

# **Declaration of Arbroath Family History Project**

## **Progress report 1, 3 December 2018**

### **Documentary strand**

The first batch of student work contributing to the Project has been submitted. We now have research findings on 23 individuals associated with the Declaration, in addition to findings on another 8 who had previously been researched as part of the Battle of Bannockburn Family History Project. These findings consist of brief biographies, four generation genealogies showing descendants of the grandparents of the focus individual and details of coats of arms. The list of their names can be found on the Strathclyde genealogy website at <http://www.strathgenealogy.org.uk/declaration-of-arbroath/> Research is still to be carried out on another 17 individuals.

### **Genetic genealogy strand**

We already have access to one DNA test result from a documented male line descendant of an individual associated with the Declaration and several others have been identified whom it is hoped may be willing to participate in the Project by taking a DNA test. E-mails have also been sent to a number of relevant DNA surname projects to discover whether documented male line descendants have already taken DNA tests and are members of a project. If so, it is hoped that we can cooperate with specific projects to carry out genetic genealogy research into the families of those associated with the Declaration.

### **Exhibition**

Following consultation with Historic Environment Scotland, it has been confirmed that the Project Exhibition will be held initially at Arbroath Abbey from 3 July to 14 August 2020. Quotations for the hire of display boards and printing are now being sought.