

ALGAO:Cymru Planning Committee

Terms of Reference

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General

The ALGAO:Cymru Planning Committee evolved out of the Welsh Archaeological Trusts Archaeological Planning Officer group meetings of the early 2000s. Since 2009 the membership has increased to include a more diverse, pan-Wales membership and has become affiliated with ALGAO:Cymru as a Committee.

Following constitutional changes within ALGAO:UK in 2018 it was decided that the ALGAO:Cymru Planning Committee ought to report more formally to ALGAO:Cymru and as such, would require a Chair and terms of reference.

Membership of the planning Committee

Membership of the Committee comprises representatives from all Local Planning Authorities and National Park Authorities who employ an archaeologist and each of the four Welsh Archaeological Trusts.

Representatives from other stakeholder organisations who are involved in archaeology and the planning process are also invited, this includes Cadw and the Council for British Archaeology, Wales.

Individuals and representatives from other organisations may be invited to meetings of the Committee to discuss particular topics or issues.

Purpose of the Planning Committee

The objectives of the Committee are:

To share experiences of archaeological planning matters for member organisations of the Committee.

To liaise and discuss the implementation of national / regional policies on archaeological planning matters.

To monitor standards within planning archaeology and highlight good / poor practice across the profession.

Scope of the Planning Committee

The Committee has an advisory and co-ordination role. Feedback from the Committee will inform decisions at member organisations as well as decisions made by ALGAO:Cymru and ultimately ALGAO:UK.

Meetings of the Planning Committee

Normally there will be one meeting a year. A record will be made of meetings, circulated and agreed by the members. These meetings can take place physically, virtually or as a combination of both.

Relationship with ALGAO:Cymru

The Chair of ALGAO:Cymru will usually chair the Committee and act as the conduit for escalating issues from the group to ALGAO:Cymru, ALGAO:UK and any other relevant external party as well as cascading issues from these bodies down to the Committee. Minutes of meetings will be hosted on the ALGAO:Cymru (private / member) web pages of ALGAO's website <https://www.algao.org.uk/wales>.

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