

# Heritage Link Update 108

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## Heritage Link Diversity Programme comes to the North East

The next regional *Embracing Difference* event will be held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at the Hartlepool Historic Quay, part of Hartlepool's Maritime Experience and hosted by the award winning Hartlepool Arts and Museums Service.

Building on the tremendous success of Heritage Link's first forum in the West Midlands in December, this highly interactive day will include contributions from experts who have hands on experience of heritage diversity projects. Participants from the voluntary heritage sector in Teesside and Tyneside are encouraged to participate and to circulate information to other interested local organisations, and community groups who may wish to develop a heritage project. Prior experience of diversity projects is not assumed but participants are encouraged to bring ideas for discussion. We especially wish to attract smaller organisations for which travel bursaries may be available.

For further information and to express interest in participating, contact Angela Dove, Heritage Link Diversity Programme Co-ordinator, at [angela.dove@heritagelink.org.uk](mailto:angela.dove@heritagelink.org.uk) or phone with full contact details 07799 898150.

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### Heritage Link: next Regional Networking event in the East Midlands

Heritage Link joins up with East Midlands Association of Civic Societies (EASTMACS) on 19<sup>th</sup> March to host the eighth regional event offering a discussion forum for everyone interested in heritage.

Christopher Pennell, former director of National Trust East Midlands, and currently a board member of Natural England, committee member of HLF East Midlands and authority member of the Peak District National Park, will speak on *The Historic Environment: threats and opportunities*. Hilary Silvester, chair of Nottingham's Civic Society, will speak for EASTMACS on ways that voluntary societies can best work with local authorities.

The East Midlands event completes Heritage Link's progress round the nine regions. We propose to revisit London with an Olympics orientated event in June and then the Yorkshire and Humberside region with an education focus next summer.

The invitation, booking form and draft programme are available to download at [www.heritagelink.org.uk](http://www.heritagelink.org.uk), or contact Heritage Link's Information and Events Co-ordinator [kathryn.schofield@heritagelink.org.uk](mailto:kathryn.schofield@heritagelink.org.uk) [Back](#)

### Fund-raising Skills: first capacity building seminar

Heritage Link adds to the East Midlands Event an experimental fundraising skills seminar. Efficient and effective fundraising is key for a sector largely dependent on volunteer input so funding advisers will focus on the skills rather than the programmes available. To ensure the advice is provided nationally, it is hoped to post presentations on the Heritage Link website in due course.

If demand is high, a national programme preferably in association with regional heritage bodies could be considered. Expressions of interest from potential partners are welcome at [mail@heritagelink.org.uk](mailto:mail@heritagelink.org.uk) [Back](#)

### Heritage Funding Directory a big hit!

The new Heritage Link Funding Directory, launched on 9<sup>th</sup> February, has attracted an average of 688 successful requests for its pages *per day* during its first week alone.

By mapping the highways and byways of the funding scene, this Heritage Link initiative the efforts of its members and others in accessing heritage funds under increasing pressure. The Funding Directory includes organisations in public, private and voluntary sectors from the National Lottery to charitable trusts that offer grants, loans, scholarships, bursaries, education and various forms of in kind assistance.

The Directory which is free to all users can be accessed from Heritage Link's home page (click on the logo at the top) at [www.heritagelink.org.uk](http://www.heritagelink.org.uk) Feedback and new entries are invited.

Heritage Link gratefully acknowledges the support of HLF in developing the site and now to the Leche Trust for a grant towards maintenance to ensure the Directory remains up to date. [Back](#)

### EH Conservation Principles: 2<sup>nd</sup> stage consultation to 11<sup>th</sup> May and seminars

In February 2006, comments were invited on draft *Conservation Principles*, intended to help English Heritage achieve greater consistency of approach in carrying out its statutory role as the Government's advisor on the historic environment. Now the second part *Policy and Guidance* is out for consultation until 11<sup>th</sup> May. EH is also running four seminars during March and April to introduce and debate the *Principles*, one in York and three in London.

The seven draft principles have now become six with considerable rewording, followed by a section on *Understanding Values and Assessing Significance* which defines evidential value, historical value, aesthetic value and communal value. The main section *Conservation Principles and Guidance* looks at how to achieve a balance between heritage values and the potential benefits and disbenefits of proposed changes.

Although *Principles, Policies and Guidance* is primarily 'to strengthen the credibility and consistency of decisions taken and advice given by English Heritage' Sir Neil Cossons goes on 'our success will also be measured by the extent to which they are taken up by the sector as a whole. Over time we hope that the document will help create

a framework for managing change in the historic environment that is clear in purpose, and transparent and sustainable in its application'.

The consultation document can be found at [www.english-heritage.org.uk/conservationprinciples](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/conservationprinciples) Consultees are invited to respond to 14 questions on contents, definitions and format. Replies should be submitted to Sally Embree by 11<sup>th</sup> May at [conservationprinciples@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:conservationprinciples@english-heritage.org.uk) or by post to Conservation Principles, Conservation Department, English Heritage, 1 Waterhouse Square, 138-142 Holborn, London EC1N 2ST. [Back](#)

### London's Listed Buildings in Public Ownership: consultation to 20<sup>th</sup> March

The London Assembly's Planning Committee is investigating listed public buildings. The formal terms of reference are to ascertain what factors affect the management, protection and adaptability of listed buildings in public ownership; to share best practice across London; and to make appropriate recommendations to improve the protection and continued viability of London's listed buildings.

Although one of the questions is 'what contribution do listed buildings make to London's built environment', the real impetus behind the investigation lies in 'what impact does the listing process have on public bodies to deliver a service fit for the twenty first century' and 'what is the financial impact of listing on public bodies in terms of maintaining their property portfolio' and furthermore 'should the Mayor of London have a role in the management and protection of listed buildings? If so, in what capacity?'

Responses should be submitted by 20<sup>th</sup> March to Richard Davies, Assistant Scrutiny Manager, preferably by email at [richard.davies@london.gov.uk](mailto:richard.davies@london.gov.uk) or to Planning & Spatial Development Committee, GLA, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London SE1 2AA. A public session will take place on 18<sup>th</sup> April at City Hall when some respondees will be invited as witnesses. [Back](#)

### PQ over English Heritage Chairmanship

In the House of Lords on 21<sup>st</sup> February, Lord Evans of Temple Guiting, Government Spokesman for the Cabinet Office said 'we hope' that a new English Heritage Chairman would be appointed by the summer (see recruitment under People below) strongly denying that the perceived political connections of the two candidates previously shortlisted had prevented their appointment.

Lord Evans maintained that the reduction in salary from £68k a year to £60k did not mean a downgrading of the post but his figure does not tally with £45k given on the DCMS website so it is hard to believe him or his next words 'This illustrates the importance that we...attach to English Heritage.'

Baroness Hooper then enquired 'if and when the new chairman is appointed, are the Government minded to improve the funding to English Heritage to enable it to carry out more of the activities that it would wish to carry out?' But Lord Evans believes 'English Heritage is well funded. With non-grant income, its total revenue this year is expected to be £165 million, which is a significant sum. There are enormous calls on its funds, but it is such an important organisation that it is in everyone's interest to ensure that it is properly funded.'

A full account of the interchange is at <http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld200607/ldhansrd/text/70221-0001.htm#07022150000007> [Back](#)

### Legislation to improve access to England's coastline

Proposals currently being considered by Natural England's Board would lead significant statutory powers for Natural England to align a coastal access corridor around the whole of the undeveloped English coast and to create or improve access where necessary. The corridor would include new areas of 'spreading room' along the coast, strips of land on the landward side of the coast into which people and wildlife can 'spread' but which may need readjusting due to coastal erosion. It could also formalise existing beach access.

Natural England's powers would include undertaking any necessary establishment work on the ground, such as installing gates and bridges undertaking nature conservation assessments to avoid significant damage to any features of importance. It would undertake much of the planning and implementation through access authorities or itself where the access authority was unwilling to act. Natural England would fund the necessary work irrespective of who undertook it. Local solutions would be designed in consultation with local interests, including local access forums and land managers.

Natural England estimates that this would require an implementation programme costing between £2m and £5m per year over a period of 10 years. There would also be a working presumption against paying compensation for public access along the undeveloped coast.

The National Trust with 505 miles of coastline in England welcomed the announcement. Ellie Robinson, Assistant Director of Policy said 'A coastal corridor should provide real benefits both to the millions of people who love to experience the wonderful coast and marine environment and the wildlife it supports. The Government has set out a bold vision and we hope it acts on Natural England's sensible advice to deliver it.'

For further details see <http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/press/releases2007/140207.htm> [Back](#)

### Communityplanning.net

A new community planning website is launched, the initiative of CLG (Communities and Local Government, formerly DCLG/ODPM), the Academy for Sustainable Communities, RTPi and Nick Wates Associates. The website <http://www.communityplanning.net/aboutsite.htm> is a starting point for the growing number of residents getting involved with professionals in shaping their local environment.

It provides easily accessible how-to-do-it best practice information of international scope and relevance. One chapter sets out universal principles which tend to apply to any community planning activity. *Methods A-Z* covers a selection of methods for helping people get involved in physical planning and design, followed by *Scenarios A-Z* illustrating how a number of methods can be combined in an overall strategy as well as a range of scenarios covering common development situations. Further chapters offer case studies, an outline of policy and legislation on community planning in different countries, useful formats and checklists and finally publications and film, contact and websites. The *Community Planning Handbook* can also be downloaded from the website. [Back](#)

### Future Planners' roles

A new report from Demos argues that as places become more important, planners play a key role in ensuring that place-making is sustainable and democratically legitimate.

*Future Planners: Propositions for the next age of planning* argues that we need to avoid the narrow focus on how fast or slow planning is, and what planners stop us doing. Planners need to play four broad roles: first as enablers, using their knowledge of the planning system to bring together businesses, developers, local communities, interest groups and public agencies in creating better places; second as scenario planners, envisioning different possible futures for their areas, to help create resilient, flexible plans and developments; thirdly as provocateurs, questioning assumptions and offering alternative perspectives; and fourthly as judges, able to arbitrate independently of local vested interests and whichever political party is running the local town hall.

The report also makes a wide range of proposals to achieve increased democracy in plan-making and planning decisions, to improve skills among planners, to raise a sense of empowerment and legitimacy in the profession, and to boost the overall public value of new developments in terms of their contribution to economic growth, social justice and environmental sustainability.

*Future Planners: Propositions for the next age of planning* launched by Kate Barker on 6<sup>th</sup> February is based on research by the think tank Demos; 00:/; and the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE), with input and support from the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS); English Partnerships and the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI). It can be downloaded from <http://www.demos.co.uk/publications/futureplannersreport> [Back](#)

### Action now for Wales to adapt to rising sea levels

With sea levels predicted to rise by up to one metre by 2100 and many more severe storms, more than 70% of the National Trust's 230km coastline in Wales could be severely affected by coastal erosion and flooding in the next 100 years.

*Shifting Shores* a report published on 12<sup>th</sup> February forecasts that three quarters of the coastline it looks after could lose land by erosion over the next century. Sixty six National Trust coastal sites - covering a total of 1572 hectares - are at risk of flooding and two sites are vulnerable to combined tidal and river flooding within the next century.

Central to the *Shifting Shores* report is the Trust's call for policymakers to take urgent action to put in place coherent, long-term planning to address the impacts of future sea level rise and to enable affected communities, businesses and natural environments to adapt.

Future strategies will need to focus on raising public awareness and understanding. There is, for example, currently no mechanism for the public to find out if their home or business lies within a zone at risk of coastal erosion. Simpler decision making - with numerous agencies and authorities involved in coastal management – to achieve coherent and accountable solutions. As the scale and pace of coastal change increase, a universal 'hold the line' approach through ever increasing sea defences may be unaffordable and in many cases, counter productive, creating even greater problems for communities and the environment elsewhere. Strategies need to be developed that better enable the coastline to accommodate natural coastal processes. Finally innovation is needed in finding new financial mechanisms, for financial products such as insurance and compensation to enable vulnerable communities and the environment to adapt cost effectively and equitably.

Copies of the *Shifting Shores* report are available at [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/walespolicy](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/walespolicy) or by calling 029 2046 2281. [Back](#)

### Science for Historic Industries

New guidelines from English Heritage are intended to aid archaeologists working on sites of historic industries. They provide examples of recent archaeological investigation which illustrate current practice and how methodologies from different disciplines are being combined to enrich our understanding of the industrial past.

Industries here mean non domestic manufacturing activities excepting foodstuffs from the early 17<sup>th</sup> to the late 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. Despite the contribution that scientific techniques have made to archaeology, their application to post medieval and later periods has been rare. These guidelines describe some of the techniques that are commonly used and include examples where they have been applied to the archaeological remains of historic industries.

The Guidelines have been posted on the HELM website at <http://www.helm.org.uk/upload/pdf/Science-Historic-Industries.pdf> [Back](#)

### Paradise Preserved

*Paradise Preserved: introduction to the assessment, evaluation, conservation and management of historic cemeteries* was first issued in 2002 to introduce and raise awareness of cemetery conservation management. This new edition is intended to complement the Government's review, *Burial Law and Policy in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* (Home Office 2004), and its *Cleaner, Safer, Greener* campaign for parks, open spaces and streets. It also takes into account the *Guidance for Best Practice for Treatment of Human Remains Excavated from Christian Burial Grounds* published in 2005 by English Heritage and the Cathedral and Church Buildings Division of the Archbishops' Council of the Church of England. As from October 2006, public bodies and statutory undertakers have a duty to ensure due regard to the conservation of biodiversity.

After background chapters on monuments and buildings, landscape wildlife and a history of cemeteries, the guidance takes the reader through relevant statutory protections, conservation management plans, inspection care, maintenance and repair of memorials before moving on to practical conservation considerations including volunteers and friends. It finishes with further reading and useful contacts.

The revised *Paradise Preserved* can be found at <http://www.helm.org.uk/upload/pdf/Paradise-Preserved.pdf> [Back](#)

### Biomass and the Historic Environment

This third EH guidance note is intended for developers of biomass energy projects which may affect aspects of the historic environment whether they are historic buildings, sites and areas, archaeology on land and underwater, designed landscapes or the historic aspects of the landscape as a whole. It is also aimed at those involved in strategic planning for renewable energy, in the determination of project specific applications, and in the grant-aiding of new projects. The guidance at <http://www.helm.org.uk/server/show/ConWebDoc.10219> complements more general guidance on climate change and other renewable energy technologies from English Heritage at [www.helm.org.uk/climatechange](http://www.helm.org.uk/climatechange) [Back](#)

### SPAB courses tackle energy issues for historic buildings

The Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings (SPAB) is running a series of technical courses throughout the year which may help with heritage building projects concerned with energy efficiency and environmental control.

The courses are suitable for building professionals, architects, surveyors, engineers, planners and similar occupations. Details of all courses are at <http://www.spab.org.uk/html/education-training/?PHPSESSID=124c5d61c994c9760ffec3817d7932f4> [Back](#)

### **Saltaire Environmental Capacity Study wins RTPI Award for Heritage**

Atkins, the international consultants, with Bradford Metropolitan District Council, have won the RTPI Award for Heritage for their preparation of the Environmental Capacity Study for Saltaire World Heritage Site.

One of the key features of the study has been the identification of the complex interrelationships between the many issues that face the site and the need for an integrated approach to decision making. The Judges said the study was impressive in that 'it has provided not only an analysis of the key features of this World Heritage Site, but also a practical mechanism for assessing and accommodating necessary development and change, recognising that Saltaire needs to continue to be a sustainable community and not simply become a museum piece'.

This is the first such study focused on a World Heritage Site and the first time a capacity study has sought to address the issues associated with management of a complex living historic site in such detail. Judges added 'This study is innovative both in terms of the breadth of capacity issues addressed and the level of detail achieved. As such its underlying methodology has considerable potential for use at other national and international sites'.

For the Judges' full report on this and other RTPI awards see <http://www.rtpi.org.uk/download/508/JUDGES-REPORT-2006.doc> [Back](#)

### **Wolfson makes up shortfall in EH grants to cathedrals**

English Heritage and the Wolfson Foundation announced on 15<sup>th</sup> February funding for the repair of 24 cathedrals across England as part of a new joint scheme worth up to £6m.

This year's grants, totalling £1.6m, will be used for a range of projects from masonry repairs at Hereford and Salisbury to the restoration of a Pugin reredos at Leeds. Cuts in Government funding meant English Heritage was forced to reduce the scheme to just £1m in 2004. This new partnership reinstates pre-2004 levels of funding and doubles individual grant thresholds so helping cathedrals to undertake larger repair projects.

Paul Ramsbottom, Executive Secretary of the Wolfson Foundation, said: 'We are delighted to be funding cathedrals in partnership with English Heritage. These are buildings that lift the spirits: monuments that speak to each succeeding generation. They remain central to our country's history.'

For further background see <http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/ConWebDoc.10181> [Back](#)

### **No 10 Petitions and campaign against cuts to British Library**

No 10 website petitioning is now a national pastime and what's more, they get media coverage. Two current heritage petitions now need your support, the one on VAT outlined in Update 107 is at <http://petitions.pm.gov.uk/NoVAToldBuildngs/> (1310 signatures so far) and a new one concerning that national treasure, the British Library (nearly 10,500 so far).

Projected 7% cuts in the British Library's annual budget would if put into effect, lead to charging readers for admission, reductions in opening hours and the closure of the Colindale Newspaper Library. Anyone who has been there recently will know that the BL is already struggling to meet the demands on its resources. It needs extra funding, not further cuts. The British Library website for this campaign is <http://www.bl.uk/spendingreview.html>

To register opposition to these cuts, you can sign the petition on the No.10 website: <http://petitions.pm.gov.uk/library/>. In addition to the petition, the BL is asking everyone to write and let them know why the library is so important to people, ideally giving the BL permission to use these letters to help them make their case. Email [supporters\\_forum@bl.uk](mailto:supporters_forum@bl.uk) with your name, contact number and message; or write to Lynne Brindley, Chief Executive, The British Library, 96 Euston Road, London NW1 2DB.

Remember to confirm your signature on No 10 petitions by replying to the email message that is automatically generated. [Back](#)

### Website resource for historic swimming pools

People across Britain concerned about pool provision and the decline of historic pools and lidos are joining forces to form a national campaign network at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/poolingresources>

Following on from the *Reviving Lidos* and *Making a Splash* conferences last year, the forum will enable campaigners around the country to share ideas, news, and information. Members will monitor press and parliament for debates and questions affecting pools and use the network to rally support and lobby for better pool provision around the country. The group will be run by Sally Wainman, who has been involved with the campaign for Broomhill Pool in Ipswich for many years.

'*Pooling Resources* will be a vital tool for people battling to keep pools open around Britain,' said Ann Morgan, Community Engagement Officer of the Victorian Society. 'Historic pools have so much to offer and meet so many of the Government's heritage, health, and community value criteria, yet people around the country are having to fight to save them.' [Back](#)

### Creative Apprenticeships

The Museums, Libraries and Archives Council (MLA) formed a partnership with Creative & Cultural Skills in 2005 to work jointly on initiatives to improve education and skills for the cultural heritage sector. To date MLA funding of up to £100,000 per annum has gone towards the development of Creative Apprenticeships, qualifications, National Occupational Standards, identifying skills gaps and needs to improve the sector's workforce development and establishing a Cultural Heritage Skills Panel to advise on priorities for the sector.

Tom Bewick, Chief Executive of Creative & Cultural Skills, said 'Cultural Heritage is one of the first sectors to run prototype Creative Apprenticeships - placements include various National Trust properties - while National Museums Liverpool, Tate Liverpool and the Victoria and Albert Museum in London are among a group of cultural venues and organisations helping us create an apprenticeship pathway in Cultural Venue Administration.'

Creative & Cultural Skills and MLA are also working together with Arts Council England to deliver the Cultural Leadership Programme which provides leadership, mentoring and networking opportunities for the cultural heritage sector. Post-16 careers advice and training will be widely available through the Creative & Cultural Skills led Creative Knowledge Lab, an online service that will phase in from April.

Another collaboration is the *Untold Riches* project, involving MLA, Creative & Cultural Skills, Lifelong Learning UK, the Institute of Conservation, the Museums Association and other professional bodies developing pre-16 work placements and careers advice to encourage young people, particularly from BME backgrounds, to consider a career in museums.

For further information visit [www.ccskills.org.uk](http://www.ccskills.org.uk) and [www.mla.gov.uk](http://www.mla.gov.uk) [Back](#)

### Local cultural services nourish democracy

The museums, libraries and archives sector can play a significant role in the revival of local democracy, says a report published on 16<sup>th</sup> February by the Museums, Libraries and Archives Council in response to *Sustainable and Prosperous Communities* the local government White Paper.

The report *Localism, Governance and the Public Realm* looks at culture in the context of civil renewal, community cohesion and localism and governance. Through a variety of interviews with museum, library and archive professionals already delivering against these agendas and policy analysts, the report shows that the cultural sector can play a vital part in engaging citizens in civic life at the local level. Two thirds of the population already use museums, libraries and archives. MLA has led the development of community engagement practice and innovation for the sector and workforce development programmes which help enable staff to contribute to these agendas.

To review *Localism, Governance and the Public Realm: Issues for the local cultural sector* visit: [www.mla.gov.uk/resources/assets/L/localism\\_governance\\_public\\_realm\\_11107.pdf](http://www.mla.gov.uk/resources/assets/L/localism_governance_public_realm_11107.pdf) [Back](#)

### Making Existing Buildings Accessible

A new book *Museums and Art Galleries: Making Existing Buildings Accessible* published by RIBA and the Centre for Accessible Environments, airs the dilemmas faced by architects and their clients in making historic buildings more inclusive in response to contemporary access standards and regulations.

Co-sponsored by the MLA's Renaissance programme and the Access Audit Corporation, the illustrated publication examines evidence from varied case studies and gives a set of guidelines specific to museums and art galleries. It uses Renaissance-funded museums as examples of innovative and inclusive design solutions: Hollytrees Museum, Colchester; Dulwich Picture Gallery; Sunderland Museum and Horniman Museum.

Chris Batt, Chief Executive of MLA, said 'Far from being about 'ugly ramps', accessible design is fundamental to creating the inclusive and welcoming places we want museums, libraries and archives to be.'

Copies of the book, priced £35.00 are available from 15 Bonhill Street, London EC2P 2EA; Tel: 020 7256 7222 Fax 020 7374 8500 or email [sales@ribabookshops.com](mailto:sales@ribabookshops.com) Website [www.ribabookshops.com](http://www.ribabookshops.com) [Back](#)

#### *Acevo enquiry **End Complacency on Governance***

Acevo (Association of Chief Executives of Voluntary Organisations) is launching a major inquiry into standards of governance in the voluntary sector. The inquiry chaired by Rodney Brooke CBE, the current Chair of the General Social Care Council, and formerly Chief Executive of Westminster Council and the Association of Metropolitan Authorities will aim to raise the overall level of board performance and to ensure greater accountability.

Stephen Bubb, CEO of Acevo, warned 'There is shameful apathy in the sector on this. Calls for more professionalism in governance are often met with a 'no change needed' response, or a complacent defence of the status quo. We want to uncover the problems, learn from the best, and put this issue at the top of CEOs' agendas.'

According to Acevo, only 27% of boards have instituted appraisal processes, and the recruitment of trustees has become more inward looking than ever. Eighty one per cent of large charities now rely on word-of-mouth to find new talent.

For further information see [http://www.acevo.org.uk/main/index.php?content=newsitem&news\\_id=282](http://www.acevo.org.uk/main/index.php?content=newsitem&news_id=282) The findings of the inquiry will be published at the Acevo annual conference in November. [Back](#)

#### *Museums **Diversify Bursaries: call for applications 2007-08***

The MA, in conjunction with the Museums, Libraries and Archives Council, is offering ethnic minority candidates five bursaries for a postgraduate museums studies course and a placement at a regional museum.

The five one-year bursaries are to take specified postgraduate museum studies courses, full time, with a five-month placement in leading regional museums in England with a contribution of a total of £1000 towards essential course expenses. The bursaries are funded by MLA through the Renaissance initiative.

Candidates should be of Black African-Caribbean, Asian or Chinese descent and among other conditions should have passed (or expect to pass), a I or II class honours degree, or an equivalent qualification or experience that will meet the university's admission requirements for postgraduate training.

For further details and all application documents see [http://www.museumsassociation.org/13418&\\_IXSESSION=TxQgNmZKMkS&\\_IXPOS=manews1.2](http://www.museumsassociation.org/13418&_IXSESSION=TxQgNmZKMkS&_IXPOS=manews1.2) Email applications including all information required, no later than Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March to <mailto:lucyshaw@museumsassociation.org> [Back](#)

#### *College of Estate Management: **MSc in Conservation of the Historic Environment***

The College of Estate Management's Conservation of the Historic Environment offers a distance learning post graduate degree. The course accredited by RICS and IHBC covers current conservation issues which are likely to be encountered in the running of day-to-day projects. It includes optional site visits and enjoys well established links with organisations such as the National Trust, English Heritage and the Prince's Foundation. Students come from a wide range of professional backgrounds which gives a valuable cross-disciplinary mix to the course.

For further details call the College on +44 (0) 118 921 4696 or email [prospectuses@cem.ac.uk](mailto:prospectuses@cem.ac.uk) or visit the website at [www.cem.ac.uk/heritage](http://www.cem.ac.uk/heritage) [Back](#)

## PEOPLE

### EH Chair recruitment relaunched

After the debacle over recruiting Sir Neil's successor as Chair of English Heritage, DCMS has re-advertised the public appointment at

[http://www.culture.gov.uk/working\\_with\\_us/Public\\_appointments/pa\\_vacancies/english\\_heritage\\_chair.htm](http://www.culture.gov.uk/working_with_us/Public_appointments/pa_vacancies/english_heritage_chair.htm)

English Heritage's aims under the organisation's five year strategy, *Making the Past Part of our Future* are clearly set out together with the role of the Chair. The successful candidate should be able to demonstrate, among other essential criteria, a record of strong leadership with strategic thinking at a senior level, the ability to work effectively in a political environment with sufficient weight and personal authority to act as a persuasive link between English Heritage, UK Ministers and Parliament.

The new Chair is expected to commit 90 days a year including chairing the Commission, which meets 7 times a year with remuneration of £45,000 per year. The appointment is for 5 years starting in June 2007.

Full details of how to apply can be found in an information pack obtainable from DCMS' employment agency advisers, Saxton Bampfylde Hever Ltd, using reference AAHB (or email [AAHB@SAXBAM.CO.UK](mailto:AAHB@SAXBAM.CO.UK)) or telephone +44 (0) 1483 409 713 (during office hours). Applications will close on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2007. Interviews are expected late April. [Back](#)

### CLG Select Committee: Specialist Advisers

The House of Commons Select Committee on Communities and Local Government (formerly DCLG) is looking to expand the pool of expert advisers to help members scrutinise the policy, administration and expenditure of the Department, its agencies and associated public bodies.

Specialist Advisers work on an ad hoc, part-time, basis subject to the Committee's requirements and individual availability. While most work is carried out remotely, attendance at relevant private and public meetings at Westminster may be required. Advisers are paid an hourly rate (in the range £110 - £250) per day plus travel expenses.

The Committee is particularly keen to receive expressions of interest from those with experience in the policy areas added in May 2006, community cohesion, race relations, equality, civil renewal but also those with interests in planning, regeneration, regional government, sustainable communities and planning law, amongst other areas.

Candidates wishing to be considered for appointment during the current Parliamentary Session (ends November 2007) should forward their cv to Ian Hook, Committee Assistant, Communities and Local Government Committee, 7 Millbank London SW1P 3JA or e-mail <mailto:clgcom@parliament.uk> For further details see the previous call at [http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary\\_committees/clg/clg\\_200607\\_pn04.cfm](http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary_committees/clg/clg_200607_pn04.cfm) [Back](#)

### The Victorian Society: vacancies on buildings committees

The Victorian Society is looking for expert volunteers to strengthen its two buildings committees which help formulate comments on listed building consent applications. Both North and South committees have a broad and highly skilled membership. Skilled volunteers, in particular practising conservation architects, architectural historians, people from the local government planning or conservation sector and people with knowledge of construction history, would be suited to the roles.

The Northern Buildings Committee meets on the first Monday of each month at 5.30pm in central Manchester. The Southern Buildings Committee meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6pm in West London.

Please send CVs with a covering letter explaining how you would be able to fit the roles available, ideally by 12<sup>th</sup> March (although expressions of interest may also be made later) to The Victorian Society, 1 Priory Gardens, London W4 1TT. Tel 020 8994 1019 [www.victoriansociety.org.uk](http://www.victoriansociety.org.uk) email [director@victoriansociety.org.uk](mailto:director@victoriansociety.org.uk) [Back](#)

## EVENTS

### Untapped Potential: CPRE report launch at Cityscape 27<sup>th</sup> February

CPRE will launch *Untapped Potential*, a report looking at identifying and delivering residential development on previously developed land with an overview of recent practice, on 27<sup>th</sup> February. Speakers will include Nick Schoon, CPRE (chair), Kate Gordon, CPRE, Patrick Clarke, Llewellyn Davies Yeang, Jonathan Bell, Plymouth City Council and Andrew Whitaker, Head of Planning, Home Builders Federation.

The event is free but attendance must be registered first. Registration gives access to around 60 free seminars and an exhibition at Cityscape, Earls Court. Further information and instructions on how to register are at [www.regenex.co.uk](http://www.regenex.co.uk) Contact Kate Gordon for more details: [kateg@cpre.org.uk](mailto:kateg@cpre.org.uk) [Back](#)

#### **Ethnic quarters as Heritage Attractions: Lecture, 22<sup>nd</sup> March**

Steve Shaw, director of the TRaC Research Centre, London Metropolitan University, will discuss the multicultural heritage of cities as gateways to immigration, and the tensions that may arise from their presentation to visitors, in a Nigel Seeley Memorial Lecture at University College London. Challenges of how to broaden participation and accommodate both visitors and local people will be explored, with case studies from Canadian and English cities.

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 6.15pm in the Gavin de Beer Lecture Theatre, Anatomy Building, University College London, Gower Street, London WC1. RSVP Skye Dillon 020 7679 5903, [sustainableheritage@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:sustainableheritage@ucl.ac.uk) [Back](#)

#### **Enabling Access: Heritage and Communities: Glasgow, 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> March**

Following the success of the *Questions of Access: Research and Practice* seminar, the second in the Heritage Futures *Access to Heritage* series which is supported by the ESRC will focus on communities. This two day seminar will bring together academics and professionals with the aim of focussing on the community dimension of heritage access and considering ways of enabling community access to heritage.

The seminar at Glasgow Caledonian University is free but numbers will be limited so to ensure a place email Professor Fiona McLean at [fmc2@gcal.ac.uk](mailto:fmc2@gcal.ac.uk) Funding is available for 12 postgraduate /early career researchers. If you wish to be considered for this funding, please contact Fiona McLean with a brief introduction on current research and institution information. [Back](#)

#### **Earls Court Museums and Heritage Show: 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> May: nominate your favourite heritage attraction**

Opportunities to exhibit, or free registration to attend as a visitor, are now available online. See the website <http://www.museumsandheritage.com/index.asp> for details. A voting form on the homepage also enables visitors to nominate a favourite museum, gallery or heritage attraction for the Heritage365 Magazine Readers' Award. [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

#### **Cambria Archaeology: Trust Director**

Applications are invited for the post of Trust Director of Cambria Archaeology (Dyfed Archaeological Trust Ltd) on the appointment of the present Director, Gwilym Hughes, as Chief Inspector at Cadw.

The Director has overall responsibility for managing the Trust and for the strategic direction, policy, promotion, and operations of the Trust in its curatorial and contractual work in southwest Wales and elsewhere. Applicants should have a thorough knowledge of British archaeology, extensive financial and managerial experience and an empathy for Welsh culture, language and governance.

Further particulars from Cambria Archaeology, Dyfed Archaeological Trust Ltd, The Shire Hall, Llandeilo, Carmarthenshire, SA19 6AF, tel 01558 823121, fax 01558 823133, website: [www.cambria.org.uk](http://www.cambria.org.uk) email [jackie@cambria.org.uk](mailto:jackie@cambria.org.uk) This is a Welsh Archaeological Trusts Grade 1 post (SCP 41-57 £32,487-£46,116) but appointment is likely to be made within SCP 41-46 £32,487-£36,636. Closing date 7<sup>th</sup> March. Start date June 2007 or earlier.

#### **World Heritage Site Officer: Saltaire**

For this post, applicants should be educated to degree standard in a historic/planning/architectural related discipline, with tact, enthusiasm, and an eye for detail and good design.

Two years' experience in developing and implementing heritage related projects, including original research and presentations to external boards or committees is requested. The district has a series of masterplan initiatives to maximise regeneration over the next 10 - 15 years. Understanding the intricacies of working in a World Heritage Site with its local, national and world partners will be key.

Salary £20,895 - £28,221 depending on qualifications and experience. Download an application pack at [www.bradford.gov.uk/jobs](http://www.bradford.gov.uk/jobs) or email <mailto:jobs@bradford.gov.uk> For information AFTER receiving an application pack contact Christine Kerrin, Design and Conservation Team Leader on 01274 432455. Closing date 12<sup>th</sup> March.

#### The Victorian Society: Southern Architectural Advisor

The Southern Architectural Adviser will be at the forefront of the charity's efforts to ensure that changes to historic buildings are made in a way which does not damage their architectural interest. The role involves travel throughout England and Wales.

Applicants should be educated to degree level or equivalent, have a knowledge of Victorian and Edwardian architecture and excellent communication skills. Familiarity with the planning system would be an advantage.

Salary: £19,000 + pension. Three year contract subject to performance and funding. Details and application form from [www.victoriansociety.org.uk](http://www.victoriansociety.org.uk) tel 020 8747 5890. Closing date 12<sup>th</sup> March, 9am

#### The National Trust: Campaign Advisor

An energetic and well organised professional, able to provide specialist advice on communications and campaigns planning and delivery, is sought to play a major role in helping to deliver the National Trust's campaigns on wildlife, food, cultural heritage and climate change. Initially, a two year project post it will be based at the London office.

Salary: Between £25,043 and £28,833 (Plus Inner London Weighting of £4,465)  
For further information and an application pack visit [www.nationaltrust.org.uk](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk) (Job Reference CT0629/I). Closing date 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Interviews w/b 12<sup>th</sup> March.

#### Gifford Ltd: Heritage Planner/ Senior Heritage Planner

This position would suit an architect, conservation specialist or archaeologist. Due to the nature of the work a current driving licence is essential.

Working within an interdisciplinary consultancy environment, typically with architects, engineers and contractors, the post plays a key role through all project stages. Practical and collaborative problem solving skills will be important. Central duties are advice to clients on heritage planning issues, liaison with statutory authorities, and management of conservation planning in the context of redevelopment and regeneration.

Salary negotiable. For further information or a discussion, contact Gerry Wait, on 023 8081 7564, <mailto:gerry.wait@gifford.uk.com> Apply via [www.gifford.uk.gtios.com/](http://www.gifford.uk.gtios.com/) Closing date 28<sup>th</sup> February

#### The National Trust: Audience Development Manager (for Black and Minority Ethnic Communities)

Supported by the HLF, the Trust is starting a four year programme to ensure Black and Minority Ethnic communities are involved in all aspects of its work. The post holder will recruit and manage a new team to deliver this across the West Midlands and take forward the National Trust's diversity agenda. Outreach work will focus on the Back to Backs (Birmingham), Wightwick Manor (Wolverhampton), Croome Park (Worcestershire) and Charlecote Park (Warwickshire). Applicants will need experience of delivering audience development projects in a heritage, arts or community context, work within a multicultural community and helping organisations to bring about change.

Salary £25,043 - £30,775 pa. For an informal discussion contact Emma Hawthorne on 07876 367857. Apply at [www.ntjobs.org.uk](http://www.ntjobs.org.uk) or email <mailto:recruitmentenquiries@nationaltrust.org.uk> Closing date 28<sup>th</sup> February. Interviews 14<sup>th</sup> March.

#### English Heritage: Committee Administrator

The Commission Secretariat seeks a new Committee Administrator to take a lead role in servicing a range of formal meetings and dealing with associated corporate governance issues.

Candidates will have a proven track record of administration and a background of formal committee work, preferably in a public body, including minute taking and agenda preparation. The workload is varied and interesting, based in London in a friendly and well-respected team of seven.

Salary £20,000. To apply, email <mailto:recruitHQ@english-heritage.org.uk> quoting reference LON/10/07 only in the subject box. Please do not send CVs. For an informal discussion, please contact David Burgh, Commission Secretariat Manager, 020 7973 3243. Closing date 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Interviews 14<sup>th</sup> March.

#### English Heritage: Head of Archaeological Information Systems

A well-informed professional, to be based in Portsmouth, is needed to ensure that multi-disciplinary teams such as Archaeological Projects, Archaeological Science and Imagining, Graphics and Survey receive the best possible Information Systems and Technology service.

A broad knowledge of archaeological science data from recording to archiving will be combined with an in-depth understanding of personal computers, software, peripherals and LAN/ WAN systems. Full competence in Microsoft Office, MS Access and Windows XP will be essential. The team will expect the postholder to provide authoritative advice on the contribution of archaeological computing at all stages of the project cycle. Good IT project management, communication and people management skills are all essential.

Salary c.£24,000. To apply, email [recruit.swindon@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:recruit.swindon@english-heritage.org.uk) quoting reference J/001/07 in the subject box. No CVs. Closing date 7<sup>th</sup> March.

#### English Heritage: Architectural Investigator/ Senior Architectural Investigator

The post is based in York but requires frequent travel and overnight stays. The candidate will have a key role in a small, busy team, researching/analyzing historic buildings and areas, providing specialist advice in the fields of architectural history and building and areas analysis and assisting with training and outreach programmes.

Applicants' backgrounds will illustrate a good degree/ postgraduate qualification (or equivalent) in history, architectural history, buildings archaeology or a related discipline, with a good record of academic publication. A broad knowledge of architectural history with one or more specialisms is required, as well as being accomplished in analysing buildings/areas and in undertaking primary research.

Salary £24,192 to £31,800 pa. To apply, email [recruitmentnorth@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:recruitmentnorth@english-heritage.org.uk) with ref C/007/07 in the subject box. No CVs. Closing date 28<sup>th</sup> February. Field test date 14<sup>th</sup> March. Interviews 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

#### Historic Scotland: Inspector, Casework Team (2 posts)

Two full time posts (fixed term for 12 months) are available, to be based in Edinburgh with frequent travel and site visits throughout Scotland. The postholders will provide casework support across four area casework teams, including listed buildings case assessments, scheduled monument cases and preparation of reports and grant applications on behalf of Historic Scotland.

A good knowledge of Scottish architectural history and/ or archaeology in its wider context will be required, along with political sensitivity, delivery management and a working knowledge of the planning system and conservation legislation.

Salary: £25,622-£31,131. Contact [hs.recruit@scotland.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:hs.recruit@scotland.gsi.gov.uk) for details, quoting ref: HSC/07/020 or tel. 0131 668 8641. Closing date 9<sup>th</sup> March.

#### Martin Randall Travel: Graduate positions

Vacancies are available for operations assistants and client administration assistants for the UK's leading cultural tour specialist. Candidates are likely to have graduated in languages, history of art or music.

Operations assistant applicants should be fluent in Italian and preferably another language. A varied workload can be expected. Client administration assistant applicants will have the opportunity to work on art or music projects and should ideally have an interest in these areas as well as a friendly and well spoken manner.

Applications by post only to Martin Randall Travel, Voysey House, Barley Mow Passage, London W4 4GF. [Back](#)

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