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Scottish Charity Regulator

Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	01	07	2024	To	30	06	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Open Past
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC047486
Charity's principal address	121a Inveresk Road, Musselburgh
	Postcode EH21 7AU

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	James Rocks-Macqueen	Executive Director		
2	Jeffery Sanders			
3	Mark Spanjer	Chair		
4	Quonya Huff			
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Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document	Constitution
Trustee recruitment and appointment	Trustee search by current trustees.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes	The advancement of education The advancement of the arts, heritage, culture or science
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	We help advance people's knowledge, skills and wellbeing through art, history, heritage, and archaeology. Our typical users experience barriers to in-person education, including those with disabilities, limited funds, or from rural communities, and are often people who struggle to access the resources that many take for granted.

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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

- Completed editing of the CIDOC conference;
- Completed the Ceteran Ecomuseum project to help them develop a proposal for a social prescription cultural heritage project;
- Filmed the Aerial Archaeology Research Group conference;
- Filmed the HENEB heritage day conference in Wrexham;
- Began the 'Different Messages' video project for the Stranraer Millennium Centre;
- Completed filming and editing for Archaeology Scotland's excavation;
- Moved and took on the hosting of Scotland's Archaeology Strategy website on behalf of HES;
- Filmed and live-streamed the archaeological achievement awards in Cardiff;
- Filmed and streamed the EAA keynotes in Rome;
- Undertook additional development on the Research Frameworks website to improve promotion of stats;
- Began the Dumbreck project for North Lanarkshire Council – oral history workshops, school workshops, film, heritage trail – in person and online;
- Moved and took on the hosting of Scotland's Rock Art website;
- Have gained the contract to provide support to FAME;
- Filmed the ClfA conference in Birmingham;
- Streamed and filmed the TAFAC conference;
- Streamed and filmed the Scottish Museums Federation Conference;
- Hosted an internship through SAGSAH – intern built a text choice your own adventure game, looking at historical dying techniques.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Enough to cover monthly operating costs.

Details of any deficit

We have cash based account, so there was a slight deficit at the end of the year <2k but we remain solvent.

Donated facilities and services (if any)

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Other optional information

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s) <i>OSCR will accept digital or typed signatures</i>	Doug Rocks-Macqueen	
Full name(s)	James Douglas Rocks-Macqueen	
Position (e.g. Chair)	Executive Director	
Date	30/03/2026	