### Minutes of the meeting of

## THE SCOTTISH ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS ALLOCATION PANEL

11am Thursday 25 October 2012

NMS, Chambers Street, Edinburgh

**Present**: Dr Evelyn Silber (Chair), Mr John Urquhart, Mr David Connolly, Mr Richard Welander (Historic Scotland)

**In attendance**: Mr Stuart Campbell (TTU), Ms Natasha Ferguson (TTU), Mr Andrew Brown (QLTR Solicitor). Ms Ferguson too the minutes

Apologies: Mr Neil Curtis, Ms Jilly Burns

#### 1. Chair Remarks

Dr Silber welcomed the panel and thanked TTU staff for their recent work, in particular the production of a new Treasure Trove leaflet and the development of a Facebook page. She also welcomed Mr Richard Welander, representing Historic Scotland, and thanked him for accepting her invitation to join the meeting as a guest.

Dr Silber reported on her meeting with the Scottish Office.

After review meetings with panel members Dr Silber will recommend to extend David Connolly's involvement with SAFAP for one more year. She also recommended that Neil Curtis should remain with SAFAP for as long as he is able to make the commitment. Dr Silber thanked both panel members for agreeing to continue contributing to the panel.

Dr Silber remarked on the absence of a representative from Museum Galleries Scotland. She noted the importance of having MGS representation during panel meetings and hoped that this would be resolved in time for the next meeting.

Dr Silber also wished to thank the Department of Scottish History and Archaeology, National Museums Scotland for organising an afternoon tea event to meet department staff.

### 2. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2012.

#### 3. QLTR Business

Annual Review meeting date confirmed for Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November and items for agenda agreed. Richard Welander was invited to join the meeting.

AB reported on a necessity of conducting a review of the Treasure Trove Code of Practice. AB and the panel discussed the logistics involved for conducting the review. AB and panel highlighted potential areas to focus the review.

AB reported current progress of the Scottish Commission report on movable property.

AB and SC reported to the panel their intention to publish a policy paper clarify the legal position of Treasure Trove and moveable property.

## 4. Treasure Trove Unit Report

SC reported current progress within the Treasure Trove Unit. This included the launch of a new Treasure Trove leaflet designed for members of the public.

SC informed the panel of recent outreach activities, including finds days in local museums and attendance at metal detecting rallies. SC also reported a 100% increase in reporting of archaeological objects to the Unit.

#### 5. New cases

Chance Finds- 59 cases

117/12	Early Historic pin head, Stranraer,	waived	Stranraer Museum
	Dumfries and Galloway		
118/12	Medieval silver penny, Dunkeld,	£2500	Perth Museum & Art
	Perth & Kinross		Gallery
119/12	16 <sup>th</sup> -17th century hooked tag,	£25	Elgin Museum
	Lhanbryde, Moray		
120/12	Medieval & later assemblage, Lunan	£100	Angus Museums
	Bay, Angus		
121/12	Medieval harness pendant, Inverness,	£65	Inverness Museum &
	Highland		Art Gallery
122/12	Medieval harness pendant, Meigle,	£100	National Museums
	Perth & Kinross		Scotland*
123/12	Medieval harness pendant, Dundee	£50	The McManus:

			Dundee's Art Gallery
			and Museum
124/12	Roman mount, Bishopton,	£250	Paisley Museum
	Renfrewshire		
125/12	Early Bronze Age axehead,	£50	Kilmartin House
	Inveraray, Argyll & Bute		Museum
126/12	Late Bronze Age axehead, Dunollie,	n/a	Kilmartin House
	Argyll & Bute		Museum
127/12	Medieval annular brooch, East	£20	Glasgow Museums
	Kilbride, South Lanarkshire		
128/12	Early Historic Mount, Elgin, Moray	£100	Elgin Museum
129/12	Early Historic dress pin, Lhanbryde,	£50	Elgin Museum
	Moray		
130/12	Cannonball & two musket balls,	£50	Dunbeath
	Castle Sinclair, Highland		
131/12	Medieval sword pommel, Burnfoot,	£650	Hawick Museum
100/10	Scottish Borders		
132/12	Fragment of late Bronze Age	£25	Inverness Museum &
100/10	axehead, Inverness, Highland	6250	Art Gallery
133/12	Georgian military belt plate,	£250	Inverness Museum &
124/12	Inverness, Highland	6425	Art Gallery
134/12	17 <sup>th</sup> century weight set, Madderty,	£125	Perth Museum & Art
135/12	Perth & Kinross	C150	Gallery Stranraer Museum
155/12	Georgian military badge,	£150	Stranfaer Wiuseum
	Kirkcudbright, Dumfries and Galloway		
136/12	Medieval heraldic badge, St Mary's	£600	Stewartry Museum
130/12	Isle, Dumfries and Galloway	1000	Stewarti y Wiuseum
137/12	Medieval harness pendant,	£65	Stewartry Museum
137/12	Kirkcudbright, Dumfries and	~03	Stewart y wascam
	Galloway		
138/12	Bronze Age palstave, Castle	£300	Stewartry Museum
	Douglas, Dumfries and Galloway		
139/12	Bronze Age palstave, Dundrennan,	£200	Stewartry Museum
	Dumfries & Galloway		
140/12	Medieval harness pendant, Tinwald,	£150	Dumfries Museum
	Dumfries & Galloway		
141/12	Neolithic stone axehead,	£100	Stewartry Museum
	Kirkcudbright, Dumfries and		
	Galloway		
142/12	Medieval silver brooch, Kirkcaldy,	£500	Fife Museum
	Fife		Service
143/12	Post-medieval silver brooch, Findo	£100	Perth Museum &
	Gask, Perth & Kinross		Art Gallery
144/12	16 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> century finger ring,	£400	Fife Museum
	Kirkcaldy, Fife		Service

167/12	Middle Bronze Age axehead,	£250	Auld Kirk Museum
1 10 11 2	Bardonie, East Dunbartonshire	0.70	
168/12	16th century weight, Lossiemouth, Moray	£50	Elgin Museum
169/12	17th century coin hoard, Tarradale,	£5500	Inverness Museum
	Highland		& Art Gallery
170/12	Medieval sword pommel, Kinglassie,	£275	Fife Museum
	Fife		Service
171/12	Medieval & later assemblage, Spynie	£200	Elgin Museum
	Palace, Moray		
172/12	Iron Age glass bead, Burghead,	£65	Elgin Museum
	Moray		
173/12	Medieval coin hoard, Doune, Stirling	£1000	National Museums Scotland*
174/12	Roman coin hoard, Belladrum,	£225	Inverness Museum
	Highland		& Art Gallery
175/12	17th century medal, Dufftown,	£50	Falconer Museum
	Moray		
176/12	Roman and later metal detector	£50	National Museums
	finds, Roberton, Scottish Borders		Scotland*
177/12	Fragment of medieval seal matrix,	£100	Orkney Museum
	Deerness, Orkney		
178/12	Palaeolithic hand axe, Kirkwall,	£500	Orkney Museum
	Orkney		
179/12	Medieval harness pendant,	£165	Angus Museums
	Kirriemuir, Angus		
180/12	Medieval finger ring, Kirriemuir,	£125	Angus Museums
	Angus		
181/12	Iron Age finger ring, Castle Stuart,	£150	Inverness
	Highland		
182/12	Viking lead tablet, Deerness, Orkney	£150	Orkney Museum
183/12	4 prehistoric finds, Taransay,	£150	Museum Nan
	Western Isles		Eilean
184/12	3 Early Historic mounts,	£950	Dumfries Museum
	Whamphray, Dumfries and		
	Galloway		
185/12	17th century Spanish coin,	£65	DISCLAIMED
	Bannockburn, Stirling		
186/12	Early Historic bronze pin,	£50	Museum Nan
	Mealastadh, Lewis		Eilean
187/12	Bronze Age arrowhead, Arthur's	£50	Museum of
	Seat, Edinburgh		Edinburgh

# **Excavation Assemblages**

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145/12	Neolithic to Early Historic Excavation assemblage. Mountcastle Quarry, Letham, Fife	DISCLAIMED
146/12	Bronze Age excavation assemblage. Balmakeith Industrial Estate, Nairn, Highland	Aberdeen University Museums
147/12	19th - 20th century excavation assemblage. Coldingham Priory, Scottish Borders	DISCLAIMED
148/12	Post medieval excavation assemblage. Rowan Cottage, Roberton, South Lanarkshire	Glasgow Museums*
149/12	Post medieval excavation assemblage. Clatt Parish Church, Kirkton of Clatt, Aberdeenshire	DISCLAIMED
150/12	Post medieval with elements of medieval excavation assemblage. 108 North High Street, Musselburgh, East Lothian	East Lothian Museums Service
151/12	Medieval to post medieval excavation assemblage. 71B High Street, North Berwick, East Lothian	East Lothian Museums Service
152/12	Post medieval excavation assemblage. Scottish Birdwatching Research Centre, Aberlady, East Lothian	East Lothian Museums Service

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153/12	Post medieval excavation assemblage. 69 West Holmes Gardens, Musselburgh, East Lothian	East Lothian Museums Service
154/12	Medieval to post medieval excavation assemblage. Pirrie Street, Leith, Edinburgh	DISCLAIMED
155/12	Medieval to post medieval excavation assemblage. Law's Close; 339-343 High Stree, Kirkcaldy, Fife	Fife Museum Service
156/12	Medieval excavation assemblage. St. Mary's Church, Haddington, East Lothian	East Lothian Museums Service
157/12	Post medieval excavation assemblage. Dowally Burn, Perth & Kinross	DISCLAIMED
158/12	Bronze Age and Medieval excavation assemblage. House of Bruar, Blair Atholl, Perth & Kinross	Perth Museum & Art Gallery
159/12	Post medieval excavation assemblage. George Heriot's School, Grassmarket Campus, Edinburgh	DISCLAIMED
160/12	Post medieval excavation assemblage. 7 North Duntulm, Duntulm, Totternish, Isle of Skye, Highland	DISCLAIMED

161/12	Neolithic excavation assemblage. Inverness Flood Relief Channel Phase 3, Culduthel, Inverness, Highland	Inverness Museum & Art Gallery
162/12	Post medieval and possible prehistoric excavation assemblage. Manse Road, Kingussie, Badenoch, Strathspey, Highland	DISCLAIMED
163/12	Post medieval excavation assemblage. No. 5 Marine Terrace, Rosemarkie, Highland	DISCLAIMED
164/12	Bronze Age excavation assemblage. Pier Road, Armadale, Isle of Skye, Highland	Inverness Museum & Art Gallery
165/12	Bronze Age to Medieval excavation assemblage. Pitcarmick, Strathardle, Perth and Kinross	Perth Museum
166/12	Neolithic, Late Bronze Age and Medieval assemblage. Torbhlaren Rock Art sites, Kilmichael Glassary Parish, Argyll and Bute	Kilmartin House Museum
188/12	Medieval to modern assemblage. Mearns Academy, Laurencekirk, Aberdeenshire	Aberdeen University Museums
189/12	Neolithic assemblage. Pitrichie Quarry, Drumlithie, Aberdeenshire	Aberdeenshire Museums Service
190/12	Bronze Age assemblage. Ednie Wind Farm, St Fergus, Aberdeenshire	Aberdeen University Museums

191/12	Early Neolithic Assemblage. David Lloyd Leisure Centre, Garthdee Road, Aberdeen	Aberdeen University Museums
192/12	Medieval assemblage. Bishop's Palace, Old Rayne, Aberdeenshire	Aberdeenshire Museums Service
193/12	Bronze Age assemblage. Thurston Manor, Innerwick, Dunbar, East Lothian	East Lothian Museums Service
194/12	Prehistoric and medieval assemblage. New Ellon Academy, Aberdeenshire	Aberdeen University Museums

<sup>\*</sup> to accept in absence of applications from local institutions

# 6. AOCB

The date of the next SAFAP meeting agreed for 28<sup>th</sup> March 2013.

Dates for June 2012 meeting to be confirmed.

# **END OF MINUTES**