Vikings descend on Holyrood to reclaim treasure

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Pictured are vikings from the Regia Anglorum (correct) historical re-enactment group Connor Milton (left), Louisa Sanderson (centre) and Jen Cresswell (right). www.vikinggallowayhoard.com

Vikings joined campaigners at the Scottish Parliament to call for 1,000-year-old treasures to be returned to Galloway where they were found and not kept in Edinburgh by the National Museums.

The Galloway Viking Hoard (GVH) Campaign wants to see the finds finally displayed in a dedicated exhibition space at a new gallery in Kirkcudbright where they would have pride of place, while boosting tourism in the area.

Online and paper petitions have attracted more than 5,000 signatures and there have been hundreds of messages of support from across the country and from overseas.

A letter backing the campaign has been signed by the Duke of Buccleuch and Queensberry KBE, Dame Barbara Kelly DBE FRIAS, Sir Alex Fergusson, Sir Malcolm Ross GCVO, Sir John Thomson GCMG, Richard Arkless MP and Professor E J Cowan FRSE.















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