

A HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT NETWORK FOR WALES

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AGENDA

- ✘ Briefings and updates
- ✘ Kate Pugh: the English experience
- ✘ Questions
- ✘ Discussion: role
- ✘ Lunch
- ✘ Discussion: structures
- ✘ Feedback and debate
- ✘ Next steps

THE STORY SO FAR...

- ✘ Informal discussions
- ✘ Treftadaeth 2008
- ✘ Draft Strategic Statement
- ✘ Departmental Action Plan
- ✘ Proposal December 2008
- ✘ Historic Environment Group
- ✘ This consultation event

TREFTAETH

- ✘ Priorities for the sector
- ✘ Building partnerships
- ✘ Strengthening the voluntary sector

POLICY FIT

- ✘ Draft strategic statement on the historic environment
- ✘ Heritage Third Sector Action Plan

ROLES

- ✘ Sharing information
- ✘ Liaison with government at a local and national level
- ✘ Accumulating and sharing knowledge on good practice
- ✘ Developing training and capacity building within the sector
- ✘ Building wider partnerships across the voluntary sector, in and beyond Wales
- ✘ Establishing communication links through modern communications technology

MODELS?

- ✘ Wales Environment Link
- ✘ Heritage Link
- ✘ Scotland

WALES ENVIRONMENT LINK

- ✘ Umbrella body
- ✘ Official link with government
- ✘ Coordination and facilitation
- ✘ 29 members
- ✘ Representation
- ✘ Information
- ✘ Collaboration

WALES ENVIRONMENT LINK

- ✘ Council
- ✘ Management Committee (seven trustees)
- ✘ Director, Advocacy Officer, Administrator

HERITAGE LINK

- × 2002
- × 80 members
- × Underpin advocacy
- × Influence policy
- × Build capacity
- × Two staff

SCOTLAND

- ✘ HEACS report 2008: Infrastructure of the historic environment
- ✘ highlights the role and importance of the voluntary sector
- ✘ “a pressing need for a bespoke national intermediary body which can champion the historic environment”

SCOTLAND

- ✘ Representation, policy, research, good practice
- ✘ Funded by government via Historic Scotland
- ✘ Well staffed
- ✘ Developed either through the Built Environment Forum or through a new body

FLESH ON THE BONES

- ✘ Role?
- ✘ Membership and organisation?
- ✘ Governance?
- ✘ Funding?
- ✘ Getting from A to B?

NEXT STEPS

- ✘ Erika Kluge, National Trust
- ✘ Bethan Lewis, WCVA
- ✘ Kate Pugh, Secretary, Heritage Link