



**THE BLACK ISLE CHARITABLE CORPORATION FOR CASTLE CRAIG'S
PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION**

A Registered Scottish Charity, Corporation Number SC318202

Registered Office: Anderson Strathern Solicitors

**1 Rutland Court
Edinburgh EH3 8EY**

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

GIVEN AT THE JOINT MEETING WITH THE CLAN URQUHART FOUNDATION

28 July 2011

Glen Mhor HOTEL

Inverness, Scotland

US Giving

The Clan Urquhart Foundation is recommended as a funding vehicle for the study of Castle Craig, to include archaeology surveys and engineering safety assessments. Any private funding for the actual restoration which has the goal of tax relief will need to be funded through the Scottish Charitable Corporation.

UK Giving

With the passing of our dear friend Duncan Urquhart, Robert Cromartie, Baron of Urquhart, has joined the executive team on the UK Castle Craig Charitable Company, in addition to Adam Urquhart and G.A. Cook of Kingerly.

Discussion: Where do we go from here?

Short term goals: Funding for further vegetation removal and the Architectural Survey. The owner currently has been tasked the assignment of applying for an Ancient Monuments Grant. It is hoped this will assist with emergency repairs which, in turn, may be used for the long term preservation of the structure.

Discussion: What will it cost us to get there?

Future costs (short term)

Lachlan Stewart, ANTA Architecture:	575.00
Engineering safety assessment:	750.00
Vegetation removal second stage:	2,000.00
Scaffolding ¹	90,000.00
Fencing ²	2,000.00
Archaeological survey:	<u>11,183.75 (incl current VAT)</u>
Total short term:	£106,508.75 (app. \$64,000US)

Background: Where have we been?

31 August 2005. Retention of Scottish Solicitors

1 August 2006: Approval by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) for the Black Isle Charitable Corporation for Castle Craig's Preservation and Restoration.

9 March 2007. Certificate of Incorporation Scottish Charitable Corporation issued.

29 February 2008: Proposal from Field Archaeology Specialists (FAS).

23 June 2008: Retained Field Archaeology Specialists (FAS) for Historic Buildings Assessment

July 2008: Contact with the Historic Environment Records Officer of the Highland Council to determine if there has been a prior archaeological recording and assessment

¹ This is dependent upon the engineer's report expected in August 2009. However, the scaffolding will eventually required. It is planned to purchase the scaffolding rather than hire it.

² If scaffolding is erected, fencing is seen as necessary to help prevent climbing.

Nov. 2008: Historic Buildings Assessment completed.

2009: Scottish Accounts opened.

March 2009. Completed application to carry out vegetation removal at the structure for further archaeological study.

May 2009: Vegetation removed—First Stage.

19 May 2009: Proposal for Archeological Survey, 9,725.00 (exc VAT)

13 July 2009: Retained John Addison for engineering safety assessment.

August 2010: Light vegetation removal.

April 2011: Castle Craig Membership brochures available for distribution at Sir Thomas Urquhart events.

August 2011: Light vegetation removal.

Setp. 2011: Internet presence

Costs already incurred (in Pounds)

Feb. 2007. Scottish Solicitor fees	2,500.00
Nov. 2008: Archaeological assessment:	4,523.75
June 2009: Vegetation Removal (first stage)	1,500.00
June 2009: Scottish Solicitor fees	<u>1,052.25</u>
Total to date	9,576.00 (app. \$16,750US)

Respectfully submitted

G.A. Cook of Kingerly
Constable of Castle Craig
Chairman, The Black Isle Charitable Corporation for
Castle Craig's Preservation and Restoration

AGENDA

1. Prior minutes distributed by e-mail
2. Members present: Adam Urquhart, G.A. Cook of Kingerly, Melody W. Cook of Kingerly
3. Vice-chair report
4. Chairman's report
5. Treasurer's report:
Accounts established
Expenditures: None from our accounts.
Annual Report for 2008 filed by our solicitors.
Motion on filing 2009 report to be by solicitors or the Treasurer/Secretary
6. Election of Directors (3).
Adam Urquhart, Robert Cromarties and G.A. Cook of Kingerly are willing to continue.
7. Election of officers.
Adam Urquhart, Robert Cromartie and G.A. Cook of Kingerly are willing to continue as Treasurer/Secretary, Vice-Chairman and Chairman, respectively
8. AOCB

FUND RAISING SCHEME

1. Membership in Castle Craig Charitable Corporation: £50.00 per year (separate from donor levels).
2. Donor levels will be recognized if donation made to Clan Urquhart Foundation. Donations to the Clan Urquhart Foundation may not be used for permanent improvements. Donors will be recognized by a certificate and an appropriate plaque at the site. Donations may be made at \$1,000/£1,000 per year toward each level.

Patron: \$20,000US/£10,000

Honorary Constable: \$10,000US/£5,000

Sponsor: \$2,500US/£1,250

Other fund raising. This is a discussion to be held by the Committee. Some ideas are noted:

4. Engraved paver stone £100
5. Castle Craig merchandise
 - Pins
 - T- shirts

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____

POSTAL ADDRESS: _____

Annual Subscription amount: _____