

# Heritage Link Update 146

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## Heritage Link networking in the South West, 14 October

Heritage Link continues its series of popular regional events with a full day programme on 14 October in Taunton. Held in partnership with the Outer South West Association of Civic Trusts, this is an opportunity for all interested in heritage matters to meet up, hear a range of speakers and then debate the issues of most concern. All are welcome.

Ian Lush, Deputy Chair of Heritage Link will outline Heritage Link's activities as well as an update on the Discovering Places project in the Cultural Olympiad for which he is Project Director. Stephen Woollett Chief Executive of the South West Forum the regional voice for voluntary and community organisations will discuss the importance of regional influence. Robin Cassell, Past President of the Taunton and District Civic Society will speak for the Outer South West Association of Civic Trusts on recent activities and challenges. To mark the recent completion of Heritage Link's two year Diversity Programme Embracing Difference, Angela Dove will explain the purpose of and lessons learnt from this initiative.

To secure your free place download the programme and registration from the website or email Kate Jones at [kate.jones@heritagelink.org.uk](mailto:kate.jones@heritagelink.org.uk). Please return all booking forms by 7 October. The event is sponsored by Cathedral Communications, publisher of The Building Conservation Directory. [Back](#)

### Heritage Link Skills for Fundraising seminar, 14 October

The morning session of the SW Regional Networking Day is devoted to helping heritage groups improve their fund raising successes. Starting with advice from, amongst others, the Heritage Lottery Fund's Development Manager in the South West Carol Procter, speakers will share their experience and expertise. Here is the chance to pick their brains in a Q&A session and continue swapping tips over the networking lunch.

These Skills for Fundraising seminars are the second stage in Heritage Link's Funding Working Group programme to help voluntary bodies access funding. The first part of this was to set up the free online Heritage Funding Directory which can be found at

<http://www.heritagelink.org.uk/fundingdirectory/main/fundinghome.php>

To register see the programme and registration form at [www.heritagelink.org.uk](http://www.heritagelink.org.uk) or contact [kate.jones@heritagelink.org.uk](mailto:kate.jones@heritagelink.org.uk) for further details. We look forward to seeing you there. [Back](#)

### English Heritage consultation on new PPS for the historic environment

With the expectation that the Heritage Protection Bill will be included in the Parliamentary session 2008-9, it is a matter of urgency that CLG and DCMS look at the replacement of PPGs 15 (Planning and the Historic Environment 1994) and 16 Planning and Archaeology 1990. A review of these well thumbed, much loved statements has been widely demanded in consultations responses and finally agreed by Culture Minister Margaret Hodge in her evidence to the recent Culture Media and Sport Committee Inquiry In July.

Following an earlier staff consultation, English Heritage held a second workshop on 12 September for about twenty representatives of the heritage sector, including DCMS and CLG to help identify what key concepts need to be in the new Planning Policy Statement on the Historic Environment. The new style PPS is expected to be much shorter setting out only high level principles (see PPS9 <http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/pps9> for an example) but supported by a series of Good Practice Guidance which is expected to carry across much of the present PPGs in an updated form.

Participants thoughts were captured on what had changed in the planning/heritage world since PPGs 15 and 16 were introduced; which bits of the current PPGs should be kept and which bits changed; what awkward interfaces might arise through the amalgamation of the two PPGs into PPS15; and finally which were the most urgent new supporting guidance area that would be needed to assist with the interpretation of the PPS. All these will need to be assessed by EH in the draft submitted to Government in November so that it can be published alongside the Heritage Protection Reform Bill on 3 December.

English Heritage confirms that this fundamental document – considered by many as more important than the Bill itself – will be the subject of a six month public consultation from the New Year. The new PPS will come into force when the Bill is enacted. [Back](#)

### Heritage Protection Bill: schedule of secondary legislation and guidance

In response to another recommendation from the Culture Media and Sport Committee, English Heritage has drawn up a draft outline for some of the new documents that will form the framework of legislation, policy and guidance needed for the new Heritage Protection system.

Expected to appear with the Bill on 3 December are the Draft PPS15 (above). Also planned for publication on 3 December are a draft contents list for a Government Circular covering in particular the Heritage Consent Regime; draft secondary legislation, regulations and guidance on the new Register; a draft on the Principles of Selection for Designating Buildings; some Designation Selection guides with the rest to follow in 2009; and, possibly, draft contents for Guidance on local designation including Conservation Areas as well as draft regulations and guidance on Class Consents.

Other proposed developments in 2009 are consultations on draft Planning Circulars on Heritage Asset Consent including the role of Statutory Bodies and Amenity Societies; a Guide to law and practice under the new Heritage Act; Guidance on heritage asset enforcement, on Heritage Partnership Agreements; and on Local Authority historic environment services. [Back](#)

### English Heritage recruiting!

Faced with such a challenge English Heritage is recruiting 29 new posts. This recruitment drive is a welcome step in adding to EH capacity in the run up to the Bill and its implementation. In the Heritage

Protection Reform Team a new Policy & Guidance Delivery Manager will manage projects concerned with the development and delivery of policy and guidance documentation to support and underpin the legislative changes to the Heritage Protection system. This will include working across EH and externally with a range of partners from a wide variety of organisations. An HPR Training Delivery Manager will ensure that staff in Local Authorities and other relevant bodies are given the information and skills to deliver the new heritage protection system effectively. This will be achieved through a range of events, online information and packages under the Historic Environment Local Management brand.

Further posts in the Heritage Protection Reform Team are an IT and Infrastructure Delivery Manager, and two project officers for National Delivery and for Local Engagement. The last role will involve undertaking projects related to the local engagement and delivery aspects of Heritage Protection Reform, working with professionals and other interested parties in EH and other national bodies as well as local authorities and communities to develop new processes and understanding for managing local aspects of the historic environment.

In the Heritage Protection Department, thirteen new posts are advertised to cover new designations and a further twelve experienced heritage specialists are required to re-assess existing designations. Details of salary and links can be found below under Situations Vacant. [Back](#)

### Government promises action to bolster skills and training in the construction industry

Practical measures to help the construction industry meet the 'challenges of today and the opportunities of the future' have been announced by Skills Secretary John Denham. In his speech to the Trades Union Congress he confirmed the Government's commitment, signed with employers, to support over 40,000 apprentices by 2012. He recognised that there will be high demand for new skilled construction workers across the sector for the future, despite current difficulties in house building.

To help meet this demand Mr Denham announced the creation of a new 'Construction Task Force' made up of key sector employers and unions to advise Government on longer term issues around expanding construction apprenticeships and improving skill levels; the Government will take further steps to use the power of Government contracts, to ensure that firms that benefit from them ensure they train and skill more staff and together with the Department for Work and Pensions and Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, a new 'Energy Efficiency Employment' (EEE) Initiative which will match people made redundant from the contracting house building industry with employment opportunities insulating homes and businesses and improving energy efficiency across the country.

To view the speech visit go to [http://www.dius.gov.uk/speeches/denham\\_tuc\\_090908.html](http://www.dius.gov.uk/speeches/denham_tuc_090908.html) [Back](#)

### EH seeks support over dichloromethane (DCM)

A Directive under consideration in the European Parliament will, if agreed, result in the partial ban of products containing dichloromethane (DCM). Methylene Chloride, the basic ingredient in 90% of paint strippers, has been used as a solvent for paint stripping for at least 70 years. It has proved to be highly effective at removing the paint, stain or other coverings with minimal harm to the surface or material of the building or artefact. The EU is proposing a ban on the sale of paint strippers containing dichloromethane to commercial users (i.e.: the general public). Although industrial users will not be restricted, professional users such as contractors and conservators would have to undergo specialist safety training, which English Heritage considers impractical and difficult to implement effectively.

English Heritage strongly opposes the proposed ban for commercial users and additional requirements for professionals. It is calling for a derogation for the use of DCM strippers on protected monuments (scheduled ancient monuments, listed buildings and buildings within conservation areas). There are of course a great many traditional buildings which are of local historical importance which should also expect to see included in this derogation.

Heritage Link members have already been asked to contact Alexandra Coxen if they share these concerns and/or are involved in lobbying on this issue. Readers are invited to contact her at [alexandra.coxen@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:alexandra.coxen@english-heritage.org.uk) [Back](#)

### UK World Heritage Sites at risk again

Reported variously in the media over the last week, UNESCO 'has told ministers in London and Edinburgh that it wants urgent action to protect seven world heritage sites which its claims are in danger from building developments, and said in some case the UK is ignoring its legal obligations to protect

them' (Guardian, 8 September). Simon Jenkins added to the debate see [www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2008/sep/12/heritage](http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2008/sep/12/heritage)

For all seven sites, including the Tower of London, Stonehenge and Orkney, UNESCO's World Heritage Site Committee has asked the UK to submit detailed progress reports replying to its concerns by February. Teams of inspectors are expected to visit Edinburgh and Bath this winter to investigate concerns that new buildings will damage their integrity. The full reports from UNESCO's World Heritage Committee can be found at <http://whc.unesco.org/en/sessions/32COM/documents>

Meanwhile the DCMS World Heritage Sites policy review is still on the Minister's desk. As part of this review Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP (PwC) undertook a comprehensive study into the costs and benefits associated with World Heritage Site status in the UK. In parallel DCMS has been looking at wider issues relating to the identification, protection and promotion of World Heritage Sites. Once this initial analysis is complete DCMS will then engage the public more widely in a consultation on future approaches to World Heritage. Should DCMS decide following this consultation to draw up a new Tentative List, it would expect to invite applications from potential sites in 2008. [Back](#)

### English Heritage recruits new trainee Historic Environment Managers

Seven new trainee Historic Environment Managers have succeeded in securing a place on English Heritage's new Historic Environment Traineeship (HET) scheme, set up to boost the next generation of heritage professionals. It is hoped that the participants will one day help people and organisations manage historic places. The seven trainees were selected from nearly 400 hopeful applicants following a stringent recruitment process, and will take up their positions with English Heritage on Monday 6 October 2008.

The HET scheme is a new English Heritage initiative to increase both skills and capacity in the heritage sector. It provides professional work placements and intensive one-to-one tutoring from a range of English Heritage experts. Participants will deepen their specialist knowledge, gain experience of the English planning system and enhance their conservation management skills. The traineeships will be both supervised and validated by English Heritage. They are a small but important step forward for training in the heritage sector. If you have a query regarding recruitment for next year's HET scheme, please send an email with your contact details to [train@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:train@english-heritage.org.uk) [Back](#)

### Dame Liz Forgan on Britishness

To meet the challenges posed by a more mobile, less grounded society, with increased migration and devolution, the Government has set out to develop a statement of British values, backed by a legally enforceable British Bill of Rights. HLF Chair Liz Forgan addressed this issue as part of a lecture at the RSA discussing why heritage, not a pure values-based concept of Britishness, has the power to bring communities together and foster a strong, inclusive national identity.

Forgan gave four reasons why cultural and 'crucially heritage' must be that second stimulus and an equal partner in any government attempt to stimulate a sense of Britishness. First culture is porous, permeable, non-exclusive and constantly evolving; second it allows people to give as well as to receive; third it allows for understanding and finally, a 'coherent society cannot be made by suppressing painful truths, only by exposing them honestly in a safe environment and with as many contributors to the story as possible.'

For more information and to listen the lecture and subsequent discussion visit <http://www.thersa.org/events/audio-and-past-events/britishness-a-values-based-approach-is-not-enough> [Back](#)

### Cultural Offer Conference: Heritage Link Chair to speak

A major national conference, Unlocking the Talent of Children and Young People, in Liverpool on 16 October will bring together schools, children's services, cultural services and the creative and cultural sector to look at how to deliver the government's Cultural Offer, to provide children and young people with 5 hours high quality culture and creativity per week, in and out of school.

Delegates will explore how to commission and coordinate networks which ensure schools and young people have access to creative resources and cultural institutions. The event will explore the implications for the curriculum and for teaching in order to improve learning outcomes. The conference will also present innovative approaches to increase cultural entitlement outside the classroom and will

look latest plans being developed through other multi-million pound government initiatives such as the Play Strategy, Music Manifesto and Engaging Places.

Andy Burnham MP Secretary of State for Culture Media and Sport will give the key note address. He will be joined by Anthea Case, Chairman of Heritage Link and CABE Commissioner, by Christina Coker of Youth Music, Professor Phil Redmond of the Liverpool Culture Company, Paul Collard of Creative Partnerships and Roy Clare Chief Executive of MLA.

For further details see <http://www.neilstewartassociates.com/kd170/index.html> [Back](#)

### Views sought on a new legal form for charities, deadline 10 December

The Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) is an entirely new legal form for charities. The Office of the Third Sector and the Charity Commission have published draft details of what the new form might look like and the rules it will have to follow. The next step in developing the CIO is to consult with the charity sector and those who will do business with these new organisations. Currently, most charities can only incorporate as a company limited by guarantee, meaning they are regulated by both the Charity Commission and Companies House. The CIO is designed specifically for charities and will be regulated solely by the Charity Commission, significantly reducing this regulatory burden.

The new CIO will inevitably bring greater administrative responsibilities than staying unincorporated, and these must be balanced against the need for sufficient control and transparency to ensure they are run effectively. The consultation seeks responses from those who will use the CIO model and those who will work with them, including grant funders, contractors, and suppliers ensuring the new legal form is effective and useful in practice.

For more information visit:

[http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/third\\_sector/Consultations/current\\_consultations/cio.aspx](http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/third_sector/Consultations/current_consultations/cio.aspx) [Back](#)

### Diploma in Humanities and Social Sciences: consultation to 17 October

This new diploma could be an important opportunity for heritage in 14-18 yr old education. The diploma will cover such subjects as history, geography and archaeology as well as sociology, religion, and politics. Heritage is well placed to benefit from, and offer opportunities to, the diploma. The Diploma will have work placements, projects and new teaching units, all of which offer opportunities for heritage. Details are sketchy as yet as the diploma is in the early days of development. This makes it all the more important for heritage to make its voice heard in the development process.

Workshops will take place on 23 September at Warwick University, Coventry - morning, afternoon and early evening sessions; 1 October at The Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool - morning, afternoon and early evening sessions; 7 October at The Royal Geographical Society, London - breakfast, morning and afternoon sessions. They are aimed at employers to help ensure the Diploma equips students with the right skills, knowledge and experience needed for employment and for those working in Higher Education to ensure the Diploma is rigorous, and equips students for education beyond school; and for school and college teachers, and those with specialist subject interest to ensure the Diploma meets the needs of students and subject area.

These events are an opportunity to contribute to the design and development of the Diploma, in particular to help identify the concepts and topics that should form the content. For more information email: [diploma@ccskills.org.uk](mailto:diploma@ccskills.org.uk). An online consultation will go live on 26 September. To contribute visit [www.ccskills.org.uk/diploma](http://www.ccskills.org.uk/diploma) [Back](#)

### English Heritage: National Capacity Building funding programme

English Heritage is inviting applications to the National Capacity Building programme which helps organisations fund activities promoting the conservation, understanding and enjoyment of the historic environment. Normally only organisations providing national coverage (ie England-wide) will be eligible but projects piloting new activities or approaches at a regional level and establishing replicable best-practice models will be considered. The programme is open primarily to voluntary organisations but partnerships between voluntary organisations and public or heritage sector bodies will be considered.

Applications are welcomed under the theme of Managing the historic environment for activities or projects lasting up to three years from April 2009. The budget available for ongoing and new projects will be approximately £500,000 per annum. Applications concerned with providing access to or conserving

the historic environment will be considered exceptionally, as they were the themes of last year's bidding round.

Applications must be submitted by 14 November. For more information visit [www.english-heritage.org.uk/grants](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/grants) [Back](#)

#### Latest HELM Newsletter

The latest HELM newsletter has been published announcing amongst other things, HELM's website redesign, the National Champions Conference (see events below), new publications and training opportunities. For more information and to subscribe to the quarterly update visit <http://www.helm.org.uk/> [Back](#)

#### Victorian Society set to reveal nation's top ten threatened gems

As historic buildings around the country throw open their doors for this year's Heritage Open Days, architectural history charity the Victorian Society is gearing up to unveil its list of Top Ten Endangered Buildings for 2008. Drawn up using nominations from heritage enthusiasts, campaigners and members of the public around the country, this year's list which will be announced on 24 September.

Already things are looking up for several of the buildings featured on the Victorian Society's Top Ten Endangered Buildings list for 2007. While emergency repairs are being carried out at Shadwell Park, grants have been awarded to the Lanfyllin Union Workhouse and St Walburge's in Preston, and the long-neglected Easington Colliery School has at last been put up for sale. An update on the situation facing the Top Ten Endangered Buildings for 2007 is available at [http://www.victoriansociety.org.uk/news/56817/the\\_search\\_is\\_on\\_for\\_the\\_nations\\_top\\_ten\\_endangered\\_buildings.html](http://www.victoriansociety.org.uk/news/56817/the_search_is_on_for_the_nations_top_ten_endangered_buildings.html) [Back](#)

#### Joseph Rowntree Foundation: Museums in Social Change

Museums are experiencing what many believe is their biggest culture shift in 150 years. Using detailed case studies of current initiatives, this report 'Can Museums be a Potent Force in Social and Urban Regeneration' from the Joseph Rowntree Foundation (JRF) considers how far museums now go beyond the display and interpretation of collections; their potential role in local regeneration; and whether they can create a space where social issues can be examined in a way the public finds accessible.

The report finds that museums are playing a part in social change, tackling a range of social issues such as crime prevention, but that the extent to which museums can be a focus for economic regeneration varies greatly. It depends on the nature of the communities, what investment regenerating authorities are prepared to make of museums, and town planning. A number of remaining challenges are highlighted. For more information visit <http://www.jrf.org.uk/knowledge/findings/socialpolicy/2262.asp> [Back](#)

#### BURA Awards: The 2008 Programme

The BURA Awards for Community Inspired Regeneration are a celebration of outstanding grassroots regeneration projects. Sponsored by Communities and Local Government for a third year running, the awards celebrate best practice in community inspired and led regeneration in urban and rural areas across the United Kingdom.

The projects recognised will be those that represent best practice in Community Inspired Regeneration; those grass roots projects that are making a real difference to the quality of life for local people and increasing community spirit. The panel will also be looking for active participation of the community in the management at all stages of the project. Past winners have demonstrated creativity, imagination, innovation, determination and inspiration. The deadline for entries is 15 October. For more information visit <http://www.bura.org.uk/Awards/Current+BURA+Awards/Community+Inspired+Awards/> [Back](#)

#### Nominations sought for good practice for heritage projects

The Heritage Care Through Active Citizenship European Conference on Civil Society Organisations Active in the Field of Heritage (23-24 March 2009) is seeking nominations. The conference is urgently searching for descriptions or nominations of inspiring practices and heritage projects in Europe, in which heritage organisations (especially those working for or with volunteers) or networks in civil society play a role. The most interesting examples will be discussed at the European Conference.

Your help is needed to identify promising, innovative or thought-provoking heritage projects in Europe. The deadline for nominations is 30 September. Send your suggestions to

[conference@heritageorganisations.eu](mailto:conference@heritageorganisations.eu). For more information about the conference visit [www.heritageorganisations.eu](http://www.heritageorganisations.eu) [Back](#)

### Apologies to readers

Apologies to those who received an errant email via the main Update distribution list - this list is used solely for distributing Update. The Council for British Archaeology, which generously hosts the Heritage Link website and manages our Update distribution list, has kindly amended the permissions to prevent this occurring again in the future. [Back](#)

### PEOPLE

#### Sir Barry Cunliffe appointed as interim chair for English Heritage

Professor Sir Barry Cunliffe has been appointed as the interim-chair of English Heritage, Culture Secretary Andy Burnham has announced. Professor Sir Barry's appointment follows the sad death of Lord Bruce-Lockhart in August 2008.

Professor Sir Barry, who is currently a trustee of the British Museum and Chair of the Hampshire Museum Trust, served on the English Heritage Commission between 1986 and 1992. Professor Sir Barry will take up the post of Chairman immediately, his role ending when a replacement for Sandy Bruce-Lockhart is appointed. We expect that a new chairman can be identified and in post by Easter 2009. For more information visit [www.english-heritage.org.uk](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk) [Back](#)

#### DCMS/The Theatres Trust seeks two trustees

The Department for Culture, Media and Sport is seeking to two new trustees to the board of the Theatres Trust. The Trust has a UK wide remit to provide leadership in the statutory planning and protection of theatres and to develop a strategic approach to achieving better protection for theatres. Its Trustees are responsible for employing a Director to carry out the day-to-day management of the Trust's affairs, approving proposals from the Trust's Director on policy matters, ensuring that there are proper, legal, administrative, and financial arrangements in place, and approving financial estimates, accounts and the Trust's annual report.

For these posts, applications are invited from people with expertise and experience either in the fields of Architecture/Engineering, or Regeneration/Property Development. The deadline for applications is 25 September. For more information contact [Mark.Greenwood@culture.gov.uk](mailto:Mark.Greenwood@culture.gov.uk) [Back](#)

#### New LGA chairman elected

The LGA has appointed Councillor Margaret Eaton, a former leader of the LGA's Conservative group, had her nominations approved at a meeting of the LGA executive, which represents senior councillors from all four political groups.

Councillor Eaton OBE, who has been a councillor since 1986, said her new role was an important and exciting challenge. The appointment process was triggered when former chairman Sir Simon Milton stood down to take up a full-time post with London mayor Boris Johnson. Councillor Eaton has a wealth of local government experience having also served as Leader of Bradford Metropolitan District Council from 2000 until 2006. For more information visit:

<http://www.lga.gov.uk/lga/core/page.do?pagelId=968162> [Back](#)

#### London Cultural Strategy Group seeks new members

The London Cultural Strategy Group is the leadership body for the capital's cultural sector. In the course of setting out and implementing the priorities and work programme for his administration, the Mayor is refreshing membership of the London Cultural Strategy Group, whose primary role is to advise him on the content and implementation of the Mayor's Culture Strategy.

The Mayor is currently seeking to appoint individuals with knowledge, expertise, and experience in working in culture and/or sports sector at the senior level to join the London Cultural Strategy Group. The closing date for applications is noon, 26 September. For more information contact Nateisha DeCruz, Cultural Strategy, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, More London, London SE1 2AA or via email to [nateisha.decruz@london.gov.uk](mailto:nateisha.decruz@london.gov.uk) [Back](#)

#### Volunteering England Seeks New Trustee

Volunteering England (VE) is seeking a new trustee. This vacancy is open to individual members or from board members, employees or nominated representatives of any member organisations. VE are looking

for anyone who feels that they can contribute positively to the governance of Volunteering England in what are exciting times for volunteering. As well as a strong background in volunteering they are looking in particular for candidates who have skills in the following areas: policy and influence and media and public relations.

There are four trustee meetings per year consisting of two afternoon sessions held at Volunteering England and two day long sessions including an overnight stay, usually held in Oxford. Nominations should be signed by the member or on behalf of the membership organisation and submitted to Gilly Glyn ([Gilly.Glyn@volunteeringengland.org](mailto:Gilly.Glyn@volunteeringengland.org)) by 10 October. [Back](#)

## EVENTS

### The Corner Shop Project, 26-4 October

English Heritage's Outreach Department, Foresight Theatre and Black Country Touring have been working on a project that explores the heritage of the corner shop. It has taken as its starting point real-life experiences and stories about corner shops in the Black Country and weaved them into a new site-specific performance.

Performed in West Bromwich the project will be document throughout. For more information contact Suzanne Carter on 0121 6256870 or email [suzanne.carter@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:suzanne.carter@english-heritage.org.uk) [Back](#)

### ECOVAST weekend, 2-5 October

The European Council for the Village and Small Town (ECOVAST) is jointly sponsoring with Europa Nostra a themed weekend 'Landscape management as practiced by the National Trusts of England and Scotland'. A weekend tour will consist of visits to, amongst others, tenanted hill farms on National Trust land in Ennerdale and industrial sites near Broughton in Furness.

For more information contact Pam Moore, Secretary General of ECOVAST UK at [pam.moore59@ntlworld](mailto:pam.moore59@ntlworld) or telephone 02380 275153 [Back](#)

### UK Friends of Czech Historic Buildings, Gardens and Parks, 6 October

UK Friends of Czech Historic Buildings, Gardens and Parks was set up a year ago to promote the cause of and to raise funds for conservation of the vast heritage of Czech historic buildings and their fixtures and fittings which have suffered decay during the past seventy years. It will be holding an event, to raise funds.

On 6 October in St Cyprian's Church, London there will be a Cello and Piano Recital, including works by Beethoven, Brahms, Debussy, Dvořák, Eben and Martinů, and featuring Martin Škampa, cello and Michal Rezek, piano. For more information contact Pamela Dawson on 023 8044 5261 or email [events@ukczechfriends.org](mailto:events@ukczechfriends.org) [Back](#)

### The Bill and Beyond: implementing the new heritage protection system, 7 October

The Archaeology Forum is holding a seminar, 'The Bill and Beyond', on 7 October, 11 am – 4.30 pm, hosted by the Society of Antiquaries of London. It will provide an update on progress with the current heritage protection reforms, both the Heritage Protection Bill itself and much more that is happening alongside it, and an opportunity for discussion of the practicalities of beginning to implement the changes.

There will be presentations from DCMS on progress with drafting the Bill and related draft guidance and secondary legislation; and from English Heritage on plans for implementation, guidance and training in the sector. The afternoon session will include presentations from key stakeholders with their perspectives on opportunities, challenges and the longer term implications of the planned changes. With invited representatives from a range of other heritage organisations in England and Wales, there will be opportunities for questions and lively discussion throughout the day. For more information visit [www.sal.org.uk](http://www.sal.org.uk) [Back](#)

### Local Church – Local Heritage, 17 October

Sanctuary UK is hosting an event at Christ Church Spitalfields. Sir Roy Strong will speak on the crisis and urgency facing church heritage. The Consultation will explore Sanctuary UK's idea of a National Trust-like network of churches supported by a national subscriber base.

The lunchtime consultation will feature a question time chaired by Jonathan Ed Evans OBE (Company Secretary of the Royal Mail Group), with panellists Sir Roy Strong, Diane Evans (English Heritage, Head of Places of Worship) and Lawrence Mortimer (Sanctuary UK). Admission is free to all those who register in advance. For more information email [sanctuaryuk@btinternet.com](mailto:sanctuaryuk@btinternet.com) [Back](#)

#### Trefadaeth 2008/2, 23 October

On the 30 April members of voluntary organisations together with professionals in the public, private and third sectors debated priorities within historic environment policy and strategy at the Millennium Centre in Cardiff. Trefadaeth 2008/2, to be held on 23 October in Llandudno, provides an opportunity for the many who could not get to Cardiff – or discovered that the event was oversubscribed – to join the debate. Organised in partnership with Cadw, the historic environment service of the Welsh Assembly Government, the conference will look at progress with a draft Historic Environment Strategic Statement and the reform of heritage protection legislation.

The Heritage Minister, Alun Ffred Jones, will talk about his priorities for the historic environment and debate the issues with participants. For more information visit

<http://www.civictrustwales.org/trefadaeth/october/english%20trefatadeth2.pdf> [Back](#)

#### Heritage Champions National Conference, 23 October

English Heritage will be holding a National Conference for their network of Heritage Champions at Lincoln's Inn Field. The morning session will see speeches from both Baroness Andrews, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State in the Department for Communities and Local Government and the Rt Hon Margaret Hodge MBE MP, Minister for Culture, Creative Industries and Tourism. The afternoon will focus on the heritage sector, in particular looking at changes proposed to the heritage protection regime.

The day will be rounded off with evening drinks in the unique surroundings of the Sir John Soane's Museum. The conference is free to Champions. If you wish to attend the conference or have any questions please email [champions@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:champions@english-heritage.org.uk) or phone Owain Lloyd-James on 0207 973 3841. [Back](#)

#### Recipes for Community Representation – What ingredients do you need? 4 November

Urban Forum is collaborating with NAVCA to run a series of events to help voluntary and community groups to increase the effectiveness of community representation in their area. The objectives of the events are for participants to gain an increased understanding of the ingredients for effective community representation; different ways of organising community representation and ways forward to improve community representation in their area.

The first event will take place at the Albermarle Centre in Taunton. The programme and booking form for the event will be available on this website page soon. Further events are being planned for Birmingham, London, and Leeds from January to March 2009. For more information and to book a place email [events@navca.org.uk](mailto:events@navca.org.uk) or contact Laura James on 0114 278 36636. [Back](#)

#### Heritage Dividends, 7 November

This conference at the MOSI, Manchester aims to provide an opportunity to celebrate what has been done on heritage tourism in the North West, which has had a project funded by English Heritage and the NWDA over the last 3 years, to challenge those interested in heritage as a driver for economic and cultural development, and to network with other interested partners. Speakers will include Andy Burnham, MP, Tristram Hunt, and Simon Calder.

Requests for invitations should be sent to Mary Tabbron, at [mary.msl@btinternet.com](mailto:mary.msl@btinternet.com) [Back](#)

#### Place, Space and Conservation - The Regeneration Game, 13-14 November

Booking is now open for Place, Space and Conservation - The Regeneration Game. Organised by the Architectural Heritage Fund, UK APT, The Civic Trust, The Prince's Regeneration Trust and IHBC, the conference is at Gorton Monastery in Manchester on 13 and 14 November and features speakers from national and local government, funders and agencies, plus case studies from voluntary sector and commercial developers throughout the UK. For more information visit: [www.ahfund.org.uk](http://www.ahfund.org.uk) [Back](#)

#### HELM training events, 25 September/30 October/4 December

HELM training is designed to meet the needs of historic environment, planning officers and other specialists in local authorities whose role impacts on the historic environment

There are still places available on the following HELM training workshops: The Future of Historic School Buildings (25 September, Newcastle), Changing Churches (30 October, London), Conservation Areas: Appraisals and Management (4 December, Derby). For further details please go to the training pages on the HELM website or contact [HELMbookings@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:HELMbookings@english-heritage.org.uk) [Back](#)

## SITUATIONS VACANT

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. [Back](#)

### English Heritage: Heritage Protection Reform (various posts)

As part of the Heritage Protection Reform English Heritage (EH) has the responsibility to deliver important parts of the new legislation and to support local authorities in taking on their enhanced role in the new system. EH has identified the resources and is now building the teams it needs to deliver their part of the reform.

### English Heritage: Heritage Protection Reform Team

EH is currently recruiting for a dedicated team to lead and coordinate the delivery of the reforms. EH is looking for project management skills combined with an understanding of the Historic Environment. The new full time, three year, fixed term posts are:

HPR Training Delivery Manager, £29,000-£35,000 pa  
Policy & Guidance Delivery Manager, £29,000-£35,000 pa  
IT & Infrastructure Delivery Manager £29,000-£35,000 pa  
Project Officer – National Delivery, £25,000-£29,000pa  
Project Officer – Local Engagement, £25,000-£29,000pa

### English Heritage: Heritage Protection Department

EH is expanding its Territory teams which held plan and deliver a programme of strategic listing and scheduling work following priorities set in consultation with the public and the sector. The new, full time, three year, fixed term posts are:

Heritage Protection Advisors, £29,000-£35,000 pa (3 posts)  
Assistant Heritage Protection Advisors, £25,000-£29,000 pa (6 posts)  
Heritage Protection Coordinators, £18,500-£24,000pa (3 posts – Bristol, Cambridge & London)

### English Heritage: Register Development Posts

In preparation for the new system, EH is carrying out some reassessment of existing designations. EH is looking for experienced heritage specialists for six month contracts or secondments in the following posts:

Heritage Protection Advisors – Church Regrading, £29,000-£35,000 pa (4 posts)  
Heritage Protection Advisor – Battlefields and Parks and Gardens, £29,000-£35,000 pa  
Assistant Heritage Protection Advisors – Scheduling Records Review Project, £25,000-£29,000pa (7 posts)

Heritage Protection Reform posts will be home based and will report to EH's office in London. All other posts advertised, with the exception of Heritage Protection Co-ordinators, will be home based, but candidates must be prepared to be attached to, and make regular visits to, one of EH's offices, based either in Bristol, Cambridge, London or York.

The deadline for applications is 5 October. For more information visit [www.english-heritage.org.uk/jobs](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/jobs) [Back](#)

### Department for Culture, Media and Sport: Director, External Communications

The Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) is looking for a senior communications professional to be their new Director of External Communications, leading a team of 60. The post holder will be responsible for all external communications for the Department, including oversight of the Government Olympic Executive's communications team, working closely with Ministers and reporting directly to its Permanent Secretary.

The successful candidate will need to be experienced, already operating at senior level and knowledgeable about the full media mix. The salary for this role is c£80,000 pa. The closing date for applications is 22 September. For more information please visit [http://www.culture.gov.uk/working\\_with\\_us/recruitment](http://www.culture.gov.uk/working_with_us/recruitment) [Back](#)

#### English Heritage: Marketing Director

Reporting to the Executive Team's Properties & Outreach Director, the successful candidate will develop and implement English Heritage's (EH) marketing strategy to build upon EH's key assets and increase admissions to their properties and events, building membership and attracting audiences from the broader community. As a member of the senior management team the post holder will also contribute to the strategy of the Properties and Outreach Group and the wider objectives of EH.

As a brand guardian the post holder will ensure consistency of EH's identity and work closely with EH's Corporate Communications Department to ensure delivery of a coherent and sophisticated communication strategy, enhancing English Heritage's position. The successful candidate will also have responsibility for 60 staff and a budget of £8m.

The salary for this role is c£70,000pa. This role is based in London. The closing date for applications is 26 September. For more information visit [www.english-heritage.org.uk/jobs](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/jobs) [Back](#)

#### English Heritage: Visitor Operations Director - London

As the most senior representative of the English Heritage (EH) Properties and Outreach Group in London the post holder will be responsible for the delivery of all property-related strategies through the 12 historic properties which make up EH's London estate.

The successful candidate will manage c.100 staff working at these properties, covering a wide range of activities, including hospitality and other public events, admissions, education programmes, residential lettings, membership, retail, catering and concerts. They will also be accountable for income and expenditure budgets totaling £8-10m, combining operational income and expenditure, conservation, maintenance and any capital development programmes relating to the London estate.

The salary for this role is £60,000 pa. The closing date for applications is 3 October. For more information visit [www.english-heritage.org.uk/jobs](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/jobs) [Back](#)

#### English Heritage: Casework Team Leader

Supporting the Regional Director and working closely with the Business Manager and other Team Leaders, the successful candidate will lead, manage and motivate a specialist team. The post holder will ensure all advisory, statutory, enabling and grants casework in your area are delivered to exacting performance, quality and financial targets. In addition, you will use the principles of Coming of Age, transforming Casework and Heritage Protection Reform in all that English Heritage undertakes.

With a relevant background and professional qualification, applicants will have worked across specialism boundaries within planning, the historic environment and grant giving. They will have an understanding of, and commitment to, current English Heritage priorities and projects, along with the ability to plan and manage delivery of various types of casework.

Based in Bristol, the salary for this role is c£37,000pa. The closing date for applications is 3 October. To find out more visit [www.english-heritage.org.uk/jobs](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/jobs) [Back](#)

#### Anglo Sikh Heritage Trail: Project Manager

The Anglo Sikh Heritage Trail (ASHT) is an initiative that seeks to bring together a greater understanding of Sikh heritage and history to the wider public. The ASHT Development Project is a £900,000 national programme of work taking place in a range of venues including museums, heritage sites and online.

ASHT seek an experienced and energetic Project Manager to join the team and lead ASHT into its next phase of development. This includes the opportunity to guide and shape the programme while working closely with heritage institutions nationally. The salary for this role is £29,000-£32,000pa (depending on experience). This is a two year fixed term contract. The closing date for applications is 1 October. For more information visit [www.asht.info/vacancies](http://www.asht.info/vacancies) [Back](#)

### The National Trust: Property Manager - Bedfordshire

The National Trust opens the door to unique places. With significant experience of managing people and budgets, the successful candidate will balance the needs of conservation and access, ensuring that their portfolio of properties in Bedfordshire runs smoothly and visitors have an enriching visit.

The salary for this role is £30,000pa. The deadline for applications is 25 September. For more information visit [www.ntjobs.org.uk](http://www.ntjobs.org.uk) [Back](#)

### National Trust: Live Interpretation Officer

For over one hundred years the National Trust has looked after places which connect the present and future with the past. One example of which is Sutton Hoo, an Anglo-Saxon royal burial site. With previous experience of developing and delivering imaginative costumed interpretation, the post holder will help bring this unique property, and its archaeological excavations, to life for visitors.

The salary for this role is £16,719pa. This is a fixed term contract for two years (1560 annualised hours). For more information visit [www.ntjobs.org.uk](http://www.ntjobs.org.uk) [Back](#)

### The Dioceses of Coventry and Leicester: Church Buildings Development Officer

The Dioceses of Coventry and Leicester wish to appoint a full-time Church Buildings Development Officer. To work in this busy department the post holder will need to be well organised and able to work to deadlines, be IT literate, have good communication and 'customer care' skills and be self motivated.

The post will be based primarily in Coventry although travel to the Leicester office and other locations will be required. The salary for this role is £30,000pa. The closing date for applications is 3 October. For more information email [Andrew.Roberts@CovLec.org](mailto:Andrew.Roberts@CovLec.org) [Back](#)

### ICOMOS: Office Manager (Maternity Cover)

ICOMOS-UK is looking for an enthusiastic and motivated person from a cultural heritage background with experience of office administration, book keeping, minute taking, diary management and working with volunteers. The post holder will work closely with our Secretary and Events Co-ordinator, our Scientific Committees and Trustees, and liaising with people from a wide range of conservation and heritage bodies in the UK on issues relating to the UK World Heritage sites. The post holder will be expected to oversee the running of the Secretariat when the Secretary is away, so need to work independently and be self-motivated.

This is a part-time position, 28 hours, normally Monday to Thursday. The salary for this role is £20,000 pa. The deadline for applications is 6 October. For more information email: [admin@icomos-uk.org](mailto:admin@icomos-uk.org) [Back](#)

### Heritage Victoria (Australia): Heritage Research and Support Officer

Heritage Victoria, a government department in Australia is seeking to appoint a Heritage Research and Support Officer. As Heritage Research and Support Officer the successful candidate will undertake research, comparative assessment and write reports for the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria, on the cultural heritage significance of places nominated for the Victorian Heritage Register. You will also provide some administrative support to committees of the Heritage Council of Victoria and other support tasks as required.

This is a full-time, fixed term contract until June 2010. The salary for this role is \$48,714 - \$59,147 pa (AUD). The closing date for applications is 25 September. For more information visit <http://www.heritage.vic.gov.au/> [Back](#)

### University of Canberra: Cultural Heritage lecturers

The University of Canberra has recently established the Donald Horne Institute for Cultural Heritage. The work of the Institute crosses the heritage spectrum from objects and collections to historic houses, intangible heritage and cultural landscapes. Its role is to teach, conduct research, collaborate with local, national and international institutions and to build a network of partnerships with government agencies, businesses, individuals and communities in the field of cultural heritage. It is currently seeking two positions:

Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Cultural Heritage Conservation (\$68,719 - \$96,481 pa)  
Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Cultural Heritage (\$68,719 - \$96,481 pa)

These are continuing full time positions. Written referee reports may be required. The closing date for applications is 29 September. For more information on these positions visit <http://www.canberra.edu.au/hr/jobs> or contact Associate Professor James Warden, Director of the Donald Horne Institute, [James.Warden@canberra.edu.au](mailto:James.Warden@canberra.edu.au) or (02) 6201 2079. [Back](#)

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