

1st meeting of Associations of World Heritage properties in Europe

Strasbourg, 15-16 October 2015

*World Heritage UK
UNITED KINGDOM*



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World heritage *in the United Kingdom*

- Year of ratification of the WH Convention: May 1984

- Number of properties inscribed: 29

First Inscription: 1986(Welsh Castles, Durham, Giants Causeway, Ironbridge)

Last Inscription: 2015 (Forth Bridge)

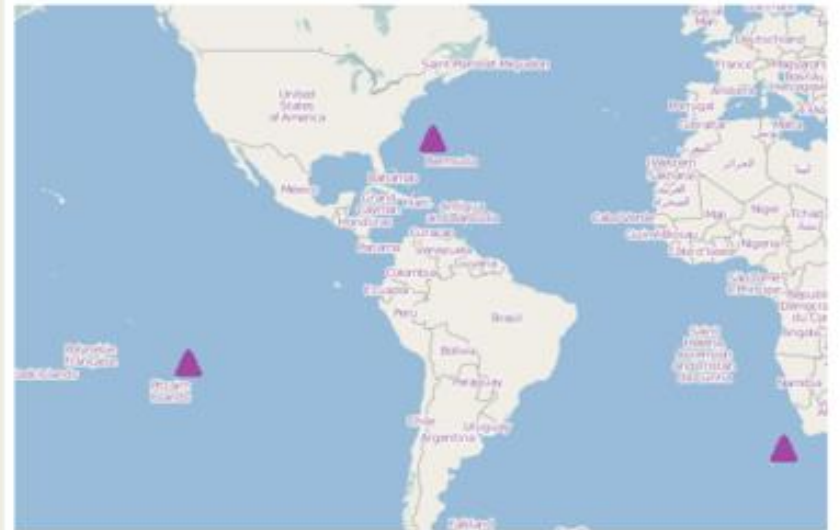
- Types of properties:

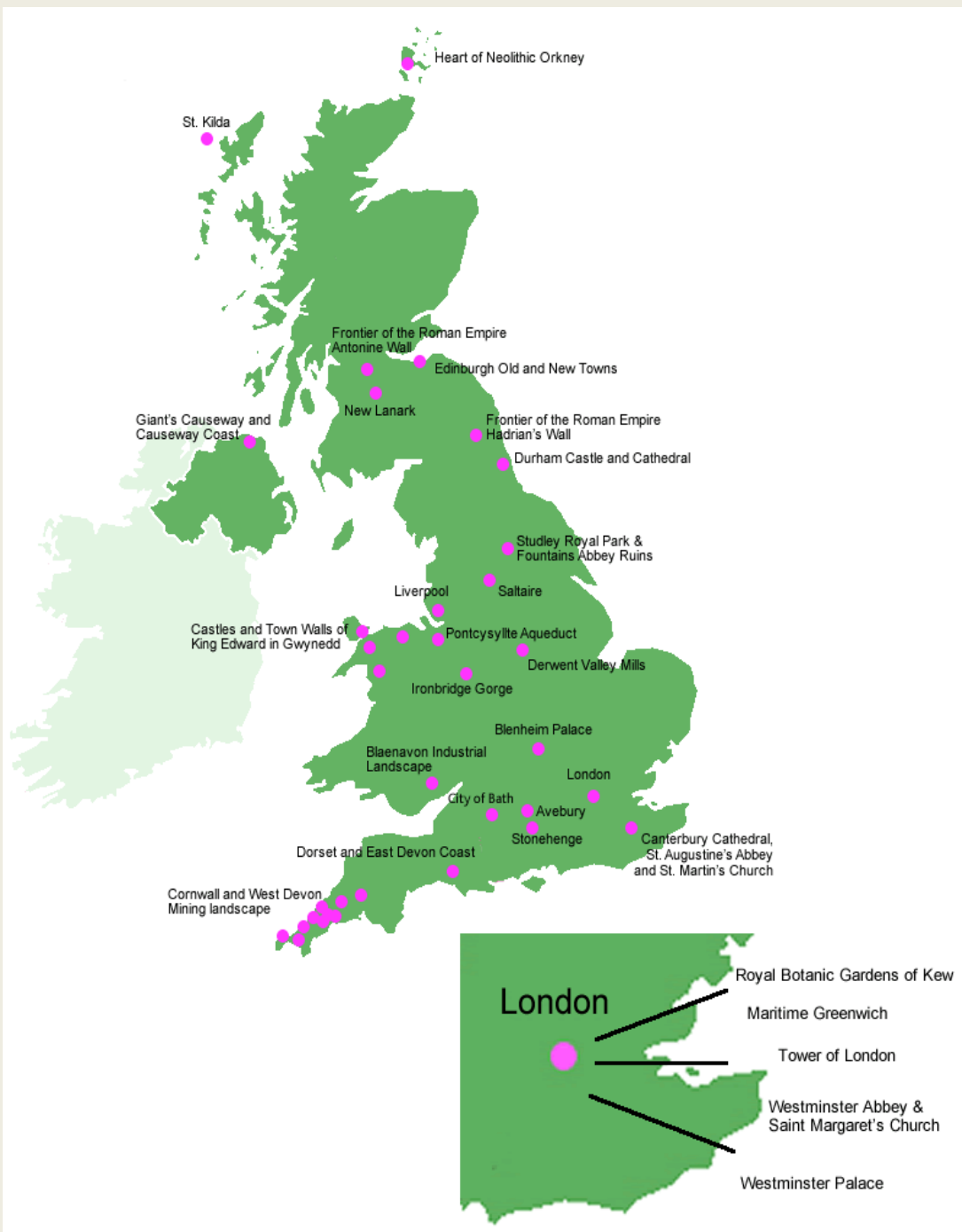
- 24 cultural, 4 natural, 1 mixed properties
- urban centres, cities, islands, monuments and ensembles, cultural landscapes, industrial sites, historic houses and gardens)

World Heritage Sites in the UK Mainland



World Heritage Sites in British Overseas Territories











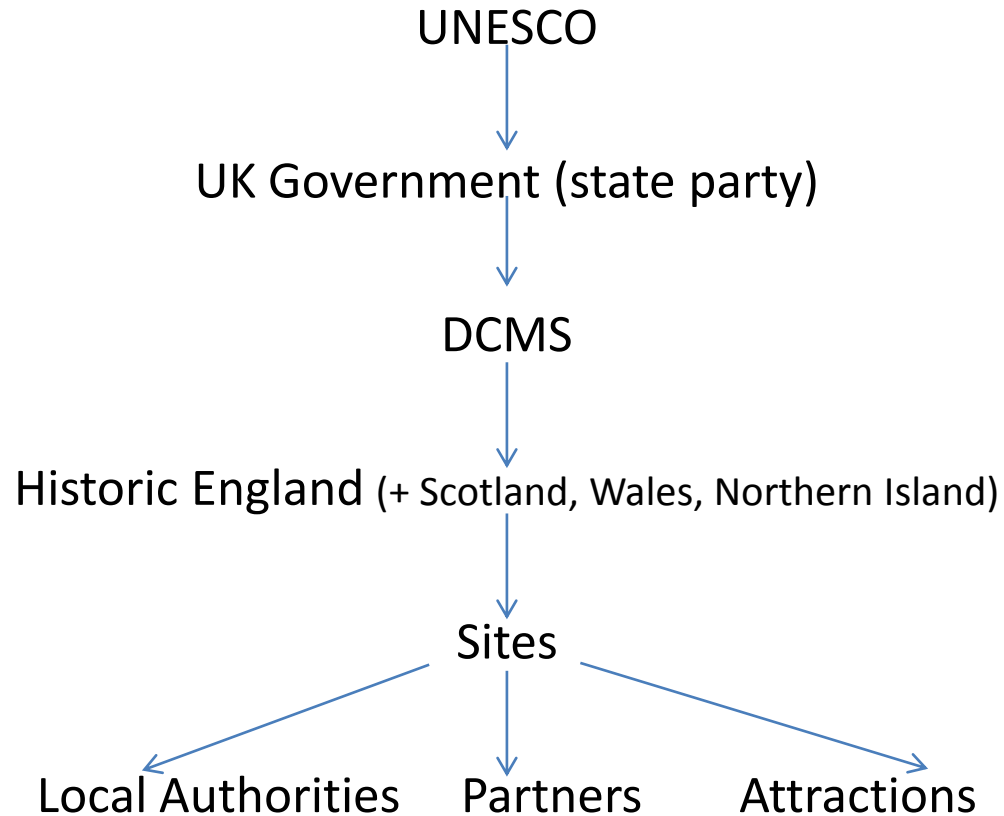








World heritage *in the United Kingdom*



The association (*WHUK*)

- Legal status: Charitable Incorporated Organisation
- Year of creation: 2015
- **Vision:** The United Kingdom will have a coherent approach to World Heritage Sites, which will be better known and understood, and supported through sustainable funding so that their Outstanding Universal Values can provide inspiration, learning and enjoyment for society.

The association (*WHUK*)

Mission: *WHUK*

- Raise the profile and secure the future of UK World Heritage Sites by advocating for support and resources, promoting the Sites values and facilitating networking, training and sharing of good practice

The association (*WHUK*)

■ Members:

- Number of members: 20 sites
- Status of members (government agencies, local authorities, charitable organisations, private individuals.)
- Types of members (Voting members, Associate members, Individual members)

■ Criteria and modalities of appliance:

- Criteria: playing a key role in a UK WHS / inscribed on the tentative list / working within the field of world heritage/ Interested in supporting WHUK
- Modalities: Subscriptions

The association (*WHUK*)

- Budget:
 - Total amount: £14,520 (2013/14)
 - Resources: subscriptions, grants, fundraising
- Running of the association:
 - One salaried worker (Short-term contract) and volunteers
 - Annual meeting organization, board meetings, web site, etc.
 - Collaboration with the State party, ICOMOS UK, National agencies etc.

The association (*WHUK*)

■ Aims

- To undertake effective advocacy at all levels for the joint benefit of the UK's World heritage properties and for the World Heritage Convention.
- To facilitate and encourage networking between organisations and individuals that play a role in the management of the UK's 28 sites, be that at the Site, agency, NGO, government, corporate or individual level, for the collective benefit of the Site's management.

The association (*WHUK*)

- **Aims**

- To promote the UK's World Heritage Sites, in collaboration with key partner agencies, to a national and international market so as to allow more people to experience the Sites in ways that are appropriate to their different situations and pressures.

The association (*WHUK*)

- European/international co-operation programmes:
 - Partners: Individual sites have international networks, e.g. ERIH
 - These will develop subject to capacity.



Thank you !