

## March 2010

### **Marie Stevens is reappointed as a Trustee of the Royal Armouries**

Margaret Hodge, the Minister for Culture, announced today that Marie Stevens has been reappointed as a Trustee of the Royal Armouries. Her 2<sup>nd</sup> term of appointment will run from 18<sup>th</sup> September 2009 to 17<sup>th</sup> September 2013.

#### Biographical notes

Marie Stevens is currently involved with various new ventures in the betting and gaming sector both in the UK and overseas, and with providing general advice as a consultant. She is a director of Prometheus Bound Limited, a new company specializing in the provision of bound books. After running her own practice for some years, specialising in property and pharmaceuticals, she joined Ladbroke Group plc in 1987 and spent 11 years as the group's general counsel. As such, she was responsible for the company regaining its gaming licences in the UK and, subsequently, obtaining gaming licences in Nevada and New Jersey. After leaving Ladbroke, she set up Corporate Mosaic Limited, which provides head office support for, in the main, listed companies. This company advised on the transition of the Commonwealth Development Corporation (CDC) to a public/private partnership and obtained US gaming licences for Rank Group plc. From 1999 to 2003, Marie served as a member of The Gaming Board for Great Britain and, subsequently, was a co-founder of Gambling Governance Limited, which provides advisory services to the gambling industry. She has served as non-executive Chairman of 888.com plc. She has undertaken no political activity during the past five years.

#### Background

The Royal Armouries cares for the national collection of arms and armour. In addition to its traditional base at the Tower of London, it has a major museum at Leeds and the Museum of Artillery at Fort Nelson near Portsmouth. Its Board of Trustees has corporate responsibility for ensuring that the RA fulfils its aims and objectives, as set out in the National Heritage Act 1983, any amending legislation, and its governing documents. More information can be found on the Museum's website - [www.royalarmouries.org](http://www.royalarmouries.org).

The Chair and Trustees of the Royal Armouries give their services on an honorary basis. However, reasonable expenses are paid.

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.