Committee Member opportunities across England

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We are looking to appoint two Chairs, one to lead our London committee and the other to lead our East Midlands committee; and at least six committee members to five committees across England - East of England, East Midlands, London, South East England and West Midlands.

Who should consider applying?

Individuals need to have a broad appreciation of and enthusiasm for heritage and a commitment to promoting public understanding and enjoyment of it to the widest possible audience. We look for an understanding of local issues and project development and delivery; an ability to think strategically and analytically; and good communication skills. For the Chair posts we also require leadership experience and the ability to be an effective ambassador for HLF.

We are keen to receive applications from people from a variety of backgrounds and experiences who can demonstrate an affinity for an areas diverse and exciting heritage. We welcome applications from people from black, Asian and minority ethnic communities, disabled people and individuals across all age groups.

How to apply?

Application materials are available on our vacancies page. The closing date for applications is midday Monday 28 October. If you would like more information about the appointment process, email decisionmakers@hlf.org.uk or contact Secretariat on 020 7591 6014.

Why join an HLF Committee?

Being a committee member presents an exciting and challenging opportunity for individuals with a strong commitment to our diverse heritage. Committee Chairs who will be standing down in March 2014 have said:

"As Chairman of the Committee for London since 2007 I've had the immense privilege of witnessing, advocating and helping to enable wonderful transformations and regenerations of landscapes, historic buildings, museums, galleries, public places, neighbourhoods, wildlife, plants. At HLF I have learnt from and seen so much of the wonderful evolving immensity of London – It's numberless stories, myriad communities and historic environment from city to suburbia."
Wesley Kerr (2007-2014)

"As I survey the great sweep and diversity of the region's historic places, museums, archives, landscapes and biodiversity, I'm tempted to imagine that the HLF never existed and to realise what a poorer place the East Midlands would be if that were so. I have had the chance to meet so many people and organisations, large and tiny, throughout the region to encourage ambition and to celebrate success."
Christopher Pennell (2006-2014)

The work of our Committees

Our committees take decisions on all grant funding requests from £100,000 up to £2million and provide a crucial local perspective to the HLF Board on larger grants and for targeted initiatives. Members meet people involved in heritage

projects, represent HLF at openings and events and act as advocates for HLF in their locality.

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Appointments

Terms of appointment start on 1 April 2014 and are normally for a period of 3 years in the first instance.