



# Bristol Link with Beira CREATING POSITIVE AND SUSTAINABLE CHANGE FOR MARGINALISED COMMUNITIES DOMINIK BYRNE



# My Background In Africa

- International Development with Economics at University of Birmingham
- UNDP East Africa Community Resilience Project team member and Monitoring and Evaluation team – Nairobi based
- Fetola Cape Town (Old Mutual Bank CSR project) Development Consultancy – Special Programmes Team e.g. Helped create RSA Government GAP Internship programme
- 2nd Way Ghana Co Founder Joint Venture with Ghanaian bank delivering development finance to rural Ghana
- Fellow of Institute of Enterprise and Entrepreneurship
- Fellow Grant holder of Social Innovation Programme British Council

# **BLB** Background

- Run by Southern Africa Resources Centre Charity
- Charity existed for 30 years
- Set up by Bristol anti apartheid movement.
- Bristol became official Twin of city of Beira In Mozambique 1991 building a special relationship between the two cities
- 1991 SARC took over the operations of Beira twinning link.
- Successes
  - Positive relationship building between the two Mayors. Including Global Parliament of Mayors recognition to Beira Mayor
  - British High Commission of Maputo project partners for Beira and Pemba
  - Successful Rebuilding Project After Cyclone Idai in association with UN Education Cluster





# Key Mozambique Facts

- 10<sup>th</sup> Least Developed Country in the world
- 28 million inhabitants
- Approx 800,000 km2
- ▶ 2,800 km of coastline
- 1/3 of population lives in cities
- With 60% (17 million) of the people living in locations that are prone to natural hazards, by 2050 these are 36 million people
- 1 977 to 1992 Civil War FRELIMO and RENAMO
  - FRELIMO now Ruling Party
- ▶ 45% of the population is under 15 years old
- 8<sup>th</sup> Worst National Education in the world
  - ▶ Literacy rate 45% Women 25% and Men 60%

# **BLB** Focus

- Intergraded Community Development Projects to strengthen civil society
- Linking the community to the municipality and internationally to Bristol
- Programme Themes
  - Education
  - Health
  - Energy
- However recent focus has been on cyclone rebuilding coordination
  - ▶ 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019 Cyclone Idai destroyed 90% of the city

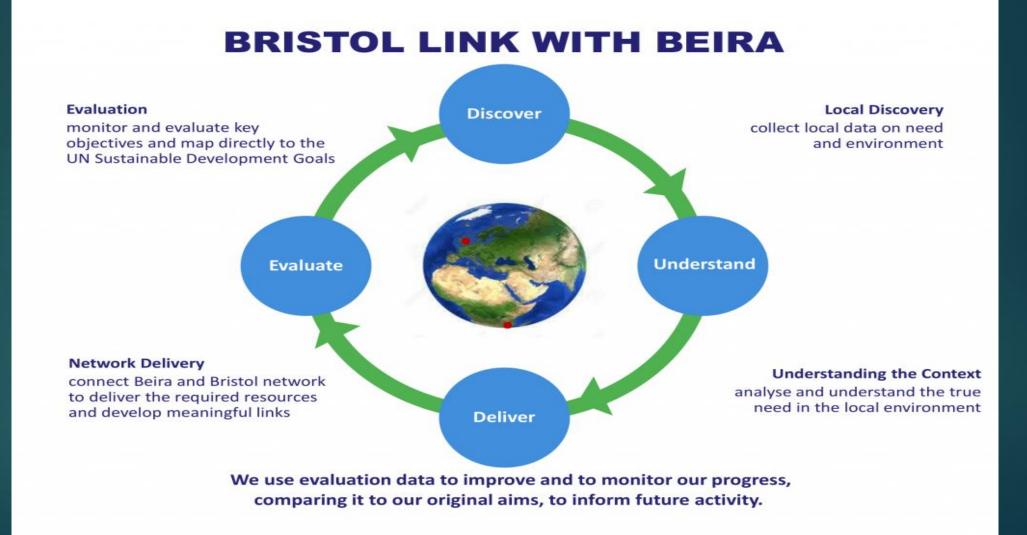








# Our Approach



# Local Partners





# Urban Development Project Pemba

- Urban Planning research and capacity building project
- Key focus How we support Sustainable Urban Development for Pemba's new Energy City idea?
- Pemba has a Energy MOU with Aberdeen focusing on economic cooperation around gas exploration offshore
- In partnership with
  - Nash Partnership (Bristol)
  - British High Commission Maputo (Funding Partners)
  - Mayor of Pemba
  - UWE Department Geography (Urban Development Course) (early talks with)

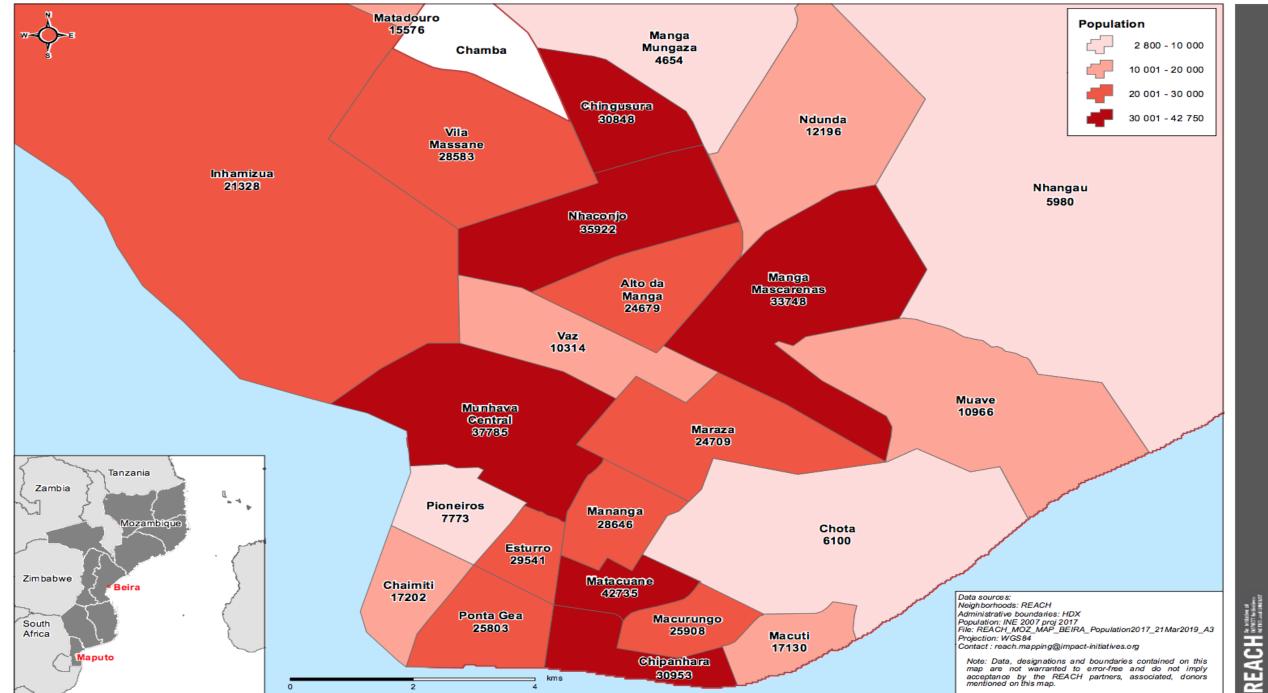
## Community Resilience – Beira

- Beria Current City Master Plan post Cyclone is problematic to long term urban development
- Beira Master plan currently run by Dutch Embassy and Government with private support
- Infrastructure heavy and no strategy for community integration or programmes. Also Middle class and up will be supported
- Integrating Community programmes with the Municipality Master Plan
- Developing Community Hubs as training resource centers in Beira and data collection points.
  - Inform of the need of community support in each neighborhood
  - Allow for community Integration into Municipality Master Plan

Reference Map

#### Mozambique - Beira City - Population 2017 by Neighborhood

For Humanitarian Relief Purposes Only Production Date : 20 March 2019



# Current Need of Support

Long term professional and community partnerships

- ▶ Research
- ► Volunteering
- Project Development
- Funding for our Core Expenditure in Bristol and Beira
  - Growth of Operation Team
  - ► Office Space
  - Marketing and Website Development





#### THANK YOU

#### To find out more

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