

MPILONHLE MOBILE UNITS

Somkhele, KwaZulu-Natal (2005)

A the final design rendering with the two trailers positioned next to each other creating a space in the centre to host the computer consoles

B trailer and 4x4 tow vehicle

Mpilonhle (the good life) was set up in the Mtubatuba area in 2005 with the intention of conducting socio-medical research into HIV prevalence in high school learners - this after the then Director of The Africa Centre, Dr Michael Bennish, had failed to have his appointment as director renewed. The idea was to develop a series of mobile units that could visit high schools for a week at a time in order to carry out the required interviews with students.

Each unit consists of 2 trailers, each comprising a pair of 'consulting rooms' as well as necessary storage, and when parked, provides an opportunity for a 'teaching' space between. Fold out doors and roofs are fitted to each trailer to facilitate this. Branding and muralising of the trailers was done by Disturbance Design.



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A trailer units side by side

B Charlize Theron and some of the kids using the computer consoles

C Mpilonhle staff taking the computer consoles out of specially designed storage spaces in the trailer

D happy kids



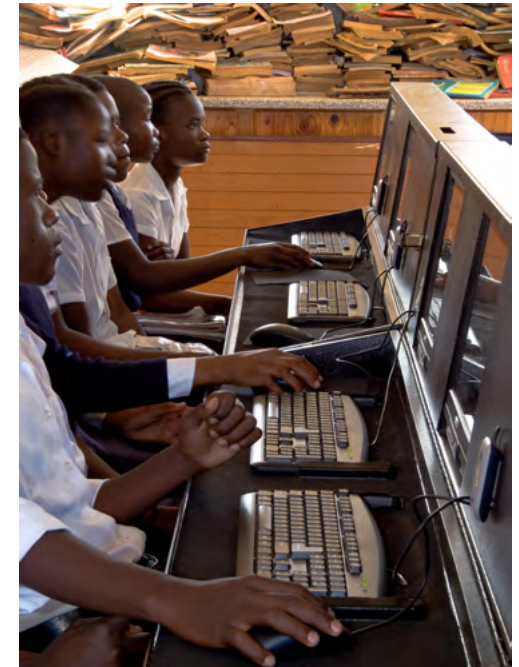
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