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## **Fulham Palace joins the Museums Association's Anti-Racist Museums Programme**

Fulham Palace is proud to announce its participation in the Museums Association's Anti-Racist Museums Programme. This initiative aims to tackle issues of power, racism and inequality within the museum sector and drive forward meaningful change towards becoming an anti-racist organisation.

Fulham Palace Trust has already shown its commitment to addressing these fundamental issues through its inclusive practice in relation to its exhibition work. In 2021 the Trust made the following commitments.

- To engage and involve the widest possible community in researching and writing the stories that we tell.
- To ensure diversity of the people involved in decision making.
- To ensure that our site and online presence are welcoming and accessible to all.

Fulham Palace is dedicated to using this new opportunity through the Museums Association to critically examine its practices and make substantial changes to promote anti-racism within its walls and the wider museum community.

The Anti-Racist Museums Programme, facilitated by experts Cheryl Garvey, Tara Munroe and Julian Walker, brings together museums from across the UK to collaborate and learn from one another. The programme aims to support museums in their journey towards becoming actively anti-racist institutions by providing guidance, resources and a platform for shared learning and dialogue.

### **Amy Barker | Membership & fundraising manager**

*I'm excited to be a part of a group committed to driving forward meaningful change. I think this is a real opportunity for Fulham Palace and the museum sector as a whole to address the issues of power, racism, and inequality that are inherent, and to examine how these function within the Palace, working towards becoming an anti-racist organisation.*

### **Sian Harrington | Chief executive**

*I am professionally and personally proud to be joining this Museums Association programme with colleagues Nicola Price, Amy Barker and Deputy Chair Deborah Persaud, MBA at Fulham Palace Trust. I'm excited for the journey ahead and keen to learn from the other museums on the cohort and our expert facilitators, Cheryl Garvey, Tara Munroe and Julian Walker.*

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## Notes for editors

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### About Fulham Palace

Fulham Palace is the historic home of the Bishops of London. For centuries, the Palace and surrounding estate served as a country retreat for the Bishops and their families before becoming the Bishop's permanent residence in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. The last Bishop moved out in 1973, and the Palace and 13 acre botanical garden are now managed by Fulham Palace Trust, an independent charity dedicated to engaging people and providing an insight, through the stories of the Bishops of London, into over 1,300 years of English history and to become one of Great Britain's most loved and inspiring historic houses and gardens.

### How to get there

**Main entrance:** the end of Bishop's Avenue by gates to Bishop's Park

**Bus:** 14, 74, 220, 414, 430

**Tube:** Putney Bridge (from the station follow the Thames Path west along the river through Bishop's Park, midway through the park is the Bishop's Avenue gate, exit through gate and immediately right into Fulham Palace grounds)

**Parking:** metered parking on Bishops Avenue