

Freedom of Information Request 1002-1920

Request

We are undertaking research across England to ascertain how many local authorities currently have a Heritage Champion.

Heritage Champions are encouraged by Historic England as an executive member of the council who has lead responsibility for heritage. The person is expected to work closely with local community groups, Conservation Officers and Planning officials.

Would you be able to provide the following information?

- Are you aware of Historic England's Heritage Champion Initiative?
- Does your local authority currently have an appointed Heritage Champion and if so, when were they appointed?
- Do you have the name and contact details of the Heritage Champion?
- If you do not have a Heritage Champion, do you have any plans to appoint such a person?

Response

Are you aware of Historic England's Heritage Champion Initiative?

We were not aware of Historic England's Heritage Champion initiative.

• Does your local authority currently have an appointed Heritage Champion and if so, when were they appointed?

We do not have an appointed Heritage Champion at the moment.

Do you have the name and contact details of the Heritage Champion?

No.

• If you do not have a Heritage Champion, do you have any plans to appoint such a person?

Now that we know about the Heritage Champion initiative we will be looking to explore the role and how it could work in Rotherham.