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National Museum Liverpool – New and reappointed Trustees

Ed Vaizey, Minister for Culture, Communication and Creative Industries has appointed Professor John Ashton CBE, Carmel Booth, Neil Scales OBE, Deborah Shakleton CBE and Dr Nicola Thorp. Their first terms will run from 26 January 2011 to 25 January 2015.

Norman Kurland has also been reappointed for a second term 20 December 2010 to 19 December 2014.

Biographies

Professor John R Ashton CBE

John Ashton is well known across Merseyside and the North West as the public face of modern public health. John holds chairs in Public Health at the University of Liverpool Medical School, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine and Liverpool John Moores University. Having been North West Regional Director of Public Health for 13 years he is now Director of Public Health and County Medical Officer for Cumbria. Throughout his career John has worked closely with the worlds of culture, media and sport, most notably having enjoyed a long collaboration with Adrian Henri. Drawing on his background in Psychiatry he has made extensive connections between the arts and well-being. Coming from an old Woolton family John maintains his extensive links with Liverpool, dividing his time between Woolton and Cumbria.

Carmel Booth

Carmel Booth is a Director at AMION Consulting specialising in providing funding, financial and business consulting advice to public sector organisations and private sector companies throughout the UK. She has advised central and local government on a wide range of large scale and high profile projects including new sporting venues and major physical regeneration projects and has led major transformational programmes and organisational restructures to reduce costs, generate additional income and improve performance. She advises on the development of public-private partnerships and regularly works with the private sector to advise on major investment decisions. She provides financial and operational advice across a number of sectors including sport, leisure, housing, construction, health, and education. Carmel is a qualified chartered accountant having previously worked at Deloitte and KPMG in providing advisory services in audit, corporate finance, transaction services and consulting throughout the UK. Carmel is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England.

Neil Scales OBE

Neil is chief executive and director general of Merseytravel, which has been transformed into an award-winning learning organisation under his leadership with the establishment of Merseylearn. Before joining Merseytravel he was an independent transport and engineering consultant working for the World Bank on projects across Europe. Educated at a technical school, he has a BSc in

engineering, an MSc in Control Engineering and Computer systems, an MBA and is a Fellow of the three major engineering institutions. Neil was elected President of the European Platform on Mobility Management (EPOMM) - a network of European governments. Amongst his other responsibilities he chairs ACT TravelWise which promotes sustainable travel, is a board member of the Low Carbon Vehicle Partnership and the British Transport Police Authority, chair of the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce, chair of The Real Time Information Group and until recently chaired ITS0, the Integrated Smartcard Organisation and the Passenger Transport Executive Group.

Deborah Shakleton CBE

Deborah Shackleton is Group Chief Executive of the Riverside Group, one of the most prominent social purpose regeneration companies in the UK, serving over 50,000 tenants and leading regeneration work in neighbourhoods throughout England. She has been involved in housing and regeneration for over 30 years and her other interests include membership of the North West Regional Leaders Board, Board member NHS Sefton and Governor, Liverpool John Moores University.

Dr Nicola Thorp

Nicola moved to Liverpool in 1991 to pursue her medical career and, having worked as a junior doctor around Merseyside, was appointed as consultant in Clinical Oncology at Clatterbridge Centre for Oncology in 2001. She specialises in breast and gastrointestinal cancer and paediatric radiotherapy. She is Associate Medical Director at CCO and is a staff representative on the board of governors. She is national chair of the Children's Cancer and Leukaemia Group Radiotherapy Group and is a member of the National Proton Panel. She was a member of the board of governors of the Belvedere Junior School between 2008 and 2010, holding the post of acting chair in the latter part of this period. Nicola now lives in Oxtan with her husband and 3 children.

Norman Kurland

Norman was senior adviser to the president of the J Paul Getty Trust between 2002 and 2006, where he was responsible for liaison between the Trust and the Courtauld Institute of Art. Before this he pursued a career in the media, working in television production with Screen Gems Television, then moving to Bryna Productions, (Kirk Douglas's production company) in 1962. From 1972 he was sole proprietor of the Norman Kurland Agency which represented writers and directors in film and television. The company then changed to become the Broder/ Kurland Agency where he served as president (1977 to 2001). He is a director of Scala Publishers and serves as the communications advisor to the Courtauld Institute. He first became a trustee of National Museums Liverpool in December 2006.

Notes

1. The National Museums Liverpool is the only national museum service in England based wholly outside of London, conducts a wide range of local, regional, national and international activities. The National Museums Liverpool's International Slavery Museum is helping redefine just how relevant and effective a museum can be, while it is currently building a new Museum of Liverpool, which will set a benchmark for city museums worldwide.
2. Trustee roles are not remunerated. Reasonable expenses can be claimed.
3. This appointments process was carried out in accordance with the OCPA Code of Practice for Public Appointments. Appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process. No political activity has been declared.