



#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome/Minutes Review Chris Ball, General Secretary
- 2. Welcome from Royal Museums Greenwich Andrea Larotella, Senior Travel Trade Manager
- 3. CEO Update Joss Croft, CEO
- 4. Guest Speaker John Boulding, CMO, Vox Tours
- 5. Q&A
- 6. Any Other Business







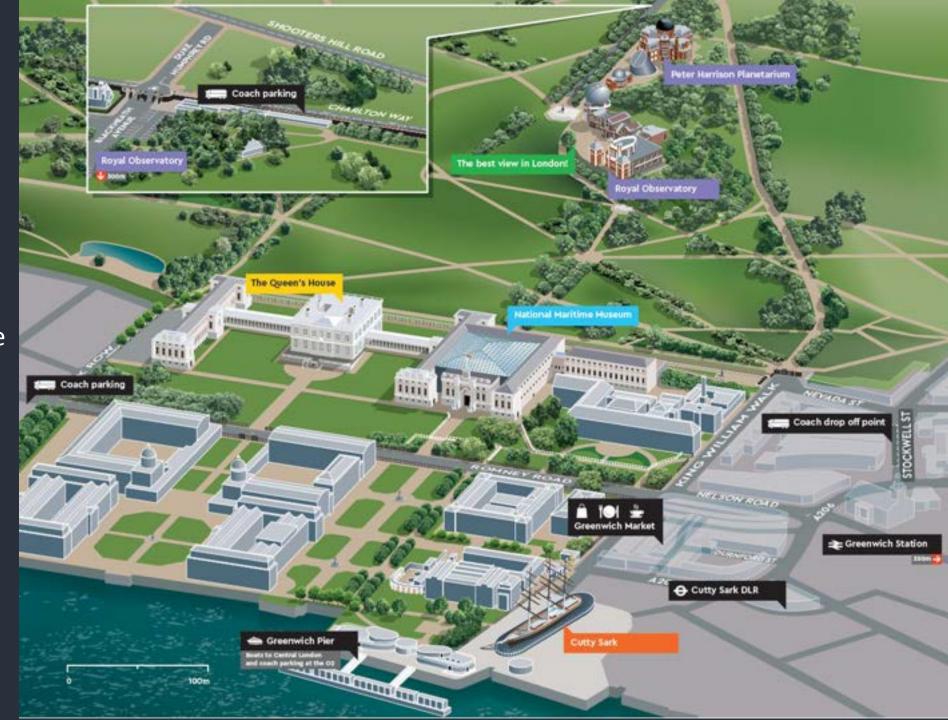








All sites within a 15 minute walk of each other, within a UNESCO World Heritage Site











FREE free interactive audio guides available at all sites in 10 languages, including:

English, German, Italian, French, Spanish, Mandarin, European Portuguese, Korean, Cantonese





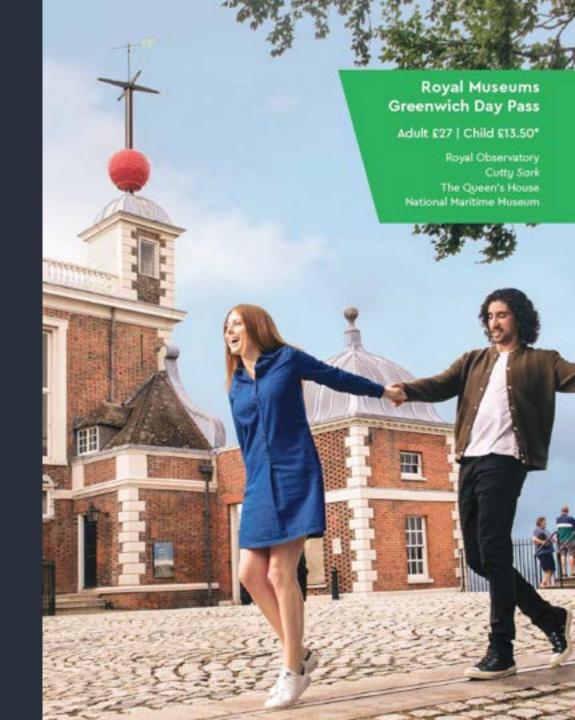
#### Ticket options

 Royal Museums Greenwich Day Pass – BEST VALUE FOR MONEY!

Adult £27 - Child £13.50 - Under 25 £16

 Individual site entry ticket – Royal Observatory or Cutty Sark

Adult £18 – Child £9 – Under 25 £12





#### Special Experiences

- Afternoon tea at Cutty Sark
- Guided tour with private guide
- Private openings
- Ice Rink (Nov Jan)







# THANK YOU

TO ALL OUR TRADE PARTNERS



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## The Queen's House Reception

Special thanks to:

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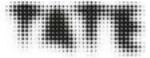






































#### WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO? MEMBERSHIP















#### WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO? EVENTS











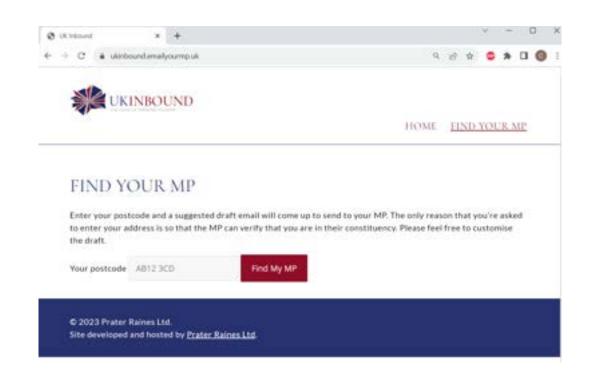




#### WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO? ADVOCACY

#### **KEY MESSAGING**

- Reduce VAT levels on hospitality
- Reinstate VAT-free shopping
- Introduce Youth Group Travel Scheme (under 18s)
- Expand and reform Youth Mobility Scheme
- Introduce a competitive five-year visa
- Increase VisitBritain marketing budget



#### WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO? MEDIA

#### Mail Online

US visitors shun London shops and spend their cash in other European cities because of the tourist tax, data finds



UK visitor numbers up amid signs of shift away from mainland Europe's extreme heat



UKinbound, Guanxi team up for China ready tourism training

#### TRAVELWEEKLY

Industry figures warn travel 'has fallen down government's agenda'



43 pieces of coverage



5.1 million total reach



U.K. to Charge £10 for New Electronic Travel Authorisation

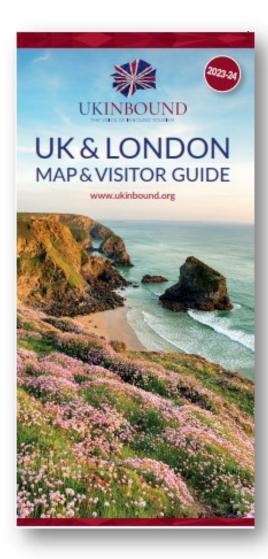


Post-Brexit passport checks putting off EU schools from visiting UK, harming British businesses

#### The Telegraph

What the Royal family is really worth to Britain

#### WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO? MARCOMMS







#### WHAT'S NEXT?





#### **CHINA WELCOME WORKSHOPS**

- 9 October, Leeds Castle (bookings open)
- 28 November, Liverpool Football Club (save the date)
- 8 December, Bath Guildhall (save the date)



# THE EVOLUTION OF TRAVEL: SMART TECHNOLOGY'S CURRENT AND FUTURE IMPACT

JOHN BOULDING - VOX GROUP



# INTRODUCTION



- Digital literacy
- Innovations in guiding
- Visitor empowerment
- Data-driven decisions
- Sustainability

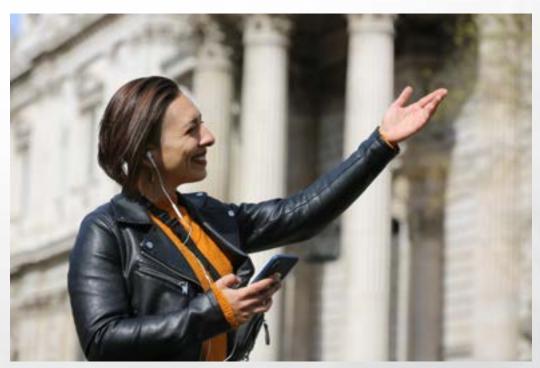
## THE NEW NORMAL

- Not a 'phase'
- New reality
- Adopting for daily activities
- All generations



# GUIDING IN A DIGITAL AGE: A SYMPHONY OF TECH INNOVATIONS

- Greater expectations
- Advanced capabilities
- Providing data
- Revolution in experiencing culture



### **EXPLORING CITIES VIA YOUR POCKET GUIDE**

- Transforming exploration
- Game changing content
- Offline capability
- Keeps you connected



## DIGITAL TOUR GUIDE SYSTEMS

- Goodbye to huddles
- Radio based systems
- Smartphone guiding
- Long distance capability
- Never miss a word





# SUSTAINABILITY IN TECHNOLOGY: FROM NICHE TO NORM

- No longer a buzzword
- Technology a powerful ally
- Crowding and noise
- Carbon footprint
- Circular economy



## DATA-DRIVEN DECISIONS

- Essential asset
- Real-time analytics
- Invaluable insights
- Compass for future planning



# TECH ADAPTABILITY: BRIDGING GAPS AND BREAKING BARRIERS

- Remarkable adaptability
- Addressing modern hurdles
- Examples:
  - Miniature radio guides using micro-circuitry and Lithium Polymer
  - Multilingual transmission with smartphone group guiding

# CONCLUSION



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#### THANKS FOR BEING A PART OF TRAVEL'S INCREDIBLE RIDE.





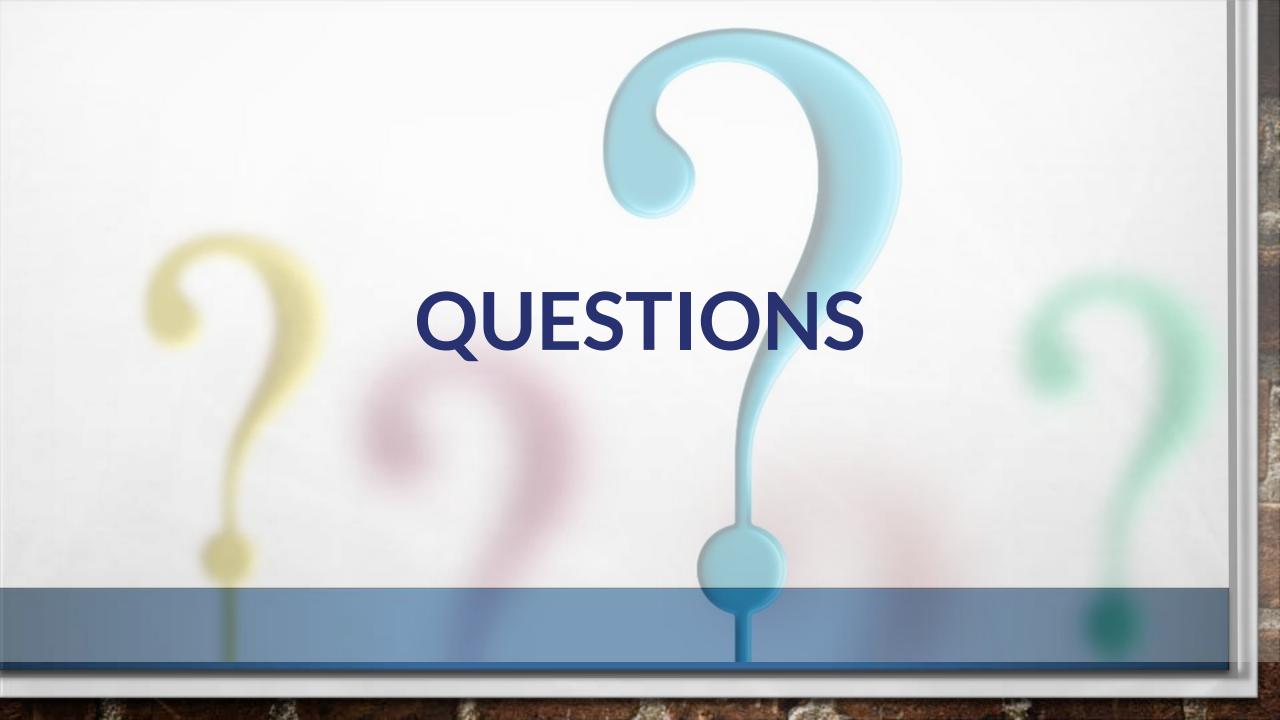






# WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU IN BELFAST!





# ANY OTHER BUSINESS