

The Secretary of State has reappointed Sir Laurie Magnus as Chair of Historic England

News story

Sir Laurie Magnus has been reappointed by the Secretary of State as Chair of Historic England for a two year period from 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2023.



Laurie Magnus was appointed as Chair of The Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England (then known as English Heritage and now known as Historic England) on 1st September, 2013. He oversaw the launch in 2015 of Historic England under its new brand and the establishment of the English Heritage Trust, as a separate charity, to manage the National Heritage Collection of 420 sites under the nation's ownership or guardianship. He is a former trustee of the Landmark Trust and a former Deputy Chairman of The National Trust.

He is currently a member of the Board of the Culture Recovery Fund, a trustee of English Heritage Trust, Chair of Windsor Leadership Trust and Deputy Chair of All Churches Trust. He has over 40 years' experience in the financial services sector and currently is a senior adviser at Evercore, the investment banking group, and chairs two FTSE 250 listed investment trusts.

This role is remunerated at £40,000 per annum. This reappointment has been made in accordance with the [Cabinet Office's Governance Code on Public Appointments](#).

The appointments process is regulated by the Commissioner for Public Appointments. Under the Code, any significant political activity undertaken by an appointee in the last five years must be declared. This is defined as including holding office, public speaking, making a recordable donation, or candidature for election. Sir Laurie Magnus has not declared any activity.

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