



Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests  
Sir Laurie Magnus CBE

The Prime Minister  
10 Downing Street

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Dear Prime Minister,

Thank you for your letter appointing me to the role of Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests.

I am pleased to accept the appointment. I will endeavour to discharge the important responsibilities of the role with fairness and integrity, in a manner which inspires the confidence of Ministers, Parliament and the public. I see maintaining that confidence as a critically important element of governance in this country. It is an honour to be asked to carry out the role, and a significant responsibility.

As Chairman of Historic England, I have had the privilege of working closely alongside Ministers, officials and many other public servants. I have seen up close the dedication and expertise required of public service, and the commitment to maintaining high standards that is an essential part of such work. I look forward to drawing and building on this experience in helping to uphold these standards within Government.

In line with my Terms of Reference, I will aim to provide my Annual Report to you in May 2023. An early priority for me will be to scrutinise the declarations of interests that have been made by Ministers appointed under your tenure and to prepare the first List of Ministers' Interests for publication. I will aim to complete that work well before my Annual Report.

Yours sincerely,

**Sir Laurie Magnus CBE**  
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