



"Understanding historic gardens in Buckinghamshire"

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The Buckinghamshire Gardens Trust Volunteer research and recording project



Are you interested in horticulture, architecture, archeology, art history, landscape design, local and social history?

If so garden history is for you. The Buckinghamshire Gardens Trust has been running a most successful 'research and recording project' for the last five years and there is now the opportunity for a small group of new recruits to become of part of this exciting project. Researchers will receive full training and have the opportunity to visit lesser known parks and gardens which are on the local list, many of these are under threat from development, such as the new Oxford to Cambridge Expressway and the increasing pressure for housing.

We have already researched fifty plus sites as well as looking at the work of both Lancelot 'Capability' Brown and Humphry Repton in their respective anniversary years (2016 & 2018) and this summer we published the volunteers research in our first book: *Humphry Repton in Buckinghamshire and Beyond*. We recently launched a new project to look at 'Artist's gardens in Bucks' this will run alongside our main research which will continue to examine gardens on the local list for which we have received generous funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund and various other trust funds.

The Research and Recording Group are a socialable bunch and as well as our regular catch-up meetings, we have visits to more major gardens, archives, study days and exhibitions, not forgetting a Christmas celebration! For more information please contact the project co-ordinator, Claire de Carle, see below for details.

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For the background to the project and to view sites already researched : www.bucksgardentrust.org.uk