

Appendix 1: Recommendations from the Hawkshead Review of Portable Antiquities Scheme¹, 2004

Recommendations for action to strengthen the operation and future potential of the Scheme

Building Capacity – actions for the Scheme

- focus on training and mentoring for FLOs
- maximise capacity of Finds Advisers
- more explicit local recording policies
- monitor the level of Treasure reporting work
- increase capacity for recording by finders
- maintain momentum in liaison with clubs and NCMD
- give active support for local liaison groups

Informing and Communicating – actions for the Scheme

- delivery of planned educational content for Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3
- develop web-based resources for adult learning
- enhancement of website and online database
- further user and audience research
- assess outcomes of educational and museum-based work

¹ Transcribed from Chitty and Edwards 2004: 4.

- prioritise making available finds data for HERs and SMRs
- maintain dialogue on publishing findspot information
- assess the value added by finds data for archaeology services
- deliver advice and guidance on finds conservation

Strengthening partnerships – action for the Scheme with its partners

- promotion of code of good practice for responsible detecting
- support for a new project to assess the impact of nighthawk activity
- initiate liaison with land-owning and farming interests
- agree a protocol for alerting national and local bodies to important finds that require a field response
- seek provision for a more secure, long-term future for the Scheme to encourage wide public participation in recording archaeological finds and promote clear public awareness of responsible practice for finders.