



BERKSHIRE GARDENS TRUST
Annual General Meeting 2009/10
7pm, Friday 30th July 2010

St. Stephen's Church Centre, St. Stephen's Church
Pangbourne Road, Upper Basildon, RG8 8LS

Please note that nominations for elections (item 6 of the Agenda below) and notices of any motions must have reached the Secretary at the latest by Friday 23rd July.

At the request of the President, Lady Wroughton, the Chairman, Dr Christina Hill Williams DL, will preside.

AGENDA (*see next page for notes to the Agenda*)

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Minutes of the Meeting of 23rd July, 2009**
- 3. Chairman's Report and adoption of the Trustees' Annual Report for 2009/10**
- 4. Adoption of the Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 2010**
- 5. Appointment of the President**
- 6. Election of the Officers and Committee Members**
- 7. Appointment of the Independent Examiner of the Accounts**
- 8. Any Other Business**
- 9. Date of next AGM: Friday 29th July, 2011 at Watlington House, Watlington Street, Reading**

Notes to the Agenda

1. Item 2: the Minutes of the 2008/9 Annual General Meeting shall be formally proposed, seconded and, subject to the agreement of the members, adopted.
2. Item 3: the Trustees' Annual Report shall be formally proposed, seconded and, subject to the agreement of the members, adopted.
3. Item 4: the Accounts shall be formally proposed, seconded and subject to the agreement of the members, adopted.
4. Item 5: The President shall be appointed by acclamation.
5. Item 6: The Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall be proposed and seconded and, subject to the agreement of the members, elected. Currently there is only one candidate for the Chairman, Dr. Christina Hill Williams, DL, who will vacate the Chair at this point, and one candidate for Vice-Chairman, Mr Ben Viljoen.

The Executive Secretary shall be proposed, seconded and, subject to the agreement of the members, elected. Currently there is only one candidate for this position, Miss Fiona Hope.

There are three candidates for the remaining Committee positions: Mrs Bettina Kirkham, Mr Rodney Stubblefield and Mrs Indra Townsend, who shall be proposed, seconded and, subject to the agreement of the members, elected to serve on the Committee.

There is a vacancy for a Treasurer and nominations for this position and for other committee members will be welcomed.

6. Item 7: The Independent Examiner of the Accounts shall be proposed, seconded and, subject to the agreement of the members, appointed. Mr R Chudleigh has agreed to once again carry out this role.



TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2009/10

From the President

I am delighted to be the first President of Berkshire Gardens Trust, and to be associated with the last of the county gardens trusts to be established. We have in the Royal County a large number of important gardens, parks and man-made landscapes and it is very encouraging to have a Trust to identify, promote and protect these. I was also very pleased to become the first Honorary Member of the Trust. My daughter and I were delighted to welcome Trust members to our garden at Woolley Park and we hope they will make a return visit in the future.

I would like to thank the Committee and the Volunteers for all that they have done this year to establish the Berkshire Gardens Trust. A great deal has already been done, but more needs to be done. I look forward to seeing how the Trust develops and what it achieves over the following year, and shall enjoy being associated with it.

Lady Wroughton, President of Berkshire Gardens Trust

Chairman's Report

It is with very great pleasure that as first Chairman of Berkshire Gardens Trust, I put pen to paper to write the second Annual Report to present to the second Annual General Meeting of the Trust.

The Trust has enjoyed a highly successful year following the spectacular launch and Annual General Meeting at Englefield in July 2009. In the packed Long Gallery of the house, our Lord Lieutenant (a Trust member), many civic dignitaries from across the County - including the Mayors of all the Unitary Authorities and several Town Mayors too - gathered to mark the official initiation of the Trust, the last in England to be established and, to use the words of then Committee member Christine Weightman, "the last piece in the jig-saw". National Association of Garden Trusts' President, Mrs Gilly Drummond OBE DL, officially launched the Trust. We had arrived! This was particularly gratifying to me personally, because I was at that stage one third of the way through my year as High Sheriff of the Royal County of Berkshire, and had set the Environment as one of the themes of my year.

Since then the Trust has gone from strength to strength and has achieved a huge amount. We have already begun to deliver to our members the events which they enjoy, garden visits and talks and lectures, with the November talk by Richard Bisgrove on Gertrude Jekyll's work in Berkshire and the June 2009 visit to Ingle Spring, both of

which were very well-attended and are covered elsewhere in this Annual Report. We have consolidated our status as a Company Limited by Guarantee Registered Company and have expanded our web-site. We have begun to focus on the Planning role and also to engage with the practical, educational, side of the Trust's work, with visits to two future project sites, the Avenue School in Tilehurst and the Hungerford Tragedy Garden, both of which received preliminary visits during the year. The all-important research side, the compending of our Gazetteer, was carried forward by Ben Viljoen and was initiated with the first of our Study Events, hosted by the Museum of English Rural Life in Reading. Members have already begun to supply material for the Gazetteer in terms of entries about specific Gardens and Parks, and we hope that this will accelerate.

Maintaining our membership levels is and will continue to be a challenge. From the outset, we determined that we would not become over-anxious about the fluctuation of our membership numbers. We knew that the profile and excitement generated by the first AGM and Launch, with a surge in membership, would be difficult to sustain into a third year and beyond. Whilst we would like to attract more members and maintain our numerical strength, this is not the prime purpose of the Trust. Most people who join the Trust wish to support our research work, our focus on the historic and landscape significance of gardens and parks, our planning dimension or the practical projects that we shall be involved in. Visits and talks are an important part of our work but we are realistic that we shall never be able to deliver the numbers of visits, lectures etc that, say, a National Trust local Centre will be able to offer. Most of our members understand this.

I would like to thank Lady Wroughton for kindly agreeing to continue as our President. Woolley Park is one of the best-known Berkshire gardens open to the public and supports charitable causes in the County, and we are therefore delighted and very honoured to receive the support and endorsement of the Wroughton family. We are very grateful for the financial support given by English Heritage which has enabled us to forge ahead in these early years, and for the encouragement and help given by the Museum of English Rural Life, the National Trust, the local authorities and others, including the Berkshire Record Office.

I would like to thank all the members of the Committee for their support and hard work during the year. Vice-chairman Ben Viljoen has been particularly strong on the research side and the graphic design/computing aspects of the Trust's work. Rodney Stubblefield has been untiring in his endeavours on the Corporate Governance side. Bettina Kirkham has done a huge amount during the year in respect of planning, has been the anchor for bookings for our events and managing membership applications. She has also, as a professional landscape architect, led the way on our proposals for the Hungerford Garden project. Indra Townsend opened her own Garden for the Trust in this financial year, with her husband David, and it is her link with the Avenue School which is enabling us to develop our connection there. Fiona Hope has continued a most diligent and hard-working Secretary, minuting our meetings, dealing with

correspondence, developing our strategic relationships further and helping on the financial side with our English Heritage funding claims. I would like to pay particular tribute to John Murphy, who leaves us as a Committee member this year, and to thank him for all he has done in respect of the Trust's finances as our Treasurer, and in relation to the web-site. Filling the Treasurer's role will be a particular challenge this year.

Finally, I would like to thank our members for their support, the help and endorsement which they provide and their involvement with our activities and events. Berkshire Gardens Trust is a small, active and significant player on the Berkshire scene, and it has been a huge honour for me to have served as its Chairman for the year 2009-2010.

Dr Christina Hill Williams DL, Chairman

Secretary's Report

As the Trust develops, it is important that we develop and maintain relationships with key strategic players concerned with Berkshire's historic and otherwise significant, designed landscapes. The Trust therefore established contact with Berkshire's Mayors, Unitary Authorities and Town Councils, who all receive copies of the Trust's Newsletters. We have also started to contact elected Heritage Champions and key officials concerned with Berkshire's designed landscapes and associated heritage, conservation and planning issues.

We are very also very pleased to have had the opportunity to spread the word about what the Trust is doing and aiming to achieve, through speaking at and attending various occasions, including the Caversham Court Friends' AGM, Sonning & Sonning Eye annual summer lunch, the Wokingham Town Council Amenities Committee, the Pangbourne & District Community lunch and Bracknell Forest District Gardening Club.

Further afield, we are liaising actively with English Heritage South East Region, in particular the Landscape Architect team and the new Heritage Project Officer. These relationships will contribute to, and be informed by, our research project as this work progresses. Similarly, we are keeping in touch with the Association of Gardens Trusts and the Garden History Society, attending business meetings and networking events.

Membership

Our members are key to the success of the Berkshire Gardens Trust. In 2009/2010 we had just over a hundred individual members and five corporate members: West Berkshire Council, Sonning and Sonning Eye Society, Newbold College, Bucks, Berkshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust, and Windsor and Eton Society. All of our corporate members have joined again and other new bodies have expressed an interest. We have 75 individual members so far this year. We would like to thank all of you for supporting the work and activities of the BGT.

Planning

We continue to keep alert to any possible harm to parks and gardens in Berkshire as a result of new development, both within the garden and within their setting: for example where a valued landscape and designed view may be lost. Our resources to pursue planning matters are limited but we have already made contact with West Berkshire and Bracknell Forest Borough on a couple of planning proposals.

Winter Lecture

Richard Bisgrove, an international consultant and lecturer on the restoration and management of historic gardens, provided over 80 attendees with a fascinating and many-layered approach to the subject *What characterises a Jekyll garden?*. Food for thought indeed on a wet January evening at The Barn, Purley on Thames.

Garden Visits

The main event of the summer was the opening by Indra and David Townsend of their garden, Ingle Spring, to members and guests of the Trust on the 28th June.

A large number of members and guests enjoyed the afternoon in this delightful garden at the source of the River Ingle with teas served on the terrace and a poetry reading.

Indra gave a guided tour of the garden and here she is in her wild flower meadow talking about the wild orchids that have appeared in this area of the garden.



Research

Work has begun on compiling a list of the parks and gardens of Berkshire. Further work must be done to expand this list and gather information about the identified parks and garden. Criteria is being developed that will determine which of these parks and gardens will appear in the Gazetteer and what aspects of each park and garden will be described.

A group of volunteers have been established to assist on this project. A workshop was held at the Museum of English Rural Life for this group to discuss the scope of the project and also to become familiar with the resources that are held by MERL. A further workshop is planned for the Autumn that will draw on material held at the Berkshire Records Office.



Gazetteer Workshop at MERL

Website and Newsletter

While there is further work to be done, the Trust's website, which has been developed by John Murphy, is now up and running. It includes background and contact information about the Trust, its activities and events, as well as the Newsletter and a Blog provided by Liz Ware about bio-dynamic gardening.

There have been two Newsletters during this year in the Autumn and then the Spring. As well as accounts of key Trust activities and events, we are hoping to continue with the inclusion of articles by members and others who support the Trust's work.

Fiona Hope
Executive Secretary

Berkshire Gardens Trust

Company Number 6905541

Income & Expenditure Account up to 31 March 2010

<i>Income</i>	2009/10	2008/9	<i>Expenditure</i>	2009/10	2008/9
Subscriptions, Individual	£1,001.00	£954.00	Subscriptions, Refund		£6.00
Subscriptions, Corporate	£90.00	£150.00	AGT Affiliation	£140.00	£0.00
English Heritage Grants	£3,986.97	£0.00	Legal & Accounting costs	£369.25	£0.00
General Donations		£394.00	Administration		
			Website software	£64.98	£0.00
			Stationery	£255.32	
			Printing of Membership		£378.00
			Gazetteer Research	£126.62	
Events			Events		
AGM Englefield	£220.00		AGM Englefield	£1,195.57	
Visit - Ingle Spring	£264.00		Visit - Ingle Spring	£12.99	
Lecture - Jekyll - Bisgrove	£498.80		Lecture - Jekyll - Bisgrove	£237.82	
Repton Talk		£491.30	Repton Talk, Barn Hire		£45.00
Waltham Place Visit		£180.00	Waltham Place, Fee		£147.00
	<u>£6,060.77</u>	<u>£2,169.30</u>		<u>£2,402.55</u>	<u>£576.00</u>
Income for year	£6,060.77	£2,169.30			
Expenditure for year	<u>-£2,402.55</u>	<u>-£576.00</u>			
Balance surplus	<u>£3,658.22</u>	<u>£1,593.30</u>			

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2010

	2009/10	2008/9		2009/10	2008/9
Cash in Bank as at 31st March for year	£1,593.30	£0.00	Bank Statement 31st March for year	£5,241.72	£1,593.30
Balance surplus from Income and Expenditure	£3,658.22	£1,593.30	Assets (Wine)	£68.55	
Uncleared Cheque	£58.75				
	<u>£5,310.27</u>	<u>£1,593.30</u>		<u>£5,310.27</u>	<u>£1,593.30</u>

I have examined the books and records of the Berkshire Gardens Trust, from which these Accounts have been prepared, and in my opinion the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2010 and the Balance sheet as at that date show a true and fair view of the Trust's affairs.

Mr R Chudleigh Hon Examiner - April 2010

Treasurer  (John Murphy)

Chairman  (Dr Christina Hill Williams DL)

Berkshire Gardens Trust

Notes to the Accounts year 2009/2010

1. The overall position is very healthy with the bottom line figure increasing from £1,593.30 (2008/2009) to £5,310.27; this is largely as a result of English Heritage grants which are referred to in paragraphs 3 and 7 below.
2. Membership: for the year was 99 individual members and 5 corporate members; this does not correlate with the subscriptions received, £1,001.00 and £90.00 respectively as some subscriptions for this year were paid during the previous financial year.
3. English Heritage: the major proportion of this year's revenue was grants received from English Heritage. There were 3 grants; the first, £1,218.50, was a belated grant from the previous financial year. The second and third grants, £1,243.50 & £1,524.97, were for the first and second half years respectively; the last payment was based on an estimate figure and may be subject to adjustment.
4. Three events were held during the year:
 - (a) The Englefield AGM and official launch of the Trust; the overall cost of the event was £975.57. The accounts do show a payment in of £220.00 but this was a technical payment as money was withdrawn from the bank account for various payments prior to the event and that money not used, i.e. £220 was then paid back.
 - (b) The visit to Ingle Spring in June 2009 raised a total of £251.01 for the Trust.
 - (c) The November Jekyll lecture by Richard Bisgrove produced a further sum of £260.98. Some wine was left over and this has been treated as an asset of £68.55 in the accounts. This wine will, I am sure, be enjoyed at the AGM tonight.
5. Other expenditure in relation to income has been modest but necessary; the affiliation fee to the Association of Garden Trusts and the insurance it provides cost £140. A sum of £369.25 was paid for legal and accounting work for the process of forming the Trust into a company. Website software and stationery is self explanatory. There is one final payment for the Gazetteer research of £126.62. This is a figure which is bound to loom larger in future years as the project expands.

Other financial notes

6. As you are aware, the Trust was formed into a company as a result of much work by Rod Stubblefield. Following this, Ben Viljoen, pursuing HM Revenue and Customs, has managed to have the Trust accepted as a charity for tax purposes. This will be a great benefit as we are now exempt from paying corporation tax on income. A further benefit to the Trust is that we are now eligible to claim repayment for gift aid payments; more information will follow during the year with an appropriate form for you to register your subscriptions as gift aid, and we would encourage you to do this.
7. Over two thirds (£2,692) of the payments received from English Heritage is for the work that the committee and volunteers have done for the Trust. This is costed at rates that we agree with English Heritage and the Trust then claims back 50% of the total sum. Similarly, 50% of all actual purchases are also claimed back.
8. I would like to pass the Committee's thanks to Mr. Ron Chudleigh, who examined the accounts for the year, and I am pleased to say he has agreed to do the same for this financial year.

John Murphy
Treasurer



TRUST INFORMATION

President: Lady Wroughton

2009/2010 Committee

Chairman	Dr Christina Hill Williams DL
Vice-Chairman	Ben Viljoen
Executive Secretary	Fiona Hope
Treasurer	John Murphy
Membership	Bettina Kirkham
Other Committee Members	Indra Townsend & Rod Stubblefield

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**Minutes of Berkshire Gardens Trust First AGM held at Englefield House,
3.15pm on 23rd July 2009**

1. Welcome & Introductions, Dr. Christina Hill Williams, DL, Chairman of BGT

The AGM was attended by 38 members. Chairman welcomed members and thanked English Heritage, Englefield and Waitrose for their support of the event. Ben Viljoen, Vice-Chairman, then advised those present about emergency exits and associated information.

2. Apologies for Absence

The Chairman read out the list of apologies (see back page) received by the Trust, referring in particular to Lady Wroughton, President of the Berkshire Gardens Trust.

3. Formal Business

i) Chairman's Report, Dr. Christina Hill Williams

The text of the report was provided to those attending as part of a bound set of AGM & Launch papers. The Chairman referred briefly to her Chairman's Report within the AGM & Launch papers, highlighting key stages in the development and initial activities of the Berkshire Garden Trust (BGT/the Trust), over the last 18 months since its inaugural meeting. She then thanked the BGT committee and members for their support and stressed that the Trust should be seen as complementary to local horticultural and heritage groups. She also thanked both English Heritage and the Berkshire Community Foundation for their Capacity Building and Membership Pamphlet grants, as well as the National Trust for allowing BGT to hold its first two meetings free of charge at Basildon Park.

ii) Introduction to BGT Constitution, Rodney Stubblefield

The reason for this meeting being effectively an informal AGM was explained with reference to the fact that the Trust was only incorporated as a company limited by guarantee in May 2009. This is the first step towards registering the Trust as a charity, which currently requires a certain level of turnover. This approach is also recommended by the Association of Gardens Trusts, which BGT is a member of and which provides insurance cover for its events and activities. The founding BGT committee members are Directors of the company, which has so far been funded by grants, membership subscriptions and private donations. The Trust will be required to have a formal AGM and formally audited accounts within 18 months of its incorporation.

iii) Presentation and Approval of BGT Accounts, Fiona Hope

Fiona referred to the summary of accounts and associated report within the AGM & Launch Papers. The Trust currently has just over £3,000 income after allowing for committed expenditure associated with the formation of the limited liability company and the Englefield AGM & Launch event.

Membership is a very important source of income and the Trust is very appreciative to all its members, especially those who have renewed by Standing Order which reduces Trust administration. About 60% of those members due to renew for 2009/10 have now done so. In future, the Trust will need to consider options for earning interest on its income.

There was a query about the English Heritage grant which does not appear in the audited accounts for 2008/9 as the first instalment of £1, 218.50 was received in the 2009/10 financial year. The total grant is for up to £10,000 over 3 years, subject to acceptable claims being submitted by BGT. Ben Viljoen also clarified that the accounts allow for contributions in kind in terms of time committed for meetings by the committee to reflect the Trust's first grant claim submission to English Heritage.

Rodney Stubblefield proposed that the accounts be accepted, seconded by John Murphy and the meeting approved the accounts as presented to them on page 3 of AGM & Launch booklet. The new Joint Membership category was also agreed for future introduction by the Trust.

iv) Election of Committee, Dr. Christina Hill Williams

Dr. Hill Williams introduced the individual committee members referred to in the Chairman's Report and thanked Liz Ware, who is standing down for professional reasons, for all her help in setting up the Trust. She then drew attention to the biographies of those prepared to stand for election to the BGT committee, in particular new committee members Bettina Kirkham and John Murphy and thanked Anna Newton for her offer of help with surveying activities for the Trust's proposed Gazetteer.

Kate Harwood proposed and Heather Skinner seconded, election of the committee as follows: Dr. Christina Hill Williams as Chairman, Ben Viljoen as Vice-Chairman, Fiona Hope as Executive Secretary and Bettina Kirkham, John Murphy, Rod Stubblefield, Indra Townsend and Christine Weightman as committee members.

v) Appointment of Treasurer/ Auditor, Ben Viljoen

Ben invited members to propose suitable candidates for these roles and thanked John Weightman for kindly agreeing to audit the accounts this year.

4. Any Other Business

- (i) Fiona Hope stressed the unique contribution of BGT was historically oriented activities, eg lectures, visits, exhibitions etc. relating to designed landscapes.
- (ii) Joanna Matthews, AGT Council and Secretary Oxfordshire Gardens Trust, offered support and advice on research activity for the gazetteer.

Fiona Hope, Executive Secretary, 5th August 2009

Launch of the Berkshire Gardens Trust First at Englefield House, 4pm on 23rd July 2009

1. Welcome & Introductions, Dr. Christina Hill Williams, DL, Chairman of BGT

The Launch was attended by over 80 members and guests. The Chairman welcomed the Lord Lieutenant of Berkshire, The Hon Mrs Bayliss, who is an individual member of the BGT, the Mayors of Bracknell Forest, Hungerford, the Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead, Slough, the Chair and Deputy Chair of West Berkshire Council, the Heritage Champion of Wokingham representing the Mayor of Wokingham and the Constable of Hungerford, as well as Gilly Drummond, DL, OBE, President of the Association of Gardens Trusts, Nigel Barker, Head of Regional Partnerships in English Heritage, the Berkshire Organisers for the National Garden Scheme and Red Cross Gardens, the Reading Civic Society and other guests. She then commented on the variety of designed landscapes across Berkshire, with examples from each of the 6 unitary authorities represented. She also stressed that the Trust aimed to contribute to the diversity of Berkshire's garden heritage by progressing the various objectives set out in its membership pamphlet.

2. Apologies for Absence

These were not repeated at this stage.

3. Speeches

The Chairman invited Nigel Barker from English Heritage to say a few words prior to the formal speeches (see the BGT Press Release in the AGM & Launch papers).

i) Dr. Christina Hill Williams, DL, Chairman of BGT

The Chairman drew attention to her The Genesis of the Berkshire Gardens Trust paper included within the AGM & Launch papers. She emphasised that the Trust is "the last piece in the jigsaw", a phrase coined by committee member Christine Weightman and illustrated the Trust's activities to date, including a guided garden visit to Waltham Place (September 2008), a lecture on Humphry Repton (January 2009), and in June 2009, an informal garden party at Ingle Spring garden hosted by Indra and David Townsend and the Trust's presence at the Museum of English Rural Life's current *Grow Your Own* exhibition and West Woodhay's *House & Garden Show*. Gilly Drummond, DL, OBE

Gilly welcomed the launch of the Berkshire Gardens Trust as a significant milestone, some 25 years after the initiation of the Association of Gardens Trusts, with Hampshire Gardens Trust as a charitable trust. She referred to the growing concerns of County Councils in the 1970s in relation to the high value of the parks and gardens entrusted to their care versus the development pressures they faced and the contribution of the Manpower Commission projects. Stressing

that for many parks and gardens are the most accessible part of heritage for most of the population, Gilly emphasised the importance of participation and contribution by the public and friends groups as well as County Gardens Trusts to ensuring the future of such designed landscapes. She then used examples from Hampshire to illustrate how County Gardens Trusts can contribute to awareness about the history, development and wellbeing of parks and gardens for the benefit of different segments of the community from schools to diverse cultural groups, using only '4 weapons': tact, persuasion, good reasons and good contacts, to harness regional and local interest as an enabling tool in planning and conservation matters. As a Parks & Gardens Commissioner for English Heritage, Gilly also underlined the crucial role which volunteers and appropriate projects can play in helping to nurture a 'sense of place and community' and to build bridges between different cultures. She concluded with an appeal to Berkshire's Unitary Authorities to "create opportunities" for the Berkshire Gardens Trust as it started its work on a gazetteer and associated projects, referring to how this work would become part of the UK wide Parks & Gardens Database, the "Pevsner" of the world of parks and gardens, hosted at the University of York, for the future benefit of all.

4. Toast to BGT

The Chairman thanked Gilly Drummond for her stimulating speech, thanked everyone again for coming and invited them to raise their glasses to the Berkshire Gardens Trust, to enjoy refreshments and to take the opportunity to visit the Englefield House gardens.

Fiona Hope, Executive Secretary, 5th August 2009

Apologies Received (2009 AGM & Launch)

Lady Wroughton

Members

Richard Benyon, MP
Richard Bisgrove
Stuart Errington, DL
Marilyn Grundrill
Beryl Hedges
David Kiggell
Amanda Martin
John Nike

Deborah Puxley
Iona Peile
Diana Ross
Ros Stephenson
Catherine Stevenson
Helen Tranter
Dorothy Viljoen
John Weightman

Invited Visitors

The Right Honourable Theresa May, MP
The Right Honourable John Redwood, MP
Adam Afriyie, MP
Rob Wilson, MP
Councillor Barrie Patman, (Mayor of Wokingham)
Elizabeth Long (Windsor & Maidenhead)
Joanne Stokes & David Bolam (Berkshire Community Foundation)
Dominic Cole & Robert Peel (Garden History Society)
Ian Hodgson (*The Garden*)
Gillian Mawrey (*The Historic Gardens Foundation*)
Nicholas Hunloke & Ilse Ashurst (Wiltshire GT)
Mike Hall, Chair and Jane Hurrell (Hampshire GT)
Christopher Mellulish (Hertfordshire GT)
Annette Haworth
Jenny Stubblefield