

## Heritage Crime Special Interest Group AGM

2 July 2024 - Online – Teams meeting

### AGM Minutes

**Present:** Annie Partridge (Treasurer), Aisling Nash (Secretary), Alison James (Ordinary Committee Member), Jonathan Gladwin (Ordinary Committee Member), Paul Jeffery (Chair), Peter Reavill (Ordinary Committee Member)

Agenda Point		Action (Initials)
1.	Apologies	Jenny Kent (JK) and Jonathan Berry (JB)
2.	Minutes of the last AGM	PJ confirmed that the minutes of the 2023 AGM are on the group webpage.
3.	Chair's report	<p>PJ – 2024 has been a busy year for the group.</p> <p><b>CifA Conference:</b> The group hosted a Heritage Crime session which was well attended with approximately 60 people in the room at any one time. The group also had a stand over the two days at the conference which generated a lot of interest. Police officers from Cheshire Police and West Merica attended the conference and session. PJ confirmed that the session was recorded and the recording is available on the CifA website.</p> <p><b>The Archaeologist (TA122):</b> This edition of the Archaeologist was hosted by the group and contained articles on what is currently happening to help prevent heritage crime across the UK. It also included material from other SIGs where relevant e.g. Forensics. It also contained information about technology, heritage crime prevention initiatives such as Heritage Watch along with an article on training.</p> <p><b>Publicity materials:</b> A leaflet and banner were produced for the conference which will be used to promote the SIG in other venues. PJ have confirmed that these are available for people who are attending events where the group could be promoted.</p> <p><b>General:</b> Along with these specific events/items, the group has held a number of discussions with other CifA groups and external organisations. The group is also</p>

		exploring opportunities to include articles on heritage crime in other publications over the coming year.
4.	Secretary's report	AN gave a brief secretary's report (points were covered elsewhere in the agenda).  As of July 2024, the group had a membership totalling 233 with a total of 7 committee meetings held since May 2023. In terms of social media, the SIG has 342 followers on X with a total of 267 posts.
5.	Treasurer's report	AP gave a short treasurer's report: Applied for the full budget from CifA which is £800 which has been granted. This is for committee costs but hasn't been used as of yet. If the group wants to hold an event, this will come from a different budget.
6.	Elections to committee and Advisory Council representative	PJ confirmed that the majority of the committee positions have been filled and are not up for election this year. PJ did confirm that there is a vacancy for an ordinary committee member and invited expressions of interest for this role.  PJ currently confirmed that we are looking within the committee for our representative on the Advisory Council. This will be announced once the person has been confirmed.
7.	3-year plan review	PJ went through the 3-year plan and updated what progress has been made for each point in the relevant year.
8	<i>Update on recent Heritage Crime Initiatives on the South-West Peninsula</i> by Superintendent Tom Holmes of Devon & Cornwall police	Presentation by Superintendent Tom Holmes on the work being done on heritage crime initiatives in the South-West.
8.	Q&A and discussion	PJ chaired a Q&A session. Discussion points were not recorded.
9.	AOB	Heritage Watch was raised as an initiative that people can get involved with. Andy Bliss (lead on Heritage Watch) gave a short introduction to the scheme and how to get involved.  PJ closed the AGM and thanked everyone for attending.