

Sir David Henshaw has been reappointed as Chair of the National Museums Liverpool

News story

The Secretary of State has reappointed Sir David Henshaw as Chair of the National Museums Liverpool for a second term of three years, from 12 February 2022 until 11 February 2025.



Born and educated in Liverpool, Sir David went on to obtain a degree in Public Administration and then a Master's Degree in Social Sciences at the University of Birmingham (INLOGOV).

He has had an extensive career in the public sector with Chief Executive roles at Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council (1989-1999) and Liverpool City Council (1999-2006). During his time at Liverpool, he was part of the core team which secured the successful bid to be European Capital of Culture 2008, managed the Council in developing Liverpool One, and saw Liverpool recognised as a Council of the year.

He led a major review of Child Support and the Child Support Agency for central government (2006-2007) and was also involved in the Prime Minister's Delivery Unit Capability Review programme of central government departments.

Sir David has also held a number of senior roles in the NHS. He has held positions as Interim Chair at University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust (2012-2013), at Dorset Healthcare University NHS Foundation Trust (2013-2014), at St George's University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (since 2016). Sir David was Chair of the North West Strategic Health Authority (2006-2011) and Chair of Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust (2010-2017), leading the Board in the building of the new hospital. He is currently Chair at Natural Resources Wales and Wirral University Hospitals Foundation Trust.

Sir David was knighted in 2004 and is an Honorary Fellow of Liverpool John

Moore University, a Fellow of Liverpool University, a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and an Honorary Doctor at Sheffield Hallam University.

The National Museums Liverpool Chair is not remunerated. This reappointment has been made in accordance with the Cabinet Office's [Governance Code on Public Appointments](#). The appointments process is regulated by the Commissioner for Public Appointments. Under the Code, any significant political activity undertaken by an appointee in the last five years must be declared. This is defined as including holding office, public speaking, making a recordable donation, or candidature for election. Sir David Henshaw has not declared any activity.

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