



MEETING TITLE	Minutes of the 92nd meeting of the London Blue Plaques Panel	
DATE	6 th February 2025 at 11am	
LOCATION	English Heritage Offices, 100 Wood Street, London EC2V 7AN	
MEMBERS	Professor William Whyte (Chair) Professor Tilly Blyth YolanDa Brown OBE DL Gus Casely-Hayford OBE Dr Simon Chapman Andrew Graham-Dixon Emily Gee	Alex Graham Professor Claire Harman Dr Shini Somara Susie Thornberry Petroc Trelawny Janie Winter
ATTENDEES	Matt Thompson – interim Curatorial Director Jeremy Ashbee – Head Historic Properties Curator Cathy Power – Blue Plaques Manager Rebecca Preston – Blue Plaques Historian Susan Skedd – Blue Plaques Historian Howard Spencer – Senior Historian, Blue Plaques Sarah O’Grady – interim Head of Governance (minutes)	
APOLOGIES	Prof. Richard Aldrich Mihir Bose Amy Lamé	

Item 1 – Apologies, announcements and declarations of interest or any other business

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 1.2 Prof Tilly Blyth declared an interest that she knows some family members of Ossie Clark so would not participate in the relevant discussion. There were no other new declarations of interest.
- 1.3 Apologies – as noted above.

Item 2 – Minutes of the meeting held on 1st October 2024 and any matters arising

- 2.1 The Minutes were approved as a fair and accurate record.
- 2.2 There were no matters arising.

Item 3 – Chair’s report (oral)

The Chair informed the Panel that BPP team isn’t impacted directly by the Re-Shaping English Heritage Programme.

Item 4 - Curatorial Director’s report (oral)

The interim Curatorial Director reported on the implementation of past decisions including expressing thanks in particular to Chania Fox and the Youth Engagement Team for the unveiling of the Plaque for Olive Morris. He reported that the first annual steering group meeting between Historic England, which runs the national scheme, and English Heritage had taken place the day before.

Item 5 – Preliminary considerations

Under its terms of reference, the Blue Plaques Panel advises English Heritage on the erection of blue plaques. The Panel considered 20 preliminary cases as follows:

Ossie Clark (1942–1996)

The panel’s decision was not to shortlist.

Sir Horace Jones (1819–1887)

The panel’s decision was to shortlist.

Sir Denys Lasdun (1914–2001)

The panel’s decision was to shortlist.

Sir Edward Maufe (1883–1974) and Prudence Maufe (1882–1976)

The panel’s decision was not to shortlist.

Ian Nairn (1930–1983)

The panel’s decision was not to shortlist.

Fanny Cornforth otherwise Sarah Cox/Hughes/Schott (1835-1909)

The panel’s decision was to shortlist.

Eileen Mayo (1906-1994)

The panel’s decision was not to shortlist.

Frances Partridge (1900–2004)

The panel’s decision was not to shortlist.

Eva Luckes (1854-1919)

The panel’s decision was not to shortlist.

Sir Ivan Magill (1888-1986)

The panel’s decision was not to shortlist.

Lucy Anderson (c. 1795–1878)

The panel’s decision was not to shortlist.

Hannah Cohen (1895-1967)

The panel's decision was not to shortlist.

Amy Ashwood Garvey (1897–1969)

The panel's decision was to shortlist.

Edith How Martyn (1874–1954)

The panel's decision was not to shortlist.

Sarah Bowdich Lee (1791–1856)

The panel's decision was to shortlist.

Max Nicholson (1904–2003)

The panel's decision was not to shortlist.

William Pullum (1887–1960)

The panel's decision was to shortlist.

Madge Syers (1881–1917)

The panel's decision was to shortlist.

Lindsay Anderson (1932–1994)

The panel's decision was not to shortlist.

Edith Craig nee Godwin (1868–1947)

The panel's decision was to defer consideration to its next meeting.

Item 6 – Final reports

This item is included in a protected appendix to these minutes as it contains information that is potentially protected from public access.

Item 7 – Any other business

None.