HERITAGE AND BEYOND...

The Charity Commission Report and Accounts for 02/01/2025 -01/01/2026

Charity Number 1190003
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Trustees
Cathy Giangrande,Chair
Jan Dobrowolski

Constitution of the Trust
Heritage and Beyond was constituted under a CIO Foundation on the 18 June 2020

Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO. There must be at least two charity trustees. If the number falls below this minimum, the remaining trustee or trustees may act only to call a meeting of the charity trustees, or appoint a new charity trustee. There is no maximum number of charity trustees that may be appointed to the CIO.

Mission Statement
The charity's mission, working together with local NGO's, universities, museums or heritage departments, is the advancement of heritage and culture for the public benefit. Where possible also working with socially and economically disadvantaged communities living in the immediate area of sites of historical or architectural interest, educative value or artistic merit and meeting the definition at article 1 of the UN convention concerning the protection of the world cultural and natural heritage to raise awareness of the heritage and cultural value of such sites, locally and internationally, as well as among such communities to also promote and preserve their traditional arts, artefacts and crafts.

The main objectives are:

i. Raise awareness of the heritage and cultural value of such sites,

locally and internationally, among such communities;

ii. Provide grant funding and assistance to support such communities in the promotion and preservation of their traditional arts, artefacts and crafts;

iii. To conserve and restore for the public benefit and thereby to save for future generations buildings and monuments of historical or architectural interest, educative value or artistic merit wherever situated;

iv. To advance the education of the public by encouraging knowledge and understanding of buildings and monuments of historical or architectural interest, educative value or artistic merit;

Reserves Policy

The charity's work is mostly project based and therefore requires experts and approval by various agencies in the countries where the work is being carried out. Thus, it is difficult to predict exact spending year to year. The aim for each of the projects is to have reserves available to meet any unforeseen expenditure for the year.

Public Benefit Statement

The charity's mission, working together with local NGO's, universities or heritage departments, is the advancement of heritage and culture for the public benefit. Delays dues to COVID meant although we were constituted in June 2020 our charity business account did not open until April 2021. This meant that fundraising could not begin until April 2021. We have since made steady progress in fundraising and the year-end accounts show that the charity and the projects it supports are on a sustainable footing, although several unforeseen matters have meant that two of the projects have not been as active as planned in 2025.

Financial Year 2025

The charity has not raised funds this year, as the projects in Greece and the KV62 project, Egypt faced challenges so there was no significant work accomplished and the project in the City of the Dead was completed and uploaded into the EAMENA database with the assistance of an ETL Developer (a person who can extract, transform and load data). This project was reported in the 2024 accounts, funded by the trustees of The Arcadia Philanthropic Trust. It was to record heritage under threat in the 'Desert of the Mamluks' located in the Eastern Cemetery within the "City of the Dead", a Muslim necropolis of Cairo. The project was implemented jointly by Heritage and Beyond (H&B) and ARCHiNOS Architecture. ARCHiNOS is a consulting office incorporated

in Egypt in 2008 that specializes in heritage preservation and social development work, has been working for many years in the *Desert of the Mamluks* area within the 'City of the Dead' in Cairo.

Additionally, ARCHiNOS and the Sultan Foundation hold events aimed at promoting heritage and the Qaitbey area to the general public and art and culture to the local community. A strong component is the promotion of traditional crafts practiced in the area, as well as the sale of these through craft fairs in the UK under the banner of MISHKA.

2. Farmers at Sea, Exploring the Oldest Submerged Settlement in the Aegean, Agios Petros, Alonissos, Greece - A Neolithic settlement located in the bay of the island of Kyra-Panagia, north of Alonissos. https://farmersatsea.web.auth.gr

It's with great sadness that the director, Nikos passed away after a short illness in December 2024. This meant fieldwork at this site was put on hold, as the Greek team who has been working with Nikos seeks a new permit from the Ephorate for Underwater Archaeology.

Originally, this project was carried out in the framework of the approved five-year programme 2020-2025 implemented in collaboration with the Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities of the Ministry of Culture and Archaeology of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and H&B. Funds for the project were received and overseen by the charity to achieve its purposes, set budgets, agree that work proposed fitted the project and charity's purposes, be clear about who benefits from the charity and manage risk and report on public benefits. The project, together with a nearby archaeological site in Alonissos (Peristera Underwater Museum) in the region of Thessaly and the Municipality of Alonissos aims to team up to promote alternative tourism bringing economic benefits to the area, as well as raise awareness of the natural (rare Monk seal lives in the surrounding protected waters) and cultural underwater world.

This is an important place in the Aegean islands, as the findings reveal a complete archaeological picture of the first agricultural groups that settled permanently in Greece shortly before 6,000 BC.

As also recorded in N Efstratiou's paper entitled: The Marine Landscape of an Island Settlement 8,000 Years Old in the Aegean: A Comment on Global Warming Looking Back, International Journal of Environmental Sciences & Natural Resources, March 08, 2023 – the inundation of Agios Petros is a case study of climate driven displacement with the post-glacial sea-level rise happening over

millennia and can be considered an ancient bellwether event for climate change.

During season II (October 2022), the main goal of the archaeological underwater investigation was to conduct a geoarchaeological survey of the submerged part of the Neolithic settlement and to evaluate the results in order to take cores from the marine sediment for aDNA analysis. Working with the Hellenic Centre for Marine Research, the survey was undertaken deploying a number of systems including a sub-bottom profiler. The results of the survey assisted us in choosing the most promising areas to core in the bay of Agios Petros and between the islands. The samples were collected in 2023 and sent to Dr Benjamin Vernot at the Max Planck Institute for ancient DNA analysis. Results from the ancient DNA work have been held up due to the amount of work the Institute is currently undertaking. Vernot has since moved to The Department of Evolutionary Anthropology, University of Vienna. The analysis is being done at no cost and as such the samples have not been prioritised, so it is hoped results will be forthcoming in 2027.

Collating all work done to date into a final paper is the focus for the coming 2027 season. Additionally, the bones from the ’81 season are being located in the hope that Professor of Zooarchaeology, Louise Martin can help with identification. If a new permit is issued, a team will go to the site to review the sea-bed features and deploy an underwater drone with the focus of locating ancient submarine springs, which served as freshwater source for the Neolithic village, search for clues regarding early boat building to learn how these pioneering farmers transported their livestock across open waters and map the exact layout, geometry and spatial relationships of visible anthopogenic remains. The underwater research is expected to highlight important aspects of the life of the first communities settled in the area and early seafaring practices in the Aegean islands.

The research team were from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, and the Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities, A. Sotiriou, archaeologist and diver. The collaboration with this project continues, but no new funding has been raised in 2025.

Results of the past recent seasons, as well as a tribute to Nikos underway and will be published at the end of 2026 / 2027. Work on aDNA will also be published separately when the results are finally analysed.

3. KV62 2025 project. Valley of the Kings, Egypt. As reported in 2023, Heritage and Beyond funding has largely supported the post site analysis and processing, as well as the additional data collected from the side of the survey area done in January 2023. This support was possible with the assistance from H&B and Danny Katz Limited with a donation of £80,000.

During 2024, results of initial geophysical survey work revealed a number of voids. The writing of a full report was undertaken in 2025 based on the geophysical work conducted. Due to conflicts in the Middle East it was held up and published in September 2026, almost 12 months after it was scheduled. A full report on the findings will be reported in 2026 accounts, however a short summary can be read in Nature - https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-026-02621-2 .

The coming season will see a project and fundraising strategy prepared for work at the site once the Supreme Council of Antiquities approves the proposed work.

Financial Review

The charity finances were healthy with funds totalling £25,632, just slightly less at the end of 2024.

Focus & Future Projects for the Charity in 2026

Despite the challenges outlined we aim to build on what we have accomplished so far across all projects and focus on publishing and presenting papers. The charity will register for Gift Aid, set up a website and use social media to raise awareness and funds.

Each of the above mentioned projects are working on completing the objectives outlined above. Results of such objectives raise new questions resulting in the work taking on additional elements. At Agios Petros coring took place and we are awaiting results to see what we can learn from the palesol. Can aDNA be found in the marine sediments? If so, what can we do to built on this result? All work will be reviewed with the aim of looking at possible outreach programmes, training for students of marine archaeology and heritage preservation, and to secure further publicity and funding.

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name

Heritage and Beyond

Receipts and payments acc

For the period from	Period start date 1/2/2025	To

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts			
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Sub total(Gross income for AR)	-	-	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).			
Sales	-	-	-
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Sub total	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-
A3 Payments			
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Sub total	-	200	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)			
Charity logistics and diverse expenditures	-	-	-

	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-
Total payments	-	200	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	- 200	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	25,832	-
Cash funds this year end	-	25,632	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the pe

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-
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	Total cash funds	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs
B3 Investment assets		

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		

Fund to which liability relates

B5 Liabilities

Details

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

Signature

Cathy Giangrande

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No (if any)
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Period end date
1/1/2026

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Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
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Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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Print Name	Date of approval
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