HLF launches search for new committee members

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People stand near a military jeep

Northern Ireland committee member Mark Glover (far right) visits the GI Jive Festival in Kilkeel We are looking for heritage lovers to join our vibrant and friendly committees and help make decisions on where to invest funds from the National Lottery.

HLF has vacancies for committee members in London, Yorkshire and the Humber, Northern Ireland and Scotland and committee chairs in the North East and Yorkshire and Humber.

Our committee members are passionate about the UK's heritage, whether it's conserving an ancient building, supporting plans for a new gallery in a local museum, sprucing up a well-used local park or uncovering the history of a particular community.

[quote=Eilish McGuinness, HLF's Director of Operations]"HLF's committee chairs and members are the local people deciding where to invest money raised by National Lottery players."[/quote]

"We are looking for people who appreciate their local heritage and care about promoting understanding and enjoyment of what there is to see, experience and learn about," said Eilish McGuinness, HLF's Director of Operations. "HLF's committee chairs and members are the local people deciding where to invest money raised by National Lottery players. They also play an important role as advocates for heritage in their local area."

There are 12 regional and country committees across England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. Each one meets four times a year. Chairs and members are normally appointed for three years in the first instance.

Investing in your community

HLF has supported a vast array of projects over the past 22 years, investing over £7.1billion across the UK. Recent highlights awarded by the regional and national committees include:

- In Northern Ireland, Catholic and Protestant communities were brought together in the Killyleagh Remembers project, looking at the local impact of the First World War
- In Scotland, £100m is being invested in natural heritage, including the creation of Scotland's largest urban nature park
- In London, guitar legend Jimi Hendrix's flat was returned to its former glory
- In the North East, Durham Cathedral has opened up 900 years of treasures to the public
- In Yorkshire and the Humber, an HLF project is helping local communities to encourage salmon to return to the River Don

Who we are looking for

HLF is an inclusive organisation and we are keen to receive applications from a wide range of people. Our committee members are united by a passion for and commitment to heritage and to supporting our aim to make a lasting difference for heritage, people and communities.

Our committee members come from a wide variety of professional backgrounds such as heritage, community, charity, voluntary, commercial, financial, public, private, cultural, regeneration, tourism and academia.

HLF welcomes applications from people from black, Asian and minority ethnic communities, disabled people and young people.

Find out more about the roles by watching our film and reading our interviews with committee members on our committee recruitment page.

How to apply

- Read the application materials
- Read about some of the HLF-supported projects which are changing lives on our Tumblr page
- If you have any questions, email the appropriate head of nation or region as follows: London <u>Stuart Hobley</u>, North East <u>Ivor Crowther</u>, Northern Ireland- <u>Paul Mullan</u>, Scotland <u>Lucy Casot</u>, Yorkshire and the Humber <u>Fiona Spiers</u>

Please <u>email us</u> if you have a general query and would like to speak to someone about the recruitment process.

The deadline for applications is **3 October 2016**.