

Policy Directions in relation to Wales

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of their powers conferred by section 26 (2) of The National Lottery Etc Act 1993 as transferred by the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 and having consulted the Trustees of the National Heritage Memorial Fund ('the Fund') pursuant to section 26 (5), hereby gives the following directions to the Fund:

To have regard to principles of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 which aims to improve the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales and encourages public bodies to think more about the long term, work better with people and communities and each other, look to prevent problems and take a more joined-up approach. There are seven well-being goals including, 'A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh Language' and five ways of working – long-term, prevention, integration, collaboration and involvement.

In deciding to whom it distributes money, for what purpose, and under what conditions, the Trustees of the National Heritage Memorial Fund shall take into account the following matters:

1. Encourage the conservation, preservation, presentation, promotion and interpretation of all aspects of the natural, cultural and intangible heritage of Wales for future generations.
2. Have regard to the interests of Wales as a whole and the interests of different parts of Wales, taking account of the diverse demographic and deprivation patterns in the different parts of Wales.
3. Promote and support the Welsh language, reflecting the bilingual nature of Wales, and to work to the principle of not treating the Welsh language less favourably than English in all the Fund's activities in Wales. To operate in line with the Fund's agreed Welsh Language Scheme, and to monitor its implementation according to the agreed procedures.
4. Work strategically with others to maximise the impact of National Lottery funding for people and heritage, encouraging national, regional and local partnerships to do so.
5. Encourage the financial sustainability of the heritage assets of Wales and where viable and appropriate the community use of heritage assets in Wales with special regard to those at risk.
6. Provide opportunities for people, especially young people to gain the skills required to conserve, preserve, present and promote the heritage of Wales.
7. Encourage the use of appropriate professional standards in all projects.

8. Provide opportunities for people from across Wales of all ages and backgrounds, especially children and young people to have access to, to learn about, to enjoy and thereby, promote the diverse heritage of Wales.