

UNESCO World Heritage Status

St. Helena Application

Scoping Group

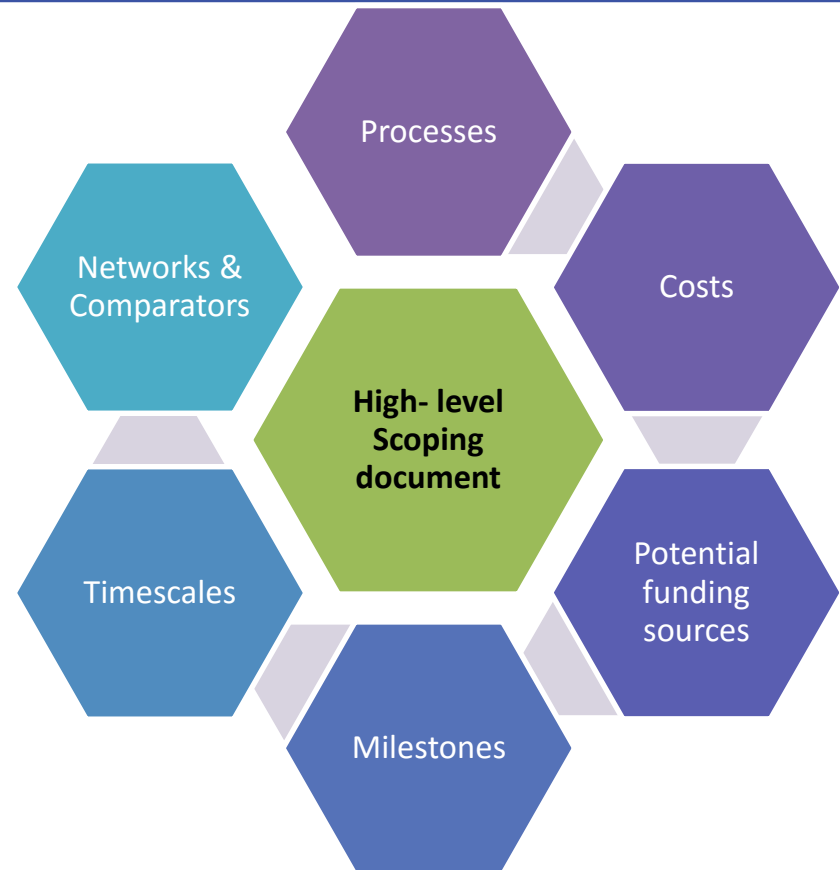
Welcome

Agenda for Session, Background and Overview of Group

Focus

- Review existing bid, including feedback
- Seek advice, data and input
- Establish Position Statement
- Review advantages & disadvantages
- Make recommendation, and justify it

Outcome



What is World Heritage?

World Heritage is an international system of mutual cooperation between states set up to identify, protect, manage, present and transmit to future generations places of Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) to all humanity, according to the terms of the 1972 UNESCO Convention concerning the Protection of Cultural and Natural Heritage (the World Heritage Convention). The Convention also encourages states to develop systems for the conservation of their natural and cultural heritage generally.

The best known aspect of the Convention is the World Heritage List of (currently) 911 places judged to be of OUV

What we know

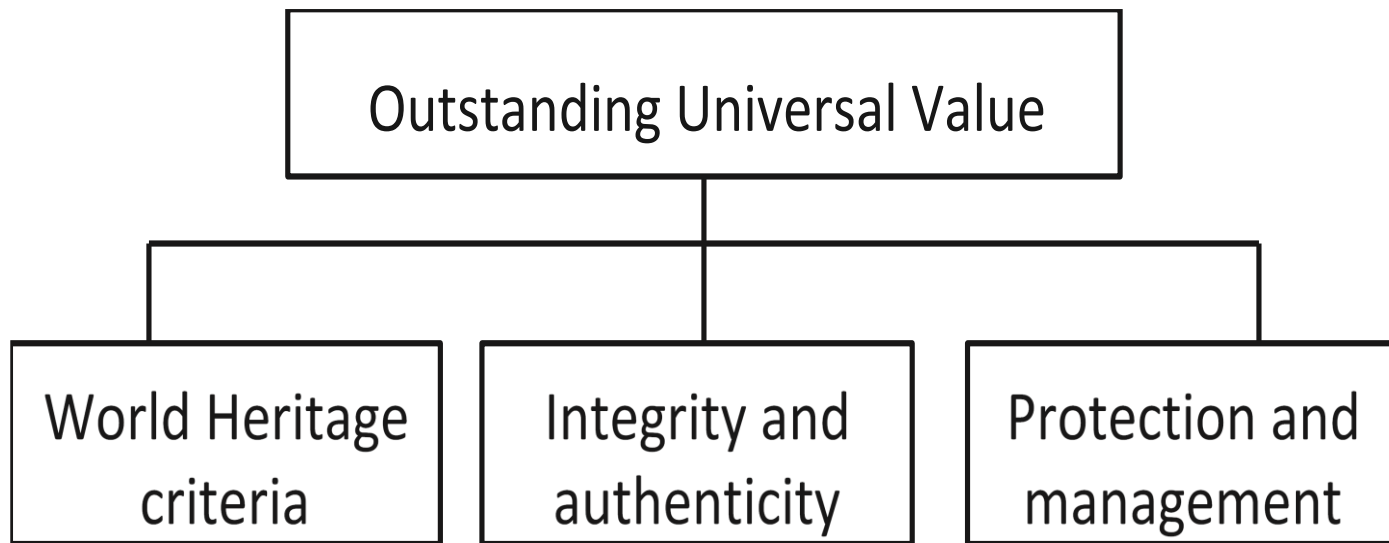
about St Helena's UK Tentative List Nomination

- St Helena applied for a mixed site nomination.
- St Helena's met criteria (x) for its level of endemic biodiversity extant across the island.
- A question of integrity remains and St Helena needs to evidence that, including achieving effective restoration of habitats over a wide area.
- St Helena failed to secure support for its cultural heritage criteria (xi) because there was uncertainty about whether the values constituted OUVs.
- The UK Tentative List Review Panel's recommendation was for St Helena to consider whether it wished to make a case under cultural criteria.
- St Helena must demonstrate that the values of the site could be maintained through the changes brought about by air access, tourism and associated economic development.

Reviewing OUV criteria

Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) means cultural and/or natural significance which is so exceptional as to transcend national boundaries and to be of common importance for present and future generations of all humanity. As such, the permanent protection of this heritage is of the highest importance to the international community as a whole.

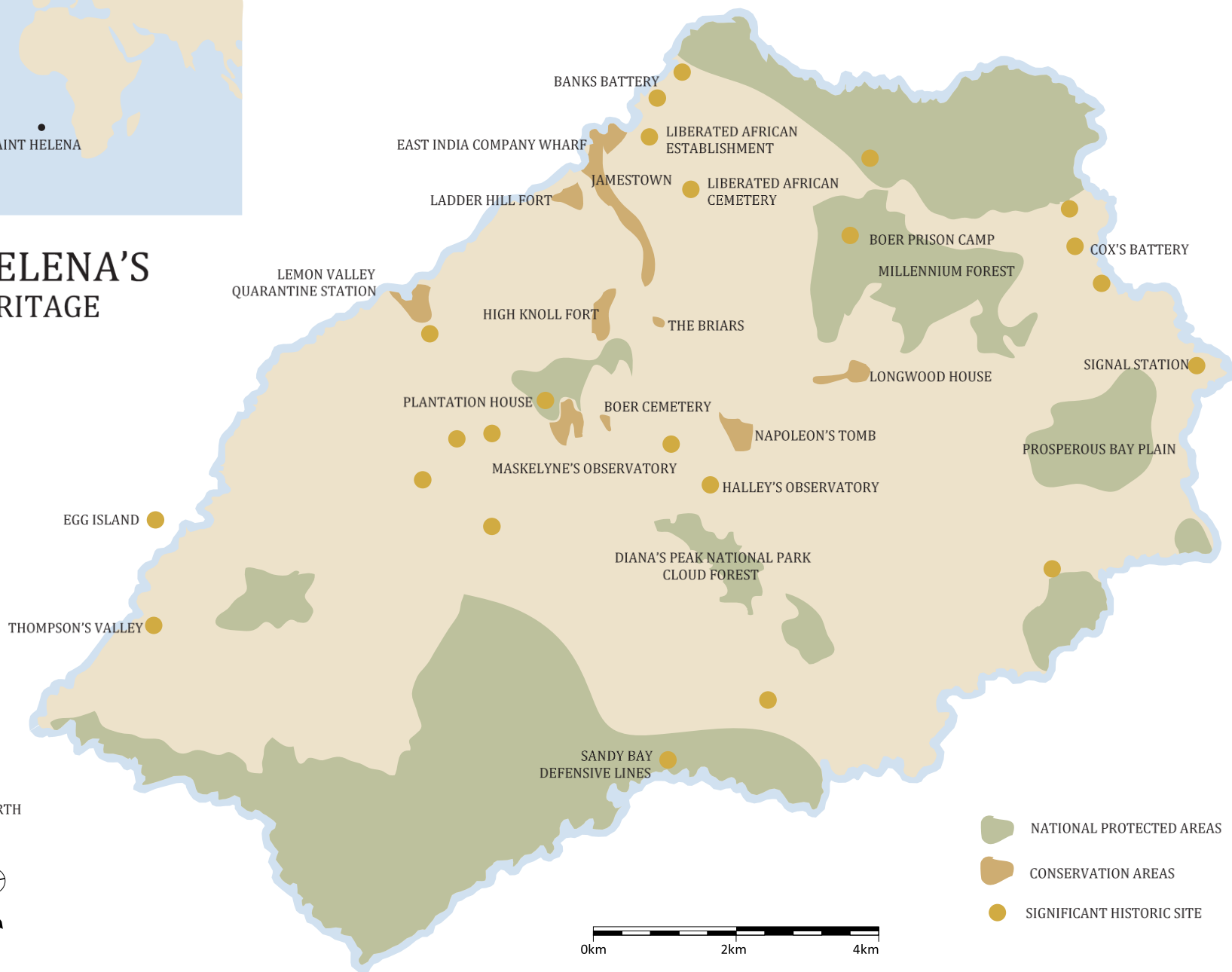
Evidencing Outstanding Universal Value





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SAINT HELENA'S WORLD HERITAGE

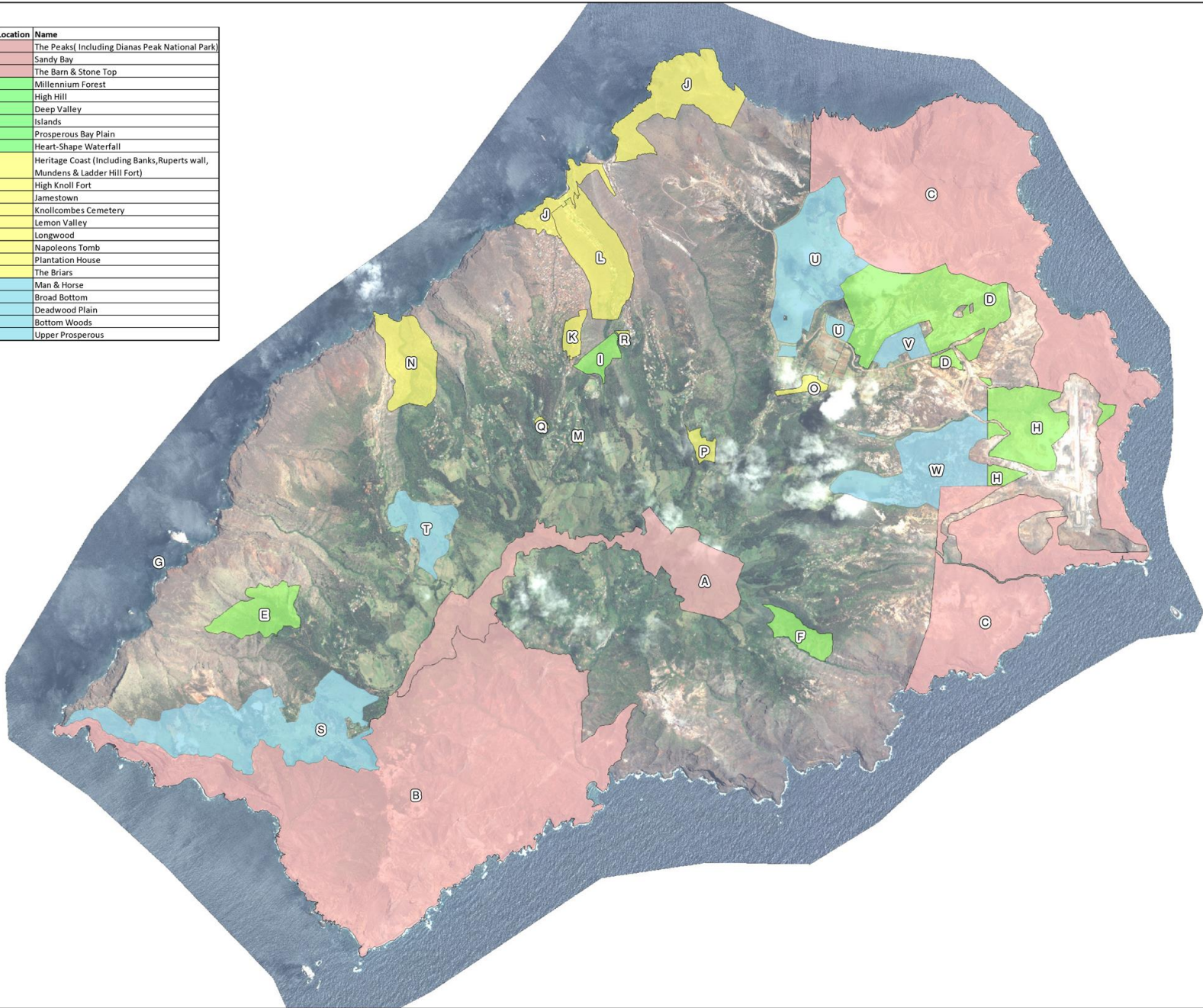


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Type/Location	Name
1A	The Peaks(Including Dianas Peak National Park)
1B	Sandy Bay
1C	The Barn & Stone Top
2D	Millennium Forest
2E	High Hill
2F	Deep Valley
2G	Islands
2H	Prosperous Bay Plain
2I	Heart-Shape Waterfall
3J	Heritage Coast (Including Banks,Ruperts wall, Mundens & Ladder Hill Fort)
3K	High Knoll Fort
3L	Jamestown
3M	Knollcombes Cemetery
3N	Lemon Valley
3O	Longwood
3P	Napoleons Tomb
3Q	Plantation House
3R	The Briars
4S	Man & Horse
4T	Broad Bottom
4U	Deadwood Plain
4V	Bottom Woods
4W	Upper Prosperous



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Legend

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Type

- National Parks
- Nature Reserves
- Heritage Conservation
- Important Wirebird Area

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- Red: Layer_1
- Green: Layer_2
- Blue: Layer_3

Scale 1:55,000



Natural Heritage Questions

1. How does St Helena, or specified CAs, meet the requirement for integrity?
2. Are there threats to integrity?
3. Which CAs have management plans, not when are they likely to have one?
4. Does St Helena's marine life contribute to meeting criteria (x)? Where is that found?
5. Does the MPA, or part thereof have integrity?
6. Is there a Management Plan for the Marine Environment, what does it cover and what is its status?
7. Are there other natural values that could be considered as meeting OUV criteria?

Cultural Heritage Questions

1. Are there cultural heritage (terrestrial and marine) values, in addition to those put forward in the nomination, that ought to be considered?
2. Which UNESCO OUV criteria do St Helena's values meet?
3. How are these values recognised in St Helena law, policies, strategies and plans?
4. Which of the OUVs can be considered to have authenticity and integrity? Do they meet the criteria for OUV individually or as part of a group?
5. What are the threats to authenticity and integrity?
6. Which OUVs have management plans associated with them, if not do you know when will they likely to have?

Questions?

Thank you for your attention

Now the hard work begins!