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The Right Reverend James Jones is appointed a Trustee of the National Museums Liverpool (NML)

Margaret Hodge, the Minister for Culture, announced today that the Right Reverend James Jones, the Bishop of Liverpool, has been appointed a Trustee of the National Museums Liverpool. His term of appointment will run from 21st July 2009 to 20th July 2013.

Biographical notes

Currently, he is Bishop of Liverpool (1998 to date). During his tenure, he has been involved in regeneration projects working with a range of public bodies, including the North West Regional Development Agency, and chaired the New Deal for Communities programme for four years. He has also been engaged in working partnerships with other faith leaders, and has founded Faiths4Change, an organisation which works across faith communities to engage local people in the development of a greener environment. He has broadcast and published on the subject of Christianity and the environment. He is Bishop for Prisons and a member of the House of Lords. He has undertaken no party political activity during the past five years.

Background

The National Museums Liverpool (NML) is one of the world's great museum services, with outstanding collections, buildings and galleries. The NML is the largest cultural sector employer in the North West of England; it is the only national museum service in England based wholly outside of London. The NML has charitable status and its collections are placed in the care of a Board of Trustees. NML Trustees provide advice, on business and management issues as they arise, to the NML board and executive team. Trustees are expected to actively raise the profile of the organization and assist in achieving fundraising targets.

NML Trustees give their services on an honorary basis. Travelling expenses, incurred by ACHWS members in the performance of their duties, are reimbursed.

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