

What We Do

English Heritage helps people understand, value, care for and enjoy England's heritage. We:

- Advise government on which parts of our heritage are nationally important so they may be protected by designation and promote the importance of heritage in making places distinctive and valued
- Advise local authorities on managing changes to the most important parts of our heritage
- Care for the National Heritage Collection of 410 historical places, safeguarding them for future generations
- Educate and entertain the public through the National Heritage Collection and through events and publications
- Encourage investment in heritage at risk
- Share our knowledge, skills and expertise by offering training and guidance, giving practical conservation advice and access to our resources.

English Heritage by Numbers

- 11 million people visit English Heritage sites each year
- 450,000 children visit English Heritage sites with their schools
- 1 million people enjoy the benefits of English Heritage membership; membership has increased by 21% over five years
- Over half a million people attend our events

- Nearly 6 million unique visitors use our websites
- Over 426,000 images are available free online
- We advise government on around 2,000 requests for listing each year
- We advise local authorities on over 14,000 planning applications affecting Grade I and II* listed buildings
- We give around £25 million in grants every year
- We have taken off 50% of buildings at risk from the baseline 1999 register as their futures have been secured
- Each year we train around 2,500 professionals working in local authorities and the wider sector
- We invested over £25 million in our properties between 2006/07 and 2010/11
- Our earned income has increased by 85% in 10 years
- We have reduced our spend on administration by 18% since 2006/07