



FOI06690 Formal Response

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Your request and our response

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?

Yes

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

We have a Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Regeneration who would have heritage within his portfolio.

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

The authority will not be providing you with this information as it is considered to be exempt from disclosure under s. 21(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000: The information that you have requested is deemed to be reasonably available to you by other means. Name and contact details can be found on our website here:

<https://democracy.middevon.gov.uk/mgUserInfo.aspx?UID=415>

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

N/A