

## March 2008

### **Bryan Gray is reappointed as a Trustee of National Museums Liverpool.**

Margaret Hodge, the Minister for Culture, announced today that Bryan Gray has been reappointed as a Trustee of National Museums Liverpool. His term of appointment will run from 29 January 2008 to 28 January 2012.

### **Biographical notes**

Bryan Gray is Chairman of Baxi Technologies, a leading European manufacturer of domestic heating products, which now has a turnover in excess of £700million. In addition, he is Vice President of the Micropower Council which promotes new energy technologies. Before joining Baxi Group, he worked for ICI for 20 years. He was appointed Marketing and Operations Manager for ICI films in 1986, which produced packing films in Scotland and Belgium. He chairs the North West Development Agency and has recently been appointed Chair of Liverpool, Capital of Culture 2008. He leads for the RDAs on skills and education and is a member of the National Learning & Skills Council (and chairs its Audit Committee). He was Chair of CBI North West from 2000 to 2002. He is a member of the Liverpool Capital of Culture Board, the Lake District National Park Authority, the Liverpool Cathedral Council and founder of the Cumbrian Churches Trust. He was awarded an MBE for services to regeneration in Preston in 2001. He has not undertaken any political activity in the past five years.

### **Background**

National Museums Liverpool is the only national museum service in England based wholly outside of London and the only English national museum with universal collections. It is the largest cultural sector employer in the North West of England.

National Museums Liverpool has charitable status and its collections are placed in the care of a Board of Trustees. NML trustees give their services on an honorary basis but travel/subsistence and out-of-pocket expenses are paid.

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