

**Human Osteoarchaeology SIG**  
Wednesday 3 September 2025, 18:30-19:30  
Teams

**Agenda**

**1. Apologies for absence with statements reminder** (*standing item*)

- [CIfA statement about dignity and respect](#)
- [Competition law statement of compliance](#)

**2. Minutes of the previous meeting**

**3. Matters Arising**

- Member numbers
- Progress of conference (including CFP). Set up Gmail account. (not setting up) we have 1 submission so far. Post on FB and repost BS and LinkedIn. To discuss keynote invitation.
- BABAO stand – merchandise (KS has emailed Cara about this)

**4. Advisory Council Feedback**

Review SIG introduction, aims, and objectives ahead of the Advisory Group meeting on Thursday 4 September. This will be delivered by SK.

**5. Group Documentation**

- Annual report was submitted in July and has been uploaded to the Knowledge Hub.
- Newsletter update: News, publications, projects, accomplishments, successful funding bids, links to YouTube channel, excavation opportunities, short courses, end of year mini-conference day CFP (deadline end of July and decisions end of August) (newsletter to be sent out: 1 July 2025, 1 October 2025, January 2026).
- Use of KnowledgeHub to store documents. Has ST transferred all relevant documentation to this area?

**6. Communications**

- Newsletter update – has this been posted?
- Social media engagement update.

**7. Any Other Business (AOB)**

- Afford meeting between CIfA and BABAO.

**8. Date of next committee meeting and future events:**

Next committee meeting: Wednesday 1 October, 18:30-19:30, via Teams

**Apologies should be forwarded to the Group Secretary.**

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### Minutes

**Present:** Heidi Dawson-Hobbis (HD-H) (Vice-Chair), Kirsty Squires (KS) (Secretary), Sabrina Ki (SK), Milena Grzybowska (MG), Aoife McCaughey (AMC)

Agenda Point		Action (Initials)
1.	<b>Apologies</b>	ST
2.	<b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b> Note if they were accepted without changes. Or if there were, what the changes were.	No changes (KS)
3.	<b>Matters Arising</b> Member numbers update -Numbers have gone up from 424 to 446.  Conference (18 October) -Group to review submissions and decide on talks prior to letting speakers know their talk has been accepted. - RI to pull together talks and review submissions.  SIG stand at BABAO -5 MB or larger photographs for merchandise/outreach materials. -MG and ST to liaise with Cara around merchandise. -RI to send conference overview to MG for promotion.	KS   All RI  All MG, ST RI
4.	<b>Advisory Council Feedback</b> Review group introduction, aims and objectives ahead of AC meeting on Thursday 4 September.	SK
5.	<b>Group Documentation</b> Annual report submitted (by KS) in early July 2025.  Sharing documents – Knowledge Hub. -Has ST transferred all documents from OneDrive to Knowledge Hub? Carry over to the next meeting.	-  ST
6.	<b>Communications</b> <i>Using your 3-year plan, discuss your communication with your group members.</i>  Newsletter -Discuss the newsletter going forward based on feedback (should we continue with this and/or add to the weekly CIfA email updates?) – to carry over to the next meeting.  Social media update -Share link for the Osteobite talks to social media accounts and on KnowledgeHub. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCQpIffE5Y9FIPRotJLI9T5zee2LMUCZv">https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCQpIffE5Y9FIPRotJLI9T5zee2LMUCZv</a>	All  SK

<b>7.</b>	<b>AOB</b> Human remains in museums debate and AFFORD report meeting (21.7.25) update. -Separate meeting to discuss if our aims align with the subject and whether we should be releasing statements based on our backgrounds, etc. KS to send out a Doodle Poll.	HD-H, RI  KS
<b>8.</b>	<b>AOB</b> Sam to update Teams links in calendars.	ST
<b>9.</b>	<b>Date of next committee meeting and future events</b> Wednesday 1 October, 18:30-19:30, via Teams	