

## January 2009

### **Sophie Andreae is appointed a Trustee of Historic Royal Palaces**

Barbara Follett, the Minister for Culture, announced today that Sophie Andreae has been appointed a Trustee of Historic Royal Palaces. Her term of appointment will run from 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2011.

#### Biographical notes

Sophie Andreae is an experienced historic buildings professional, who currently holds a series of posts including Trustee of the Greenwich Foundation, Council Member of the National Trust, and Member of St Paul's Cathedral Fabric Advisory Committee. Prior to this, she served as Head of the London Division of English Heritage, before taking up post as a Royal Fine Arts Commissioner (1988 to 1999). In 1999, she was appointed to the Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment, where she served two terms before standing down in 2004. She is a member of the Institute of Historic Building Conservation. She has undertaken no political activity during the past five years.

#### Background

Established by Royal Charter in 1998, Historic Royal Palaces (HRP) is the independent charity tasked by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport with the care and presentation to the public of the Tower of London, Hampton Court Palace, the Banqueting House, Kensington Palace and Kew Palace.

Historic Royal Palaces' Cause is to help everyone explore the story of how monarchs and people have shaped society, in some of the greatest palaces ever built. HRP receives no funding from the Government or the Crown, and depends on the support of visitors, members, donors, volunteers and sponsors. For further information about Historic Royal Palaces visit [www.hrp.org.uk](http://www.hrp.org.uk)

HRP Trustees give their services on an honorary basis. Expenses incurred by HRP Trustees, in the performance of their duties, are reimbursed.

This appointment 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.