

Heritage Link Update 139

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World Heritage Sites: CLG consultation, deadline 22 August

Following the commitment made in the Heritage White Paper 2007, CLG is now consulting on a new Planning Circular to replace advice in paragraphs 2.22-2.23 and 6.35-6.37 of PPG 15. The draft circular in Annexe A explains the Government's objectives and the principles in protecting World Heritage Sites (WHSs) and the actions necessary. Annexe B sets out English Heritage's new draft Guidance, also for consultation. This covers the national and international context, the role of the planning system and community strategies and covers the preparation of management plans for the protection of WHSs.

Appropriate policies for the protection and sustainable use of WHSs should be included in Regional Spatial Strategies and Local Development Frameworks. They should protect the WHS and its setting, including any Buffer Zone from inappropriate development. They should strike a balance between the needs of conservation, access, interests of the local community and, says government, should achieve sustainable economic growth.

As indicated in the Heritage White Paper, CLG is consulting on extending Article 1 (5) to WHSs giving planning authorities greater control over certain small-scale types of development such as artificial cladding or the installation of dormer windows. This sort of development could, on a cumulative basis, erode the outstanding universal value of a World Heritage Site. It would put WHS on the same footing as other protected areas such as Conservation Areas, National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Responses should be submitted to Phil Wetherby, PSI Zone 1/G10, Eland House, Bressenden Place, London SW1E 5DU or by email to phil.wetherby@communities.gsi.gov.uk by 22 August. The consultation is available at

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/worldheritagesitesconsultation [Back](#)

Railway Heritage: DFT consultation, deadline 5 September

The Railway Heritage Committee (RHC) is an executive Non Departmental Public Body (NDPB) sponsored by the Department for Transport. The role of the RHC is to 'designate' records or artefacts relating to railways which are of sufficient interest to warrant preservation. Its members act voluntarily and are only reimbursed for expenses related to their activities. The Committee therefore relies on committed individuals to help it carry out its statutory duties.

The Chairman of the RHC, Lord Faulkner of Worcester, has written to the Department highlighting concerns related to: the constraints placed on the Committee by existing legislation, and that there is an increasing number of railway related companies outside of the RHC's scope to carry out its function. In addition, the last two appointment campaigns for an archivist member for the Committee have been unsuccessful due, in part, to the wording of current legislation.

The purpose of this consultation is two-fold. Firstly to seek views on increasing the number of railway related bodies in the scope of the RHC and secondly to seek views on proposals to update the membership of the RHC. Responses to this consultation are requested by 5 September.

For related documents and for further information visit

<http://www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/open/railwayheritage/intro#rightmenu> [Back](#)

CLG Planning Policy Statement 12: Local Spatial Planning published, 4 June

CLG has published Planning Policy Statement 12 (PPS12). This document explains what local spatial planning is, and how it benefits communities. It also sets out what the key ingredients of local spatial plans are and the key government policies on how they should be prepared.

It replaces Planning Policy Statement 12: Local Development Frameworks, published on 7 September 2004, and Creating Local Development Frameworks: A Companion guide to PPS12, published on 2 November 2004. This also replaces Planning Policy Guidance 12: Development plans (PPG12) published on 14 December 1999. To view this document visit

<http://www.info4local.gov.uk/documents/publications/833885>

CLG also published the Local Development Frameworks streamlining: Summary of Responses to consultation. This consultation sought the views on proposed amendments to the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004 and on a new version of Planning Policy Statement 12: Local Development Frameworks (PPS12). In particular, the views of the public were invited in response to 10 specific questions asked within the consultation document. To view publication visit <http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/ldfsummaryresponses> [Back](#)

Planning Bill debate, 2 June: report

The Planning Bill has finished in Committee with over a hundred Government amendments tabled. During the report stage MPs will have only two days to debate the amendments before the Bill moves on to the Lords. In the first day of debate, the government was accused of bringing forward a bill that was 'barely recognisable' from that discussed at the earlier committee stage. Conservative, Lib Dem and back bench Labour MPs complained that not enough time is allocated to debating the changes.

More than 60 Labour MPs signed a motion opposing the proposed Independent Planning Commission. During the debate on 2 June Paul Truswell Labour MP for Pudsey said there was a 'tremendous amount of concern' among backbench Labour MPs about 'key aspects of this particular Bill' including the planning commission. He also said he was concerned that debate on sensitive issues like the planning commission was being 'compressed into a two hour period next Monday night'. The amount of time set aside for debate also prompted anger among Conservative and Lib Dem MPs.

The text of the 1st allotted day of debate 2 June is at <http://www.parliament.the-stationery-office.co.uk/pa/cm200708/cmhansrd/cm080602/debtext/80602-0006.htm#0806021500002> The second

day of two day debate has been delayed by the Climate Change Bill and maybe rescheduled on the 23 June. [Back](#)

New EH *Heritage at Risk Register 2008* to be published, 8 July

English Heritage has announced a huge development of the annual Buildings at Risk Register. The new Heritage At Risk Register will extend the formula not only to include Grade II buildings for the first time but also to scheduled monuments (where they are not also listed), archaeology, historic landscapes, parks and gardens, places of worship, conservation areas, battlefields and even designated maritime wrecks. The news makes England the only country in Europe to aim for a comprehensive knowledge [the existing Register is far from comprehensive in terms of II*s and Is at risk] of the state of its protected heritage and the analysis to save this precious and finite resource for the future.

For the first phase of the project, to be published on 8 July, English Heritage intends to add to our knowledge of the country's 30,687 Grade I and Grade II* listed buildings with an assessment of all 19,711 of the country's scheduled monuments, all 1,595 of its registered historic parks, gardens and landscapes, all 43 of its registered battlefields and all 45 protected wrecks. It will present a view on how many of these national treasures are at risk and, most importantly, why.

Heritage At Risk will include all of the above plus scheduled monuments (that are not also listed) and conservation areas at risk. Heritage At Risk 2010 will include all of the above plus places of worship at risk. The Register will eventually contain details of each individual item at risk once owners have been contacted. The resources available for the increased English Heritage work have not yet been clarified.

Heritage At Risk will be launched on English Heritage's website which will include links to registers of listed buildings at risk kept by some local authorities.

For further details see <http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/ConWebDoc.13844> [Back](#)

Placesofworship@heritagelink gets go ahead

The National Churches Trust has announced full backing for Heritage Link's newly founded placesofworship@heritagelink group. NCT Trustees have announced a generous grant to cover a paid development post and operational costs for a year.

This new collaborative group launched at Heritage Link AGM 2007, will provide a forum for non-government interests to work together on the basis of their shared concern for historic places of worship - especially where there is added value in doing so.

The cross-denominational and interfaith group will provide a national forum for liaison and communication, strengthen the 'third sector' voice and develop a shared vision on the way forward for historic places of worship. It will enhance members' contribution to wider debates on heritage, regeneration and funding through the work of Heritage Link.

So far the inaugural actions have been achieved thanks to much appreciated voluntary assistance from Robert Green. The NCT funding means, however, that the group will be able to move forward with more substantial actions as well as further funding raising to secure its future. The two day a week post from September will be advertised through Heritage Link Update in due course. [Back](#)

Cultural Offer: Ten Find Your Talent Pilot Schemes

Ten areas around the country are to pilot the Government's £25 million Find your Talent programme to give young people the chance to encounter a range of high-quality cultural experiences for five hours a week both in and outside school. The pilots, selected from an astounding 141 submissions will trial different ways of offering young people a range of cultural experiences both within schools and in professional art settings.

Find your Talent will include giving young people the chance to perform on stage and attend top quality performances, exhibitions at museums and galleries, and heritage sites; get hands-on experience of the creative industries including film making, radio and TV; learn a musical instrument, and take part in a musical performance in front of an audience; produce creative writing and appreciate authors and how they work; learn about - and practise - new media and digital art; and develop art and craft skills.

The ten lead organisations chosen as pilots are: Bolton Borough Council; The Creative Foundation (serving Shepway District and including Folkestone, Hythe and Romney Marsh); Customs House (North and South Tyneside); Hampshire County Council; Leeds Children's Services; Leicestershire County Council; Liverpool City Region Partnership (serving three Merseyside neighbourhoods); North Somerset; Telford and Wrekin Council; and Tower Hamlets.

For further details see <http://www.creative-partnerships.com/offer> [Back](#)

Built environment education in schools: findings published

Major research commissioned from the National Foundation for Education Research (NFER) for Engaging Places, the built environment education project, has looked at the supply and demand of built environment education in schools.

The research finds that school staff demonstrate awareness of, and enthusiasm for, built environment education and are familiar with the benefits it can bring to teaching and learning. The sector and providers of built environment education however need to develop and nurture schools' and teachers' understandings of built environment education further, to increase their confidence to incorporate it into their teaching.

Developed by DCMS and DCSF in association with the Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment and English Heritage together with a wide range of learning providers and schools, the research aimed to identify practical approaches to make schools more aware of what can be achieved by engaging with buildings and places.

Heritage Link is fully behind the development of the project. It facilitated access to voluntary heritage organisations in the pilot areas. Don Henson, leader of Heritage Link's Education Task Group chaired the National Advisory Panel in Yorkshire and Humberside and represented heritage [Heritage Link?] on the Learning outside the Classroom Manifesto. Anthea Case, Chairman of Heritage Link has now been appointed Chairman of the Engaging Places Partnership Board (as reported in Update 138). In September 2008 an on-line resource for schools will be launched providing a national database of heritage/built environment curriculum resources.

For the summary, full findings, and related publications see summary http://www.culture.gov.uk/reference_library/publications/5140.aspx [Back](#)

Blears boosts Planning Aid

Communities' secretary Hazel Blears has announced a major expansion of Planning Aid today to ensure that people have the advice, skills and professional support they need for a proper voice in the planning process. Planning Aid works with community groups to develop their understanding of the planning system so that they can communicate their views more effectively. And it helps individuals who are unable to afford a planning consultant and who, without assistance, would be excluded from the planning process.

Following the doubling of Planning Aid funding from £1.7m in 2007/08 to £3.2m this year, government will increase this further to £4.1m in 2009/10 and £4.5m in 2010/11. This means the number of people directly helped will rise greatly from around 25,000 assisted this year.

Free advice is available to all callers and more detailed help to eligible individuals and groups. It specifically helps those on benefits, pensioners, or people whose household income is low, and also provides planning advice to small charities, voluntary and community groups, tenants' organisations, social enterprises and other not-for-profit businesses. The full range of planning issues are covered ranging from planning applications, through local authority planning policies, to regional spatial strategies and national consultations.

For more information visit <http://www.communities.gov.uk/news/corporate/826131> [Back](#)

Conservative Policies for the third sector

The Conservative Party has announced it would replace the Office of the Third Sector with a more wide-ranging 'Office for Civil Society' if it were elected. The commitment is one of a number of pledges set out in a green paper on the sector, unveiled by David Cameron on 3 June.

The paper, *A Stronger Society: Voluntary Action in the 21st Century*, which is now out for consultation proposes legally protecting lottery proceeds for use solely in the sector, allowing central, government employees time off work to volunteer and making Compact enforceable (see the 20 pledges).

The proposed new office would be held to account by Parliament through a new civil society select committee and charged with increasing the involvement of the sector across all policy areas. Greg Clark shadow minister for the third sector said: 'we are inviting the sector to shape what we hope will be the agenda we pursue in government'. Policies shaped by the consultation will be used in the manifesto for the next general election.

For press release and link to the green paper visit

http://www.conservatives.com/tile.do?def=news.story.page&obj_id=145106 [Back](#)

2011 the European Year of Volunteering

The European Parliament has recently launched a Written Declaration for the Year of Volunteering in 2011 which will help to promote volunteering and the invaluable contribution made by more than 100 million volunteers across Europe. So far, the European Council of Youth Ministers, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions, as well as nearly 100 other MEPs have signed the Declaration.

Volunteering England and CSV have sent a joint letter to all MEPs to encourage them to sign the Declaration before the deadline on 9 July 2008.

To view the letter visit <http://www.volunteering.org.uk/WhatWeDo/Policy/whatwearesaying/> [Back](#)

Cultural Olympiad: Arts & Business 'Inspire mark' briefings

Arts & Business are holding a series of briefings around the UK on the 'Inspire mark' with representatives of London 2012. These seminars will explain how your organisation can connect with this exciting UK-wide cultural programme. For more information on these seminars contact events@aandb.org.uk

Access All Areas, the official heritage and built environment project for the Cultural Olympiad, is still being developed. We would encourage all readers of Update who have a project which they think might fit into the activities leading up to London 2012 to contact Ian Lush, Project Director for 'Access All Areas' (and Heritage Link's Deputy Chair) to discuss it: ian.lush@ahfund.org.uk or 020 7925 0199. [Back](#)

Edinburgh World Heritage: Energy Heritage Project

A new study, funded by Edinburgh World Heritage, has demonstrated how simple energy saving measures can have a dramatic effect in making historic homes more energy efficient. The issue is of real importance in Edinburgh where around 75% of the buildings with the World Heritage Site are listed.

The energy project has been a partnership between Edinburgh World Heritage and the sustainable heritage organisation Changeworks. As a case study the project focused on nine category B-listed Georgian tenement flats. A series of simple non-invasive energy saving measures were introduced such as secondary glazing, draught proofing, replacing shutters, floor and loft insulation, low energy lighting and energy advice visits.

As a result the annual costs of each flat were reduced by an average of £175 (in some cases up to £400) and the annual CO2 emissions were reduced by an average of over 1. For more information visit <http://www.ewht.org.uk/Energy-Heritage-Project.aspx> [Back](#)

State of the Natural Environment report published

Natural England has called for a new approach to managing the natural environment to adapt to climate change and the modern pressures of development. Natural England's 'State of the Natural Environment' report brings together evidence on the current state of our natural environment. It shows the natural

environment in England is much less rich than 50 years ago and remains under pressure from a significant range of threats: more intense use of the land and sea; continuing economic development and climate change.

Environment Secretary, Hilary Benn said 'I welcome this report as an important contribution to our understanding of our natural environment. The report shows that if we do the right things we really can make a difference and reverse the loss of biodiversity and landscape. That's why we will be investing £2.9 billion over the next five years in agri-environment schemes, for example. We also now recognise that climate change is presenting us with a new challenge in conserving biodiversity and managing our landscapes. We need new approaches to conservation, and we are working closely with Natural England to develop these.'

More information, including the State of the Natural Environment report visit <http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/son/default.htm> [Back](#)

Natural England announces *Access to Nature* grants

Natural England has announced that its £25 million Lottery funded grant programme Access to Nature is now open for business. Access to Nature aims to provide lasting change to disadvantaged communities by focusing on helping people who currently have little or no contact with the natural environment. The grant scheme is open to organisations and networks who want to help broaden access to the natural world for young people, older people [a touch too PC?! Really should be younger and older, or young and old – or else it's everyone!], Black and Minority Ethnic groups, and people with disabilities.

Natural England has been appointed by the Big Lottery Fund as an award partner, responsible for distributing £25m through the Access to Nature scheme as part of BIG's Changing Spaces programme. Access to Nature brings together the expertise of a unique consortium of environmental organisations to deliver the grants programme.

Grants of between £50,000 and £500,000 will be available to fund projects across England on both a national and regional basis for both capital and revenue. In addition funding will be available for a select number of larger grants of over £500,000 for projects which have a national significance or impact.

Applications for funding will run until June 2010. Projects need to be completed by September 2013. Full details of how to apply and details of funding are available at: www.naturalengland.org.uk/accesstonature [Back](#)

Calls for more diversity on the Museum Association's council

Mark Taylor, Director of the Museums Association (MA) has said: 'We would like to see a greater ethnic diversity on the MA Council, but also a greater range of people in terms of age and the type of museum that they work for, reflecting the strengths of the profession.' There are 21 vacancies on the MA's council for 2008, all for a period of three years with the exception of the president, individual vice-president and institutional vice-president, which are for a period of two years.

Council oversees the affairs of the MA and provides guidance and direction to its officers, making decisions about policy direction, responses to government initiatives, and workforce and training issues. There are 39 members of council in all, and it meets three times a year.

Anyone who is an individual member of the MA, or is nominated by an institutional member of the MA, is eligible to stand for election.

For more information contact georgie@museumsassociation.org [Back](#)

2009 EU Prize for Cultural Heritage/Europa Nostra Awards

The EU Prize for Cultural Heritage / Europa Nostra Awards are granted annually to identify and promote best practices in the conservation of tangible cultural heritage, to stimulate the exchange of knowledge and experience throughout Europe, to enhance public awareness and appreciation of Europe's cultural heritage, and to encourage further exemplary initiatives through the Power of Example.

Outstanding heritage achievements will be awarded in the following categories: conservation, research, dedicated service by individuals or organisations and education, training and awareness-raising.

The EU Prize for Cultural Heritage / Europa Nostra Awards consists of two award levels. Up to six entries will be awarded a Prize, which includes a monetary award of € 10 000. Up to twenty-five entries will be awarded a Medal.

Criteria for the assessment of entries include excellence in the work executed and preliminary research conducted, as well as respect for artistic, cultural and social value, setting, authenticity and integrity. Special attention will also be paid to sustainability, interpretation and presentation, educational work, funding and management, and social responsibility. Entries can be on a scale ranging from small to large, local to international, and should display a standard of work considered outstanding in a European context.

The deadline for entries is 1 October. For more information, please telephone Sander van der Ven on +31 70 302 40 59. [Back](#)

St Pancras awarded RIBA London and English Heritage prize

St Pancras station has been awarded the RIBA London and English Heritage, Building in a Historic Context, accolade for 2008. The award seeks to celebrate a new building or an addition to a building that has worked particularly well within the historic context that encases it. The accolade is not necessarily a conservation award but the jury may choose to recognise exemplary conservation work. The award is afforded to the highest quality architecture of the present day for the way that it forms part of, and contributes to, the continuity and history of its London context.

English Heritage, a key partner in the scheme, wanted to see a revitalised St Pancras Station become one of the defining elements of the King's Cross quarter. The commencement of the design process – orchestrated by the railway engineering consortium (Railway Link Engineering, English Heritage and Camden Council) – underpinned the ten year construction period. Every stage of the restoration and alteration of William Barlow's grade I listed train shed was studiously explored – from major structural issues to the appropriate shades for the repainted ironwork.

For further information visit

<http://www.architecture.com/RegionsAndInternational/UKNationsAndRegions/England/RIBALondon/Awards/RIBALondonAwards.aspx> [Back](#)

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Liz Forgan to chair Cultural Olympiad's Stories of the World

Dame Liz Forgan has been appointed as Chair of the Project Board for Stories of the World, one of the ten Major Projects at the heart of the UK's four-year Cultural Olympiad. The project, led by the MLA in partnership with the London Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games (LOCOG), aims to use the rich collections in the UK's museum, archive and libraries to tell stories of the world and its people, and about the past, present and future relationship between the UK and the world.

The programme will look to engage with young people, diverse communities and disabled people to help reinterpret existing collections and develop exhibitions and online resources which will showcase them in exciting and unexpected ways and venues. Working with partners from Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales, MLA has identified four organisations to begin a key campaign of consultation with young people over the summer. London's Horniman Museum, Sheffield Museums and Galleries, Plymouth Museum and Record Office and the Burrell Collection in Glasgow will work with the NYA (National Youth Agency) to consult with a diverse and inclusive range of young people in their local communities.

The Board will use this work to develop the criteria for selecting which museums, libraries and archives will be project partners. The recruitment for this will run from September to December, with a formal programme launch early in 2009.

For press release visit http://www.mla.gov.uk/news/press_releases/LizForgan [Back](#)

2008 Plowden Prize Winner

Entomologist David Pinniger has been awarded the Royal Warrant Holders Association's 2008 Plowden Medal. The Gold Medal, inaugurated in 1999, is awarded by the Royal Warrant Holders Association in memory of the late Hon. Anna Plowden CBE, the leading conservator who was Vice-President of the Association. The Medal is presented annually to the individual who has made the most significant recent

contribution to the advancement of the conservation profession. It can also be awarded to recognise a lifetime of commitment and achievement.

Pinniger currently provides specialist consultancy and training on pests found in textiles, natural history specimens and wood in museums and historic houses. He is the pest management strategy adviser for English Heritage and many of the UK's major museums and historic houses including the Natural History Museum, the British Museum and Historic Royal Palaces. A highly sought-after lecturer, David has presented papers at many UK and international conferences. He is also author of over 50 papers and publications. His books are standard reference works for the profession.

For more information telephone Christine Lea on: 01442 875267. [Back](#)

EVENTS

Charity Fair 2008, 10 -11 June

Charity Fair 2008 will be held in Central Hall Westminster and will offer workshops and more detailed master classes covering many aspects of charitable working life, including fundraising, management and leadership and volunteering.

Over 100 training sessions are available; all headed by DSC's skilled trainers and expert partner organisations. The workshops and master classes are priced at just £30 and £55 respectively. For more information visit www.charityfair.org.uk [Back](#)

An Evening with Michael Palin: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly, 12 June

SAVE Britain's Heritage is hosting an evening with Michael Palin. He will talk about places and buildings that have had an impression on him. From the enormity of Ceausescu's Palace in Bucharest to the delicacies of Newar architecture in Kathmandu, Palin will talk about the masterpieces, monsters and good honest buildings he's encountered on his journeys.

For further information visit <http://www.cadoganhall.com/showpage.php?pid=651> or telephone 020 7730 4500. [Back](#)

The SWLLN Southwest Employers Event, 17 June

A free regional event for commercial employers, charities and community, volunteer and not-for-profit organisations will be held in the Genesis Centre and Taunton Conference Centre. It will be an opportunity to find out about some of the latest developments and projects running across the region, and also to meet with a range of education providers running courses to support current and potential employees.

Speakers will include Ben Wyer from the Jurassic Coast WHS, Deborah Boden from the Mining Landscape WHS, Ian Moore, director of the Genesis Centre, and Jane Davis, the newly appointed director of the National Heritage Training Academy southwest.

Participants will not be charged and lunch is provided. For further details visit www.swlln.ac.uk [Back](#)

The London Festival of Architecture 2008, 20 June – 20 July

The London Festival of Architecture 2008 will run from 20 June – 20 July and is a celebration and exploration of the city's buildings, streets and spaces, aimed at Londoners and visitors alike.

The Festival includes street installations, exhibitions, guided walks, cycle rides, boat tours of the city's river and canals, parties, design workshops, debates, breakfast talks, and weekend street markets. The activity will move across five key areas or 'Hubs', with public events taking place in a different Hub each weekend. Each of the Hubs covers an area with a very different character - historic, present and future – and full of different institutions and activities.

Headline events include lectures by international architects David Chipperfield, Daniel Libeskind, Cesar Pelli and Rem Koolhaas and by LFA President, Peter Ackroyd as well as Big Breakfasts at spectacular venues such as the British Museum, with speakers including Jon Snow and Janet Street-Porter sharing their views of London.

The Festival involves the work of many hundreds of professionals and volunteers, and aims to provide thought-provoking new perspectives on London. Many events are free and open to all.

For more information visit <http://www.lfa2008.org> [Back](#)

Conservation Forum 2008: The Environment of Church Buildings, 4 November

The environment of church buildings has a varied impact on fabric, furnishings and artworks. Its understanding is central to developing a holistic and sustainable approach to the conservation of these historic places.

Focusing on current practice, the Conservation Forum in Bishopsgate, London aims to bring together leading professionals to provide insight into key national projects, research in environmental monitoring and developments in the understanding of the different vectors of environmental damage. There will be extended Q&A sessions to allow for an open debate on current challenges and future directions.

For booking and more information email enquiries.ccb@c-of-e.org.uk or telephone 020 7898 1866
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English Heritage: On the Waterfront Conference, 19-21 November

Set in the European Capital of Culture 2008 the On the Waterfront conference aims to investigate how a port history shapes the future of today's waterfronts.

This three day conference explores the global city on the edge identifying, debating, discussing and celebrating its distinct identity. On The Waterfront aims to give delegates access to some of the most influential experts on port regeneration from around the world including China, North America, Europe and the UK.

For more information visit www.english-heritage.org.uk/onthewaterfront [Back](#)

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We expect all organisations whose posts are advertised below to offer equal opportunity to all and to welcome applications from all sections of the community.

The National Trust: Assistant Director, External Affairs

The National Trust is recruiting a new Assistant Director of External Affairs. The successful candidate will develop and lead the National Trust's external affairs work in relevant areas and contribute to the management and direction of the Strategy and External Affairs Directorate.

They will lead the Trust's work with policy makers, opinion formers, business and supporters in the areas of the post's responsibility as agreed with the Director of Strategy and External Affairs and in liaison with other parts of the organisation. The current focus of the role is cultural heritage, infrastructure and development, green spaces, philanthropy and social benefit.

Applicants will have a high level of external affairs experience and strategic thinking ability. They will demonstrate strong leadership and people management skills. The post has a starting salary in the range of £50,000 pa. The deadline for applications is 7 July. For more information visit www.ntjobs.org.uk [Back](#)

The National Trust: Marketing and Supporter Development Manager

The National Trust is looking for an individual to lead the Marketing and Supporter Development Team in Devon and Cornwall. The successful candidate will develop, champion and promote activity that will change perceptions of the organisation and encourage greater support amongst a wide variety of audiences, ranging from members and visitors to tenants and communities local to the Trust's properties. Encouraging communities to get involved with the Trust's conservation work is essential to this.

The successful candidate will be an experienced and inspirational leader with strong commercial aptitude and a proven ability to sell ideas and concepts. Strong influencing skills and an ability to unpick

and resolve complex problems will also be necessary. Experience in customer service, retail, catering, holiday lettings and community learning and volunteering activity would be an advantage.

The salary range of this role is £45,600 - £50,000 pa. Closing date for applications is 18 June. For more information visit www.ntjobs.org.uk [Back](#)

The National Trust: Preventive Conservation Adviser (Environment)

The National Trust is looking for a Preventive Conservation Adviser (Environment) to guide environmental monitoring and control in historic properties across England, Wales and Northern Ireland, and lead on scientific issues related to collections and historic interiors conservation. This position offers an opportunity to participate in the conservation work of the National Trust, engaging with current scientific research initiatives and the mitigation and adaptation of climate change.

Applicants will have a good first degree in science and/or a recognised conservation qualification. They will also have sufficient practical experience and post qualification employment as a Conservator or Conservation Scientist to be able to demonstrate proficiency in preventive conservation. PACR is highly desirable. A valid driving licence is also required.

The salary range for this role is £36,978 - £41,036 pa. The deadline for applications is the 16 June. Interviews will be held on 27 June. For more information visit www.ntjobs.org.uk [Back](#)

Dorset County Museum: Director

The Dorset County Museum is seeking to appoint a dynamic new director to take the organisation forward into a period of development and expansion. The successful candidate will be committed to promoting learning and enjoyment for all and will have the leadership qualities and practical experience to develop the museum's potential and guide staff and volunteers through a period of change.

A degree in a related subject, management experience in a cultural or heritage organisation and a proven track record in project development are essential; experience of fundraising and the Accreditation process are also desirable.

The salary for this role is up to £35,000. The closing date for applications is the 20 June. For further information visit www.dorsetcountymuseum.org [Back](#)

English Heritage: Historic Buildings Architect/Surveyor

English Heritage is seeking an Historic Buildings Architect/Surveyor to help ensure that the South West Region's outstanding historic buildings and monuments, including places of worship and buildings at risk, are preserved and repaired to the highest conservation standards. Working in a team of dedicated staff, the candidate will be responsible for reviewing proposals for grant aided conservation and agreeing the most appropriate solutions to ensure the future of cherished historic buildings.

As a qualified architect or surveyor, the candidate must be able to demonstrate knowledge of English architectural history, building construction and current conservation practice and legislation. The candidate will need to write clear and concise reports, approve specifications and drawings, provide expert advice, and monitor work in progress to ensure standards are achieved. This post is office based, but will involve significant travel and site visits.

Based in Bristol this is a part time role for 18 hours per week. The salary for this role is £33,000 pro rata. The deadline for applications is 13 June. For more information visit www.english-heritage.org.uk/jobs [Back](#)

English Heritage: Historic Environment Advisor (Buildings and Areas)

English Heritage requires a knowledgeable and dedicated professional to help secure the conservation of our heritage through casework and promote historic environment initiatives in the South East Region. The successful candidate will provide specialist advice to local planning authorities, developers and others on the historic built environment, conservation-led regeneration projects and planning policies applied to the historic environment.

A detailed knowledge of the historic environment and the planning policies applied to it, combined with excellent communication, negotiation and influencing skills are essential.

The post will be based in Guildford. The salary will be £35,000 per annum. The closing date for applications is 27 June. Interviews will be held on 21 July. To find out more visit www.english-heritage.org.uk/jobs [Back](#)

The Princes Regeneration Trust: PR Consultant

The Prince's Regeneration Trust is a small but high profile charity looking to raise its profile through a media campaign. The Trust is seeking an independent consultant with experience in the property and regeneration sectors (heritage would be a bonus) to offer two days a month support initially for a six-month trial period.

The successful individual will be expected to develop news hooks, write and issue press releases with follow up; develop ideas and synopses for issues articles and sell these in to target publications, and secure interviews for our key spokespeople.

The deadline for applications is the 20 June. For more information email: maria.cansick@princes-regeneration.org. [Back](#)

The Building Exploratory: Administration Officer

The Building Exploratory, based in Hackey, East London, is currently seeking an enthusiastic and experienced administrator. The successful candidate will be overseeing all aspects of the administration and office management along with the day-to-day bookkeeping.

The ideal candidate will be self-motivated, with excellent communication skills and a good telephone manner. Applicants should have a minimum of 12 months experience working in a small team, along with the ability to multi-task and prioritise a busy work schedule. An interest in the built environment and confidence with IT would be advantageous. The salary range for this role is £19,500 - £22,500.

For further information contact Alexandra Turner by calling 0207 275 8555 or email: mail@buildingexploratory.org.uk. The deadline for applications is 13 June. Interviews will be held on 24 June. [Back](#)

IFA: Workplace Learning Bursary Glamorgan and Gwent Archaeological Trust

Applications are invited for a Workplace Learning Bursary for training in the preparation of archaeological desk based assessments, with Glamorgan and Gwent Archaeological Trust. The post is designed to provide the successful candidate with the knowledge and skills necessary to produce effective desk-based assessments.

A structured training plan will be supervised by Dr. Edith Evans, Heritage and Outreach Manager, with support from senior managers in the Projects and Curatorial Divisions. By the end of the placement, the successful applicant will have produced a portfolio of at least three desk-based assessments, covering both construction and environmental/community projects.

Applicants should have a degree in archaeology or equivalent, or equivalent archaeological experience. They should already be acquainted with a wide range of monument types of all periods, and should have IT and writing skills which enable them to draw together data from disparate sources into a clear and concise account. A full current driving license would be an advantage.

The salary for this role is £16,536 (annual) pro rata for 6 months. The closing date for applications is 20 June. Interviews will be held on 27 June. To apply send a CV with a short statement regarding suitability for the role and two referees to: Dr Edith Evans, Heritage and Outreach Manager, Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust, Heathfield House, Heathfield, Swansea, SA1 6EL. For more information telephone 01792 655208. [Back](#)

Countryside Council for Wales: Protected Landscapes Conservation and Policy Officer

The Countryside Council for Wales looking to appoint a Protected Landscapes Conservation and Policy Officer. The appointed candidate will help sustain Wales' natural heritage so that everyone can enjoy it and benefit from it. They will manage and direct resources to integrate CCW's objectives with those of others, provide technical policy advice on CCW's statutory duties, and develop and maintain productive relationships with partners.

The starting salary will be £22,847.00 a year, rising to £31,652.00 with satisfactory performance. This is a fixed-term, pensionable full-time appointment of 37 hours a week until June 2010. The closing date for applications is 20 June. For more information visit <http://www.ccw.gov.uk/about-ccw/ccw-jobs/current-vacancies/protected-landscapes.aspx> [Back](#)

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