<u>Press release: Churches Conservation</u> <u>Trust appointments: Graham Donaldson</u> and Susan Wilkinson

The Queen has approved that Graham William Donaldson and Susan Wilkinson, may be appointed as Members of the <u>Churches Conservation Trust</u> for a period of three years from 1 July 2017.

Notes for Editors

Born and raised in Western Canada, Graham William Donaldson moved to the UK to read Theology at the University of Wales. Following an early charity-sector career in property management with the Diocese of Gloucester he became a founding shareholder, now Group Director and Co-Chairman of Mainstay Group, gaining a wealth of experience in managing large teams delivering industry-leading customer service and innovations. Having led successful joint venture projects, most notably with the Pemberstone Group in acquiring residential freeholds between 2006-2011, Graham recently spearheaded Mainstay's new division delivering high-end management solutions for their most prestigious instructions, and continues to be heavily involved in providing residential asset management to some of the UK's largest pension funds in the ground rent and private rented residential sectors.

Graham is delighted to be involved with Churches Conservation Trust, bringing together his love for churches, architecture and entrepreneurship.

He is married with four children and lives in London and Gloucestershire

Sue was an executive board director at the National Trust until the end of 2016 with responsibility for leading on membership, fundraising, volunteering and participation; she was also the Trust's executive lead on tourism. Sue is currently a trustee of the Old Royal Naval College, Greenwich and the Medical Research Foundation. She is a board director of the Association of Leading Visitor Attractions (ALVA) and chair of the Canal & River Trust Living Waterways Awards. Previously she served on the Visit England Board and as a trustee of the Institute of Fundraising.