

HISTORIC SCOTLAND BOARD REMIT

Framework Document 2004 – “The Chief Executive will be supported by a Board. The membership of the Board, which will include at least 2 independent non-executive members, may be revised at the discretion of the Chief Executive.”

The Historic Scotland Board has the following responsibilities:

1. Establishing the overall strategic direction of Historic Scotland within the policy and resources framework set by the Scottish Ministers.
2. Ensuring that resources, both human and financial, available to the agency are expended in support of the five Framework Document aims:
 - to care for, protect and enhance the historic environment;
 - to secure greater economic benefits from the historic environment;
 - to increase public appreciation and enjoyment of the historic environment;
 - to achieve continuous improvement in the performance of the Agency; and
 - to support the other policies of the Scottish Executive.
3. Developing and reviewing key corporate planning tools.
4. Scrutinising and advising on the advice given to Scottish Ministers on strategic policies.
5. Considering programmes and high profile casework where this is likely to have a significant policy, practice or public relations implications.
6. Ensuring that Historic Scotland operates in an open, accountable and responsible way.
7. Ensuring that high standards of corporate governance are observed at all times.
8. Providing leadership within a framework of prudent and effective controls.
9. Ensuring that risks are assessed and managed.
10. Overseeing the delivery of planned results by monitoring performance against agreed objectives, targets and other measures set out in the corporate plan; and reviewing management performance.