

Our people

Board of Trustees

The National Heritage Memorial Fund is governed by a Board of Trustees, chaired by Simon Thurley CBE. They supervise the overall management of Memorial Fund activities and are responsible for the strategic leadership and direction of the organisation.

Trustees are appointed by the Prime Minister and work within laws made by Parliament and directions given by Government. Their decisions about individual applications and matters of policy are made independently.

The Memorial Fund Panel

The Board of Trustees is supported by a Panel of up to ten members, including the Memorial Fund's Chief Executive, Eilish McGuinness. They advise and support on a range of business matters, including:

- how to deploy funds from the Memorial Fund to deliver greatest benefit to heritage
- potential threats to the heritage of the UK, which the Memorial Fund might be best placed to respond to
- potentially controversial issues of policy identified by staff or Trustees
- opinions and formal advice from experts and other agencies
- the priorities for funding

[Read the Register of Interests \[external link\].](#)

Grants team

A team of staff work on assessing applications and offering support and advice to potential grantees.

Vacancies

Vacancies will be posted on this page. If you are interested in hearing about these as and when they arise, please contact us at

DecisionMakers@heritagefund.org.uk.