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Minutes of the meeting of

THE SCOTTISH ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS ALLOCATION PANEL

11am Wednesday 10th July 2013

NMS, Chambers Street, Edinburgh

Present: Neil Curtis (acting as chair), John Urquhart, Jennifer Siswell (MGS),

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

Apologies: Dr Evelyn Silber, Mr Richard Welander, Mr David Connolly, Ms Jilly Burns

1. Chair Remarks

In the absence of Dr Silber Mr Curtis had agreed to act as chair for this meeting in accordance with Section 3 in the SAFAP terms of reference (Treasure Trove Code of Practice, Appendix A, p26)

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting held on Thursday 28 March 2013, with the provision that a suitable record be included regarding the lowering of the ex gratia awards for cases 307/12-312/12.

3. QLTR Business

Proposed External meeting at Stirling

It was agreed that the details and date of the event should be finalised in the near future and a list of invitees drawn up.

Code of Practice Review

AB provided a brief update on the response to the consultation so far.

Excavation assemblages and reporting as TT

SC discussed the recent issue of the Udal assemblage where for unavoidable reasons, the standard of the material would be below the 'museum ready' as required by the Code of Practice. It seemed clear also that as older assemblages were declared (often by third parties) this situation would arise again as funding may not be in place to ensure the post-excavation and other work achieved a certain

standard. It was agreed that it was essential in such cases to make the situation clear to museums before they applied for such material.

4. Treasure Trove Unit Report

SC discussed the current outreach program and the plans to develop this to workshops aimed at heritage professionals as well as metal detector users. Events of this nature were planned for Aberdeenshire and Inverness in the next few months. The number of cases claimed by the Unit had increased sharply and by the July meeting of SAFAP was likely to be around 100, as compared with 122 (for chance finds) for all of the previous year. SC also tabled samples of a new TTU finds poster; it was planned to produce one of these for each period to help finders know which objects were significant enough to report.

5. New cases

Chance finds –cases

TT No.	Description	Ex gratia	Museum Allocation
313/12	16 coins from a medieval hoard, Kirriemuir, Angus	£540	Kirriemuir Gateway to the Glens Museum
314/12	4 coins from a medieval hoard, Kirriemuir, Angus	£120	Kirriemuir Gateway to the Glens Museum
315/12	5 coins from a medieval hoard, Kirriemuir, Angus	£150	Kirriemuir Gateway to the Glens Museum
316/12	1 coins from a medieval hoard, Kirriemuir, Angus	£30	Kirriemuir Gateway to the Glens Museum
317/12	6 coins from a medieval hoard, Kirriemuir, Angus	£195	Kirriemuir Gateway to the Glens Museum
318/12	3 coins from a medieval hoard, Kirriemuir, Angus	£90	Kirriemuir Gateway to the Glens Museum

319/12	2 coins from a medieval hoard, Kirriemuir, Angus	£60	Kirriemuir Gateway to the Glens Museum
320/12	1 coins from a medieval hoard, Kirriemuir, Angus	£30	Kirriemuir Gateway to the Glens Museum
321/12	9 coins from a medieval hoard, Kirriemuir, Angus	£270	Kirriemuir Gateway to the Glens Museum
322/12	3 medieval finds, Loch Leven, Perth & Kinross	£85	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
323/12	Neolithic arrowhead, Doune, Stirling	£85	Stirling Smith Art Gallery and Museum
324/12	2 medieval & later finds Inverness, Highland	£35	Inverness Museum & Art Gallery
325/12	Medieval seal matrix Lanark, South Lanarkshire	£125	Royal Burgh of Lanark Museum
326/12	Medieval belt plate, Kinross, Perth & Kinross	£60	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
327/12	16th-17th century seal matrix, Luncarty, Perth & Kinross	Waived	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
328/12	Bronze Age axehead, Dalbeattie, Dumfries & Galloway	£100	The Stewartry Museum
329/12	Medieval harness pendant, Loch Leven Perth & Kinross	£275	Perth Museum and Art Gallery

330/12	8 medieval & later finds, Crail, Fife	£1800	Fife Cultural Trust
331/12	Assemblage of lithic artefacts, Burghead, Moray	£280	Elgin Museum
332/12	Multi-period assemblage, Ardersier, Highland	£400	Inverness Museum & Art Gallery
01/13	Medieval & later assemblage, Burghead Moray	£250	Elgin Museum
02/13	2 Iron Age objects, Burghead, Moray	£125	Elgin Museum
03/13	Viking silver ingot, Isle of Bute	£850	Bute Museum
04/13	Iron Age strap fastener, Jedburgh, Scottish Borders	£30	Hawick Museum
05/13	Iron Age terret, Blairadam, Fife	£75	Fife Cultural Trust
06/13	Medieval padlock, Kirkandrews, Dumfries & Galloway	waived	The Stewartry Museum
07/13	Medieval figure of Christ, Newton Stewart, Dumfries & Galloway	waived	Stranraer Museum
08/13	Four Early Historic & later finds, Kirkland, Dumfries & Galloway	waived	Dumfries Museum
14/13	Late Bronze Age hoard, Inverness, Highland	£1800	Inverness Museum & Art Gallery

15/13	Fragment of Bronze Age axehead, Tongue, Highland	£35	Strathnaver Museum
16/13	Middle Bronze Age axehead, Leuchars, Fife	£350	Fife Cultural Trust
17/13	Medieval enamelled strap mount, Spittalfield, Perth & Kinross	£200	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
18/13	Medieval Pilgrim Badge, Kincardine, Fife	£65	Fife Cultural Trust
19/13	Post-medieval toy axe, Black Isle, Highland	£35	Inverness Museum and Art Gallery
20/13	Pierced silver 18th century coin, Kinnellar, Aberdeenshire	£25	Aberdeen University Museums*
21/13	Medieval annular brooch, Inverness, Highland	£25	Inverness Museum & Art Gallery
22/13	Medieval hammered coin, Wigton, Dumfries & Galloway	£100	Stranraer Museum
23/13	Georgian military belt plate, Gatehouse, Dumfries & Galloway	£100	The Stewartry Museum
24/13	Medieval seal matrix Whithorn, Dumfries & Galloway	£35	Stranraer Museum

25/13	2 17th century finds, Solway, Dumfries & Galloway	£365	The Stewartry Museum
26/13	Fragment of bronze Age axehead, Kirkcudbright, Dumfries & Galloway	£25	The Stewartry Museum
27/13	Fragment of Bronze Age sword, Whithorn, Dumfries & Galloway	£25	Stranraer Museum
28/13	2 medieval finds, Whithorn, Dumfries & Galloway	£165	Stranraer Museum
29/13	12 medieval coins from hoard, Methven Perth & Kinross	£195	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
30/13	3 medieval coins from hoard, Methven, Perth & Kinross	£50	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
31/13	1 medieval coin from hoard, Methven, Perth & Kinross	£20	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
32/13	1 medieval coin from hoard, Methven, Perth & Kinross	£20	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
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34/13	1 medieval coin from hoard, Methven, Perth & Kinross	£20	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
35/13	2 medieval coins from hoard, Methven, Perth & Kinross	£40	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
36/13	1 medieval coin from hoard, Methven, Perth & Kinross	£20	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
37/13	1 medieval coin from hoard, Methven, Perth & Kinross	£45	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
38/13	1 medieval coin from hoard, Methven, Perth & Kinross	£45	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
39/13	1 medieval coin from hoard, Methven, Perth & Kinross	£15	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
40/13	2 medieval coins from hoard, Methven, Perth & Kinross	£570	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
41/13	12 medieval coins from hoard, Methven Perth & Kinross	£200	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
42/13	1 medieval coin from hoard, Methven, Perth & Kinross	£15	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
43/13	1 medieval coin from hoard, Methven, Perth & Kinross	£20	Perth Museum and Art Gallery
44/13	1 medieval silver coin, Isle of Skye, Highland	£100	Museum of the Isles

*As Mr Curtis could not take part in this decision allocation to AUM and the ex gratia amount were agreed via email by other SAFAP members. This case was also accepted by Mr Curtis in the absence of any application from the local museum.

Excavation Assemblages

TT No.	Description	Find spot and LAA	Museum
9/13	Neolithic and Early Bronze Age assemblage	Midmill Industrial Estate, Kintore, Aberdeenshire	Aberdeen University Museums *
10/13	Neolithic Bronze Age assemblage	Inverurie Paper Mill, Inverurie, Aberdeenshire	Aberdeen University Museums*
11/13	Medieval assemblage	Gordon's Granary, Banff, Aberdeenshire	
12/13	Neolithic assemblage	Westgate Development, Inverurie, Aberdeenshire	Aberdeen University Museums*
13/13	Post Medieval assemblage - William III silver coin and 17th century 'Turner'	West Plean Cottages, Stirling	Stirling Smith Art Gallery and Museum

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6. AOCB

Dates for October 2013 meeting to be confirmed.

END OF MINUTES