

1066 SOCIETY CHARITY Reg no 1165028

Trustees' Annual Report and accounts 2/4/2022 to 1/4/2023

The charity and its trustees remained active through this period of this account. Work is in hand to formalise a number of areas of governance, with safeguarding and CBA checking having been completed by one of the trustees.

Archaeological activities resumed with two specialised weeks involving a limited number of volunteers. All bids for money were unsuccessful despite the importance of the work being investigated. Fresh bids have been submitted in a new round of funding. Analysis of the samples recovered has however been made possible as compensation for voluntary work undertaken on a project overseas. The distribution of grants to heritage funding is increasingly erratic and capricious, leading the Trustees to give consideration to undertaking commercial activities within its recognised purposes.

Negotiations stop and start with the aim of finding a permanent home for the tapestry within York. In the meantime the tapestry is put on display at events ranging from several major public events to a number of talks. The charitable purposes are also being promoted by assisting new groups around the UK to plan the production of their own historic tapestries. None of these activities generate income yet and in all cases any expenditure is met directly so that no costs fall on the Charity.

One peer reviewed paper was published within the academic community on the chemistry of some finds. Subsequently volunteers assisted with organising a major international conference in London to further this research. Significant funding was subsequently obtained to extend this research. As this work is not being undertaken by the Charity it does not result in income or expenditure. The results of this research is in the process of being published along with other papers with the stated object of assisting other practitioners.

A project that remains the focus of the Charity's activity which is to provide an interpretive trail for the public although the early proposals were not adopted. Following further meetings with the local authority the creation has been mandated and proposals are being resubmitted. With a small budget allocated to creating this interpretive trail by the local authority, charging them for the work done by volunteers will limit what can be achieved. So the work required seems unlikely to result in fees being paid to the Charity.

With goodwill, it is remarkable what the Charity is able to achieve without directly raising or spending of charitable funds despite all of the activity. However, applications for grants will continue and the ambitions of the Charity are edging closer to fulfilment.

Rather than producing a complex income and expenditure statement this simple expression is provided. None of the limited assets of the charity have been sold.

Chas Jones

On behalf of the Trustees

29 January 2023