

Minutes of the meeting of

THE SCOTTISH ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS ALLOCATION PANEL

10:45am, Thursday 21st July 2016

Present: Dr Evelyn Silber (Chair), Neil Curtis, Dr Murray Cook, Jacob O'Sullivan (MGS), Jilly Burns (NMS), Paul MacDonald, Ricahrd Welander (HES)

In attendance: Stuart Campbell (TTU), Dr Natasha Ferguson (TTU), Andrew Brown (QLTR Solicitor). Dr Natasha Ferguson took the minutes

1. Apologies

Apologies from Dr Mary McLeod-Rivett.

2. Chair Remarks

The Chair welcomed Jacob O'Sullivan, who will be replacing Jennifer Youngson as MGS ex-officio member to the panel. Jacob holds the post of Collections and Engagement Manager at MGS.

The Chair informed that panel that she is shortly expecting a response to a letter sent to the Scottish Government highlighting the panel's concerns regarding funding and successful allocation of cases to museums.

The Chair and panel members also wished to express their sadness at the news that Alan Saville (formerly Head of Unit of the then Treasure Trove Secretariat) had passed away and to pass their condolences to his wife and family.

The next date of the panel meeting confirmed as Thursday 27th October 2016.

3. Treasure Trove Unit Report

SC reported to the panel current progress on reviewing the application process in relation to multiple applications for TT cases. SC is currently reviewing comments from the panel and will look for further comment shortly. This is due for completion in time for the next panel meeting.

SC reported to the panel current progress on the Galloway Hoard and discussed a potential timetable options for allocation. JB leaves the room throughout discussion. SC discussed with the panel two potential timelines for allocation of the hoard with two provisional dates agreed being 27th October 2016 for single application for allocation being received, and 15th November 2016 in the event of multiple applications for allocation.

SC reported on current challenges with the Treasure Trove website and highlighted options explored to resolve website management and funding issues.

NF reported to the panel progress with the current collaborative project with HES on assessing the extent and character of metal detecting in Scotland. The report is complete and is expected to be made available online in September.

4. QLTR Business and Panel Business

AB had no QLTR business to report.

5. Cases

In those instances where a case involved an institution to which a member of SAFAP belonged, that individual was absent from the room for the discussion of allocation or determining the ex gratia award. This included JB for any allocations related to NMS.

Finders had submitted additional paperwork to the panel for cases TT 03/16 and TT 046/16 regarding the ex gratia award which the panel considered along with the information sourced by the TTU.

New Cases

Summary:

Chance Finds - 66

Excavation assemblages - 8

Cases with multiple applications - 0

Cases with no applications - 3

* Museum accepting in place of no application from a local museum

Case list in order of Local Authority:

Chance Finds

TT No	Description	Ex Gratia	Museum	Local Authority
TT/54/16	Medieval Harness Pendant, Quothquan	£200	Biggar Museum Trust	South Lanarkshire
TT/70/16	Assemblage of medieval & later finds, Cromarty	£65	Cromarty Court House Museum	Highland
TT/14/16	Iron Age finger ring, Muir of Ord	£75	Dingwall Museum	Highland
TT/49/16	Romano-British Brooch, Foulis	£25	Dingwall Museum	Highland

TT/53/16	Medieval Papal Bull Fragment, Temple	£125	Disclaimed	Midlothian
TT/45/16	Post-medieval seal matrix, Aberuthven	£25	Disclaimed	Perth & Kinross
TT/22/16	Early Bronze Age decorated flat axehead, Beattock	£340	Dumfries Museum	Dumfries & Galloway
TT/23/16	Early Bronze Age flat axehead, Lockerbie	£100	Dumfries Museum	Dumfries & Galloway
TT/06/16	Medieval/early modern silver link, Dunblane	£25	Dunblane Museum	Stirling
TT/56/16	Medieval Harness Pendant, Prestonpans	£65	East Lothian Council Museums Service	East Lothian
TT/57/16	Medieval Harness Pendant, East Linton	£45	East Lothian Council Museums Service	East Lothian
TT/08/16	Medieval copper alloy key, Urquhart	£110	Elgin Museum	Moray
TT/09/16	Medieval mount, Spynie	£45	Elgin Museum	Moray
TT/51/16	Romano-British Brooch, Airth	£25	Falkirk Museum	Falkirk
TT/67/16	17 th century silver crucifix fragment, Airth	£50	Falkirk Museum	Falkirk
TT/72/16	Roman & Iron Age assemblage, Airth,	£125	Falkirk Museum	Falkirk
TT/69/16	Medieval papal bulla, Culross	£350	Fife Cultural Trust - Pittencrieff House Museum	Fife
TT/01/16	Fragment of medieval finger ring, St Andrews	£25	Fife Cultural Trust - St Andrews Museum	Fife
TT/13/16	Roman cross-bow brooch, St Andrews	£45	Fife Cultural Trust - St Andrews Museum	Fife
TT/34/16	Medieval harness pendant, Kingsbarns	£125	Fife Cultural Trust - St Andrews Museum	Fife
TT/42/16	Post-medieval finger ring, Kingsbarns	£200	Fife Cultural Trust - St Andrews Museum	Fife

TT/52/16	Early Historic Silver Ingot, Kingsbarns	£250	Fife Cultural Trust - St Andrews Museum	Fife
TT/71/16	18 th century shoulder belt plate, Kingsbarns	£750	Fife Cultural Trust - St Andrews Museum	Fife
TT/03/16	Early Historic gilt mount, Inverness	£450	Inverness Museum and Art Gallery	Highland
TT/04/16	3 Post-medieval finds, Ardersier	£35	Inverness Museum and Art Gallery	Highland
TT/17/16	Roman-Iron Age harness piece, Kirkton of Kingoldrum	£75	Kirriemuir Gateway to the Glens Museum	Angus
TT/55/16	Medieval To Post Medieval Domestic Assemblage, Fishtown of Usan	£100	Montrose Museum	Angus
TT/30/16	Bone object (possible gaming piece), North Uist	£25	Museum nan Eilean	Western Isles
TT/68/16	15 th century brooch, Benbecula	£50	Museum nan Eilean	Western Isles
TT/02/16	Early Bronze Age flint arrowhead, Allermuir Hill	Waived	Museum of Edinburgh	City of Edinburgh
TT/26/16	Medieval copper alloy mount, Balerno	£35	Museum of Edinburgh	City of Edinburgh
TT/12/16	Roman scabbard chape, Fala	£75	NMS	Midlothian
TT/25/16	Medieval silver finger ring, Kilmaurs	£150	NMS*	North Ayrshire
TT/44/16	Early Bronze Age flat axehead, Drybridge	£100	NMS*	North Ayrshire
TT/41/16	Medieval heraldic pendant, Inchtute	£35	NMS*	Perth & Kinross
TT/32/16	Fragment of Roman brooch, Aberuthven	£45	NMS*	Perth & Kinross
TT/15/16	Romano-British trumpet brooch, Hawick	£25	NMS*	Scottish Borders
TT/16/16	Romano-British brooch, Earlston	£65	NMS*	Scottish Borders
TT/21/16	Early Bronze Age flat axehead, Earlston	£50	NMS*	Scottish Borders
TT/38/16	Lead & iron composite shot, early modern, Eyemouth	£50	NMS*	Scottish Borders

TT/43/16	Medieval seal matrix, Minto	£125	Disclaimed	Scottish Borders
TT/35/16	Medieval heraldic mount, Ayr	£400	NMS*	South Ayrshire
TT/19/16	Middle Bronze Age flanged axehead, Killearn	£160	NMS*	Stirling
TT/28/16	Fragment of LBA socketed axehead, Cowie	£25	NMS*	Stirling
TT/33/16	Medieval silver finger ring, Caldercruix	£25	North Lanarkshire Museums & Heritage Service	North Lanarkshire
TT/36/16	Post-medieval lead button, Banton	£25	North Lanarkshire Museums & Heritage Service	North Lanarkshire
TT/73/16	Medieval runestone, Orphir, Orkney	£1000	Orkney Museum	Orkney
TT/07/16	Medieval intaglio ring bezel, Guildtown	£2500	Perth Museum & Art Gallery	Perth & Kinross
TT/11/16	Romano-British brooch, Aberuthven	£45	Perth Museum & Art Gallery	Perth & Kinross
TT/18/16	Iron Age finger ring, Forteviot	£250	Perth Museum & Art Gallery	Perth & Kinross
TT/27/16	Medieval harness pendant, Guildtown	£65	Perth Museum & Art Gallery	Perth & Kinross
TT/31/16	2 medieval brooches, Redgorton	£125	Perth Museum & Art Gallery	Perth & Kinross
TT/40/16	Fragment of medieval finger ring, Aberuthven	£175	Perth Museum & Art Gallery	Perth & Kinross
TT/47/16	Late Bronze Age Socketed Axehead Fragment, Pitcairngreen	£25	Perth Museum & Art Gallery	Perth & Kinross
TT/48/16	Early Bronze Age Flat Axehead, Bankfoot,	£25	Perth Museum & Art Gallery	Perth & Kinross
TT/74/16	Fragment of rotary quern, Gletness, Shetland	Waived	Shetland Museum	Shetland
TT/50/16	Iron Age Teret Fragment, Monikie	£35	Signal Tower Museum	Angus
TT/10/16	Two Napoleonic military buttons, Barholm castle	£50	Stewartry Museum	Dumfries & Galloway
TT/20/16	Late Bronze Age spearhead, Kirkcudbright	£100	Stewartry Museum	Dumfries & Galloway
TT/24/16	Middle Bronze Age flanged axehead, Bridge of Dee	£250	Stewartry Museum	Dumfries & Galloway
TT/39/16	Assemblage of Roman coins, Castle Douglas,	£150	Stewartry Museum	Dumfries & Galloway

TT/37/16	Queen's Messenger Silver badge of Queen Anne, Wigtown	£650	Stranraer Museum	Dumfries & Galloway
TT/29/16	Medieval annular brooch and post-medieval silver brooch pin, Inver	£65	Tarbat Discovery Centre	Highland
TT/46/16	Middle Bronze Age Flanged Axehead, Jericho	£275	The Meffan Museum	Angus
TT/58/16	Medieval Spur, Finavon	£25	The Meffan Museum	Angus
TT/05/16	16th century pierced coin, Stobo	Waived	Tweeddale Museum	Scottish Borders

Excavation Assemblages

TT No	Description	Location	Museum	Local Authority
TT/60/16	Medieval & Post Medieval Excavation Assemblage	West Bowling Green Street, Leith, (Post-ex 22367)	Museum of Edinburgh	City of Edinburgh
TT/61/16	Post Medieval Excavation Assemblage	72-92 Great Junction Street, Leith, (Post-ex 22179)	Museum of Edinburgh	City of Edinburgh
TT/59/16	Post Medieval Excavation Assemblage	Enoch Castle, Durisdeer	Dumfries Museum	Dumfries & Galloway
TT/65/16	Neolithic To Bronze Age Excavation Assemblage	Moffat Substation, Moffat, (MOFS2)	Dumfries Museum	Dumfries & Galloway
TT/66/16	Post Medieval To Modern Excavation Assemblage	Seton, (SETO)	East Lothian Council Museums Service	East Lothian
TT/62/16	Multi-Period: Late Neolithic To Iron Age Excavation Assemblage	Grantown Road, Forres, (Post-ex 21581)	The Moray Council Museums Service	Moray
TT/63/16	Multi-Period: Middle Bronze Age To Early Medieval Excavation Assemblage	The Macallan Distillery, Craigellachie, (Post-ex 22624)	Elgin Museum	Moray
TT/64/16	Post Medieval To Modern Excavation Assemblage	Mossend, West Calder, (Post-ex 22862)	West Lothian Council Museums Service	West Lothian

6. AOCB

No other competent business raised.

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