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Our ref: FOI2024/3

By Email Date: 21/08/24

Dear ,

I refer to your e-mail of 10/08/24 in which you requested the following information:

"Sir/madam - to request information held on a discovery handed to Treasure Trove Unit (in summer 2021), referred to as the Dunscore hoard eg. catalogued information, or values, or any other information, relating to coins contained in this hoard.

To request also photographs and details of six of the coins contained within this hoard. Please select these at your discretion."

This request will be managed by The King's and Lord Treasurer's Rembrancer (KLTR) under the Freedom of Information Act (Scotland) 2002 (FOISA).

I am able to provide you with the following information in relation to your queries.

I have consulted with our colleagues at the National Museum of Scotland, who are responsible for processing Treasure Trove finds that have been submitted. They have confirmed that they are currently processing this discovery. This was a substantial discovery with almost 8,500 coins. The National Museum of Scotland has confirmed that they are entering the last batch of identifications.

However until this process is complete they cannot carry out a valuation or any sort of interpretation of the discovery. It is expected that this process will occur at a future panel. Additionally, photography is scheduled to take begin by the end of the year. The national museum have stated that they expect to be in a better position to offer interpretation and photographs by the end of the year.

If you are dissatisfied with the KLTR response to your FOI request, you have the right to ask us to review it. Your review request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter; please e-mail <a href="mailto:enquiries@kltr.gov.uk">enquiries@kltr.gov.uk</a> and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt.

The review will be undertaken by a member of the KLTR FOI team who was not involved in the original consideration of your request.

Under section 47(1) of FOISA if the KLTR position is unchanged following a review you have the right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months of receiving the review.

Yours sincerely

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