

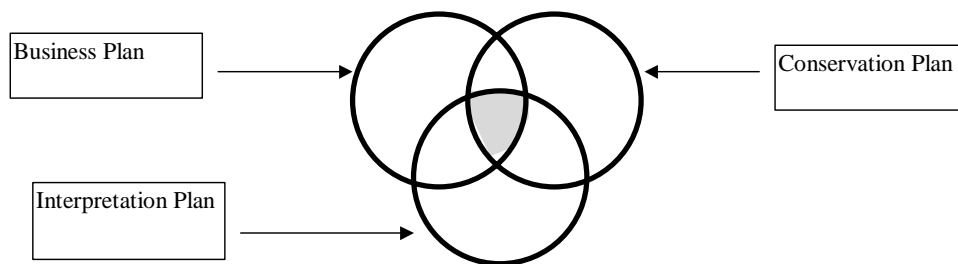
## Sustainable Heritage Property Management

In 1994 the Council of the National Trust and the Chairs of the voluntary property management committees agreed to a vision statement which said:

*The National Trust properties will be financially self-supporting, self-sustaining for all their maintenance and will represent an important source of public education, interest, appreciation and enjoyment of correctly interpreted heritage.*

In order to achieve this vision, the Trust's Administration developed a simple management model consisting of three parts: a business plan, a conservation plan and an interpretation plan. Diagrammatically it is represented by the following:

### **Management Plan Model for Trust Properties**



This model is a useful conceptual tool with which to address the many issues and challenging choices associated with the ongoing management of any heritage place. Each plan must be developed with the same rigour and attention to detail and then related to the other plans if sustainable long term heritage outcomes are to be achieved.