

DRAFT SUPPLEMENTARY CHARTER FOR THE SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF SCOTLAND

ELIZABETH THE SECOND by the Grace of God of the united Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Our other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING!

WHEREAS His Majesty King George the Third by Royal Charter dated twenty ninth day of March in the year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred and eighty three (hereinafter called “the Charter”) constituted a Body Politic and Corporate by the name of “Society of Antiquaries of Scotland”:

AND WHEREAS the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland has by a humble Petition prayed that We would be graciously pleased to grant it a Supplementary Charter:

AND WHEREAS We have taken the said Petition into Our Royal Consideration and are minded to accede thereto:

NOW THEREFORE KNOW YE that We by virtue of Our Prerogative Royal and of Our especial grace, certain knowledge and mere motion have willed and ordained and by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors do will and ordain as follows:

1. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Charter, it shall be amended by deleting the following words from the restrictions to acquire by purchase and enjoy lands, tenements and other heritage: “not exceeding a value of one thousand pounds sterling”
2. The Charter shall be read, construed, and take effect as if it contained the following provision:
“The Society of Antiquaries of Scotland may by resolution of the Members amend, add, or revoke any of the provisions of this Our Charter provided that no such amendment, addition or revocation shall be effective unless and until it shall have been submitted to and allowed by Us, Our heirs or successors in Council and this Our Charter shall then continue to operate as if it had been granted containing such amendments and additions.”
3. The Charter shall be read, construed, and take effect as if it contained the following provision:
“The Society of Antiquaries of Scotland may by special resolution passed at a meeting of the Members specially convened for the purpose surrender the Charter of 1783 and Supplementary Charter and to wind up the affairs of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, but if on the winding up or dissolution of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland there shall remain after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property or money whatsoever the same shall not be paid or distributed among the Members of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland or any of them, but shall, subject to any special trusts affecting the same, be given and transferred to some other charitable institution or institutions having objects similar to the objects of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland and which shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property amongst it or their Members to an extent at least as great as imposed on the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland under or by virtue of the Charter of 1783 and the Supplementary Charter, such institution or institutions to be determined by the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland as part of a special resolution at or before the time of dissolution and if so far as affect cannot be given to the foregoing provisions then to some charitable object.”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF We have ordered the Seal appointed by the Treaty of Union to be kept and made use of in place of the Great Seal of Scotland to be appended hereto.

GIVEN at Our Court at the
day of Two thousand and
in the year of Our reign

BY WARRANT UNDER THE QUEEN'S SIGN MANUAL