



Hampshire Gardens Trust

Annual Report

2019

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Having just completed my first year as your Chairman, I can confirm that I am delighted to have had the opportunity to undertake the role, and pleased to report that the last year of Hampshire Gardens Trust activities has gone well.

We are fortunate to have a very good team of Trustees and committee members, as well as an enthusiastic and energetic administrator, Jo Bolt - without whom nothing would happen. As with any organisation that is dependent on voluntary help for all our activities, we could always do with more assistance in our key areas of focus: Events, Research, Conservation & Development, and Friends Groups.

HGT triumphs over the last 12 months certainly include the Research Group's outstanding and handsome book "*Humphrey Repton at Herriard Park*" which was launched in Winchester this September. The HGT and Research Group, led by Sally Miller, should be proud of their achievement to create a comprehensive record of their research into the archive of some quarter of a million items amassed by the Jervoise family since they arrived at Herriard in the 17th century. The collaboration between the Hampshire Record Office and the HGT (not to mention the Jervoise family who retain ownership of their family archive), to create this *magnum opus* is an excellent example of what can be achieved given the right cooperation and leadership. We now have a HGT book that highlights the development and history of one of the county's most significant gardens - carried out over 200 years ago by the pre-eminent landscape gardener of the time. There are still copies of the book available, and we hope to be able to arrange a follow-up summer launch at Herriard to celebrate the achievement. We look forward to hearing news of the Research Group's next project in due course - please do get in touch with HGT office, or directly with Sally, if you think you might be able to contribute to their work.

In terms of other Events, the annual study day at Chawton House had three excellent speakers of National and International renown (including Hampshire's own Kim Wilkie) and was a sell-out success. The topic '*Towards a Sustainable Landscape - Looking to the Future*' stimulated lively debate, and Sheila Carey-Thomas should be congratulated for putting on an excellent day which attracted delegates from Hampshire and beyond. If you think you would like to assist the Events team in future, or support the organising committee, please get in touch - your help would be very much appreciated.

The Events committee also made arrangements for 3 visits to gardens in Hampshire and 7 in nearby counties. These are excellent day trips, and apart from the pleasure of spending time with like-minded HGT enthusiasts, participants witness the fruits of someone else's labours, and are sure to return home with some excellent ideas. I would also like to thank the Events team on their prudence, as these events generate a small profit which makes a very worthwhile contribution to HGT funds.

In terms of the relationship between the HGT and HCC, (which is crucial to the success of our role as one of the key scrutinisers of planning applications) I accompanied Sally Miller and Jo Bolt to meet the new leader of HCC, Councillor Mans. We briefed him on the work of the HGT - especially on our role as the guardian of over 800 HGT registered parks and gardens - as well as a wide range of other important public and private landscapes, parks or gardens. Needless to say, as with any densely populated county, the HCC and Local Planning Authorities have to take great care to balance the considerable pressures imposed by new housing quotas, with the very real need to preserve green space for the benefit of future generations. We must never assume that planning officers will make sensible decisions as they try to strike a balance between a wide range of vested interests - but it is clear that the physical and mental health of our predominantly urban population will be improved if people have some private garden space, as well as public green spaces, opportunities to become part of local allotment groups, and access to the landscape and countryside beyond via the extensive network of footpaths. We hope to produce a suitable HGT guidance note to help planners and developers to achieve the right balance in this regard, especially where social housing is included which tends to offer gardens which are too small to offer real benefit.

Sticking with the theme of open spaces within new developments the HGT has ambitions to forge closer links to other relevant organisations such as the CPRE, the South Downs National Park, the Hampshire Wildlife Trust, as well as a large number of smaller local organisations. We can and should do more to work more closely with all these groups with whom we share many common goals – and if you are already a member of one of these excellent groups and think you can help improve coordination with the HGT, please get in touch with Jo at the HGT office, we want to hear from you and need more HGT volunteers to help enhance collaboration throughout Hampshire.

In the coming year we have plans to be involved with the Gilbert White Tercentenary ‘GW300’ celebrations. Look out for further information and events coming soon.

With regard to other HGT activities, we need to find more ways to support and inspire schools throughout Hampshire to offer more green space and opportunities for pupils to learn about local flora and fauna and perhaps to grow fruit and vegetables within the school premises, and we are looking for ways to enhance our links with all educational establishments. Jill Walmsley has led a successful new project at Woodlands Education Centre in Havant, but we need to do more joint activities of this nature with other schools – so please do contact us or Jill if you think you can help support this very worthwhile cause.

With regard to other activities within private gardens, we are all becoming increasingly aware of the need to reduce reliance of chemical fertiliser or insecticides – they are bad for the environment and human health, and collectively, gardeners can make a real difference by adopting more low input, organic practices which can enhance soil health and reduce pollution.

Finally, although the Hampshire Gardens Trust with its 350 members is one of the largest County Gardens Trusts, we need more members to join and so are undertaking a campaign to grow to 450 members over the next three years. With more members, we can plan more ambitious events and activities that will ensure the HGT remains as a thriving, dynamic organisation that is at the heart of many aspects of Hampshire’s public and private gardens, landscapes and parks. If you know anyone who might like to join, don’t hesitate to contact the HGT office by email or telephone – we need your support, and would be very grateful for any help that you can offer.

Ted Wake
Chairman

HONORARY TREASURER’S REPORT

Results and Funds

The results for the year ended 31 March 2019 show a deficit of £6,495. This is largely a deficit on unrestricted funds (£6,074), with a smaller deficit of £421 on restricted funds.

Expenditure was £3,000 down on the previous year, but income was £13,000 down on the previous year due to a £10,000 donation in that year (2017/18).

Action is being taken both to seek to increase membership and to bring in more donations.

Cash at bank at 31 March 2019 amounted to just over £70,000, with net assets of just over £61,000.

Reserves Policy

Money continues to be set aside in designated funds for conservation and development (£5,500) and for education (£2,000). There also continues to be a need for some emergency conservation work.

In addition, it is deemed prudent to retain sufficient funds to meet at least six months normal expenditure.

Richard Green-Wilkinson
Honorary Treasurer

RESEARCH TEAM REPORT

Contributing to public services

Research Group continues to maintain, update and enhance the *Hampshire Register of Historic Parks and Gardens* on behalf of Hampshire County Council. Research Group is indebted to Janice Bennetts for her skill and hard work in maintaining and upgrading our public website. We are the only authoritative source of information about the historic parks, gardens and green spaces of Hampshire so it is important that we continue to focus on publishing accurate, properly referenced and presented research. We reviewed and improved our documentation in 2018.

Research

Our research project on the work of Humphry Repton at Herriard Park in the last decade of the eighteenth century came to a very satisfactory conclusion with the publication of a book, assisted by a grant from Hampshire Archives Trust. 2019 marked a lull in garden history related anniversaries. After 'Capability' Brown and Humphry Repton, in 2020 we have the tricentenary of the birth of Gilbert White of Selbourne, who is widely considered to be the first environmentalist.

Urban Parks Project

Our project to update the 1997 HCC Survey of public parks in six Districts (Fareham, Havant, Eastleigh, Gosport, Basingstoke & Deane and Rushmoor) has been completed and published on our website. Our findings so far show some commendable improvements but also some worrying developments where small but valuable urban green spaces are disappearing under housing. The pressure on urban green spaces is concerning and it is more important than ever to recognise their value to the community and the environment. Therefore we have updated our criteria for listing so that these spaces will be recorded by us.

Outreach

Research Group mounts a Study Day every year on garden history themes. For 2019 we decided to address contemporary theme that concerns us all – how to respond to the increasing pressure on our historic designed landscapes and valuable green spaces. '*Towards a Sustainable Landscape - looking to the future*' proved to be a very successful Study Day, held at Chawton House in October. Speakers were Kim Wilkie, internationally renowned landscape architect; Nigel Dunnett, Professor of Planting Design and Urban Horticulture in the Department of Landscape Architecture at the University of Sheffield and Isabel Allen, formerly a Director of HAB Housing which won several awards for sustainability, landscape and architecture. About half the audience was new to HGT and we hope that will result in some new members. The day made a profit in excess of £1000. Research Group is indebted to Sheila Carey-Thomas who was our inspiration for this topic, found our speakers and organised the whole event.

Sally Miller

Chair of Research Team

CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT TEAM REPORT

The Team has undergone quite a few changes in personnel in recent years and this past year was no exception. After many years of valuable and unstinting service, Janet and Tony Hurrell stepped down towards the end of 2018. Tony had expertly guided the Team from the Chair for many years and after a period of transition for the Team I assumed the role this year. Fortunately, 2018 has seen the Team gain the valued professional experience of both Jennifer Adams and Russell Gordon-Smith and this year we have welcomed two new talented members in Nikki Barker and landscape architect, Robyn Butcher. Russell has also been nominated to be the Team's representative to the Executive Committee. We have missed one member of the Team, Susan Campbell, who has been absent from the Team over the past year and we wish her well.

The Team has been dealing with a number of projects such as Home Nursery Green in Winchester and Old Basing House and keeps in touch with the Research Group thanks to Sally Miller, our liaison member. We are always on the lookout for suitable projects to assist, but so far this year the Home Nursery Green is the only one to receive a grant from the Team. There are a couple of possible new projects under consideration, including Hyde Abbey Gardens. One exciting initiative that the Team has been directly involved with is the design of a brochure for the Winchester Gardens Walking Trail, with thanks to both Janet Hurrell and Russell Gordon-Smith for the compilation and we look forward to its completion.

We also have representation on the Board of the County Council's regeneration scheme for Staunton Country Park, which has the support of the Heritage Lottery Fund. After some delays largely due to the return of high tenders, the amended proposals and some renegotiated costing and contracts the first phase of work started on site in September.

The Team continues to respond to consultations on planning applications throughout the Hampshire Districts. Among the most notable issues concern a proposal for a motorway service station and hotel at J6 of the M3, near Basingstoke, the Wiggins-Teape offices also in Basingstoke, and the new settlement north of Fareham at Welbourne. With the influx of new Team Members, the areas representations have been allocated as follows: - Basingstoke & Deane – Nikki; Eastleigh & Winchester – Russell; Havant – Deane; East Hants – Robyn; Test Valley and New Forest – Diane and Jennifer; Fareham, Gosport and Hart – Mike. The Team is grateful for the continuing support of Jo Bolt and the Trust's office and we look forward to a new phase in the Team's work on behalf of the Trust.

Michael Ricketts
Chairman

EVENTS TEAM REPORT

This year the events were organised by several events team members. There were ten events which were generally well supported. The Spring/Summer events were well attended with the most popular visits including a visit to Crichel House in Dorset, Radcot House in Bampton and Woolton House nr Newbury.

I became involved with planning the Autumn events programme when I took over the position of Events Chair from Jill Walmsley who had successfully looked after the events programme for many years. With the support of Jo Bolt, we selected places with a broad spectrum of interest. The Autumn programme included a visit to Deans Court in Wimborne, The Holt in Upham and Exbury Gardens. A special thanks to Ted and Katherine Wake for donating all the proceeds from the visit to The Holt to the Trust.

The events for the 2020 Spring/Summer season have already been selected. We have chosen gardens that have been restored by dedicated owners and others with a focus on biodiversity. The programme will include a visit to Gilbert White's House and Gardens to celebrate the tricentenary year.

Teresa Yeates
Events Chair

THE ASSOCIATION OF FRIENDS GROUP REPORT

The Association has met twice this year, 2019. The affiliated gardens are: Hyde Abbey and Dean Garnier, Winchester; King John's, Romsey, Southampton Old Cemetery and Townhill Park, Southampton; Crescent Garden, Alverstoke; Petersfield Physic Garden; Porter's Garden, Portsmouth; and the Gazebo Garden, Havant.

The first meeting in March was hosted by the Gazebo Garden, when Peter Hammond, Havant Civic Society, gave an informative talk on the development of the Gazebo Garden, and Anna Glanville-Hearson related its history and how it is now a community garden popular with local residents.

All the gardens' reports are circulated before the meeting, explaining the progress and changes made, as well as the problems encountered in the gardens. The problems may be horticultural, such as box blight, or the nuisance caused by wedding parties using the gardens, the scourge of vandalism and drug-taking, and planning applications which will affect the gardens. All such matters are discussed by the representatives and advice offered.

The second meeting was held at Petersfield Physic Garden in October, when an interesting and amusing talk was given by Jennifer Hill, who gave a brief outline of the history of the garden and then treated the representatives to a guided walk around the garden, explaining how the herbs were used in the 17th Century for treating or curing various ailments. It seems that many of them were thought to be a panacea for all ills. As in March, all the gardens' reports were circulated prior to the meeting, and any further or related matters were discussed.

The Friends groups are exploring the possibility of joining the RHS Community Gardens scheme on an individual basis. Further research is needed before decisions can be made.

There are three other gardens which hopefully will join the association in due course: the proposed Hospice Garden and the Home Nursery Garden, both in Winchester, and eventually the grounds of the former armaments factory at Priddy's Hard, Gosport, which are quite extensive. The HGT will be helping the Portsmouth Naval Dockyard Trust with this exciting project, encouraging local residents to form a Friends group.

It is vital to preserve and to develop all these green spaces in our urban areas, to create new ones and to involve the local community in maintaining and using them.

Peter Wilkinson
Trustee of HGT

HAMPSHIRE GARDENS TRUST
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Hampshire Gardens Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2019 which are set out on pages 8 to 16.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material aspect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn to this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date... 12 November 2019

HAMPSHIRE GARDENS TRUST
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2019	Total 2018
	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME					
Grants, donations and subscriptions	6,465	-	-	6,465	16,166
Hampshire County Council Grant	17,000	-	-	17,000	17,000
Income from trading activities	10,062	-	-	10,062	9,241
Income earned from assets	-	-	-	-	1,273
Gift aid	-	-	-	-	2,891
	<u>33,527</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,527</u>	<u>46,571</u>
LESS EXPENDITURE					
Expenditure directly for charitable purposes	11,644	-	-	11,644	10,103
Expenditure for management and administration	27,957	421	-	28,378	33,832
	<u>39,601</u>	<u>421</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,022</u>	<u>43,935</u>
(Deficit)/surplus for the year	(6,074)	(421)	-	(6,495)	2,636
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2018	51,692	7,921	8,305	67,918	65,282
Transfer between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward 31 March 2019	<u>45,618</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>8,305</u>	<u>61,423</u>	<u>67,918</u>

HAMPSHIRE GARDENS TRUST

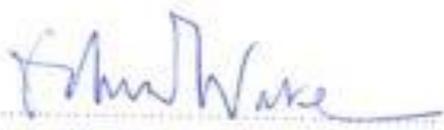
BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2019

	Note	2019		2018	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Petersfield Physic Garden Centre	2		-		-
Current assets					
Debtors	3	218		-	
Cash at bank		<u>70,032</u>		<u>77,428</u>	
		70,250		77,428	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	4	<u>8,827</u>		<u>9,510</u>	
Net current assets			61,423		67,918
Net assets			<u>61,423</u>		<u>67,918</u>
Funds					
Unrestricted funds	5	53,118		59,613	
Restricted funds	1	<u>8,305</u>		<u>8,305</u>	
		61,423		67,918	
			<u>61,423</u>		<u>67,918</u>

The Trustees have acknowledged their responsibilities for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the charity's activities for the year then ended in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Charities Accounting Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).

The accounts were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 12th November 2019 and signed on their behalf by:



Chairman

HAMPSHIRE GARDENS TRUST

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT - UNRESTRICTED GENERAL FUNDS
(FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	2019		2018	
	£	£	£	£
INCOME				
Grants, service level payment, donations and subscriptions				
Hampshire County Council Grant	17,000		17,000	
Donations	295		10,380	
Subscriptions	6,170		5,786	
Gift aid	-		2,891	
	-	23,465	2,891	36,057
Income from trading activities				
Member's events	8,227		9,241	
Research group events	1,835		-	
	1,835	10,062	-	9,241
Income earned from assets				
Bank interest		-		3
Miscellaneous		-		1,270
TOTAL INCOME		33,527		46,571

HAMPSHIRE GARDENS TRUST

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT - UNRESTRICTED GENERAL FUNDS
(FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	2019		2018	
	£	£	£	£
EXPENDITURE				
Expenditure directly for charitable purposes				
Grants:				
Conservation	2,500		2,369	
Education	79		-	
	2,579		2,369	
Members' events	9,065		6,490	
Promotion	-		480	
Research	-		764	
	9,065		7,734	
		11,644		10,103
Expenditure for management and administration				
Secretarial salary (including PAYE and NIC)	18,011		20,361	
Office expenses, telephone and postage	2,715		8,027	
Printing and stationery	684		298	
Travel expenses	422		276	
Subscriptions	50		-	
Insurance	1,663		1,253	
Accountancy charges	933		1,764	
Website & IT	3,244		453	
Library	235		150	
	27,957		32,582	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		39,601		42,685

HAMPSHIRE GARDENS TRUST

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT - DESIGNATED FUNDS
(FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	2019		2018	
	£	£	£	£
INCOME		-		-
IT Equipment	-		-	
Bursary Funds	-		-	
TOTAL INCOME		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
EXPENDITURE				
IT Equipment	250		-	
Bursary Funds	<u>171</u>		<u>750</u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>421</u>		<u>750</u>

HAMPSHIRE GARDENS TRUST

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT - RESTRICTED FUNDS
(FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	2019		2018	
	£	£	£	£
INCOME				
Student Bursary	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
TOTAL INCOME		<u><u>-</u></u>		<u><u>-</u></u>
LESS EXPENDITURE				
Student Bursary	<u>-</u>		<u>500</u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u><u>-</u></u>		<u><u>500</u></u>

HAMPSHIRE GARDENS TRUST
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 MARCH 2019

	2019			2018		
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
CASH FUNDS						
Bank savings accounts	18,086	-	18,086	3,462	-	3,462
Bank current accounts	43,641	8,305	51,946	65,661	8,305	73,966
	<u>61,727</u>	<u>8,305</u>	<u>70,032</u>	<u>69,123</u>	<u>8,305</u>	<u>77,428</u>
INVESTMENT ASSETS						
Fixed assets - Petersfield Physic Garden Visitor Centre	-	-	-	-	-	-
CURRENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES						
Debtors	218	-	218	-	-	-
Creditors	(8,827)	-	(8,827)	(9,510)	-	(9,510)
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>53,118</u>	<u>8,305</u>	<u>61,423</u>	<u>59,613</u>	<u>8,305</u>	<u>67,918</u>

	2019				2018			
	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
ACCUMULATED FUNDS								
Balance brought forward	51,692	7,921	8,305	67,918	47,806	8,671	8,805	65,282
(Deficit)/surplus for the year	(6,074)	(421)	-	(6,495)	3,886	(750)	(500)	2,636
Transfer between funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>45,618</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>8,305</u>	<u>61,423</u>	<u>51,692</u>	<u>7,921</u>	<u>8,305</u>	<u>67,918</u>

HAMPSHIRE GARDENS TRUST

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	2019		2018	
	£	£	£	£
1. RESTRICTED FUNDS				
Children's Homes Fund				
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2018	892		892	
Fund carried forward		892		892
Urban Parks Study				
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2018	7,413		7,413	
Fund carried forward		7,413		7,413
Student Bursary				
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2018	-		500	
Movement in year	-		(500)	
Fund carried forward		-		-
		8,305	-	8,305
2. FIXED ASSETS				
Petersfield Physic Garden Centre				
Cost				
Balance at 31 March 2018 and 31 March 2019			22,242	
Depreciation				
Balance at 31 March 2018 and 31 March 2019			22,242	
Net book value				
Balance at 31 March 2018 and 31 March 2019			-	
3. DEBTORS				
Prepayments	218		-	
		218		-
4. CREDITORS				
Deferred income	7,109		7,807	
Other creditors	1,718		1,703	
		8,827		9,510

HAMPSHIRE GARDENS TRUST

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	2019		2018	
	£	£	£	£
5. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS				
General Fund				
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2018	51,692		47,806	
Add: Income	33,527		46,571	
Less: Expenditure	<u>(39,601)</u>		<u>(42,685)</u>	
Fund carried forward		45,618		51,692
Designated fund - IT Equipment				
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2018	171		171	
Less: Expenditure	<u>(171)</u>		<u>-</u>	
Fund carried forward		-		171
Designated fund - Bursary Funds				
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2018	250		1,000	
Less: Expenditure	<u>(250)</u>		<u>(750)</u>	
Fund carried forward		-		250
Designated fund - Conservation and Development				
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2018	<u>5,500</u>		<u>5,500</u>	
Fund carried forward		5,500		5,500
Designated fund - Education				
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2018	<u>2,000</u>		<u>2,000</u>	
Fund carried forward		2,000		2,000
		<u><u>53,118</u></u>		<u><u>59,613</u></u>



Hampshire Gardens Trust

The Hampshire Gardens Trust is the only voluntary organisation in the County to identify the needs and opportunities to conserve, protect and enhance the County's rich heritage of parks, gardens and designed landscapes. We offer expert, free advice and appropriate project grants to raise awareness of the value of these special places.

Our Conservation and Development Team's resources and its expertise in planning, architecture and landscape design are vital to help conserve and protect public and private parks and gardens.

Our Research Group investigates and records the history of individual parks and gardens to identify their historic significance and to inform their future conservation and development.

Our Events Team organises talks and interesting garden visits which provide opportunities to enjoy the beauty and character of parks and gardens, and to learn why they are of interest and value.

Our Association of Friends' Groups and other groups work with the Trust and their local communities to enhance or create and maintain new gardens in our towns and on historic sites.

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