



# National Heritage Act 1983

## CHAPTER 47

### NATIONAL HERITAGE ACT 1983

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- 16 .....

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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1 — The Boards

Part I — VICTORIA AND ALBERT MUSEUM

*Status*

- 1 The Board of Trustees of the Victoria and Albert Museum...
- 2 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), the Board shall not be...

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*Membership*

3 (1) The Board shall consist of not less than 12...

*Staff*

4 (1) There shall be a Director of the Victoria and...  
5 (1) The Board shall make, not later than such date...

*Proceedings*

6 (1) The Board may regulate their own procedure (including, subject...

*Allowances*

7 The Board may pay to each of the trustees and...

*Instruments*

8 (1) The fixing of the seal of the Board shall...

*Finance*

9 .....

*Reports*

10 (1) The Board shall make to the Secretary of State...  
Part II — SCIENCE MUSEUM

*Status*

11 The Board of Trustees of the Science Museum shall be...  
12 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), the Board shall not be...

*Membership*

13 (1) The Board shall consist of not less than 12...

*Staff*

14 (1) There shall be a Director of the Science Museum...  
15 (1) The Board shall make, not later than such date...

*Proceedings*

16 (1) The Board may regulate their own procedure (including, subject...

*Allowances*

17 The Board may pay to each of the trustees and...

*Instruments*

18 (1) The fixing of the seal of the Board shall...

*Finance*

19 .....

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### *Reports*

- 20 (1) The Board shall make to the Secretary of State...  
Part III — ARMOURIES

### *Status*

- 21 The Board of Trustees of the Armouries shall be a...  
22 (1) The Board shall not be regarded as the servant...

### *Membership*

- 23 (1) The Board shall consist of not less than 6...

### *Staff*

- 24 (1) There shall be a Master of the Armouries who...  
25 (1) The Board shall make, not later than such date...

### *Proceedings*

- 26 (1) The Board may regulate their own procedure (including, subject...

### *Allowances*

- 27 The Board may pay to each of the trustees and...

### *Instruments*

- 28 (1) The fixing of the seal of the Board shall...

### *Accounts*

- 29 (1) The Board shall keep proper accounts and proper records...

### *Information*

- 30 (1) The Board shall make to the Secretary of State...  
Part IV — ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS, KEW

### *Status*

- 31 The Board of Trustees of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew...  
32 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), the Board shall not be...

### *Membership*

- 33 (1) The Board shall consist of 12 members (referred to...

### *Staff*

- 34 (1) There shall be a Director of the Royal Botanic...  
35 (1) The Board shall make, not later than such date...

### *Proceedings*

- 36 (1) The Board may regulate their own procedure (including, subject...

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#### *Allowances*

37 The Board may pay to each of the trustees and...

#### *Instruments*

38 (1) The fixing of the seal of the Board shall...

#### *Accounts*

39 (1) The Board shall keep proper accounts and proper records...

#### *Information*

40 (1) The Board shall make to the Secretary of State...

### SCHEDULE 2 — Armed Forces Museums

#### *Introduction*

1 In this Schedule references to a designated institution are to...

#### *Offer of employment*

2 (1) The governing body of a designated institution shall make,...

#### *Superannuation*

3 Employment with the governing body of a designated institution shall...

### SCHEDULE 3 — The Commission

#### *Status*

1 The Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England shall be...

2 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), the Commission shall not be...

#### *Membership*

3 (1) The Commission shall consist of not less than 8...

#### *Staff*

4 (1) There shall be a chief officer of the Commission...

5 (1) The Commission shall make, not later than such date...

#### *Proceedings*

6 Subject to the following provisions of this Schedule, the Commission...

7 (1) A member of the Commission who is in any...

8 The validity of any proceedings of the Commission shall not...

#### *Committees*

9 (1) The Commission shall constitute at least one committee to...

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*Instruments*

10 (1) The fixing of the seal of the Commission shall...

*Members' remuneration*

11 (1) The Commission shall pay to members of the Commission...

*Accounts*

12 (1) The Commission shall keep proper accounts and proper records...

*Information*

13 (1) The Commission shall make to the Secretary of State,...

*House of Commons disqualification*

14 In Part III of Schedule 1 to the House of...

SCHEDULE 4 — The Commission: Amendments

*Historic Buildings and Ancient Monuments Act 1953 (c. 49)*

1 In the Historic Buildings and Ancient Monuments Act 1953 ("the...  
 2 At the end of section 3 of the 1953 Act...  
 3 After section 3 of the 1953 Act there shall be...  
 4 In section 4(1) of the 1953 Act (grants and loans...  
 5 (1) Section 4A of the 1953 Act (recovery of grants)...  
 6 (1) Section 5 of the 1953 Act (acquisition by Secretary...  
 7 After section 5 of the 1953 Act there shall be...  
 8 At the end of section 6 of the 1953 Act...  
 9 At the end of section 8 of the 1953 Act...  
 10 After section 8 of the 1953 Act there shall be...  
 11 (1) In section 9(1) of the 1953 Act (meaning of...

*Pastoral Measure 1968 (No. 1)*

12 (1) Section 66 of the Pastoral Measure 1968 (transfer of...

*Redundant Churches and Other Religious Buildings Act 1969 (c. 22)*

13 .....  
 14 .....

*Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (c. 78)*

15—17 .....  
 18 .....  
 19—21 .....

*Town and Country Planning (Amendment) Act 1972 (c. 42)*

22 (1) .....  
 23, 24 .....

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*Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979 (c. 46)*

- 25 (1) In the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979...
- 26 After section 1 of the 1979 Act there shall be...
- 27 (1) In section 2(5) of the 1979 Act (conditions attached...
- 28 (1) Section 3 of the 1979 Act (grant of scheduled...
- 29 At the end of section 4(3) of the 1979 Act...
- 30 At the end of section 5 of the 1979 Act...
- 31 (1) At the end of section 6(5) of the 1979...
- 32 After section 6 of the 1979 Act there shall be...
- 33 In section 7(1) of the 1979 Act (compensation payable by...
- 34 (1) Section 8 of the 1979 Act (recovery of compensation)...
- 35 In section 9(1) of the 1979 Act (compensation payable by...
- 36 At the end of section 10(1) of the 1979 Act...
- 37 (1) Section 11 of the 1979 Act (acquisition by agreement...
- 38 (1) Section 12 of the 1979 Act (power to place...
- 39 (1) Section 13 of the 1979 Act (effect of guardianship)...
- 40 (1) Section 14 of the 1979 Act (termination of guardianship)...
- 41 (1) Section 15 of the 1979 Act (acquisition and guardianship...
- 42 (1) Section 16 of the 1979 Act (acquisition of easements...
- 43 (1) Section 17 of the 1979 Act (agreements concerning ancient...
- 44 (1) Section 18 of the 1979 Act (powers of limited...
- 45 (1) Section 19 of the 1979 Act (public access to...
- 46 (1) Section 20 of the 1979 Act (provision of facilities...
- 47 (1) Section 21 of the 1979 Act (transfer of ancient...
- 48 (1) Section 24 of the 1979 Act (expenditure by Secretary...
- 49 (1) Section 25 of the 1979 Act (advice and superintendence...
- 50 In section 28(3) of the 1979 Act (offences: meaning of...
- 51 In section 29 of the 1979 Act (compensation orders) after...
- 52 (1) Section 30 of the 1979 Act (disposal of land...
- 53 In section 32(3) of the 1979 Act (interpretation of Part...
- 54 (1) Section 33 of the 1979 Act (designation of areas...
- 55 (1) Section 34 of the 1979 Act (investigating authorities) shall...
- 56 In section 37 of the 1979 Act (exemptions from certain...
- 57 (1) Section 38 of the 1979 Act (power of investigating...
- 58 In section 39 of the 1979 Act (power of investigating...
- 59 In section 41(2) of the 1979 Act (interpretation of Part...
- 60 (1) Section 42 of the 1979 Act (restrictions on use...
- 61 (1) Section 45 of the 1979 Act (expenditure on archaeological...
- 62 (1) Section 46 of the 1979 Act (compensation for certain...
- 63 (1) Section 49 of the 1979 Act (grants by Secretary...
- 64 In section 53(3) of the 1979 Act (monuments in territorial...
- 65 In section 54(1)(b) of the 1979 Act (treatment and preservation...
- 66 In section 57(1) of the 1979 Act (power to require...
- 67 (1) Section 61 of the 1979 Act (interpretation) shall be...
- 68 (1) Schedule 1 to the 1979 Act (control of works...
- 69 (1) Schedule 2 to the 1979 Act (designation orders) shall...

*Pastoral Measure 1983 (No. 1)*

- 70 (1) Section 66 of the Pastoral Measure 1983 (transfer of...

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*Interpretation*

71 A reference in any paragraph of this Schedule to the...

SCHEDULE 5 — Minor and Consequential Amendments

*National Gallery and Tate Gallery Act 1954 (c. 65)*

- 1 .....
- 2 .....

*Public Records Act 1958 (c. 51)*

3 In Part II of the Table in paragraph 3 of...

*Charities Act 1960 (c. 58)*

4 .....

*British Museum Act 1963 (c. 24)*

- 5 .....
- 6 .....

*British Library Act 1972 (c. 54)*

7 .....

SCHEDULE 6 — Repeals



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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- Sch. 4 para. 4 omitted by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 58\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 4 para. 8 omitted by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 58\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 4 para. 31 omitted by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 58\(c\)](#)