

## **October 2012**

### **English Heritage**

Ed Vaizey, Minister for Culture, Communications and Creative Industries has reappointed Lynda Addison OBE as an English Heritage Commissioner for a second term of four years from 20 October 2012.

#### Lynda Addison OBE

Lynda was Managing Director of Addison & Associates, a consultancy she established in 1996 to support the public sector in the inter-related fields of planning, sustainable transport, change management and improving the street scene. (The consultancy ceased trading in October 2011.) She is now a freelance consultant and works with both central and local government acting in an advisory capacity. Lynda is a planner by profession but began her career as a researcher for the Redcliffe Maud Commission. She spent over 25 years in local government working in Camden, the City of London, Norfolk, Southwark and Harrow, and prior to leaving local government was Director of Planning and Transport at Hounslow. Lynda was awarded an OBE for services to town and country planning in 2007. The consultancy won the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI) Consultancy of the Year Award for 2006 and has been a finalist twice since. Lynda was winner of the RTPI-TPS Transport Planning Network Award 2010. She is a visiting Professor at the University of Westminster, a Trustee of the Town and Country Planning Association and Living Streets and an Adviser to the Campaign for Better Transport. She was appointed an English Heritage Commissioner in May 2008, became the Deputy Chair of the English Heritage Advisory Committee in May 2009 and Chair of the London Advisory Committee in September 2011.

#### Background

The Commission is the governing body of English Heritage and comprises the Chair and up to 16 Commissioners. Commissioners provide expert advice and guidance on heritage matters and have corporate responsibility for establishing the overall strategic direction of the organisation and for monitoring its performance against strategic objectives and targets. Commissioners ensure that the organisation carries out its statutory responsibilities, maintaining high standards of probity in the administration of public funds and the effective use of resources.

Commissioners are entitled to claim an allowance. Some receive an additional sum directly linked to the responsibility for chairing an Advisory Committee. The remuneration range is currently £4,090 to £7,600 per annum, and the time commitment varies between 12-40 days per annum according to the amount of committee work undertaken.

The reappointment process has followed the OCPA Code of Practice.



Appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process. However, in accordance with the original Nolan recommendations, there is a requirement for political activity in the United Kingdom in the past five years (if any declared) to be made public. No political activity has been declared.