

FRIENDS OF THE PETRIE MUSEUM

**The Friends of the Petrie Museum
Trustees' Annual Report
for the period
6 November 2020 to 31 December 2021**

Charity Registration Number: 1192201

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 December 2021. The report has been prepared in accordance with The Charity Commission's *Statement of Recommended Practice* including its guidance on the application of the required *Financial Reporting Standard* (FRS 102). It covers the period from the initial registration of the Friends of the Petrie Museum as a charity (6 November 2020) to the end of the first full financial year after that date (December 2021).

1) Objectives and Activities

a) Overview

The object of the Friends of the Petrie Museum (PMF) is to further public education about, and understanding of, the history, archaeology and culture of the Nile Valley and surrounding regions. This is done through support to University College, London's (UCL) Petrie Museum of Egyptian and Sudanese Archaeology and its collections, in particular by:

- contributing to the conservation, safekeeping and display of the collections of the Petrie Museum as a whole and individual objects within it
- supporting and coordinating related research, publication, education, and other charitable work.

The PMF fulfils its charitable purposes for public benefit through a range of activities:

- We have a grant-making process that is focused on promoting and supporting the work of the Petrie Museum. The process also offers support to other suitably qualified individuals or organisations working in related areas.
- We offer educational events during the year which present current research on the history, archaeology and culture of the Nile Valley. Most have some link to the work of the archaeologist, Flinders Petrie and/or the collection of the Petrie Museum. We also work with other organisations with similar interests, for example The Egypt Exploration Society and UCL's Institute of Archaeology.
- We offer support for the care and conservation of the Museum's collections and seek input on work needing to be done from Museum staff, who report regularly to our Board meetings. We raise awareness of significant conservation efforts and Museum-based activity such as loans of artefacts to other bodies.
- We sustain communication with PMF members and other interested persons by means of social media, a printed annual magazine, and other occasional notes and newsletters. Our Facebook page and Twitter accounts extend our reach, particularly to scholars in Egypt, and we monitor the level of external access and interaction.
- Occasional visits are organised to Egyptological collections in the UK and beyond including Egypt. These visits are educational, rather than recreational, in nature.

b) Charity Commission Guidance

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Friends' aims and objectives, in planning activities, and setting the grant making policy.

c) Grant Making Policy

The trustees invite proposals from individuals and organisations, and these proposals must include a range of information set out in our guidance on applications.

When making decisions on the award of grants, we consider whether the proposed plan:

- fits within our charitable aims
- is based on a clear plan with appropriately defined objectives
- includes a proposed timeline and costings that appear feasible

- offers benefits that are justified by the costs
- has potential for broad impact, and
- is likely to be supported by other funding bodies or individuals in cases requiring co-funding.

We expect each proposed project to be identified as a priority in the strategic plan of the applicant organisation. We are also able to consider support to short-notice interventions, for example to repair damage, or to prepare an item for exhibition, as long as the criteria set out above are met to the greatest degree possible.

2) Achievements and Performance

a) Public Benefits

The benefits of the Friends' activities lie in:

- providing access to current research on the history, archaeology and culture of the Nile Valley and surrounding areas to a broad audience with an interest in these topics, thus adding to individual and collective intellectual development
- offering researchers the opportunity to disseminate their investigations and findings beyond their immediate context to an audience and readership broader than that served by, for example, traditional learned journals, and
- providing grants, mainly to the Petrie Museum, but also to other individuals and organisations working as indicated in Grant Making Policy (please see section above).

b) PMF Response to the Pandemic

The coronavirus pandemic meant that we were unable to hold our usual in-person lectures. Instead, they were delivered over Zoom, and we hosted more lectures than normal. Zoom also enabled us to invite speakers from across the globe, without the usual constraints of travel costs and busy schedules. Many more members from outside the London area, and even outside the UK, were able to attend the lectures, which also contributed to related social interaction. In addition to input from established experts in the field, we held a series of Members' Miscellanies, where members spoke about their own research interests, and this, too, was a valuable learning experience.

Our grant making was somewhat curtailed as the pandemic resulted in museum and other staff being furloughed and projects put on hold. However, as 2021 progressed, we agreed to make contributions to three exciting projects that will come to fruition between 2022 and 2024. These are outlined below.

c) Grants

Tutankhamun the boy: growing up in ancient Egypt.

This project is funded by the PMF, together with the Museums Association's Esmée Fairbairn Collections Fund. It marks the centenary (November 2022) of the discovery of the burial chamber of Tutankhamun. A season of displays and activities at the Petrie Museum will explore less well-known aspects of Tutankhamun's life as a young boy as well as the lives of other ancient Egyptian children. Project activities include a special display in the

Museum for school and family audiences, production of resources for Key Stage 2 pupils, and a skills-sharing programme for UK and Egyptian museum staff that will involve creation of 3D prints of Petrie Museum objects for the Amarna Visitor Centre in Egypt.

The Naqada Regional Archaeological Survey and Site Management Project (NRASSMP): Geophysical Survey of Naqada/Nubt.

The grant will enable comprehensive geophysical survey work at the site of Nubt, as a precursor to further excavation at the site, and protect the site so that it can be opened to the public.

Petrie's work at Nubt has been pivotal in our understanding of the later prehistory and the early dynastic history of Ancient Egypt. He uncovered a funerary landscape that is extraordinarily complex and unique for Upper Egypt in the period concerned. Ensuring that it is properly accommodated in current interpretational models is vital to understanding of the development of social complexity along the Nile valley. Regrettably, significant parts of Nubt have been lost in the last 100 years. Even the mostly undisturbed Tumuli area, with the famous 'élite' Cemetery T, is under threat. Construction of low demarcation walls around the archaeological areas subject to essential excavation will help prevent further encroachment and illegal digging.

Amarna statuary from royal buildings: its creation and context.

The grant will support a major Egypt Exploration Society publication focused on statuary with a known, or strongly suspected, provenance at Akhetaten, the capital city founded by the pharaoh, Akhenaten. Statue fragments published for the first time will greatly outnumber those already familiar from established collections of Amarna sculpture and material. A significant number of items from the Petrie Museum collection will be included. PMF trustees believe that, with its comprehensive coverage, annotated catalogues and thematic chapters, the new publication will be the definitive work on this subject. Subject to the approval of the EES's Board of Trustees, publication is expected in 2024.

3) Financial Review

- The accounts presented for your approval are for the first fourteen months of our status as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.
- Our financial situation remains healthy and leaves us in a position to offer grant support and to continue to fundraise for a proposed new home for the Petrie Museum.
- Income from study days disappeared during the pandemic but we have run two very successful courses via Zoom.
- We did not hold a book auction in 2021 (deferred to February 2022) but auction income continued as the December 2020 auction books were sent out.
- The generosity of our members should be acknowledged with gratitude, as donations over the year have amounted to £5623.

Reserves

Our assets at the end of 2021 stood at £223,160. The Friends of the Petrie Museum have ongoing commitments to the funding of grants as outlined above and listed below, including a substantial grant to the Petrie Museum in the current 2022 year. It has long been acknowledged that the Museum's accommodation does not do justice to the collection or adequately facilitate research and related activity. The major part of the reserves (£150,000 in 2020, £128,160 in 2021 following grant allocations) is, and will continue to be, retained to support UCL should its own ongoing evaluations and structural reviews result in appropriately ambitious plans to ameliorate provision for the Museum. It has long been the Friends intention to sponsor a research space/library within a new Petrie Museum. The remainder of the reserves will help meet post-pandemic costs, and post-charitable status requirements. These include rebranding as a charity, printing new promotional material and stationery, legal and accountancy costs, developing a new website and instituting a major membership recruitment drive. We have continued to pay our Zoom speakers an honorarium but we will need to reimburse speakers' travel expenses as in-person lectures return to our programme. We will be able to respond to grant approvals delayed by covid-related obstacles.

Projected funding commitment of the reserves

Institute of Archaeology library public access project c/f 2024	£10,000
EES Thompson/Hill Amarna 2 volume publication c/f 2024	£10,000
Naqada site conservation project – full GIS survey c/f 2022	£15,000
PMF projected operating costs 2022, rebranding, accountancy c/f,	£25,000
Petrie Museum Tutankhamun project 2022	£35,000
Future museum funding commitments c/f	£128,160
	£223,160

4) Structure, Governance and Management

The Friends of the Petrie Museum was registered as a charity, number 1192201, on 6 November 2020 using a Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation with voting members other than its charity trustees.

The Constitution provides for a minimum of three and a maximum of ten trustees. New trustees are elected by the members, and serve for three years, after which they may put themselves forward for re-election. The trustees usually meet four to six times each year.

The trustees seek to follow relevant Charity Commission guidance. They keep the skills and composition of the Board under review. New trustees sign a trustee declaration. A set of key documents required for the induction of new trustees has been developed.

5) Reference and Administrative information

Charity name

The Friends of the Petrie Museum

Registered charity number

1192201

Principal address

The Petrie Museum of Egyptian and Sudanese Archaeology, Malet Place, London WC1E 6BT

Trustees

Lucia Gahlin, Chair of Trustees

Tracey Golding, Deputy Chair of Trustees

Hazel Gray, Secretary

Janet Johnstone

Hannah Pethen

Jan Picton, Treasurer

Ivor Pridden (resigned on 30 July 2021)

Joanne Rowland (appointed on 30 July 2021)

Birgit Schoer (resigned on 30 July 2021)

Matt Szafran (appointed on 30 July 2021)

Chloe Ward

Robert Whatmough (appointed on 30 July 2021)

Tim Wilkins (resigned on 30 July 2021)

Bankers

Royal Bank of Scotland, 171 Tottenham Court Road, London W1T 7DL

Auditor / Independent reviewer

Griffin Chartered Accountants, 165 High Street, Honiton, Devon, EX14 1LQ

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature(s) 
Full name(s) Lucia Gahlin
Position Chair
Date 23 May 2022

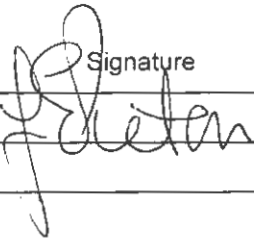
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Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	06-Nov-20	To	Period end date 31-Dec-21

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	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Subscriptions	18,034	-	-	18,034	
Donations	5,623	-	-	5,623	
Courses / study days	8,937	-	-	8,937	
Book auction	4,613	-	-	4,613	
Pre-registration bank balance	206,752			206,752	
<i>Sub total(Gross income for AR)</i>	243,959	-	-	243,959	
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
<i>Sub total</i>	-	-	-	-	
Total receipts	243,959	-	-	243,959	
A3 Payments					
Admin costs / P.P.S./ storage	7,521	-	-	7,521	
Magazine and mailing	2,654	-	-	2,654	
Lectures and events	1,829	-	-	1,829	
Study day / course costs	2,672	-	-	2,672	
Zoom fees	298	-	-	298	
Auction costs	412	-	-	412	
Secretary	3,000	-	-	3,000	
Madrid tour costs -refunds to memb	846	-	-	846	
Petrie Museum Think 3D Project	1,567	-	-	1,567	
<i>Sub total</i>	20,799	-	-	20,799	
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Cash	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
<i>Sub total</i>	-	-	-	-	
Total payments	20,799	-	-	20,799	
Net of receipts/(payments)	223,160	-	-	223,160	
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	
Cash funds this year end	223,160	-	-	223,160	

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Balance	223,160	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	223,160	-	-
		OK	OK	OK
	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	
B2 Other monetary assets	Details		-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	JANET PICTOU	25/5/22

THE FRIENDS OF THE PETRIE MUSEUM

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE FRIENDS OF THE
PETRIE MUSEUM**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31 December 2021.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

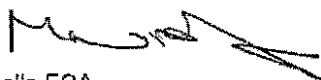
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Dated:

25/05/2022

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