

# EES Gift Policy Statement

The Egypt Exploration Society is a Registered Charity (No. 212384) and relies on membership subscriptions and voluntary contributions from its members and other funders. Memberships, donations, and sponsorship help every element of our work in the UK and in Egypt.

We are committed to fundraising best practice and abide by the Fundraising Regulator's key principles and behaviours of a fundraising organisation: to be legal, open, honest, and respectful. We undertake to comply with relevant law and regulations, including the Proceeds of Crime Act, Data Protection, Tax and Gift Aid legislation, and Charity Commission guidance, as well as our own policies relating to the trade in antiquities.

The EES monitors potential donations and corporate partnerships for compliance and risk. Final decisions may be escalated to the Board of Trustees. It is our Board's legal obligation to act in the best long-term interest of the Society and to act prudently when deciding to accept or refuse voluntary contributions.

The Board will refuse a gift if it can reasonably conclude that its acceptance would be more likely to be detrimental to the organisation than its refusal.

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*Extract from EES Gift Policy*

## 4. The Donor Charter

The EES is committed to treating its givers and all supporters with the highest level of care and respect. This Donor Charter has been produced to assure givers and prospective givers of the integrity and accountability of the Society.

### 4.1 Rights

All givers and prospective givers have the following rights:

- a. To be treated by the EES in a fair, transparent, accurate, and honest manner in accordance with all applicable laws and the professional code of fundraising ethics and good practice.
- b. To be informed in all fundraising solicitations of the organisation's name, contact details and charitable status.
- c. To receive appropriate and timely acknowledgment, recognition, and publicity for their gift in accordance with their wishes.
- d. To be consulted swiftly if their gift cannot be used for its intended purpose and have it repaid if agreement cannot be reached within a short period of time for an alternative use.
- e. To be kept informed of the impact of their gift and the Society's evolving needs and priorities. This includes receiving progress reports and invitations to events to see first-hand the benefits their support brings.
- f. To be assured that givers' rights to privacy and confidentiality will be respected with all givers' records kept secure and in full compliance of the Data Protection Act 2018.
- g. To be asked in writing for permission to be cited in case studies and other promotional material (including photographs) prior to publication.
- h. To have their support treated as anonymous, if requested.
- i. To have their details removed from the organisation's database or the number/type of solicitations limited, if so requested.
- j. To have access to the organisation's most recent published financial accounts and be assured that the charity's financial affairs are conducted in a responsible manner, consistent with the ethical obligations of stewardship and the legal requirements of the Charity Commission of England and Wales.