

ClfA AREA AND SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP ANNUAL REPORTS 2024 - 2025

ClfA has 3 area and 16 special interest groups bringing together professionals with specific historic environment interests. Most groups produce regular newsletters and run training events. Groups represent specialist views to ClfA via representation on the Advisory Council and offer advice on issues which have a specific relevance to their subject/geographical area.

All our groups have provided annual updates on their activities.

Information about all our Groups is on the ClfA website at <https://www.archaeologists.net/groups>

Area and Special Interest Group membership breakdown

Statistics accurate as of 21 August 2025

Group	Hon MCIfA	MCIfA	ACIfA	PCIfA	Affiliate	Student	Group supporters	Total
Archives	0	252	142	163	75	46	29	707
Buildings	3	491	223	144	101	36	6	1004
Community	1	384	206	228	113	62	1	995
Diggers' Forum	0	270	221	233	84	40	0	848
Early Careers	0	71	71	142	149	296	0	729
Finds	0	369	207	274	115	53	20	1038
Forensic	1	136	120	159	66	42	2	526
Graphics	2	224	127	140	54	20	4	571
Heritage Crime	0	108	77	83	31	28	2	329
Human Osteo	1	100	77	145	54	57	10	444
Info Man	0	234	99	97	55	20	3	508
International	1	278	126	124	54	23	0	606
Landscape	0	158	96	67	30	36	9	396
Marine	1	167	88	122	48	33	1	460
Project Man	0	455	205	121	63	25	0	869
RIG	0	456	210	199	84	46	0	995
Scottish	2	229	131	117	41	30	1	551
Wales	1	185	84	79	30	27	0	406
Deutschland	0	50	38	24	29	11	N/A	152

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	0	252	142	163	75	46	29	707
Committee members	<p>The ClfA Archaeological Archives Group (AAG) current committee members are</p> <p>Chair - Theodora Anastasiadou (MA, MA, MCIfA) Vice-chair - Helen Parslow (MCIfA) Secretary - Vikki Sands (BA Hons, MSc, ACIfA) Committee members - Jay Cumberworth (BA hons, ACIfA, Dr Katie Green, (PhD, MCIfA), Jess Irwin (BSc Hons, MLoL, MCIfA), Dr Sam Paul (PhD, MCIfA), Jasmine Tomys (BA Hons, MA, MCIfA), Kerry Whitehouse (BA Hons, PGCert, PCIfA) Advisor - Katherine Hamilton (BA Hons, MLitt, FSA Scot)</p> <p>Helen is also on the Validation Committee. Jess is also an ordinary committee member of IMSIG and on the OASIS Management Board as a ClfA Rep.</p> <p>Since the 2023-2024 report two committee members have finished their term or decided to step down from the AAG committee – Hazel O’Neill and Teagan Zoldoske. Samantha Paul decided to move from the Chair position to an ordinary committee member. We have gained new committee members; Theodora Anastasiadou as Chair, and Jay Cumberworth and Katie Green as ordinary committee members. Theodora and Katie have served on the AAG committee in the past.</p>							
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>Between April 2024 and March 2025, the AAG committee have met online in April and May 2024, in-person in September 2024, and online in November 2024 (specifically to discuss the Competence matrix) and January 2025. Additionally some of the committee met separately to discuss and analyse the results of the AAG group survey.</p> <p>The centre of our discussions in meetings have been</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. updating the ClfA Archives Competence Matrix 2. annual day conference and AGM (held in September each year) 3. AAG group survey results <p>In addition to this the AAG committee have consulted on archive-related initiatives, answered archive-related enquiries and discussed current practice.</p>							
Activities and events	<p>On Thursday 26 September 2024 the AAG hosted a day conference <i>Celebrating archaeological archives</i> at The Archaeological Resource Centre (The ARC), Northamptonshire. This included several unique and interesting talks on different archiving projects being undertaken across the country and excellent tour of the ARC facilities conducted by staff there. We were delighted that the conference had 71 attendees in-person and spurred some excellent conversation and debate on the day. A massive thank you to the staff, speakers and all that attended!</p> <p>Members of our committee also attended the ClfA 2025 conference.</p>							

Group communication	<p>The AAG communicates with its members via email (archaeologicalarchives@gmail.com), webpage, (https://www.archaeologists.net/groups/archives) and through its social media pages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://www.facebook.com/ArchaeologicalArchivesGroup (2,826 followers) • https://x.com/ifa_archives (440 followers) <p>Currently we are discussing the appropriateness of continuing to use 'X' as a social media platform and are considering moving away from Twitter to a platform like Bluesky or LinkedIn.</p> <p>We conducted a member survey and this year we have been analysing the results of this.</p>
Other pieces of work	<p>The Archaeological Archives Group Committee have been involved in several projects over the year, including advice and consultation.</p> <p>For example</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In early 2024 the AAG committee consulted on and gave feedback on the Transfer of Title Toolkit and Model Contract. • In late 2024 the AAG committee reviewed the Archives Specialist Competence matrix and suggested a number of additions and edits. • more recently members of the group have been compiling and analysing the AAG Group survey results. This has taken longer than anticipated due to other priorities and full schedules. It is hoped that the results will be ready to present at the day conference in September 2025.
Plans for the next year	<p>Our next day conference 'From Past to Future: Archiving 2000–2025' will be held on Thursday 25 September 2025 at The Archaeological Resource Centre (The ARC), Northamptonshire. The theme for this year's archaeological archives conference will include look backwards at archive's past, so that we may look forward into its future. We will discuss how the current archaeological archiving practices reflect the changes, challenges, progress and transformation of the sector since the millennium.</p> <p>In line with the results of our group survey, over the next year the AAG committee hope to engage with ClfA's Knowledge Hub (an online Q&A) and begin to run a series of online tea breaks focused on back-to-basics practical archive training. Sessions may include themes such as packing bulk finds, packing small finds and packing paperwork.</p> <p>We will also be adding external links to relevant archive standards and guidelines to our webpage to make this accessible.</p>

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Committee meetings and AGM	We met four times as a committee on 9 May 2024, 8 August 2024, 7 November 2024 and in York on 30 January 2025. Our AGM was held online on 4 December 2024.							
Activities and events	We have held three well-attended Lunch Break Sessions delivered by committee members. 25 November 2024 (on Non-designated heritage), 11 February 2025 (on Historic Interest) and on 8 April 2025 (on Archaeological Interest). Two are now available on You Tube to catch up on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BAG tea break talk recording - 8 April 2025 BAG tea break talk recording - 11 February 2025 							
Group communication	A member newsletter was sent July 2025 with a focus on questions arising from recent survey work and queries for BAG members about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Distilling House? Early use of flat iron at Sarsden Glebe An Unusual Find within a Medieval Wall 							
Plans for the next year	We shall notify members of future sessions by email and on our webpage. There is strong demand for these talks so we are proposing to also have evening specialist lectures that can focus on specific topics and themes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Topics – eg farmsteads, non-conformist chapels, pubs, military sites, 20th century domestic and non-domestic architecture etc. Issues – eg assessing significance, recording methods, dendrochronology, new perspectives, climate change adaptation and moving beyond minimum intervention. Practice elsewhere – Italy, other parts of Europe and other parts of the world: how values are perceived and how this translates into action. 							

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Committee members	<p>Jessica Lowther – Chair Frank Giecco – Treasurer Nina O’Hare – Secretary Sarah-Jane Farr Emily Johnston Mike Nevell Dickie Bennett Perry Gardner Richard McConnell</p> <p>Jessica, Frank, Perry and Richard were co-opted to their current committee roles in late 2023 and early 2024, so were formally voted in during September’s AGM.</p>							
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>Meeting dates: 24 September 2024 – AGM 6 November 2024 14 January 2025 24 March 2025 6 May 2025</p> <p>Date of next AGM is to be confirmed but it will be held online in late September.</p>							
Activities and events	<p>In autumn 2024 the group’s 3 Year Plan was renewed. This focusses on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> improving group communication through newsletters and tea breaks finishing up actions raised by the specialist competency matrix review and survey investigating ways to improve the reporting of community engagement (primarily through changes to the OASIS form) supporting ClfA’s work to embed the public engagement toolkit into practice, evaluate its use and fill any identified gaps <p>During May 2025, we led a tea break chat around the topic of proportional participation in public engagement and were delighted to be joined by over 50 people! This live discussion explored how we can ensure that engagement strategies are appropriately scaled, inclusive and responsive to the communities we work with by utilising the Toolkit for Public Engagement. The session intro gave an overview of the toolkit, public benefit and social value, as well as active and passive participation.</p> <p>You can view the slides for the tea break presentation and 2024-27 Plan on the group’s section of the ClfA website: www.archaeologists.net/groups/community</p>							

Group communication	<p>The group has restarted its newsletter to members which we aim to send out quarterly.</p> <p>Committee records are being moved over to Knowledge Hub to ensure that they remain accessible in future.</p>
Other pieces of work	<p>An explanatory note to accompany the community archaeology specialist competency matrix has been drafted.</p>
Plans for the next year	<p>Plans for 2025-26:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborating with Historic England, ALGAO, Archaeology Scotland and other sector stakeholders to develop and implement reporting methods for community engagement activities. • Working with ClfA to promote and share the toolkit with the wider sector.

Member number updates	<p>As of 31 July 2025, ClfA Deutschland has 151 members. Of these 55 are in Germany, 87 are in the UK and 9 in other countries.</p> <table><tr><th>Hon MCIfA</th><th>MCIfA</th><th>ACIfA</th><th>PCIfA</th><th>Affiliate</th><th>Student</th><th>Supporters</th><th>Total</th></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>50</td><td>38</td><td>24</td><td>28</td><td>11</td><td>N/A</td><td>151</td></tr></table>	Hon MCIfA	MCIfA	ACIfA	PCIfA	Affiliate	Student	Supporters	Total	0	50	38	24	28	11	N/A	151
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Committee members	<p>Svenja Partheil, Chair Hendrik Hofmann, Secretary Michael Franz, Treasurer Claus Bergmann, Ordinary committee member Victoria Biesterfeld, Ordinary committee member Holger Schweitzer, Ordinary committee member Sarah Wolff, Ordinary committee member</p> <p>At the Group's Annual General Meeting in September, we will be holding committee elections. Michael Franz and Sarah Wolff will be leaving the board and there will then be three ordinary committee positions available as well as the position of treasurer.</p>																
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>Over the year, the Group committee met regularly once per month online and one time in person (March 2025)</p>																
Activities and events	<ul style="list-style-type: none">On 14 September 2024 we held our Group AGM online via ZoomWe took part in theArchaeoWorks in October 2024On 25 February 2025, ClfA Deutschland and DGUF hosted the online conference Das Archäologische Jahr (A year in archaeology), which highlighted archaeological work and research carried out in Germany in 2024. The event (https://dguf.de/tagungen/das-archaeologische-jahr) was free to attend and open to anyone.On 30 May 2025 the committee represented ClfA at the annual DGUF conference (“Archaeologic jobs and employment in 10 years from now”) in FrankfurtIn March 2025 we started a once a month online short lecture series about various topics in archaeology (i.e. publishing archaeology, archaeometry, initial restoration treatment of mineral materials)The ClfA Deutschland commercial companies and employee working groups held regular meetings throughout the yearOur group coordinator left us, we are very sad.																
Group communication	<p>We sent out three Newsletters (May 2024, July 2024 and November 2024) and an End-of-Year-letter.</p> <p>Aside from that we created a LinkedIn account for ClfA Deutschland, which will be our main information channel to the public.</p>																

Other pieces of work	We adjusted our three-year-plan due to that our group coordinator position will not be filled in the near future.
Plans for the next year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the AGM will be held on 6 September 2025 (10am – noon) via Zoom • on 8 November 2025 we will host an online conference on the topic of hazardous materials • three members of the committee will join a panel discussion in February 2026 to working conditions for FLINTA* archaeologists • The commercial companies' working group is planning an archeology fair as a part of the "denkmal messe" in Leipzig in 2026

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Committee members	Heloise Meziani - Chair Ellen Durbin - Vice chair Cecilia Galleano - Secretary Tabitha Gulliver Lawrence - OCM Simona Chesters - OCM Luke Bateson – OCM							
Committee meetings and AGM	Highlights from meetings held include <ul style="list-style-type: none">Almost a full committee! Recruiting has been going well and previous members of the committee that had done their time are gone, new motivated members are in.Need to reinvigorate our online presence by launching and maintaining active social media channels to connect with field archaeologists, share resources and amplify our message.Want to collaborate with other SIGs on pieces highlighting the transferable skills field archaeologists have, especially in mid-career.Exploring new opportunities for engagement, such as hosting online open discussions, webinars or surveys, and building on our recent work around wellbeing and social value.Promoting practical guidance through accessible, updated resources on topics such as working in extreme weather, career progression routes and wellbeing support—ensuring diggers and field archaeologists are informed, safe and aware of their professional value.							
Activities and events	Mostly online engagement with our survey " <i>Wellbeing and Archaeology: Can focusing on social value have benefits for archaeologists too?</i> " and presenting the results at the 2025 ClfA conference.							
Group commu- nication	Working on launching our Instagram and LinkedIn pages by producing content. Restarting our social media will improve visibility and communication and we're working on up- dating and sharing practical resources (such as our guides on working in various weather, well- being, and career progression) to support diggers directly in their day-to-day roles.							
Other pieces of work	<ul style="list-style-type: none">contributed to ClfA's Professional Pathways - Aim for Associateupdated the field archaeology ClfA matrixPublished an updated Warm Weather Working piece							
Plans for the next year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">launch the Diggers' Forum Instagram and LinkedIn accountspublish the preliminary report for our Social Value Surveyreaching out to other SIGS (Project Management, Marine, Archives, Landscape, Finds, Buildings etc) for a piece on transferable skills (mid-career?)piece on the difference and similarities between Diggers Forum and Prospect to be published							

Committee meetings and AGM	<p>The EC SIG Committee holds meetings every two months or so to discuss current progress in event planning, communications with ClfA, upcoming CPD opportunities, as well as social media and links to other SIGs or organisations.</p> <p>Meetings are attended by committee members and occasionally advisors. They provide a valuable opportunity to plan, discuss, and facilitate ideas for the group and the year ahead. These meetings are in addition to those attended by Katie Sanderson in her role on the Board of Directors and Theo Seddon, in his role on the Advisory Council.</p> <p>For accessibility and efficiency, meetings continue to be held online. They take place around 7 pm and typically last about an hour, depending on the agenda. Any additional discussion takes place via the SIG's WhatsApp channels. Smaller sub-group meetings are also arranged as needed, particularly when collaborating with other SIGs or organisations, or when focusing on specific tasks and projects.</p> <p>In November 2024, an in-person committee day was hosted at the York office of the Council for British Archaeology (CBA). The day included an in-person meeting as well as a meet-and-greet dinner for new and existing committee members.</p> <p>The committee hosted their annual AGM in April 2025. A new committee was successfully voted in. A post AGM lecture entitled 'Seeing Red: A Gender Inclusive Menstruation Scheme' was delivered by Amy Talbot. Talk by Amy Talbot about the revival of Seeing Red - 23 April 2025</p>
Activities and events	<p>September 2024: The EC SIG supported the campaign and election of Katie Sanderson as an ordinary member for the ClfA Board of Directors. Katie was duly elected as a member, an incredible achievement and an important recognition of EC at a senior level.</p> <p>The EC SIG collaborated/supported the Finds SIG at their AGM Conference event as early career panellists for discussion.</p> <p>November 2024: The EC SIG committee conducted an in person meeting at the York office of the CBA. The day included an in person meeting as well as a meet and greet dinner for new and old committee members.</p> <p>December 2024: Mike (Advisor and Former Chair of AC) and Sakshi (former Chair of EC SIG) produced the ClfA Salary Benchmarking report with core ClfA Staff, Prospect and BAJR. The EC SIG committee collaborated on the production and testing of a survey for the second and larger phase.</p> <p>January/February 2025: The EC SIG made the decision to quit X (Twitter) and join Bluesky instead.</p> <p>The existing definition of 'Early Careers' was updated.</p> <p>A new social media policy was created.</p> <p>January 2025: Virtual planning took place for a 2025 shared event between the EC SIG and the Project Management SIG for our members. Potential ideas include leadership tips, report writing and advice for project management.</p>

	<p>March 2025: An in-person employability and discussion about ClfA was delivered by Sakshi (former chair), Mike (current advisor) and Tabby (former secretary) to undergraduate students at UCL, London.</p> <p>April 2025: The EC SIG Committee, as well as several members attended ClfA's Annual Conference and fringe event in Birmingham (both in a speaking and organisation capacity). Rosie and Sakshi (former chair) both contributed to insightful talks/debates.</p> <p>The committee successfully hosted another AGM and a new committee was successfully voted in. A post AGM lecture entitled 'Seeing Red: A Gender Inclusive Menstruation Scheme' was delivered by Amy Talbot.</p> <p>July 2025: The EC SIG co-organised and supported the annual Early Careers Conference with the Council for British Archaeology (CBA), during the Festival of Archaeology.</p>
Group communication	<p>We have a growing following on all social media platforms which we use to direct members to relevant training, conferences and articles. Social media engagement has increased our outreach to early careers individuals, although we understand that these followers are not solely made of EC SIG paid members. Our social media posts include polls and surveys which encourage engagement and help to ensure that members' voices are heard. Currently, we have 1,112 followers on Instagram and 853 members on Facebook.</p> <p>Instagram @cifa_ec Facebook ClfA Early Careers Special Interest Group Bluesky ClfA Early Careers SIG</p>
Other pieces of work	<p>Collaborations have continued with the CBA, Historic England and other SIGs. We are planning on continuing to develop links with the Project Management SIG.</p> <p>We are also hoping to promote more work and collaborations with university societies across the UK. This promotion will likely take place on our social media.</p>
Plans for the next year	<p>Given the significant changes to the committee over the past year, we will initially be focusing on settling in and consolidating as a team during the first part of the year. Beyond this we are aiming to attend the University Archaeology Day 2025, which will be held at the British Academy on Monday 27 October. Additionally, we intend to add further blog entries to the ClfA Early Career Group Blog – The group for archaeologists starting out in their careers. (wordpress.com)</p> <p>All further plans are in the early stages of development but include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • organising and delivering an early careers research session as part of the ClfA Innovation Festival • collaborating with ClfA on accredited degree courses, including exploring how our network could contribute to discussions with the wider membership and helping ClfA better understand the needs of prospective students • collaborating with PMSIG who are working on a document for ClfA outlining pathways and the skills required to achieve membership • promoting and collaborating with Historic England on their mentoring scheme • EC SIG Committee representation on a panel within a CBA 'This is Archaeology' lecture which will focus on various aspects of archaeology from an early career's perspective

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Committee members	Chair - Emily Johnson Treasurer - Imogen Wood Secretary - Bekky Hillman Communications Officer - Gulfareen Kamran Ordinary members - Ruth Beveridge, Rachel Cubitt, Deborah Fox, Peter Guest, Anna Tyacke Advisor - Laura Racliffe-Warren																
Committee meetings and AGM	AGM 17 September 2024 as part of an online Pottery specialist training day. Attendance was good, and it was decided that we would concentrate our efforts on the training crisis. Committee meetings held on 7 October 2024, 26 November 2024, 12 February 2025 and 14 May 2025. We aim to have a meeting bi-monthly																
Activities and events	The AGM took the form of a pottery specialism conference. Finds Group Conference and AGM 2024 recordings - 17 September 2024 Emily attended all advisory council meetings and reported back to the group. Town Hall meeting 1 April for input from groups on specialist training and the way forward, with three committee members, 1 ClfA representative and 16 guests. This was used to talk about training venues, what type of training there was and how the Finds group could help achieve goals. 29 April 2 committee members attended the Archaeology Mentoring Partnership launch by HE in Birmingham. Attendance was reasonable with some matches found.																
Group communication	In September 2024 we voted in a Communications Officer to increase the frequency of our group communication. In October, we finalised our communications plan and social media policy going forward, including Facebook guidelines to set up a group. In November we released the Finds Group Newsletter . As a Group we also decided to expand our social media channels and set up a BlueSky and Instagram account, as well as a Facebook group. Since launching the new accounts in February, we now have 67 followers on Instagram, 48 followers on BlueSky, 416 on X (formerly Twitter), 30 members on the Facebook community group, and 137 followers on our Facebook page. We use these channels to promote CPD opportunities and posts introducing the committee. We will also be using these channels to promote Finds discussions.																

	<p>This year we have also had an update on our Group's page on CIFA's website with updated information and wording.</p> <p>A member survey will be launched at our 2025 AGM.</p>
Other pieces of work	<p>Emily and Imogen have helped to launch the pottery recording toolkit, based on the pottery reporting guidance.</p> <p>The Roman Coinage toolkit has been updated with the help of Emily and Peter Guest.</p>
Plans for the next year	<p>We are aiming to have our AGM in October or November in a venue that will allow us to have specialists showing artefacts and hopefully low admission costs.</p> <p>We also aim to carry on trying to promote specialist training for early careers.</p>

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Committee members	<p>Robert Janaway - Chair Sabrina Ki - Advisor Aidan Harte - Ordinary committee member Dee Hillier - Ordinary committee member Jenny Carey Mikkelsen - Ordinary committee member Deborah Ryder - Ordinary committee member Peter Schofield - Ordinary committee member Caroline Sims – Ordinary committee member (new) Madeleine Stephens - Ordinary committee member Diana Swales - Secretary Alexandria Young – Treasurer</p> <p>We would like to thank everyone who has been involved with the committee over the last 12 months for their time and support.</p>							
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>Two meetings have been held in 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 28 March 2025• 24 April 2025 <p>A further meeting arranged for 16 May was cancelled.</p> <p>The focus of these meetings has been the advancement of plans for a conference, training sessions and webinars for 2026. This has included confirming best platforms for delivery and resources available from ClfA.</p> <p>Arranging meetings for the committee is difficult due to the irregular work hours and high work commitments, but everybody attends when possible and provides helpful feedback to notes from each meeting and contributes any suggestions in advance via email.</p>							
Activities and events	<p>There were discussions with the Human Osteoarchaeology SIG about a proposed joint conference, and it became apparent that there was insufficient capacity within the Human Osteoarchaeology SIG event plans for a forensic archaeology component.</p> <p>Suggestions for conferences/workshops/activities and potential guest speakers were collated within the Group, and some key potential speakers for webinars have been contacted with positive responses.</p> <p>It was decided in the April Forensic Archaeology SIG meeting that it would be advantageous to try and gather more information about the membership and what their preferences would be for activities from us, eg online, in-person, time of year, evenings and weekends, location etc.</p>							

	<p>Cara Burton has provided valuable information regarding the demographics and regional distribution of membership and an example of a member survey to assist FASIG gather some more information about the nature of the membership to help tailor provisioning.</p> <p>It is proposed that a survey will be sent to the membership in September 2025 to consolidate the plans for delivering professional development and general interest opportunities for 2026.</p>
Group communication	<p>We have a Twitter (X) page https://x.com/CIfA_FASIG. Although it has been inactive since January 2024 we are hoping to be adding some more content to it in the future and would welcome followers or suggestions for content.</p> <p>It is proposed that in the aforementioned survey that the membership will be asked their preferred social media platform.</p>
Other pieces of work	<p>Committee members contributed to the final review of the comments of the Expert panel for the Forensic Archaeology Specialist Competence Matrix.</p>
Plans for the next year	<p>Next year will see the fruition of detailed, well-considered and informed plans for a conference/training session and interactive CPD courses for early career forensic archaeologists, as well as webinars for the wider membership with an interest in forensic archaeology. We will provide more details of the plans at the AGM in November.</p> <p>The Forensic Archaeology Special Interest Group is excited by the plans and potential guest speakers for the next year and feel the foundational work undertaken this year will serve the membership well.</p>

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Committee members	<p>Hannah Kennedy - Chair Jonski Millar - Vice chair Amy Wright - Secretary Ailsa Bailey - Ordinary Member Lesley Collett - Ordinary Member Mark Hoyle - Ordinary Member Krissy Moore - Ordinary Member Tom Small - Ordinary Member</p> <p>Over the past year Marion Devigne has stepped down from her role as ordinary member and we have formally co-opted Krissy Moore and Ailsa Bailey. We currently have space for 1 further ordinary member.</p> <p>Amy Wright will be reaching the end of her term as secretary this year and the role will be open for nominations ahead of our AGM, which is to be held in November.</p>							
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>Over the last year we have continued to hold our committee meetings virtually. We also held an online AGM in November 2024. Our AGM was well attended and included a discussion on the use of traditional and digital recording methods in the sector. A recording of the discussion can be found here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KI71-QV5-54uTube.</p> <p>Our next AGM will be held in November 2025 with an exact date to be confirmed – we hope to see you there!</p>							
Group communication	<p>Over the last year, membership of our Facebook group (https://www.facebook.com/groups/GraphicsArchaeologyClfA/) has grown from 811 to 898 members. This page continues to be a useful resource for members seeking advice, information on events and engagement with others in the profession.</p> <p>We are currently in the process of researching LinkedIn as another possible platform for the Group.</p>							
Advocacy	<p>We continue to represent Graphic Archaeology at the Advisory Council. Jonski Millar attends and feeds back on pertinent discussion. We aim to have a representative at all Advisory Council meetings, substituting where required.</p>							
Assessment	<p>Members of the committee regularly partake in assessing applications from specialists within the graphics and survey specialisms. Two committee members volunteer on the MCIfA panels and we assist ClfA colleagues in assessing applications at all grades.</p>							

Plans for the next year	We will continue to work on creating a standard for archaeological illustration, aiming to consult, revise and approve this document within the next year.
Guidance	We fed into planned revisions of the core and specialist matrices and continue to review material provided to applicants and members to ensure it is relevant and fit for purpose.

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Committee members	<p>Paul Jeffery Vacant Kirsty Squires Alison James Jenny Kent Jon Berry Jonathan Gladwin Peter Reavill Aisling Nash</p> <p>Chair and Advisory Council Group rep Vice chair Ordinary committee member Ordinary Committee Member Ordinary Committee Member Ordinary Committee Member Ordinary Committee Member Ordinary Committee Member Secretary</p> <p>Our Treasurer Annie Partridge stepped down in April of this year after nearly 2 years supporting the Group. We extend our thanks to Annie for all of the input and expertise she provided during that time.</p> <p>Our newest committee member is Kirsty Squires.</p> <p>This means we currently have a Vice-chair position to be filled. We are keen to hear from anyone who might be interested in this post or joining the committee.</p>							
Committee meetings and AGM	Our AGM included a CPD talk by Andy Bliss QPM about the benefits of considering Heritage Watch and other tactics to help protect archaeological excavations.							
Activities and events	<p>As part of Heritage Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour weeks in June we contributed to a Maritime Heritage Crime Webinar hosted by National Historic Ships UK & the Maritime Heritage Trust. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T8wcXAWsH3Y</p> <p>The chair gave a short presentation on the Group's activities and aims to the ClfA Advisory Council.</p>							
Group communication	<p>We reached 100 members on our LinkedIn ClfA Heritage Crime Special Interest Group page.</p> <p>We are keen to find a member who has skills and an interest in managing and developing our social media accounts and helping to promote the work of the group more widely.</p>							

Other pieces of work	<p>We are developing a specialist competence matrix which will allow both archaeologists and law enforcement officers to develop and demonstrate skills and experience on a convergent pathway for roles specialist roles such as Heritage Crime Officer, Heritage Crime Volunteer and Heritage Crime Advisor.</p> <p>We are continuing to build a CPD library of resources on our group page and to identify case studies for sharing.</p>
Plans for the next year	<p>We are excited to have a stand representing ClfA at the Emergency Services Show at the Birmingham NEC on 17 and 18 September. It is free to attend, so book online if you are in the area.</p> <p>We have papers from group members due for a split Heritage Crime & Climate focused Historic Environment, Policy & Practice volume due for publication in the next issue.</p> <p>We are planning to obtain CPD status for a two part training module (based on that for Police Heritage Crime Officers provided by Historic England) to roll out for ClfA members in early 2026.</p>

Human Osteoarchaeology Group

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Committee members	<p>Sam Tipper (Interim Chair) Heidi Dawson-Hobbis (Vice chair) Kirsty Squires (Secretary) Jennifer Carey (Ordinary committee member - social media) Milena Grzybowska (Ordinary committee member) Rachel Ives (Ordinary committee member) Sabrina Ki (Ordinary committee member – social media) Aoife McCaughey (Ordinary committee member)</p> <p>Since the previous report, two members stepped down from their positions on the committee. These include: Nick Baker (Treasurer) Colin Forrestral (Secretary)</p> <p>The current committee would like to extend our thanks to the previous committee members for the hard work they had put in to keeping the group running, and for enabling the new committee members to step in.</p>																																																																																																	
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>Discussion points at our committee meetings have included ideas for events and member engagement activities moving forward. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• dissemination of newsletters to membership• organising quarterly ‘Osteobite’ lectures• organisation of a Human Osteoarchaeology SIG conference in autumn 2025• joint conference with the Forensic Archaeology SIG is on hold for the time being• feedback on Law Commission Report on Burial and Cremation																																																																																																	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • arranging a collaborative meeting with BABAO members to discuss the outcomes of the AFFORD report and its implications for osteoarchaeologists, museum curators, etc.
Activities and events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • quarterly 'Osteobite' lectures. There will have been three by the end of July 2025 which have been recorded and are available to rewatch on ClfA's designated OsteoSIG YouTube playlist: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCQplffE5Y9FIPRotJLI9T5zee2LMUCZv • Human Osteoarchaeology SIG online conference in autumn 2025
Group communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • dissemination of newsletters to membership • social media is being updated on a regular basis. The SIG have moved from Twitter to BlueSky. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Facebook group: ClfA Human Osteoarchaeology Group (OsteoSIG) Facebook - BlueSky feed: ClfA Osteoarchaeology Group (@cifaosteomarch.bsky.social) Blue Sky
Other pieces of work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • closer work with BABAO, eg upcoming meeting with BABAO members to discuss AFFORD report • we obtained permission from the BABAO annual conference organisers at the University of Leicester and the Trustees to hold a stand at the 2025 to promote the SIG
Plans for the next year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • we have already lined up a number of speakers for the 'Osteobite' lecture series. Full information about each event planned over the next 12 months can be found at the bottom of our Group webpage • In person conference and workshop to be held in 2026

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	0	234	99	97	55	20	3	508
Committee members	<p>The committee chair Michael D'Aprix had to unexpectedly step down in October 2024. As a result, Laura O'Connor stepped into the role of Acting Chair until the December 2024 AGM where she was officially elected Chair. There were no applicants for Treasurer at this time, so Katie Green and Laura O'Connor agreed to share the responsibility. The committee also officially welcomed Thomas Cromwell as an ordinary member at the December AGM 2024. In February 2025 the committee decided to adopt the new ClfA Groups structure of Chair and Vice chair and Katie Green stepped into the position of Vice chair. We currently have space for 2 ordinary members.</p> <p>The committee currently includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laura O'Connor (Chair) • Katie Green (Vice Chair) • Eileen Kerhouant • Theodora Anastasiadou • Jessica Irwin • Thomas Cromwell <p>We also have two advisory members (Simon Parsons and Gary Duckers) who often attend committee meetings in an advisory capacity.</p>							
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>Over the reporting year the committee has held five Zoom meetings including our AGM held in December 2024.</p> <p>The focus of our meetings this year has primarily been the rejuvenation of the committee and the development of our DigiTea programme.</p>							
Activities and events	<p>This year the main event held by IMSIG was our AGM where we asked our members what they would like to see IMSIG priorities for the coming year. The priorities identified were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead on Industry Standards for Heritage • Conduct Outreach and Training Initiatives <p>There was also an agreement that the group should have a longer term aim in future years of surveying members to evaluate information management roles and the use of technology. With the aim of comparing these findings with data collected in 2015 data and publishing a comprehensive report.</p> <p>This year the committee held a photo competition to find a new image for our IMSIG Roller Banner.</p> <p>IMSIG and CAA UK also applied for a joint session at the ClfA Annual Conference in April 2025. However, while the session was accepted the time allocated was considered too short to adequately cover the topic and therefore the session was abandoned. It is hoped that the session</p>							

	<p>could perhaps be repurposed for an event at the CIFA innovation festival. IMSIG are also in discussions with CIFA about chairing a session on AI in Heritage during the Innovation Festival.</p> <p>Furthermore, IMSIG are exploring a technical series based on the ClfA Dig Digital toolkit with ClfA's support. We are also looking into hosting drop in sessions for ClfA members who may have technical questions about information management.</p>
Group communication	<p>Over the past reporting year IMSIG moved from X to BlueSky, and our advisor Simon Parsons set up a ClfA BlueSky account of archaeologists.net (equivalent of X blue tick). We intend to close the X account and going forward we will focus our social media efforts on our LinkedIn page and BlueSky feed.</p> <p>We have also refreshed our IMSIG web page - including adding committee bios.</p>
Other pieces of work	<p>Across the year the committee has also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● finalised the Information Management Specialist Competence Matrix ● consulted on the CIFA Train the Trainer and Intro to Specialism Series plans ● attended the TETRARCHs GDPR Guidance plans ● attended the CAA UK Conference 2024 ● attended ClfA Innovation Festival 2024 ● attended ClfA Conference 2025 ● attended inaugural ClfA Awards discussions ● presented at the ClfA Advisory Group Forum on IMSIG
Plans for the next year	<p>Over 2025 the committee have planned a series of online DiglTea Talks to explore the world of digital data. These sessions will be recorded and made available after the session. Planned sessions included</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CHRoMA: addressing interoperability of archaeological survey data through a colour vision friendly thematic map key' by Peter McKeague. ● 'Enabling Interoperable Cultural 3D Data with IIIF' by Thomas Flynn. ● OASIS Explained: Your Guide to the UK's Historic Environment Investigation Database' by Nicky Garland from ADS. ● 'Mapping the Tweed: Discovering the Past Together with LiDAR and Citizen Science' by Graeme Cavers of AOC Archaeology. ● LiDAR in archaeology guidelines by Rebecca Bennett. <p>Membership increased from 461 (Dec 2024) to 500 (July 2025). Growth attributed to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● launch of DiglTea digital tea break series - Our OASIS talk had a record breaking registration of 135 people with 85 attending live! ● new social media campaign including photograph competition for our new banner <p>More events to come including CPD sessions. IMSIG are exploring a technical series based on the ClfA Dig Digital toolkit with ClfA's support. We are also exploring IM drop-in/SOS sessions to help provide technical skills to ClfA members e.g. data naming, file structuring, data management plans etc.</p>

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	1	278	126	124	54	23	0	606
Committee members	<div>Vice-Chair</div> <div>Niamh Carty</div> <div>Ordinary committee member</div> <div>Leonora O'Brien</div> <div>Ordinary committee member</div> <div>Alice Hobson</div> <div>Ordinary committee member</div> <div>Ruth Humphreys</div> <div>Ordinary committee member</div> <div>Bill Finlayson</div> <div>Ordinary committee member</div> <div>Max Du Bois-Jones</div> <div>Ordinary committee member</div> <div>Emily Dennis</div> <div>Ordinary committee member</div> <div>Adam Pietrzak</div> <div>Advisor</div> <div>Caroline Pathy-Barker</div> <div>Advisor</div> <div>Peter Hinton</div>							
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>We have held committee meeting in October, November and December of 2024, February, April and July of 2025.</p> <p>We also held our AGM in January of 2025 where Leo presented information about the Group, including the background, aims, member number information and the positions on the committee which were vacant. As a result, we welcomed new committee members and advisors to the Group.</p> <p>Our Group contains a lot of international experience and perspectives; however, we have found it challenging replacing officer positions on the committee.</p>							
Activities and events	<p>In September 2024 we ran a tea break talk with Stephanie Grant, Director of the British Council/DCMS Cultural Protection Fund. She discussed highlights and trends in projects which was really useful and feedback from colleagues was unanimously positive.</p>							
Group communication	<p>We are always keen to communicate the message that ClfA is not a UK organisation and we have members from around the world.</p> <p>As a Group we want to ensure we are delivering valuable activities and topics for our members. We will be surveying the IPSIG membership in September 2025 in order to make sure our activities align with the membership needs.</p> <p>The Group LinkedIn page has a following of 308 people and we regularly post links to external talks and lectures. It’s a useful tool for cross posting from other organisations with updates about heritage at risk worldwide.</p>							

Other pieces of work	<p>Committee members contributed to an article in <i>The Archaeologist</i> magazine about international performance standards. See TA issue 124, page 30 for the full article.</p> <p>We also wrote an article for ClfA-Deutschland's November 2024 newsletter introducing the Group titled <i>Archaeologists without borders: Introducing ClfA's International Practice Special Interest Group</i>.</p>
Plans for the next year	<p>We are hosting a networking session in October focussing on Intangible Cultural Heritage in context of UK ratification.</p>

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	Hon MCIfA	MCIfA	ACIfA	PCIfA	Affiliate	Student	Supporters	Total
	0	158	96	67	30	36	9	396
Committee members	<p>Sam Turner (chair) Meike van Lit (vice-chair) Brandon Braun (secretary) Ian Houlston (AC rep) David Astbury Kat Hopwood-Lewis Tori Park Abi Tompkins Janine Young</p> <p>There were two changes to the committee in the past year: Meike’s role was changed from treasurer to vice-chair and Tori Park was elected as an ordinary committee member to replace Vicky Bowns. Thank you to Vicky for her help getting the LSIG off the ground!</p>							
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>The LSIG committee held quarterly meetings in October 2024, January 2025, and June 2025; our AGM was held in May 2025.</p> <p>In these meetings, highlights include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• our social media communication strategy• lunchtime talk series• possible in-person meetings/events• possible collaborations with other CIfA SIGs• possible LSIG specialist matrix• possible takeover of The Archaeologist							
Activities and events	<p>The LSIG has an ongoing lunchtime talk series, usually comprising two short lectures. There have been four events so far, which are recorded and available. Two more are scheduled for 17 September 2025 and 12 November 2025.</p> <p>Full details about previous and upcoming talks can be found on the Landscape Group’s website.</p>							
Group communication	<p>We conducted a membership poll prior to the AGM, seeking feedback on the lunchtime talks and views on the possibility of in-person events in the future. We gained possible themes for future lunchtime talks and generally positive feedback. Views on in-person events were mixed: concerns included time, distance and environmental impact on travel.</p> <p>In July 2024, the LSIG social media started with Facebook, Instagram, and X. In January 2025, a change was made to replace X with BlueSky and also add LinkedIn. Engagement is fairly good, with LinkedIn definitely having the most reach. Social media does need to be reviewed to lessen the load as it turned out that it was too hard to have such a continuous social media presence.</p>							

	<p>We have discussed this in committee meetings, with good ideas having been brought up which are being worked out further at the moment.</p>
<p>Other pieces of work</p>	<p>The LSIG is interested in producing a specialist competence matrix. Through a membership poll and discussion at the AGMs, the committee understands that many of our members do not feel their roles and responsibilities are adequately represented by the available specialist matrices.</p>
<p>Plans for the next year</p>	<p>We plan to continue the lunchtime talk series for the next year, with talks scheduled in September and November 2025. We are also discussing the possibility of an in-person event, likely to coincide with a meeting or ClfA conference.</p> <p>We are keen to collaborate with other SIGs, such as for joint on-line or in-person events, conferences, panels, or whatever else is of interest.</p>

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Committee members	<p>This year we welcome two new members to the Marine Archaeology SIG that bring valuable knowledge to the group.</p> <p>Mark James (Chair) Alison James (Vice-Chair, previously Treasurer) Stephanie Said (Secretary) Jasmin Folland (New Committee Member) Hefin Meara George Stewart-Phillips Christian Dalton Lauren Tidbury Terence Newman Victoria Boothby (Advisor) Iro Camici (Advisor) (New Committee Member)</p>																
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>Between August 2024 to July 2025, the Committee met in September, December (AGM), February and May.</p> <p>This year the focus of our meetings has been around the member survey results that was issued over autumn and the attendance to the ClfA Conference which led to our committee setting up a one day online conference focusing on Marine Archaeology (scheduled for November 2025).</p> <p>In addition, MASIG is developing a register of archaeological divers to support safe and professional practice in the sector. We aim to support archaeologists in maintaining their diving skills by helping archaeological diving contractors find divers from within our profession rather than looking to commercial divers with no archaeological experience.</p> <p>Furthermore, MASIG have continued being involved in consultations and advocacy, attended a handful of conferences, created promotional MASIG pamphlets to take to events, and are reviewing (ongoing) the Standard & guidance for nautical archaeological recording and reconstruction (2014).</p>																
Group communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none">MASIG communicates with its members via the ClfA website and social media channels Facebook and X (formerly Twitter). The latter is in the process of being closed and replaced with a Bluesky account.MASIG undertook a member survey, the results of which can be viewed here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijcwBJ-WnSQ																
Other pieces of work	<p>Over the past year MASIG have engaged with the Knowledge Hub portal, where material has been uploaded, including a selection of marine archaeology specific guidance notes which are available to view.</p>																

Plans for the next year	<p>Our next day online conference 'Offshore development: creating a legacy for marine archaeology' will be held on Thursday 27 November. The theme for this conference will be building on the day conference that was held in 2019, providing case studies to show how far we have come in six years, how initiatives are shaping 'how we do things'.</p> <p>Furthermore, based on member survey results there is an appetite for MASIG to run quarterly online CPD sessions, which will be delivered over the autumn / winter months in collaboration with other specialist groups.</p>
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	Hon MCIfA	MCIfA	ACIfA	PCIfA	Affiliate	Student	Supporters	Total
	0	455	205	121	63	25	0	869
Committee members	Chair - Charlie Willis Vice-chair - Ailsa Westgarth Secretary - Sarah Hannon-Bland Committee members - Gillian King, Gemma Stevenson, Zoe Richardson, Martin Locock, Jason Stewart Advisors - Alistair Barclay, Jake Streatfeild-James, Alice James, Laura O'Connor							
Committee meetings and AGM	Meetings have now become Bi-monthly meetings, with the new members providing a wider range of backgrounds and specialisms. Discussions have been had on collaborating and skill shar- ing with other groups.							
Activities and events	It was a growing, busy year for the Project Management group, with six new committee mem- bers joining. The members come from a large variety of project management backgrounds and levels, making the group more diverse in their skills and experience. Members of the committee attended the 2025 ClfA, with discussions to have a larger presence in the 2026 conference including discussing potential collaborations with other committees, such as part of the on-going collaborate with the Early Careers SIG.							
Group commu- nication	When the group have updates, we contribute to the ClfA weekly update where possible.							
Other pieces of work	The group collaborated to help update the Project Management Competency Matrix. The group also collaborated to create an article for the ClfA Pathway to Practitioner July Bulletin – ‘Project Management skills in early and mid-career job roles’.							
Plans for the next year	We aim to increase engagement with the group membership including hosting a series of tea break talks on topics of interest and specialism by the committee members. We are also looking forward to collaborating with other ClfA groups. Our AGM is being held in October and will feature a guest speaker, which will be a good oppor- tunity to meet up and discuss further the future plans as well as look back on the progress the group has been able to make.							

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	Hon MCIfA	MCIfA	ACIfA	PCIfA	Affiliate	Student	Supporters	Total
	0	456	210	199	84	46	0	995
Committee members	<p>Chair Evelyne Godfrey</p> <p>Vice Chair Matilda Holmes</p> <p>Secretary Colin Forrestal</p> <p>Ordinary committee members Katerina Vavaliou, Ermelinda Trinder, Marianne Moedlinger, Perry Gardner and Daria Dabal.</p>							
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>Our Group AGM was held in August of 2024, and committee meetings were held in September and November of 2024, and February and March of 2025.</p> <p>Highlights of the discussions include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">the diversity of the committee, both geographically and nationality and that it wasn’t an UK centric committee as members were busy in the EAA and with other groups like the AEAthe EAA Rome 2024 session #882 on synthesis went very well and seemed well received. All the presentations from the EAA Rome 2024 session are on our Knowledge Hub webpage.the academic matrix development by committee members Matilda Holmes and Perry Gardenersocial media pages which the Group could best utilise							
Group communication	<p>This year we have published documents on our Knowledge Hub webpage. We have published 6 newsletters with a seventh in process of being compiled.</p>							
Other pieces of work	<p>We have updated the academic matrix to make the language more inclusive.</p>							
Plans for the next year	<p>We plan to follow up on our ClfA conference session with a session at the ClfA Innovation festival, discussing more collaboration between academic and commercial archaeology.</p>							

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	2	229	131	117	41	30	1	551
Committee members	<p><i>Current member names and committee roles, including changes in positions since 2023-2024 re-report.</i></p> <p>Chair David Connolly Secretary Lisa Bird Vice Chair Matt Ritchie Committee member Stefan Sagrott Committee member Helena Gray Committee member Paul Harrison Committee member Heather Kwiatkowski Committee member Christina Hills Advisor Kevin Mooney</p>							
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>15 April 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scottish based CPD discussed membership survey discussed and action taken- social media closed; knowledge Hub set up for the Committee planning for the Networking Event 2025 discussed <p>Discussions within the Committee ongoing on Knowledge Hub</p>							
Activities and events	Forthcoming ClfA Scottish Network Networking Event National Museum of Scotland Friday 12 September 2025							
Group communication	<p>Survey sent to group membership to engagement membership on the future of the Group; proposed name change; and communication style.</p> <p>It was agreed that social media channels would be closed and that the newsletter would cease. Communication would be maintained via email.</p> <p>Committee to use Knowledge Hub for communication and the planning of events.</p>							
Other pieces of work	Rob Lennox to engage with Group on Advocacy Support – awaiting information and engagement on solar farms in Scotland.							
Plans for the next year	<p>ClfA Scottish Network Networking Event National Museum of Scotland Friday 12th September</p> <p>AGM 2025- pencilled November 2025 (w/c 17)</p>							

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	Hon MCIfA	MCIfA	ACIfA	PCIfA	Affiliate	Student	Supporters	Total
	1	185	84	79	30	27	0	406
Committee members	<p>Chair Jon Berry</p> <p>Vice-chair Cyllene Griffiths</p> <p>Secretary Rachel Morgan-James</p> <p>Committee members Zoe Arthurs Jennifer Richards Andrew Seaman Jean-Yves Robic Judith Doyle Guy Salkeld</p>							
Committee meetings and AGM	<p>Our Annual General Meeting was held in December of 2024. During our AGM we welcomed new members to the committee, as well as welcomed back past committee members and updated some of the roles which current committee members undertake.</p> <p>We have also held committee meetings in February and July of 2025.</p>							
Activities and events	<p>On Tuesday 20 May 2025 we held a ClfA Cymru/Wales Group virtual finds afternoon, where we explored recent discoveries, specialist methods and professional guidance in archaeological finds work.</p> <p>The recordings of the sessions are available to watch via the link below. ClfA Wales/Cymru Group's virtual finds afternoon recordings</p>							
Other pieces of work	<p>We have recently updated the Group 3 year plan to align with our current focus.</p> <p>It remains important to include other specialisms within Cymru events, and for Cymru to be present in conversations with others. Where possible, we emphasise that Wales has separate legislation and that it is always considered.</p>							
Plans for the next year	<p>We hope to highlight high-profile work in Wales to be showcased at our 2025 AGM on 19 November with a possible CPD workshop at the same time. We have discussed a possible topic for a workshop in Autumn/Winter 2025 of ‘<i>The future of our Past</i>’.</p> <p>We have also had discussions <i>about a possible</i> Student takeover event in Spring/Summer 2026.</p>							