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## **Joyce Bridges CBE, M J Long, Deyan Sudjic OBE, and Professor Lorna Walker are appointed as Commissioners elect to Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment (CABE)**

David Lammy, Minister for Culture announced today that Joyce Bridges, Mary Jane Long, Deyan Sudjic and Lorna Walker have been appointed as Commissioners elect to CABE. Three of the four year appointments will run from 20 August 2006 to 19 August 2010, with an initial period of shadowing from 20 April 2006. The fourth four year appointment will run from 1 August 2007 to 31 July 2011, with an initial period of shadowing from 24 October 2006.

David Lammy said *“ I am delighted that we are able to appoint such respected and impressive individuals to be new CABE commissioners. Between them they offer a wide range of skills, and I am confident that CABE - and our built environment - will benefit greatly from these appointments”*

### **Biographical Notes**

#### **Joyce Bridges CBE**

Joyce Bridges is a consultant on strategic policy development. A planner with wide experience in central government, she is an English Heritage Commissioner and chairs EH's London Advisory Committee. Her recent experience includes providing advice to Yorkshire Forward's urban renaissance panel, the Heritage Lottery Fund, and various government departments. She has held director-level posts in ODPM's Urban Policy Unit and been Director of Planning and Environment at the Government Office for London and Head of Planning and Housing at the Government office for the South East and held senior posts in urban regeneration at the Department of the Environment and the Department of Trade and Industry. She was awarded the CBE in 2001. She has not undertaken any political activity during the last five years.

#### **M J Long**

She is an architect and a senior partner of Long & Kentish, where recent projects include the National Maritime Museum in Falmouth. Her current work includes the Centre for Conservation at the British Library, the Art Workers Guild in London, an Education Centre at Hampton Court Palace and the Pallant House Gallery in Chichester. She also teaches at Yale University School of Architecture and has acted as external examiner at a number of British schools. She has served on CABE's design review panel since 2002. She now chairs the South West Design Review. She has not undertaken any political activity during the last five years.

### **Deyan Sudjic OBE**

Deyan is a leading academic, journalist and commentator on Architecture and Design. He has recently been appointed Director of the Design Museum, but is currently Dean of the Faculty of Art, Design and Architecture and the University of Kingston and a visiting professor at the Royal College of Art. Deyan is Co-Chairman of the London School of Economics Urban Age conference programme on the future of the city. He is the Observer newspapers architecture critic (2000 to present). He was the director of Glasgow 1999 UK City of Architecture and Design (1996 to 2000) and international festival. He has curated exhibitions at the British Museum, at the Royal Academy, and at the Institute of Contemporary Arts. Deyan is a leading author of several books. He is a member of the Architectural Association, London, a Member of the British Council Design and Architecture Panel and was a member of the Jury for the EU's Mies van der Rohe Prize for architecture. He was awarded an OBE in 2000. He has not undertaken any political activity during the last five years.

### **Professor Lorna Walker**

She is managing director of Lorna Walker Consulting Ltd, which concentrates on strategic and practical design consultations in sustainable development and urban regeneration. A director at Ove Arup and Partners from 1989 to 2004, she is a recognised authority in the fields of sustainable development, urban regeneration, water quality and waste treatment. Walker is a member of Lord Roger's Urban Task Force, a Royal Academy of Engineering Visiting Professor in engineering and design for sustainable development at the University of Sheffield, and is on the judging panel of the ODPM Sustainable Communities award panel. She is also a member of FIDIC's (the International Federation of Consulting Engineers) Sustainable Development Task Force. She has not undertaken any political activity during the last five years.

### **Background**

CABE was created in September 1999 as the champion for design quality in buildings, spaces and places across England. Its aim is to stimulate debate and promote the very best of architecture and urban design. Its function is to promote high standards in the design of buildings, as well as their surrounding spaces, and to offer advice to all those who create, manage and utilise the built environment. CABE is funded mainly by the Department for Culture, media and Sport (DCMS) and the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM)

Remuneration for these Commissioner posts is £5,500 a year.

These appointments have been made in accordance with the OCPA Code of Practice. Appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the appointments process.