

ICOMOS-UK

Annual Report 2010/11

ICOMOS is a non-governmental organisation whose mandate is the world's cultural heritage. Through its national committees worldwide, it provides a forum for professional dialogue. The UK Committee of ICOMOS was formed in 1965. ICOMOS has special responsibility as adviser to UNESCO on cultural world heritage sites.

President's Statement

The Executive Committee (the Trustees) has met five times this year to co-ordinate and direct the diverse interests of ICOMOS-UK. We have been most ably supported by our administrative office in Cowcross Street. Our scientific committees, led by their most able chairs, have undertaken significant reviews and site visits, and contributed to development of both UK and, at times, international policy and best practice in assisting some of the 30 International Scientific Committees of ICOMOS. Our major role, assisting in the management of World Heritage Sites and in the defence of Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) has reviewed the increasing number of development challenges to our World Heritage Sites. We have had fascinating events and lectures, international conferences and policy development by ICOMOS International Executive, under President Gustavo Araoz, aided by the Advisory Committee under the Chairmanship of the UK's John Hurd. This represents a powerful range of opportunities for our membership.

The ICOMOS-UK monthly bulletin, sent to each member, is becoming an excellent review of our work and of our past and future meetings. Our members' contributions of review and comment are much appreciated, and develop our internal communication and our participation most effectively. Our objective is to complement and give opportunity to the diverse interests of our members, and it is this growing participation that makes our organisation effective.

As government funding decreases, so it becomes yet more important for many NGOs in the UK to find ways of co-operating in their response to new laws, regulations and advisory documentation, in their sharing of resource, participation in events and opportunities, and in maximising their response to the greater needs of the UK. Today government and its agencies barely have the capacity to provide management of the existing and historic environments. The private sector therefore has an increasing role to provide effective and multi-sectoral support. However ICOMOS-UK accepts that to respond to this challenge, the many private sector agencies of the UK which have

complementary objectives have to find ways of working more closely together, of sharing information and experience. Our Development Committee is planning ways of better assisting and linking the talents and interests of the UK's many NGOs

ICOMOS-UK also brings a special connection to the 140 country members of ICOMOS world-wide, and to the ICOMOS Europe group of 29 countries. The opportunities for the UK professions to use their talents abroad, whether in technology, craft, architecture, planning, institutional, legal and regulatory strengthening or in project management are immense, and the potential to market the talents of UK's professions are as yet insufficiently realised. To that end the first phase of ICOMOS' new website database has come alive in December 2010, offering registration of personal details, special experience, and skills, and providing the eventual marketing of the UK's professional and academic talents.

Like so many organisations we are revising our website to enhance the ease of access to different ICOMOS themes and to assist in the communications and networking for our membership. Our international Committee has the vital task of assisting the membership to connect with themes and opportunities abroad and of informing the UK membership of ICOMOS International development, meetings and notices.

Being a network of professionals, ICOMOS-UK's specialist subcommittees have been very active in researching, reviewing and assisting in the development of policy and best practice. Our **World Heritage Committee** has reviewed many threats to World Heritage Sites that, through political pressures, are not always adequately managed and defended by local government, the DCMS, DCLG or by English Heritage. There is at times a lack of connection between management plans for World Heritage and the planning frameworks envisaged by local government. In part this situation is made worse by central government being unclear as to the benefits of defending World Heritage Sites and their Outstanding Universal Value, and by constant revision to regulations and PPG / PPS guidelines. This is such an important

subject that I hope ICOMOS-UK will, with English Heritage, sponsor a major conference with all stakeholders to clarify action that should be taken in defence of OUV.

Our internationally renowned Secretary, Susan Denyer, will review the work of our Specialist Sub-committees on World Heritage, Education and Training, Cultural Landscapes and Historic Gardens, Cultural Tourism and International Affairs, and ICOMOS-UK Development. There are other committees in various stages of planning and membership selection, notably the Wood Committee, the Research and Recording Committee, and the Structures Committee. To all of our Committees, which for decades have been the workhorses for ICOMOS-UK's prodigious output, I would like to give my great thanks for their professionalism, interest and commitment. As we are a voluntary organisation, this dedication is all the more impressive.

We are greatly indebted to our Administrators at 70 Cowcross Street who have brought order and co-ordination to our work. We are immensely thankful to have the support of our Secretary, Susan Denyer, whose perceptive talents on World Heritage Site and ICOMOS business world-wide is a great support to our purposes. We have lost through natural South African commitments, our diligent and charming Administrator Philippa Van Straaten and she will shortly be replaced. As volunteers and busy professionals, we depend heavily upon our secretariat staff, and for ICOMOS to function and fulfil its important objectives, these have to be afforded through our fees, our benefactors and through grant aid. We have completed the wind-down of English Heritage grant aid, we remain immensely grateful for the continuing assistance of Historic Scotland and CADW. As always we seek to foster these strong relationships as Government itself adjusts to new economic circumstances. Inevitably we are going through a period of adjustment and as soon as the principles are finalised we can firm up our business and Strategic Plans, which will be made known to all of our members and supporters through email and our website.

ICOMOS-UK members give generously of their time. We appreciate their support to the many activities that have been going on throughout the year. Susan Denyer will summarize for us, since it is largely through her team that our events have been so successful, starting this year with the visit to

York University, Fountains Abbey and Studley Royal.

The Advisory Committee meeting of ICOMOS was held in Dublin in October and was well attended by our UK members. It was a pleasure to renew contacts with ICOMOS Ireland who organised a most effective event. The Advisory Committee, was chaired by the UK's John Hurd, and brought together the proposals and policies of the Scientific Committees and administrative developments within ICOMOS for the consideration of the Executive.

Of particular importance to the UK was the enhancement of ICOMOS Regional networks, where Europe has always been in the forefront of development and is challenged to harmonise the experience of its different member States. The Vice-Presidency continues to be held by Professor Wilfried Lipp of Austria. It would be good for the UK to host the Advisory Committee soon, as it promotes the UK's professional and administrative expertise and response to history and cultural values.

Since the meeting of ICOMOS Europe is taking place over these days in Budapest and Lake Balaton I have asked ICOMOS Ireland, in the absence of any representation from the UK, to keep us informed of the outcomes.

The **General Assembly** will take place in Paris during the last week of November 2011. This is a unique opportunity for our membership to experience valuable networking, take the temperature of ICOMOS and to appreciate its many directions in the cause of both tangible and intangible cultural heritage conservation. ICOMOS will once again, I am sure, demonstrate its strengths as an organisation for the review, integration and respect for the wide ranging historic, social, and cultural values of the modern world. It will be most worthwhile.

So again it has been a rewarding year and one where we continue to adapt, and seek to expand our membership. With the help of all of our members these developments will mature over the coming year.

Donald Hankey
President ICOMOS UK

SECRETARY'S REPORT

From 3-5 June 2010 ICOMOS-UK hosted a major international conference in collaboration with the University of York on **Conservation Philosophies: Global and Local**. Over 100 delegates attended the conference at the Centre for Conservation Studies at the University to hear speakers from China, India, Japan and Algeria alongside those from British organisations. The Conference included presentations from internationally prominent practitioners, such as Paul Drury (Paul Drury Partnership, UK), Prof. AGK Menon (INTACH, India) and Prof Guo Zhan (World Heritage Expert Committee of China). Along with ten other speakers and many prominent delegates they shared ideas and knowledge on conservation philosophies and principles in the UK, India and China and discussed international conservation instruments and guidelines.

Our Annual Christmas Lecture was delivered by Tim Williams, University College London on **Mapping the Silk Roads**. This described his involvement in the ICOMOS Thematic Study of the Silk Roads of Central Asia and China as part of a project to encourage and support World Heritage serial nominations of sites from China to the Mediterranean and recognise the contribution of this trade route of nearly two millennia. The study is beginning to provide for the first time an analysis of the profile, distribution and distinctiveness of the existing sites and how they might be seen as manifestations of shifting systems of power and patronage along the roads. In view of the enormous extent of the routes, some 7,000km, and the quantity of sites, the project has set up a database of known sites and linked this to a Geographic Information System and Google Earth to produce images that define links between cities, sites and natural passes along the routes.

On 17th March 2011 a one-day Workshop introduced the new **ICOMOS Guidance on Heritage Impact Assessments** for World Heritage sites. The Workshop, held in collaboration with English Heritage explained how this methodology can be readily used both by those proposing development and by those assessing its impact as part of the existing overall EIA process in World Heritage sites.

Two workshops were held in Wales in collaboration with CADA at Pontcysyllte and Conwy, part of the Welsh Castles World Heritage site, on **World Heritage Buffer Zones**.

ICOMOS-UK was invited to comment on retrospective Statements of Outstanding Universal Value for UK World Heritage Sites, in advance of these being submitted to the UNESCO World Heritage Centre. ICOMOS-UK also offered comments on the draft Nomination file and Management Plan for Monkwearmouth and Jarrow before its submission to UNESCO at the end of January as the UK Nomination for 2011.

ICOMOS-UK was represented at the 8-12 June 2010 ICOMOS Europe Meeting in Arles, France, by the President. The ICOMOS Advisory Committee meeting held from 26-30 October 2010 in Dublin, Eire, included a contingent of ICOMOS-UK members including Donald Hankey, Aylin Orbasli, Sue Millar, Sue Cole and Susan Denyer.

UK members have continued to play an active role in ICOMOS International Scientific Committees. The UK hosted one of the ISCARSAH meetings in 2010.

ICOMOS-UK was invited to be an Adviser to the DCMS World Heritage Tentative List Review process that took place between November 2010 and February 2011 and led to the announcement of a new UK World Heritage Tentative List which will be submitted to the UNESCO World Heritage Centre later in the year.

The World Heritage Committee has over the year commented on planning challenges to UK World Heritage sites including proposals for the Olympics at Greenwich, a new University building also at Greenwich, housing at Blaenavon and a supermarket in Cornwall. The Cultural Landscape and Historic Gardens Committee has completed its work on documenting key views of London's World Heritage sites.

ICOMOS-UK continues to liaise with IUCN UK through the ICOMOS-UK – IUCN UK Landscape Group and as an outcome of this the Secretary was a speaker at the 8-10 November 2010 European Landscape Conference, Liverpool, organised by DEFRA.

Susan Denyer
Secretary, ICOMOS-UK

Committee Reports

Cultural Tourism Committee Report

During 2010-2011 the vibrant ICOMOS-UK Cultural Tourism Committee (CTC) held four committee meetings: one summer 'virtual' meeting was an experiment. However, Committee members concluded that the real value of the committee is the face to face meetings of academics and heritage practitioners, often fervent discussion, site visits and work programme. Plans to hold an expert seminar on 'UK World Heritage Sites and Cultural Tourism' could not be realised due to the UK financial downturn; but research activity continued.

The Working Group focussing on developing resources for students in Higher Education and CPD for young heritage professionals finalised the brief for their project on *Sacred spaces: from 'visitor management' to managing the experience of visitors* following a visit to St Paul's Cathedral in December. This was led by Martin Stancliffe, Surveyor to the Fabric and CTC member together with Anne Fletcher, Interpretation Consultant. We extend our thanks to both for such valuable insights into the final stage of a major conservation and interpretation project.

St Paul's Interpretation Project covers a series of coordinated interventions that combine a clear sense of direction and visual integrity. 'Oculus' - a 270° projection area - is located in the crypt; Ipod tours of the main cathedral were introduced in summer 2010 and the Triforium Exhibition planned for the upper area of the cathedral, includes the Library and Trophy Room (with Wren's Great Model).

Our thanks go to CTC member Ian Baxter for hosting the March 2011 meeting at Glasgow Caledonian University's London Campus, part of the regeneration of the wider Spitalfields area. The Committee examined the Government Tourism Policy published that month and expressed regret that cultural heritage and the historic environment beyond the major heritage attractions did not feature more prominently given their importance as the bedrock for sustainable tourism development across the UK. We – a National

Scientific Committee of ICOMOS-UK – think a UK wide debate is required across heritage and tourism sectors.

Education and Training Committee Report

The Education and Training Committee met once last year and continued its dialogues and discussions, via teleconferencing and email, on its principal focus - to complete the first draft of the proposed new ICOMOS Guidance on Education and Training. This was to be submitted at the General Assembly in December 2011. The committee also organised a workshop in conjunction with ICOMOS Ireland and members of the ICOMOS International Committee for Education and Training (CIF) in Dublin to discuss the draft Guidance. The workshop proved popular and provided a robust first draft of the Guidance to hand onto the CIF, which was also holding a meeting in Dublin. Unfortunately it is unlikely that the Guidance will be presented for adoption at this year's General Assembly. It has now been redrafted by the CIF in a far more complex and dense style, which has unfortunately raised concerns from both the Education and Training Committee and the ICOMOS-UK Executive Committee. However the Education and Training Committee hopes it will continue to influence its contents and direction. The Committee also discussed and initiated a pilot programme of CPD -registered workshops on 'Opportunities for Working Internationally' which were coordinated by Aylin Orbasli. These were held in London in 2011 and proved both popular and successful.

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International Council on Monuments & Sites - UK

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2011

	Notes	2011		2010	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Net Assets	2		748		997
Current assets					
Cash at bank and petty cash		27,714		50,931	
Debtors:	6	<u>23,115</u>		<u>30,258</u>	
		<u>50,829</u>		<u>81,189</u>	
Current liabilities					
Creditors	7	<u>27,193</u>		<u>50,405</u>	
Net Current assets			23,636		30,784
TOTAL ASSETS		£	<u><u>24,384</u></u>	£	<u><u>31,781</u></u>
Represented by:-					
Unrestricted funds					
General			20,592		27,375
Designated	5		-		-
Restricted Funds	4		3,792		4,406
		£	<u><u>24,384</u></u>	£	<u><u>31,781</u></u>

The notes on the following pages form an integral part of these accounts.

Approved by the Trustees on 26 May 2011

Donald Hankey
President

Andrew Webster
Treasurer

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2011

	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds £	2010 £
Incoming Resources					
Investment Income, Royalties, Membership Fees etc			46,678	46,678	36,746
Grants and Donations			30,669	30,669	65,476
Total Incoming Resources			77,347	77,347	102,222
Resources Expended					
Expenditure on activities and support costs Management and administration	614	197	83,933	84,744	104,624
Total Resources Expended	614	197	83,933	84,744	104,624
Transfers					
Net Incoming (Outgoing) Resources for the Year	(614)	(197)	(6,586)	(7,397)	(2,402)
Transfers		197	(197)		
Other Recognised Gains and Losses					
Unrealised gains on investment assets	-		-	-	-
Net Movement in Funds	(614)	0	(6,783)	(7,397)	(2,402)
Fund balances brought forward at 1 April 2010	4,406	-	27,375	31,781	34,183
Fund balances carried forward at 31 March 2011	3,792	-	20,592	24,384	31,781

There were no recognised gains or losses for 2010 or 2011 other than those included in the statement of Financial Activities. The notes on the following pages form an integrated part of these accounts.

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Notes to the Accounts - 31 March 2011

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008). In preparing the financial statements the charity follows best practice as laid down in the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2005)

(b) Income

Income is accounted for as follows:

- (i) Membership and Fundraising Income, together with related expenditure, which accrues over a period of time is accounted for evenly during the period to which the income relates.
- (ii) Donations on a cash received basis unless donated for a specific period when an accruals basis is adopted
- (iii) Interest on an accruals basis
- (iv) Income tax refunds are accrued to match with the underlying income

(c) Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided, after taking account of any grants receivable, at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Fixtures and fittings	25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	75% first year and 25% the second year

(d) Restricted Funds

Restricted Funds are those resources received which have limitations on their use specified by the donor.

Expenditure which meets the criteria specified is allocated directly to the fund together with a fair allocation of overhead and support costs.

(e) Unrestricted Funds

Funds received or generated for the objects of the Charity without a further specified purpose are treated as unrestricted income funds. Some of these resources are designated by the Trustees for particular purposes as they deem appropriate.

2 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures, Fittings and Computer Equipment	Total
Cost	£	£
At 1 April 2010	18,424	18,424
Additions in year	-	-
At 31 March 2011	18,424	18,424
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2010	17,427	17,427
Charge for the year	249	249
At 31 March 2011	17,676	17,676
Net book values		
At 31 March 2011	748	748
At 1 April 2010	997	997

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3 RELATED PARTIES

Certain personnel assist an independent charity INTACH UK Trust for which a management fee is received. Payroll costs are incurred but otherwise no commercial cross-over occurs between INTACH UK and ICOMOS-UK

RESTRICTED

4 FUNDS

The following funds are restricted for the purposes described in their titles

	Balance 1 April 10 £	Additions in year £	Payments in year £	Balance 31 March 11 £
ISCCT Fund	1,421		614	807
Education and Training Fund	2,985			2,985
	<u>4,406</u>	-	614	<u>3,792</u>

DESIGNATED

5 FUNDS

The following funds have been designated by the Trustees during the year

	Balance 1 April 09 £	Additions in year £	Payments in year £	Written back in year £	Balance 31 March 10 £
Travel Fund	-	-	197	(197)	-
WHC Travel Fund	-	-		-	-
General Assembly Fund	-	-		-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	197	- 197	<u>-</u>

6 DEBTORS

	2011 £	2010 £
Gift Aid recoverable	2,748	633
Grants receivable	18,444	29,064
Payments in advance	1,533	180
Sundry debtors	390	381
	<u>23,115</u>	<u>30,258</u>

7 CREDITORS

	2011 £	2010 £
Publications	3,000	3,000
Subscriptions received in advance	11,278	12,564
Payments received in advance	9,965	12,457
Sundry creditors	2,950	22,384
	<u>27,193</u>	<u>50,405</u>

What does ICOMOS do?

ICOMOS (The International Council on Monuments and Sites) develops best practice in the conservation and management of cultural sites, and has a special role as adviser to the UNESCO World Heritage Committee on cultural World Heritage Sites. Active in over 130 countries and with more than 10,000 members, it is one of the most highly regarded conservation organisations in the world.

ICOMOS-UK

ICOMOS-UK is the UK National Committee of ICOMOS. Its mission is to promote and support best practice in the conservation, management, planning and development of our historic environment in the UK and internationally. Its focus is on policy and practice, information and opportunities.

If you are interested in joining ICOMOS-UK, please contact us on 0207 566 0031 or on admin@icomos-uk.org for a membership form. We welcome student and Young Professional members (under 30) at reduced membership rates, as well as individual and institutional members.

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