CDF and sought recommendations from residents on how the CDF should be used for the new financial year
- ▶ Presentations were also done by Councillors Andrew Swaby (Vineyard Town) and Kari Douglas (Trafalgar), representatives of the CDF Project Office, the HEART Trust NTA and the Social Development Commission(SDC)

# Constituency Development Fund Consultations

CDF consultation at Unity Church Hall, April 16, 2015



Cllr Kari Douglas making a presentation

CDF consultation at Christ Church Hall, May 7, 2015



Cllr Andrew Swaby making a presentation



(L-R) Cllr Swaby, Cllr Douglas, Pauline Blair (CDF Office) and MP Robinson listen to questions from the audience

# Breakdown of expenditures to date for 2015 of the Constituency Development Fund

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT	CONSTITUENCY	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT TYPE	BUDGET	Implementing Agency	Date of Approval	Amount Disbursed		
Hon. Julian Robinson	St. Andrew South Eastern	St. Andrew South Eastern Consultancy Funding	Human & Social Development	1,500,000.00	SDC	28.4.15	750,000.00 750,000.00		
		St. Andrew South eastern Chess-In-Communities Project	Human & Social Development	147,000.00	SDC	5.5.15	147,000.00		
		South East St. Andrew Educational Development	Human & Social Development	3,412,500.00	SDC	2.6.15	1,000,000.00 1,500,000.00 912,500.00		
		St. Andrew Education South Eastern Summer Reading Camp	Human & Social Development	3,381,744.00	SDC	30.6.15	2,000,000.00 1,381,744.00		
		South East St. Andrew Sports Development	Human & Social Development	1,050,000.00	SDC	30.6.15	1,050,000.00		
		South East St. Andrew Beautification Project	Physical Infrastructure	3,500,280.00	KSAC	10.11.15	2,000,000.00 1,500,280.00		
		Labour Day/Welfare Project	Labour Day/Welfare Project	300,000.00	SDC	11.5.15	300,000.00		
		Welfare & Emergency	Welfare & Emergency	1,000,000.00	SDC	14.4.15	250,000.00 250,000.00		
		Social Housing	Social Housing	1,000,000.00	SDC	14.4.15	250,000.00 250,000.00		
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# Commitment to a participatory democracy – hosted 3 town hall meetings

- ▶ I hosted a series of town hall meetings called “Let’s Talk” on critical issues affecting the country
  - ▶ The first on the economy was held on October 22, 2015 at Hillcrest Avenue with The Hon. Dr. Peter Phillips – the Minister of Finance as Guest Speaker
  - ▶ The second on the Caribbean Court of Justice was held on November 1, 2015 at the Vineyard Town Methodist Church with Judge Patrick Robinson of the International Court of Justice as Guest Speaker
  - ▶ The third on Education was held on December 1, 2015 at Christ Church with The Hon. Rev Ronald Thwaites – the Minister of Education as Guest Speaker



# Pictorial from town hall meetings



Finance Minister Peter Phillips (centre) tries to convey a point to a guest at a South East St Andrew constituency consultation session recently. Listening in is South East St Andrew MP Julian Robinson.

## Please, sir, I want some more

THERE'S HOPE. I recently experienced the sort of transparent, participatory, responsive and caring governance I'd thought was lost to Jamaica.



Gordon Robinson

On October 22, hand in hand with the Old Ball and Chain, I attended the first of an intended series of meet-and-greet sessions arranged by Member of Parliament Julian Robinson. He calls the series 'Let's Talk', and his first guest was Finance Minister Peter Phillips.

The event was well organised, comfortable and enjoyable. It bore no resemblance to a political rally. It seemed a genuine attempt to address constituents' concerns in a direct, open, informal and informative way. There was some politicking, but not an unbearable amount.

any, systemic safeguards has this Government or minister put in place to ensure accountability/fiscal responsibility AFTER the IMF goes?

**A.** The commitment to fiscal consolidation is institutionalised through fiscal rules legislated in the Parliament which, among other things, provide for a specific debt-reduction path and also provide for an automatic correction mechanism for any deviation from fiscal targets. Specifically:

The framework aims to limit the annual budgeted overall fiscal deficits of the public sector (covering all fiscal activities) to achieve a reduction in public debt to no more than 60% of GDP by 2025-26.

### ANNUAL OVERALL BALANCE TARGET

Transparency and accountability are further enhanced through:

1. Parliamentary hearings and public statements by officials. The minister of finance and planning is required to explain deviations from the fiscal rule in a mid-term budget review in Parliament and outline corrective steps to get back on track with the annual fiscal-rule target.

2. Independent oversight of the fiscal budget and economic policy path by the Office of the Auditor General. The capacity of the Office of the Auditor General (OAG) has been augmented to allow it to provide an independent assessment of the macroeconomic and budget forecast underpinning the budget, as well as the quality of adjustment measures, and the proper treatment of PPPs.



Minister of Education – Rev Ronald Thwaites speaking at the Education Forum



(L-R) MP Robinson, Judge Patrick Robinson, Rev. Benguche – Vineyard Town Methodist Church



# Summary of activities done in 2015

**“DID YOU KNOW THESE THINGS WERE DONE IN S.E ST. ANDREW IN THE LAST YEAR ?”**

- 1** REFURBISHING AND REOPENING OF THE NANNYVILLE HEALTH CENTRE
- 2** CONSTRUCTION OF A COMMUNITY CENTRE AT THE MONALTRIE HOUSING SCHEME
- 3** ESTABLISHMENT OF COMPUTER CENTRES AT FRANKLYN TOWN, MCGREGOR GARDENS, JACQUES ROAD AND ST. THERESA'S CHURCH
- 4** INSTALLATION OF SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEMS AT THE COMPUTER CENTRES AT FRANKLYN TOWN, MCGREGOR GARDENS AND JACQUES ROAD
- 5** COMMENCEMENT OF WORK ON THE FRANKLYN TOWN MULTI-SPORTS COMPLEX
- 6** REGULARIZATION OF ELECTRICITY IN MCGREGOR GARDENS INCLUDING HOUSE WIRING AND INSTALLATION OF PRE-PAID METRES
- 7** ENTREPRENEURSHIP TRAINING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
- 8** DISTRIBUTION OF OVER 1,000 TABLETS TO STUDENTS AT THE CLAN CARTHY PRIMARY SCHOOL
- 9** TRAINING OF YOUNG PERSONS IN THE GAME OF CHESS
- 10** SUMMER CAMPS IN 9 COMMUNITIES FOR OVER 1,000 STUDENTS

## ROAD REPAIRS

ROAD REPAIRS FOR ASHBURY AVENUE • PRICE LANE - OFF SLIPE ROAD • FONTENOY ROAD • WEXFORD AVENUE • ROCHDALE AVENUE, ANDERSON ROAD - TOP SECTION • MONALTRIE LANE - ENTRANCE • SECTIONS OF VINEYARD ROAD • KING EDWARD ROAD • ANTRIM ROAD • CLIEVDEN AVENUE, WALFORD CLOSE

# HUMAN AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

# The National Unattached Youth Program launched

- The program is targeted at young persons aged 17 – 30 who are not in a job or studying
- 128 young persons were selected from the constituency
- 20 are part of the Internship Program where they are placed in a job to get real life experience and will also receive certification
- 47 were placed in training programs at the International University of the Caribbean doing Food & Beverage and Data Operations
- 61 were placed in training programs at Corner Stone Ministries doing auto mechanics and Data Operations
- They are pursuing 1 year programs which will result in NVQJ Level 2 certification
- HEART provides a stipend for the participants

# 8 Summer camps held across the constituency

- 8 Summer camps were held targeting 1,000 students across 7 communities (Nannyville, Swallowfield, Jacques Rd, McGregor, Franklyn Town, Woodford Park, Slipe Road)
- 4 categories of students
  - Ages 4-6 – pre primary stage
  - Ages 7-9 – preparing for the Grade 4 Tests
  - Ages 10-12 – preparing for GSAT
  - Ages 12-15 – young teenagers
- A standardized curriculum was developed for consistency across the camps
- Pre and post assessments were conducted to determine those students needing special intervention
- The students preparing for GSAT used a special locally developed software application for GSAT students

# A special summer camp was held at Ja Biz Town for 90 students to introduce them to the world of business

- JaBizTown ([www.jajamaica.org/ja\\_biztown](http://www.jajamaica.org/ja_biztown)) is an initiative of Junior Achievement Jamaica, the Ministry of Education and a number of private sector partners, based at the Caenwood Centre on Arnold Road
- It features a comprehensive learning curriculum that focuses on the student's role in the economy. After the completion of several weeks of specialized in-class learning, students will apply for jobs at various companies at JA BizTown. **It consists of a mini-city consisting of several real-life private sector businesses, that will allow students to work in various roles in a simulated economy**





# 9 teenagers participated in a 12 week entrepreneurship training program and established a hat making business

## Hats off to nine creative inner-city teenagers

NINE TEENAGERS from two Kingston communities who have benefited from entrepreneurial training have come together to form their own small business.

The seven females and two males from the Arnold Road and Allman Town areas are now engaged in making hats and hair bows.

They participated in a 12-week programme initiated by Member of Parliament for South East St Andrew Juliana Robinson and conducted by the Junior Achievement programme under its Company of Entrepreneurs programme.

During the training, held from May 9 to July 25 at the Caenwood Centre in Kingston, the teens learnt how to start and operate a small business.

Areas covered include product development, start-up capital, marketing a product, conducting a market survey, setting prices, and conducting a cost-benefit analysis. The training also included leadership and work-readiness skills.

The teens, a mix of students and unattached youth, are now diligently working towards the development and promotion of their 'Kick Out' brand, consisting of bucket hats and bows that have been fashioned into hair accessories.

They have sold 42 shares at \$200 each, raising start-up capital of \$8,400, which was matched by Junior Achievement Jamaica. They are currently in the process of marketing their products.

### SUMMER TRAINING

Robinson, according to JIS News, said that Junior Achievement Jamaica was contacted and invited to engage the young people in the Arnold Road and Allman Town communities in some kind of entrepreneurship training during the summer as a means of "changing their mindset and creating micro businesses".

While the nine were part of a group of 20 who started the programme, Robinson said he was happy they stuck with the training.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS

Janille Mendez (left), Shanique Mills (centre), and Shantol Alexander display samples of the hats they intend to sell as they start their business venture.



Member of Parliament (MP) and junior minister in the Ministry of Mining, Energy and ICT Julian Robinson is being fitted with a hat by Shanique Mills, one of nine teen entrepreneurs who have benefited from entrepreneurial training initiated by the MP.



Director of Programmes at Junior Achievement Jamaica Yanique Taylor (right) admires a hat being modelled by Whitney Jackson. The young lady is among nine teens who recently benefited from entrepreneurial training.

"I'm really happy that they've got to this stage. I certainly will be supporting them to see if they can make it a successful business," he was quoted as saying.

Junior Achievement Jamaica, a five-

year-old non-profit organisation based at the Caenwood Centre, implements programmes at the primary and high school levels that are focused on financial literacy, work readiness, and entre-

preneurship. The programme has already been introduced to 40 high schools islandwide.

Director of programmes at Junior Achievement Jamaica Yanique Taylor told JIS News that the Junior Achievement Company of Entrepreneurs is the "signature out-of-school programme" that focuses on teaching young people basic skills associated with being an entrepreneur.

"We don't decide what the business is. They determine, from market research, what they think will make a good product in today's market at a good price point. These (nine) young people decided they wanted their product to be bucket hats. They come up with the concept on their own and learnt how to manage their business," she said.

She noted that the participants have an opportunity to advance their training.

"We have a follow-up programme called the Youth Entrepreneurship Initiative, which entails a two-day business workshop to help them strengthen their entrepreneurship skills. They can qualify for small-business loans and continue their business at a higher level. They also receive support in registering their business," she said.

Robinson said that he would encourage young people to get involved in entrepreneurship training as a way of reducing unemployment and spurring micro enterprise development.

"Jobs are difficult to find, and this is a way that they can use entrepreneurship to earn a living for themselves and provide economic empowerment for themselves. It's important to introduce entrepreneurship training from an early age because it's a skill that needs the training so you can become better at it," he noted.



# Over 100 youth participated in entrepreneurship workshops

- In collaboration with the NYS, 1 day workshops on entrepreneurship were held for youth aged 17-25 years old
- The workshops created awareness of entrepreneurship as a viable alternative to seeking a job
- There was also a component on personal development and deportment

Participants in the workshop working on their business idea



Businessman Patrick Casserly addressing participants in the workshop



# Financial literacy workshops were offered to residents

- In collaboration with the Caribbean Microfinance Alliance, residents of the constituency participated in 1-day training workshops for micro-entrepreneurs in the communities of Swallowfield, Nannyville and Vineyard Town
- The topics covered included:
  - 1. Setting Goals
  - 2. Personal Financial Assessment
  - 3. Spending Decisions
  - 4. Developing Your Budget
  - 5. Tracking Income and Expenses
  - 6. Budget to Save
  - 7. Savings Services
  - 8. Borrowing

# 40 young ladies from the McGregor Gardens and Deanery Road communities participated in the Jamaican Girls Coding summer camp

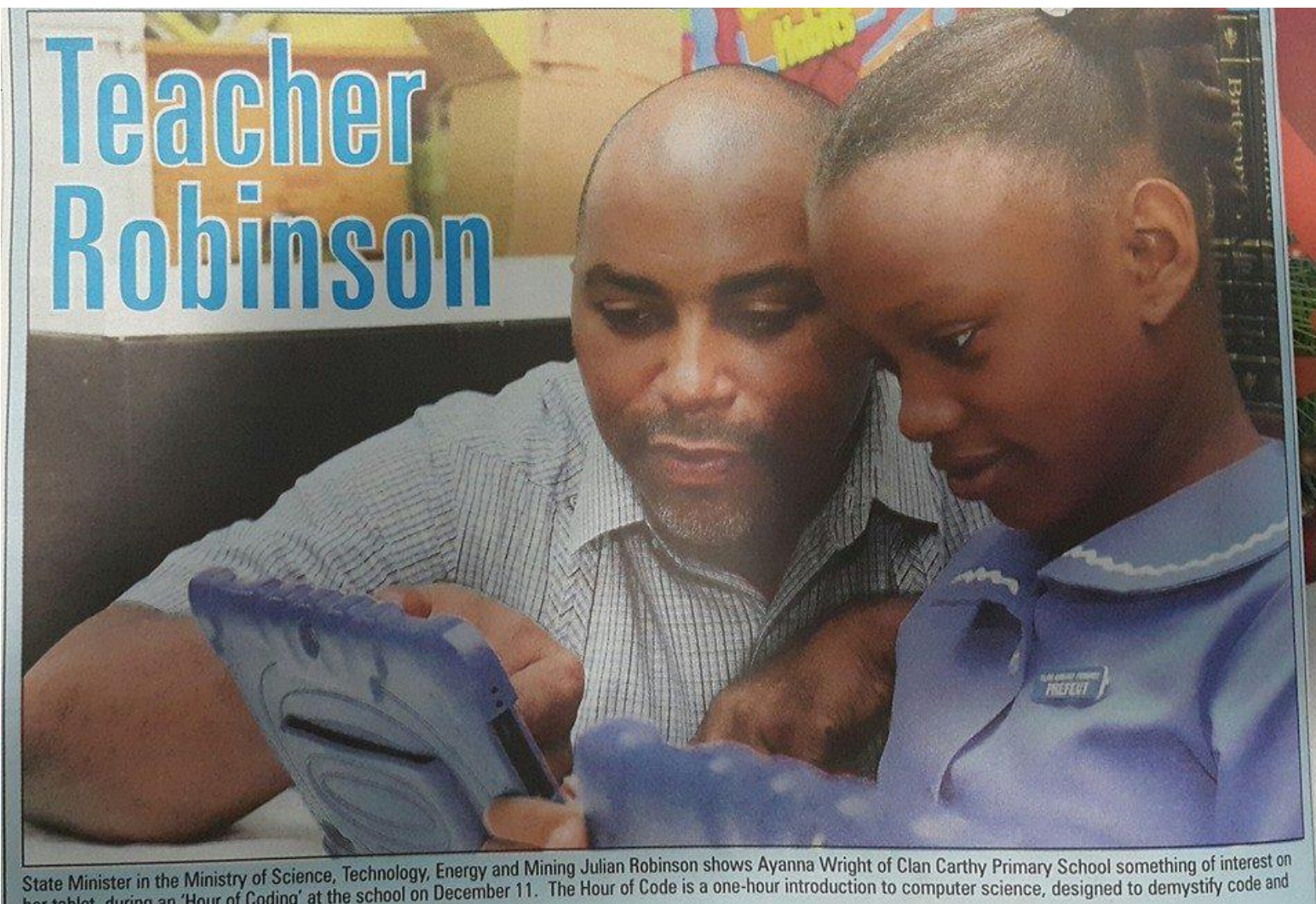
- The Girls Who Code initiative is designed to introduce young ladies to the discipline of software development and to prepare them for careers in the coding industry



Najeeka Rose (second left) works on her coding techniques at a coding workshop for girls held recently, at the General Accident Insurance Company boardroom in Kingston.



# Students from Clan Carthy Primary School participated in the Jamaican Girls Coding – Hour of Code Program



# Over 50 youth aged 17-25 years old have taken the Digital Literacy course offered by Sutherland Global

- The 3 day course covered the following areas
  - COMPUTER BASICS , THE INTERNET AND THE WORLD WIDE WEB
  - COMPUTER SECURITY AND PRIVACY
  - DIGITAL LIFESTYLE AND PRODUCTIVITY PROGRAMMES
- The training course was also used as a method of recruitment for Sutherland Global's contact centres in Kingston
- A number of the participants have received permanent jobs as a result



Participants in Sutherland Global's Community Technology Centre display their certificates



# Continuation of the chess training program in collaboration with the Magnificent Chess Foundation

- 40 students from across the constituency were trained in the game of chess
- Some of the objectives of the program were to:
  - Improve the students' attitude, behaviour and grades
  - Develop or improve rational thinking and reasoning skills
  - Instill positive values and attitudes

Students at the chess training program





# 2 new Community Access Points (CAPs) were established at St. Theresa's Church and Harmon Barracks

- These computer labs are funded by the Universal Service Fund, an agency of the Ministry of Science, Technology, Energy and Mining

MP Robinson, Ministers Paulwell & Bunting watch Commissioner of Police, Dr. Carl Williams use the computer at the launch of the Harmon Barracks computer lab



# INFRASTRUCTURE AND WORKS





JEEP was used to construct a new community centre in Monaltrie, repair gullies and more than 10 roads



# Infrastructural works undertaken in JEEP Phase 5

## Under this program the following roads have been completed

- Lilford Avenue
- Hardie Terrace
- Cunningham Avenue
- Downer Lane
- Sackville Road

Work has commenced on JEEP Phase 6. The following roads will be repaired

- Crieffe Road (completed)
- Tremaine Road (completed)
- Mavis Avenue (in progress)
- Deanery Terrace (in progress)
- Spaulding Ave off Arnold Road
- South Hopefield Avenue

# Solar photovoltaic panels were installed at three Community Access Points (CAP) sites

## The three CAP sites have computer labs

- Jacques Road community centre
- McGregor Gardens community centre
- Deanery Road
- The solar PV project was funded by the New Zealand Fund
- The installations should realise a 70% reduction in the electricity bills and make the computer labs more sustainable





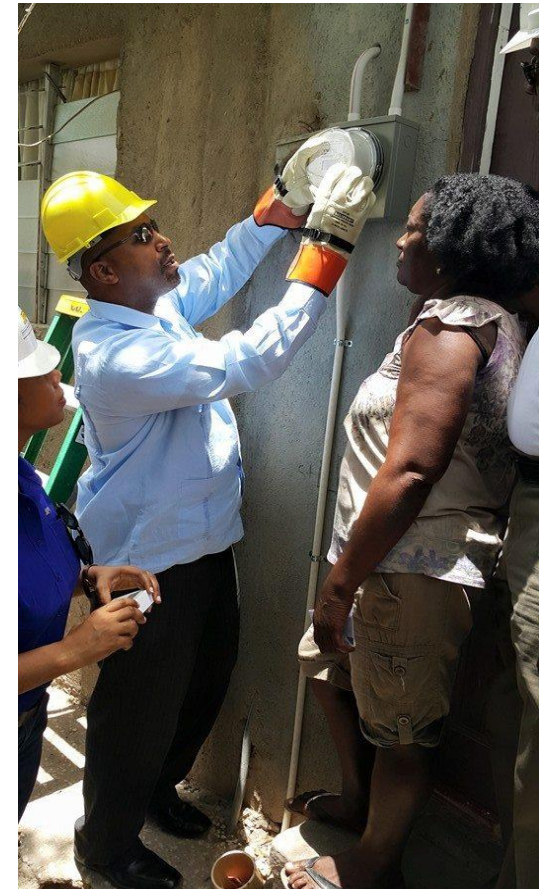
# McGregor Gardens was selected for pilot project to tackle electricity theft –successful results achieved

- In McGregor Gardens, the scope of the project includes
  - Opening of a JPS service centre at the community centre
  - Upgrading the electricity distribution capacity by installing new poles and lines
  - 200 households were rewired and pre paid metres installed
  - Installation of LED street lights
  - Distribution of energy efficient bulbs
  - Training of 4 persons in electrical installation
  - Training and education programs on electricity conservation

MP Robinson cuts ribbon with JPS CEO Kelly Tomblin at official opening of JPS service centre. Looking on are Keith Garvey – JPS, Omar Sweeney – JSIF & Cllr Andrew Swaby



MP Robinson installs a pre paid metre



# OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS

# Christmas Treats for children were held in 9 communities

- In 2015, the Constituency organisation hosted Christmas Treats for children in a number of communities including: Swallowfield, Woodford Park, Monaltrie, Lower Vineyard Town, McGregor Gardens, Nannyville, Jacques Road, Slipe Road and Harmon Barracks for the children of police officers





# 2 Senior Citizens Treats for the elderly were hosted

- In 2015, the Constituency organisation hosted 2 Christmas Treats for the elderly.
- The Trafalgar Division Treat was held on December 18, 2015 at Curphey Place and the Vineyard Town Division Treat was held on December 27, 2015 at the Sir Howard Cooke Centre in Nannyville Gardens.



# 2 Health fairs were hosted

- In collaboration with the National Health Fund, a health fair was hosted at the Church of God of Prophecy on Old Hope Road on November 19, 2015
- Another health fair was hosted at the McGregor Gardens community centre on November 28, 2015 in collaboration with JPS





# JPS contributed \$400,000 in school supplies to top performing students in the constituency

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in New York's Times Square. (PHOTO: AP)

## \$400,000 IN SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR TOP PERFORMING STUDENTS FROM ST. ANDREW



Sharing the moment are from L-R: Councilor of the Vineyard Division, Andrew Swaby; Folington Town Primary School Student, Chad Rose; State Minister in the Ministry of Science, Technology, Energy and Mining and Member Parliament for South East St. Andrew, Hon. Julian Robinson; JPS' President and CEO, Kelly Tomblin; Vice President - Community Renewal & Energy Solutions, Keith Garvey; and Clan Carty Primary School Student, Ngozi Brown.

As JPS continues to support the communities that are part of its Community Renewal Programme, the company recently presented a cheque valued at \$400,000 to Member of Parliament for South East St. Andrew, Julian Robinson, to be used at the Kingston Bookshop to take care of much-needed school supplies for the top performing students from South East St. Andrew.

This contribution comes as part of a programme of community upliftment and empowerment to help residents in targeted communities to access educational opportunities and social services.

AJNT



Water tanks were provided to 15 schools and police stations in the constituency sponsored by Guardian Life



# Playing balls were distributed to students at 5 basic schools

- All students from Nannyville Basic School, Burke's Basic School, Pauline Gentles Basic School, West Indies Basic School and Destowe Bennett Basic School received playing balls

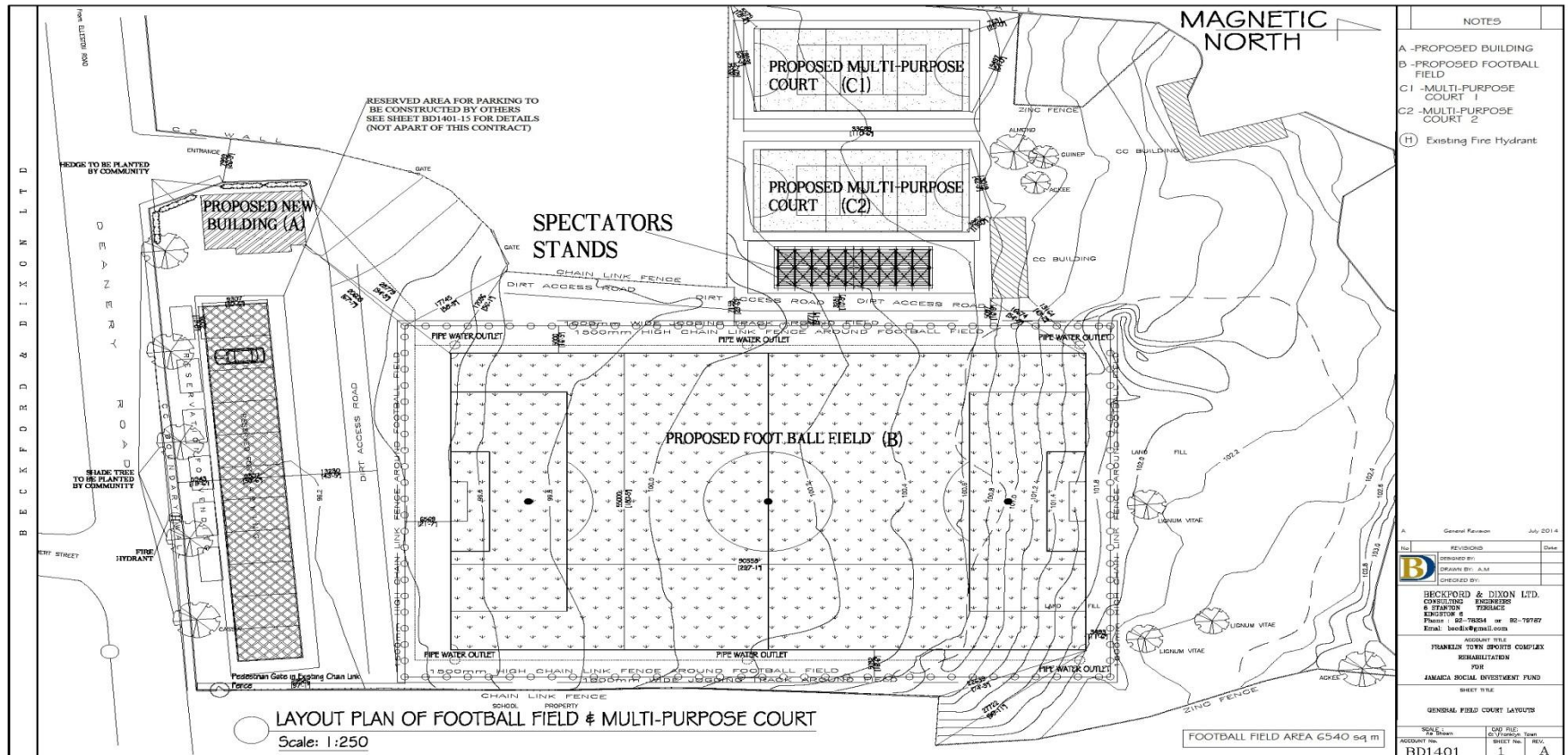


# PLANS FOR 2016



# The completion of the Franklyn Town multi-sports complex

- The complex will host a FIFA size football field, netball and basketball courts and spectator stands
- The project is funded by the JSIF and is scheduled for completion by the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2016



NOTES	
A	PROPOSED BUILDING
B	PROPOSED FOOTBALL FIELD
C1	MULTI-PURPOSE COURT 1
C2	MULTI-PURPOSE COURT 2
(H)	Existing Fire Hydrant

No.	REVISIONS	Date
1	General Revision	July 2014

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PROJECT: FRANKLIN TOWN SPORTS COMPLEX REHABILITATION
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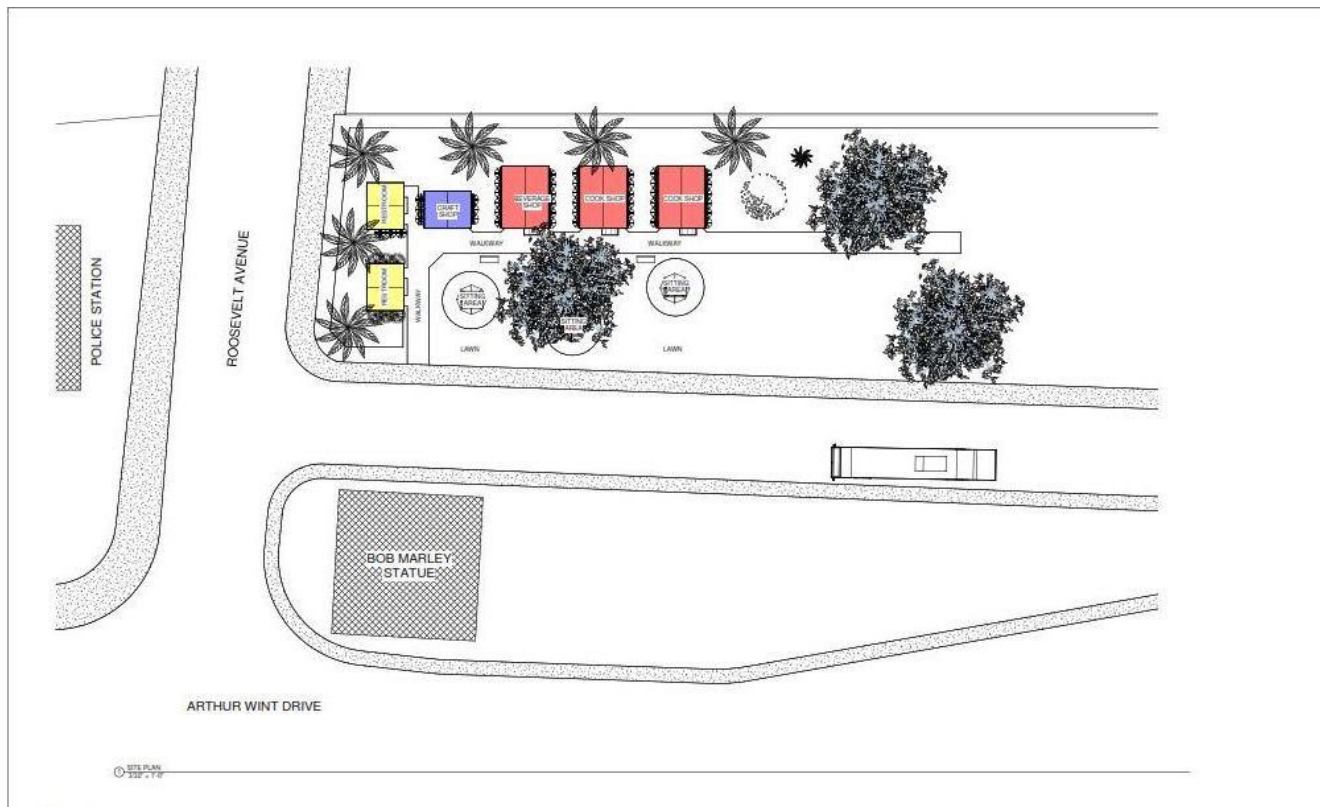
# The completion of the refurbishing of the Jacques Road community centre

- The Citizen Security and Justice Programme has undertaken a project to refurbish the centre which includes plumbing and electrical works, installation of windows and doors and the construction of a kitchen, resource room and office
- The work should be completed by the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2016



# The construction of 3 shops adjacent to the Bob Marley Statue in front of the National Stadium

- The shops (art & craft, food and beverage) will target visitors who come to the Bob Marley Statue to take pictures but also patrons of the National Stadium, the Sports Museum (to be built) and the wider public
- The shops will be managed by a community based organisation and the operators will be trained and certified



# THANK YOU



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