

October 2010

Ed Vaizey, Minister for Culture, Communications and Creative Industries has reappointed John Cherry as a member of the Treasure Valuation Committee for a second term of four years.

His second term of appointment will run from 17th October 2010 to 16th October 2014.

Biographical notes

John Cherry is the former keeper of Medieval and Later Antiquities, British Museum. He has also been the Director of the British Archaeological Association (1977 to 1982) and the Vice President of the Society of Antiquaries of London (1996 to 2000). He is Chairman of the Emery Walker Trust, and served as a Trustee of the York Museums Trust (2002 to 2008). He has published many works including 'Medieval Decorative Art', and 'The Middleham Jewel and Ring'.

Background

The Treasure Valuation Committee (TVC) provides independent advice to the Secretary of State on the fair market value of declared Treasure finds from England, Wales, and Northern Ireland which national and regional museums wish to acquire. Its membership comprises experts on the range of antiquities submitted for valuation, and on museums and their collections. In addition, the membership includes an individual who represents the interests of finders.

TVC members give their services on an honorary basis. However, reasonable expenses incurred by TVC members carrying out their duties can be claimed.

This reappointment has been made in accordance with the OCPA Code of Practice. Appointments and reappointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process.