

# MINUTES

MEETING TITLE	Public Minutes of the 30th English Heritage Trust Board Meeting	
DATE	Wednesday 9 March 2022	
LOCATION	English Heritage Offices, 100 Wood Street, London	
PRESENT	Sir Tim Laurence – Chairman Sarah Staniforth – Deputy Chair James Twining – Deputy Chair Victoria Barnsley – Trustee Kay Boycott – Trustee Liz Bromley – Trustee Tanvi Gokhale – Trustee (by Zoom) <sup>1</sup>	Charles Gurassa – Trustee (by Zoom) Professor Ronald Hutton – Trustee Sir Laurie Magnus – Trustee Ian McCaig – Trustee Kunle Olulode – Trustee Sue Wilkinson – Trustee
ATTENDING	Kate Mavor – Chief Executive Louise Dando – Interim Marketing Director Anna Eavis – Curatorial Director Sue Fisher – Development Director (by Zoom)	Kate Logan – Historic Properties Director Mark Stuart-Smith – Chief Financial Officer Rob Woodside – Estates Director Judeth Neville – Head of Governance (minutes)
APOLOGIES	Francis Runacres – Arts Council England (ACE) Observer	

# I. Apologies, Announcements and Declarations of Interest

- 1.1. There were apologies for absence from Francis Runacres, ACE observer.
- 1.2. **The Chairman** noted the recent extensive English Heritage media coverage. On behalf of the Board he expressed congratulations to SMT and passed a vote of thanks to Head of Public Relations, Michael Murray-Fennell.
- I.3. There were no new declarations of interest.

# 2. Minutes of the last Board meeting

2.1. The minutes of the Board meeting held on 14 December 2021 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

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## 3. Matters Arising and Action Tracker

# The Board NOTED the Matters Arising and Action Tracker.

# 4. <u>Property Licence and Operating Agreement (PLOA) and Shared Service</u> <u>Agreement (SSA)</u>

- 4.1 The Chief Executive outlined the background to the draft Deed of Variation to the PLOA and presented its key provisions.
- 4.2 The CFO outlined progress on negotiations over a revised SSA.

#### The Board:

- NOTED progress on the PLOA and the SSA; and
- AGREED in principle an extension of the PLOA term to 31 March 2025 on the terms set out in draft Deed of Variation and to the terms of the SSA, subject to a further meeting to be held between the Chairman, Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee, CEO, CFO and the Chair, CEO and Director of Corporate Services of HE towards the end of March to finalise details.

#### 5. Strategic Plan 2022-25

Subject to feedback in the meeting, the Board APPROVED the narrative and key performance indicators for the Strategic Plan.

#### 6. Budget 2022/23 and Financial Trajectory

Subject to feedback in the meeting, the Board APPROVED the proposed budget for 2022/23 and NOTED the financial projections.

7. Not for publication

#### 8. Chief Executive's Strategic Overview

The Board NOTED the Overview and appendices, including the health and safety year to date report.

#### 9. Chief Financial Officer Reports: Finance Report and Corporate Risk Register

- 9.1. **The Board** noted that the Corporate Risk Register includes additional narrative around the risks of the war in Ukraine. These will be assessed in more detail in the iteration for the June ARC and Board meetings.
- 9.2. The Board NOTED the CFO Reports.

# 10. <u>Capital Projects: CIP Programme - 2022-25</u>

#### The Board:

- 10.1.1. NOTED the summary of major projects launching in 2022 and 2023;
- 10.1.2. APPROVED the next 3 years of the Capital Investment Programme;
- 10.1.3. APPROVED a change in the scope, programme and cost of Stonehenge Master Plan Phase I;
- 10.1.4. APPROVED a change in the scope, programme and cost of the Dover Master Plan Phase I;
- 10.1.5. APPROVED 'The Living Barracks' project at Berwick Barracks; and
- 10.1.6. NOTED the pipeline of future projects launching beyond 2025.

# II. <u>Small and Free Sites Enhancement Programme (SFSEP) 2022-23</u> The Board NOTED the SFSEP for 22-23.

# 12. <u>Conservation Maintenance Programme (CMP) 2022-23</u> The Board APPROVED the CMP for 22-23.

# 13. Any other business

- 13.1. The Board discussed the consent papers and **APPROVED**:
  - 13.1.1. the Modern Slavery Transparency Statement 2022-23 and that the Chairman should have delegated authority to sign the Statement on behalf of the Board of Trustees;
  - 13.1.2. the reappointment of PwC as internal auditors for 2022-23 (on recommendation of the Audit and Risk Committee -ARC); and
  - 13.1.3. the revised Board Scheme of Delegations and SMT Levels of Authority (on recommendation of ARC).

The meeting finished at 14:00.

# Information Papers

- Insurance Review
- Committee Minutes:
  - ARC 8 February (Chair-approved)
  - BPP 9 February (Chair-approved)
  - RAAC 22 February (Chair-approved)
- Chief Executive's Quarterly Operational Report

# Next meeting

The next Board meeting would be held on 21 June 2022 at English Heritage's Wood Street, London office.

Minutes: Judeth Neville, 8 March 2022