

AIM E-News Late June Edition – Number 87 – **EXTRACTS**

Highlights From AIM National Conference 2016

The big news on Day Two of conference was the keynote speech by Sir Peter Luff, Chairman of the Heritage Lottery Fund, who unveiled the '[Skills for the Future](#)' fund: a £10m fund to train the next generation of heritage craftspeople, specialists and entrepreneurs.

At the close of conference, Richard Evans announced that conference next year will be held at The Historic Dockyard, Chatham from 22 – 24 June. You can view a selection of the many thousands of tweets that took place during conference on our [Storify page](#) or view a fun video of conference [here](#).

Reflecting On Brexit

Richard Evans, Director of Beamish, one of the largest independent museums in the UK, took over as Chairman of AIM at the conference last week. In his first contribution to the AIM blog, he reflects on the result of the referendum about Britain's membership of the EU, which overshadowed the second day of conference. Read Richard's blog here: [Independence is all about adapting to change...](#)

AIM Prospering Boards for Prospering Museums

This new strand of the AIM Hallmarks Governance Programme, sponsored by [Development Partners](#), is designed to assist boards in their development, with the aim of strengthening and increasing their capacity to offer effective leadership to their museums, using the Hallmarks as a guide.

We are accepting applications on a rolling basis from Summer 2016. Successful applicants will be assigned a consultant from our pool of specialists, who will spend up to half a day working with trustees on an initial diagnostic visit. For further information, please visit [Prospering Boards for Prospering Museums](#).

Launch Of Family Friendly Museum Award 2016

What's the most family friendly museum in Britain? The 2016 Family Friendly Museum Award has been launched by Kids in Museums, giving visitors the chance to say which museum, gallery, heritage site, science centre or historic home gives the warmest welcome to families. Deadline for nominations is 11 July/ Further information and how to enter: [Launch Of Family Friendly Museum Award 2016](#)