



It is with regret that Kasanka Trust Limited announces that as of the 31st July 2016, KTL will no longer be managing, operating and marketing Shoebill Island Camp. After various extensions, in April 2016 Kasanka Trust was advised by African Parks that their lease of Shoebill Island Camp would end on the 31st of July 2016 and that should Kasanka wish to continue operating Shoebill Island Camp, an expression of interest to submit a proposal would need to be submitted to African Parks which Kasanka Trust duly did. Sadly, on the 22nd of April, African Parks advised Kasanka Trust that they would not be asked to submit a proposal as African Parks intended to re-capitalise the camp and operate it themselves but expressed an interest in working closely going forward with Kasanka Trust and Wildman Safaris who handle the marketing and reservations for Kasanka Trust. Wildman Safaris and African Parks then entered verbal discussions with the intention of confirming whether Wildman Safaris could continue to handle the marketing and reservations for the intended product with African Parks but sadly this now seems far from certain. As these decisions are now out of our control, we have no choice at this stage other than to consider Shoebill Island Camp unavailable for tourists after 31st July until further notice. This excludes the existing confirmed bookings which African Parks have advised they will honour. For any questions on this issue, we will be able to put you in correspondence with the relevant parties in African Parks. However, from a Kasanka Trust point of view, as they say – when one door closes...another opens. Kasanka Trust will be moving the Meru-style safari tents and certain staff members from Shoebill Island Camp to open a new self-catered tented camp in Lavushi Manda National Park. This will provide an easy and vastly unique experience in Northern Zambia and is ideally combined with visits to Kasanka National Park and Mutinondo. We look forward to this new chapter and thank everyone for their support of Kasanka Trust by visiting Shoebill Island Camp over the last 10 years.