

Minutes of the meeting of

## THE SCOTTISH ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS ALLOCATION PANEL

11am Thursday 28 June 2012

NMS, Chambers Street, Edinburgh

**Present:** Dr Evelyn Silber (Chair), Mr Neil Curtis, Mr John Urquhart, Mr David Connolly, Ms Gillian Findlay.

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

### 1. Chair Remarks

Dr Silber welcomed the panel and thanked TTU staff for the work they had carried for the large number of assemblages coming before the meeting.

Dr Silber remarked that she had met with various stakeholders to the TT system since the last meeting, including senior management of NMS and Historic Scotland. These meetings were positive and HS have been invited to attend SAFAP meetings as guest panel members. The new Keeper of Scottish History & Archaeology, George Dalgleish, would be attending at lunchtime to meet SAFAP members.

Gillian Findlay informed the chair that she would be leaving MGS but reassured the panel that MGS would continue to be represented.

### 2. Minutes of Last Meeting

Neil Curtis requested a note at the end of the minutes to close the document.

Jilly Burns and Neil Curtis requested it be highlighted when they left the room during discussions on allocations regarding their respective institutions.

These changes being accepted, the minutes were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.

### 3. QLTR Business

*Scottish Law Commission report on movable property*

AB introduced his guidance document (previously circulated) on the Scottish Law Commission Moveable Property paper. It was felt that the representations made on behalf of the treasure trove system had been effective and the QLTR was content with the proposed changes. It was suggested that raising awareness of the bill and its implications to TTU and museums in the wider sector was desirable.

### *TT Code of Practice review*

AB provided an update. Views would be sought from Panel members on possible candidates for review and the matter would be discussed at the next Panel meeting to thereafter inform preparation of a consultation document for external consultation. Part of the consultation process

TT.21/12	Early Historic Mount, Whamphray, Dumfries & Galloway	£700	Dumfries Museum
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might involve a seminar

involving seeking feedback and which might also involve workshops at which people would be invited to offer views regarding particular issues. It was seen as essential to open a discussion addressing the recognised issues with excavation assemblages. It was envisaged discussion of that would be opened with RCAHMS, HS, NMS& MGS.

### *Standing Profiles*

Documents previously circulated were commented on and it was envisaged that their use would be reflected in any amendments to the CoP.

### *Treasure Trove and excavation assemblages*

SC discussed his paper (previously circulated) which had been drafted for the QLTR. It was agreed the paper was a useful starting point to consider changes to current practice and for external discussions. An approach to ALGAO by TTU and QLTR is suggested and any changes will be reflected within the revised Code of Practice.

### *Export of Assemblages*

After concern was raised about the consistency of applications it was agreed guidance for excavators will be present in the review of the Code of Practice.

### *TTU Report*

Compared with the same time last year, the number of objects reported had more than doubled, and the TTU had received positive feedback from users of the system. The TTU is continuing its outreach program with various finds days and meetings.

The recent heritage crime seminar organised in cooperation with HS had received positive feedback from the sector other initiatives were being considered.

## **4. New Cases**

### **Chance Finds**

TT.22/12	Bronze ingot, Balloan, Highland	£25	Groam House
TT.23/12	A post-medieval stone mould, Leuchars, Fife	n/a	NMS*
TT.24/12	Fragments of Bronze Age IunulaCruggleton, Dumfries and Galloway,	£3000	Stranraer Museum
TT.25/12	Hoard of Roman coins, Ashkirk, Scottish Borders	£10,000	Scottish Borders Museum
TT.26/12	Medieval and later assemblage, Doune, Stirling	£120	NMS*
TT.27/12	15 <sup>th</sup> century ring bezel, Morebattle, Scottish Borders	£100	Scottish Borders
TT.28/12	Post-medieval silver pin, Carriden, Falkirk	£30-50	Disclaimed
TT.29/12	Roman brooch, Plean, Stirling	£20	NMS*
TT.30/12	Roman brooch, Dunnichen, Angus	£30	Angus Musuems
TT.31/12	Bronze Age flanged axehead/chisel, Kirkton of Mailer, Perth & Kinross	£200	Perth
TT.32/12	Bronze Age flanged axehead/chisel, Plean, Stirling	£200	NMS*
TT.33/12	Bronze Age flat axehead, Kinross, Perth & Kinross	£65	Perth

TT.34/12	Bronze Age flanged axehead, Robertson, Scottish Borders	£150	NMS*
TT.35/12	Bronze Age flanged axehead, Evanton, Highland	£375	Inverness
TT.36/12	Bronze Age flat axehead, Linlithgow, West Lothian	£50	West Lothian
TT.37/12	Early Historic zoomorphic pin, South Keiss, Highland	£250	Dunbeath
TT.38/12	Medieval silver finger ring, South Keiss, Highland	£700	Dunbeath
TT.39/12	Roman brooch, Urquhart, Moray	£45	Elgin
TT.40/12	Medieval sword pommel, Kilbirnie, North Ayrshire	£250	North Ayrshire
TT.82/12	Early Historic Weight, Whamphray, Dumfries & Galloway	£350	Dumfries
TT.85/12	Medieval Buckle, Orphir, Orkney	£175	Orkney Museum
TT.87/12	Battlefield find, Prestonpans	£15	East Lothian
TT.89/12	2 Battlefield finds, Prestonpans	£15	East Lothian
TT.90/12	Battlefield find, Prestonpans	£15	East Lothian
TT.92/12	Medieval brooch fragment, Kinnesswood, Perth	£15	Perth

	& Kinross		
TT.94/12	Prehistoric stone macehead, Trochry, Perth & Kinross	waived	Perth
116/12	Iron Age stone disc, Papa Stour, Shetland	£25	Shetland

\*Accepted in absence of applications from local museums; where an ex gratia award was considered Jilly Burns left the room.

### Excavation Assemblages

UNIT TT	Case Description	Applying Institution
153/11	Medieval & modern excavation assemblage, East Green Farm, Inverclyde	Kelvingrove*
154/11	Prehistoric excavation assemblage, Kirkintilloch Link Road, East Dunbartonshire	Kelvingrove*
155/11	Modern excavation assemblage, Dalmarnock, Glasgow	Kelvingrove
156/11	Bronze Age excavation assemblage, Cnip, Isle of Lewis	Museum nan Eilean
157/11	Bronze Age/Iron Age excavation assemblage, Ravelrig Quarry, Kirknewton, Edinburgh	Edinburgh

158/11	Modern excavation assemblage, St Flannan's Church, Kirkintilloch, East Dunbartonshire	Kelvingrove*
159/11	Medieval and modern excavation assemblage, Top of the Town, Stirling	Disclaimed
160/11	Prehistoric excavation assemblage, Struan Farm, Brechin, Angus	Angus
161/11	Modern excavation assemblage, Forth Valley College, Clackmannanshire	Disclaimed
162/11	Modern excavation assemblage, Croft Street, Tarbolton, South Ayrshire	Kelvingrove*
01/12	Post-medieval excavation assemblage, Cargill Club, Lanark, South Lanarkshire	Kelvingrove*
02/12	Excavation assemblage of unknown date, Mainshill OCCS, Douglas, South Lanarkshire	Kelvingrove*
03/12	Excavation assemblage of unknown date. West Pitkerro, Dundee	Dundee Museum
04/12	Post-medieval & modern excavation assemblage. Commonwealth Games Village, Dalmarnock, Glasgow	Kelvingrove

05/12	Prehistoric excavation assemblage. Snabe Quarry, Area C, Drumclog, South Lanarkshire	DEFER
06/12	Belvedere View, Galston, East Ayrshire	Kelvingrove*
07/12	Medieval and post-medieval excavation assemblage. Caerlaverock Castle, Dumfries & Galloway	Dumfries
08/12	Post-medieval excavation assemblage. Edmonstone Estate, Danderhau, Edinburgh	Edinburgh
09/12	Medieval, post-medieval & modern excavation assemblage. Edinburgh Tram Scheme, Gogar Mains, City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh
10/12	Neolithic/Bronze Age - Late Medieval excavation assemblage. Law Knowe, East Kilbride, South Lanarkshire	Kelvingrove*
11/12	Neolithic & Medieval excavation assemblage. Laigh Newton, Loudoun Hill Quarry, Darvel, East Ayrshire	Kelvingrove*
12/12	Modern excavation assemblage. Dunblane Cathedral Museum, The Cross, Dunblane, Stirling	Dunblane
13/12	Prehistoric and modern excavation assemblage. St Kilda, Western Isles	Museum nan Eilean

14/12	Post-medieval excavation assemblage. Dun Eistean, Isle of Lewis, Western Isles	Museum nan Eilean
15/12	Late bronze age - Pictish excavation assemblage. Sandwick, Unst, Shetland	Shetland
16/12	Medieval, post-medieval & industrial excavation assemblage. Water Row, Govan, City of Glasgow	Kelvingrove
17/12	Medieval excavation assemblage. Kirksheaf Road, Tain, Highland	Disclaimed
18/12	Post-medieval excavation assemblage. Inverness Streetscape Project, Inverness, Highland	Inverness
19/12	16th century - modern metal detecting survey assemblage. Barbachlaw Stadium, Wallyford, East Lothian	East Lothian
20/12	Prehistoric excavation assemblage. A92 Upgrade PFI: Dundee to Abroath, Angus	Angus Musuems
41/12	Late 19th century - early 20th century excavation assemblage. Altonhill Farm, Kilmarnock, East Ayrshire	Kelvingrove*
42/12	Prehistoric (Neolithic?) excavation assemblage. Broadshade Pipeline Diversion, Westhill, Aberdeenshire	Aberdeen University Museums



44/12	Medieval and later excavation assemblage. 18 Church Street, Dunbar, East Lothian	Disclaimed
45/12	Post-medieval excavation assemblage. Greenburn OCCS, Northeast extension, New Cumnock, East Ayrshire	Kelvingrove*
46/12	Prehistoric (environmental) and post-medieval. A91/B9124 Greenyards Roundabout, Bannockburn, Stirling	Disclaimed
47/12	Post-medieval excavation assemblage. 212-224 High Street, Linlithgow, West Lothian	Disclaimed
48/12	Medieval and post-medieval excavation assemblage. Liberton Kirk, Edinburgh, City of Edinburgh	Disclaimed
49/12	Prehistoric and post-medieval excavation assemblage. Burnfoot Hill Windfarm, Clackmannanshire	Disclaimed
50/12	Prehistoric excavation assemblage. Crystal Rig II Wind Farm, Lammermuir Hills, East Lothian & Scottish Borders	East Lothian
51/12	Mesolithic excavation assemblage. Raasay Ferry Terminal, Clachan Harbour, Churchton Bay, Highland	NMS**
52/12	Late Bronze Age and other prehistoric. Knockomie Hotel, Forres, Moray, Highland	Disclaimed

53/12	Post-medieval excavation assemblage. Midlothian community Hospital, Bonnyrigg, Midlothian	Disclaimed
54/12	Post-medieval & modern excavation assemblage. Medical Centre, Penicuik Road, Roslin, Midlothian	Disclaimed
55/12	Post-medieval & modern excavation assemblage. Orocco Pier Hotel, 17 High Streeth, South Queensferry, City of Edinburgh	Disclaimed
56/12	Prehistoric excavation assemblage. Harrows Law, nr Carnwath, South Lanarkshire	Kelvingrove*
57/12	Prehistoric excavation assemblage. Tullo Wind Farm, Laurencekirk, Aberdeenshire	Aberdeen University Museums***
58/12	Prehistoric excavation assemblage. North and south Uist Coastal Survey, Western Isles	Museum nan Eilean
59/12	Prehistoric, Roman and Post-medieval excavation assemblage. Westway Retail Park, Castlecary Road, Cumbernauld, North Lanarkshire	Kelvingrove*
60/12	Medieval and later excavation assemblage. Hallhill Farm, Dunbar, East Lothian	East Lothian
61/12	Medieval excavation assemblage. Liquid Room, 9 Victoria Street, Edinburgh, City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh

62/12	Prehistoric excavation assemblage. Old Craighall Junction, Musselburgh, East Lothian	Disclaimed
63/12	17th - 19th century excavation assemblage. 41 Station Road, Carluke, South Lanarkshire	Kelvingrove*
64/12	19th century excavation assemblage. Wellhouse Tower, Princes Street Gardens, Edinburgh, City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh
65/12	Medieval & Post-medieval excavation assemblage. Royal Museum of Edinburgh, Chambers Street, Edinburgh, City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh
66/12	Medieval & Post-medieval excavation assemblage. Burgh Halls, Linlithgow, West Lothian	Disclaimed
67/12	Medieval & Post-medieval excavation assemblage. City Science Centre, Glasgow, City of Glasgow	Kelvingrove
68/12	Iron Age excavation assemblage. Luffness Mains, Aberlady, East Lothian	Disclaimed
69/12	Modern excavation assemblage. Edinburgh International Conference Centre, Edinburgh, City of Edinburgh	Disclaimed
70/12	Roman, Post-medieval and modern excavation assemblage. Cramond Glebe Road, Edinburgh, City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh
71/12	18 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> century excavation assemblage. M74 Completion Pottery, Rutherglen, South Lanarkshire	South Lanarkshire

72/12	18 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> century excavation assemblage. M74 Completion Archaeological Mitigation, Tradeston/Kingston; South Laurieston; Govan, City of Glasgow	Kelvingrove
73/12	Medieval and post-medieval/modern excavation assemblage. Edinburgh tram scheme, Gogar Mains, Edinburgh	Edinburgh
74/12	Modern assemblage. 7 – 11 Argyll Street, Campbeltown, Argyll and Bute	Campbeltown Museum
75/12	Mesolithic to Middle Bronze Age excavation assemblage. Upper Largie Quarry, Kilmartin, Argyll and Bute	Kilmartin House
76/12	Post-medieval excavation assemblage. Inchtute Churchyard, Inchtute, Perth and Kinross	Disclaimed
77/12	Iron Age chariot burial. Interchange Park, Newbridge, Edinburgh	NMS**
78/12	Iron Age to modern pottery excavation assemblage - 7 boxes. Brotchie's Steading, Dunnet, Highland	Disclaimed
79/12	Iron Age excavation assemblage. An Dunan, Uig, Isle of Lewis, Western Isles	Museum nan Eilean

80/12	19th century - modern excavation assemblage. A78 Ardrossan, Saltcoats and Stevenston Bypass, Ardrossan, North Ayrshire	Kelvingrove
81/12	19th century - modern excavation assemblage. A/M80 Stepps to Hags, Glasgow, Denny/Cadder, Falkirk & North Lanarkshire	Kelvingrove
83/12	Multi-period excavation assemblage including Neolithic & Bronze Age - modern & post-medieval .Upper Forth Crossing: Evaluation Meadowend Farm, Gartlet, Kincardine, Clackmannanshire	Disclaimed
84/12	Bronze Age & Iron Age excavation assemblage. Lochardil Burn, Inverness, Highland	Inverness
86/12	Bronze Age excavation assemblage. Low Level Wast site, Dounreay, Highland	Caithness Horizons
88/12	Prehistoric worked flint (mainly debitage) & medieval pottery field walking assemblage. South Leckaway Farm, Forfar, Angus	Angus Museums
91/12	Prehistoric worked flint (mainly debitage) & medieval pottery field walking assemblage. South Leckaway Farm, Forfar, Angus	Angus Museums
93/12	Prehistoric worked flint (mainly debitage) & post-medieval field walking assemblage. South Leckaway Farm, Forfar, Angus	Angus Museums
95/12	Prehistoric worked flint & pottery and medieval-post medieval field walking assemblage. Invereighy Mill Farm, Forfar, Angus	Angus Museums
96/12	Prehistoric worked flint field walking assemblage. South Leckaway Farm, Forfar, Angus	Angus Museums
97/12	Early Bronze Age - post medieval field walking assemblage. Invereighy Mill Farm, Forfar, Angus	Angus Museums
98/12	Prehistoric and medieval field walking assemblage. Invereighy Mill Farm, Forfar, Angus	Angus Museums

99/12	19th century - modern field walking assemblage. North mains of Invereighty Farm, Forfar, Angus	Angus Musuems
100/12	Prehistoric field walking assemblage. North mains of Invereighty Farm, Forfar, Angus	Angus Museums
101/12	Multi-period excavation assemblage including Bronze Age, Iron Age and modern material. St Bride's Church, Lochranza, Isle of Arran, North Ayrshire	Arran Heritage Museum
102/12	Mesolithic excavation assemblage. Ardownie, Monifieth, Angus	Angus
103/12	Old Deer, Aberdeenshire	Aberdeenshire Heritage
104/12	Post medieval excavation assemblage. Dornoch Square, The Square, Dornoch, Highland	Disclaimed
105/12	Post medieval excavation assemblage. Strathrory, Invergordon, Highland	Disclaimed
106/12	Possible prehistoric and modern excavation assemblage. Littleferry, Highland	Disclaimed
107/12	19th - 20th century excavation assemblage. Heritage Centre, Lismore, Argyll & Bute	Campbeltown Museum

108/12	19th - 20th century excavation assemblage. High Street, Rosemarkie, Fyvie, Highland	Groam House
109/12	20th century excavation assemblage. The Bungalow, Culrain, Strathrory, Highland	Disclaimed
110/12	Excavation assemblage - period unknown. Doune, StrathOykel, Highland	Disclaimed
111/12	Medieval excavation assemblage. Glenmuckloch Surface Mine, Glenmuckloch, Dumfries & Galloway	Dumfries
112/12	Prehistoric field walking assemblage. Brighton House, Forfar, Angus	Angus Musuems
113/12	Late Bronze Age excavation assemblage. Gob Eirer, Uig, Isle of Lewis, Western Isles	Museum nan Eilean
114/12	Post medieval excavation assemblage. Bereiro (Blackhouse 222) Uig, Isle of Lewis, Western Isles	Museum nan Eilean
115/12	Systematic metal detecting survey assemblage. Battle of Kilsyth, Kilsyth, North Lanarkshire	Kelvingrove*

\*Accepted by Kelvingrove in the absence of bids from local institutions

\*\*Jilly Burns left the room when allocation decision made

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## 5. AOCB

Next meeting to be held on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2012.