

Archaeology and... ...influencing others



Although a great deal of the time of the NTS Archaeologists is spent in conservation at the Trust's 120+ properties throughout Scotland, much effort is put into helping others to protect and manage archaeological sites in their care. We also invest a lot of time and effort in influencing decision-makers in government and other organisations to do the best for the historic environment.

Sharing with other archaeologists

The knowledge and expertise of NTS archaeologists is often shared with other bodies when they are exploring ideas on a wide variety of topics. From cultural landscapes to rural settlements, from archaeological records to public participation, our archaeologists are always keen to share their experience with others.



Slightly bedraggled members of the Medieval or Later Rural Settlement Discussion Group share their views during a field visit



The ruined chapel at Cairnburgh Castle on the Inner Hebridean Treshnish Isles

Island archaeology

The Hebridean Trust has been a close partner in several NTS projects, and recently acquired the Treshnish Isles. NTS archaeologists have helped establish where the important sites are, and proposals for future management have been written into a Conservation Plan for the islands.

Deputy Environment Minister Allan Wilson signing the Visitor's Book in the museum on St Kilda



Archaeology and politics

NTS archaeologists are active in the two main environmental lobbying organisations in Scotland: Scottish Environment LINK and the Built Environment Forum Scotland. Through these bodies, the NTS can get together with people in many other organisations to influence the policies of the Scottish Executive, government bodies and MSPs.

In the past few years these alliances have led to significant improvements to proposed laws, and a raising of awareness that the historic environment is important to everyone.

Keeping staff informed

Archaeology is about so much more than just digging. The NTS *Archaeology Bulletin* has, since 1993, been produced twice a year to show NTS staff, Council members, Conservation Volunteers, and other supporters how varied our work is, and also to highlight some of our more exciting projects and discoveries.



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