

Bus routes, balti and Anglo-Saxon gold

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HLF Chair Sir Peter Luff

Sir Peter Luff, our new Chair, is on a mission to visit each UK region over the summer, and the West Midlands is next on the list.

His first stop will be the culturally rich suburbs of Birmingham, following the Number 5 bus route to explore the past 70 years of history along the Stratford Road.

It's an exciting time for HLF. As well as welcoming Sir Peter to the team, we're also celebrating our 21st birthday this year and of course continuing to fund a wide range of heritage projects across the UK. To date, thanks for money raised by National Lottery players, we've invested over £470million that has helped preserve and share heritage across the West Midlands.

While in Birmingham, Sir Peter will:

- Visit the [Muath Centre](#) to talk to [Sampad](#) about their [My Route project](#)
- Have a quintessentially Birmingham balti lunch on Ladypool Road, and meet young ambassadors from [Routes 2 Roots](#) campaign
- Get a handful of Anglo-Saxon gold with the Staffordshire Hoard at the [Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery](#)
- Meet the volunteers working on the conservation of the Hoard at the Birmingham Museums Trust conservation centre

Follow his travels on Twitter: [@HLFWestMids](#) using [#LuffHeritage](#) and let us know about your favourite heritage project in your region!

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[**New Staffordshire Hoard Gallery at Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery**](#)

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