

UK Association of Building Preservation Trusts relaunches as Heritage Trust Network

We are delighted to announce the launch of Heritage Trust Network, the new name for UK Association of Building Preservation Trusts (UKAPT), originally established in 1989 as a grass roots umbrella organisation offering guidance and support to building preservation trusts. The new organisation is the result of a recent and significant period of transition, supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund. It will take forward the best of the last 27 years of UKAPT but with a broader remit, supporting all forms of not-for-profit groups who are breathing life and enterprise into the UK's threatened historic places.

Sarah McLeod, Chair of Heritage Trust Network, who has been leading the transition process said,

"Over the last 12 months, our organisation, including members and advisors, has been exploring how we can ensure our charity is resilient and fit for purpose. We will continue working to support members across nine regions, whilst developing new partnerships with other heritage organisations and funders, widening our membership. We will of course continue to provide a national voice for heritage regeneration. The change to Heritage Trust Network is more than just a name change; it's an exciting new chapter in our organisation's history which will bring greater benefits to everyone involved in tackling historic buildings and heritage assets at risk."

New features of Heritage Trust Network include:

- A specific membership package for individuals working in the heritage sector as well as a new Corporate Supporters offer, meaning that more people are now able to benefit from the expertise of the network
- A new Start Up Membership for fledgling groups. This package, which includes visits to live projects, is designed for new unconstituted groups who are considering starting a project.
- An interactive Toolkit with new and improved guidance notes

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 A Talent Bank on the website where Corporate Supporters and Full Members can advertise their services and expertise, providing a useful go-to list of heritage professionals.

The new website www.heritagetrustnetwork.org.uk will go 'live' from the end of August, and Heritage Trust Network will be launched officially at HTN's inaugural national conference in Birmingham in October – Extraordinary Projects.

Notes to Editors

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