

THE PUBLIC PARKS CRISIS Training Day, 26th April 2018

Organised by The Gardens Trust's Historic Landscape Project



**Abington Park Museum,
Park Avenue South,
Northampton, NN1 5LW**

*Open to CGT and GT members and
external heritage organisations*

Public Parks are suffering due to severe funding cuts during this period of austerity. Learn how the crisis came about, how parks have been affected and what your CGT can do to help to protect your local parks. Speakers will include David Lambert, director of the Parks Agency and Gardens Trust Board Member; and Katy Layton-Jones, of the University of Leicester. Together, David and Katy have provided evidence to the House of Commons Select Committee inquiry into the future of public parks and produced the Gardens Trust's accompanying report, *Uncertain Prospects*.

Programme

- 10.30 *Registration, tea and coffee*
- 10.50 *Welcome, Tamsin McMillan, Historic Landscape Project*
- 11.00 *Background to the crisis, David Lambert, The Parks Agency and GT Trustee*
11.30 *Discussion*
- 11.40 *The Current Crisis and the Gardens Trust's Response, Katy Layton-Jones - School of
Historical Studies, University of Leicester*
- 12.10 *Discussion*
- 12.30 *Lunch*
- 13.30 *Guided Tour of Abington Park, led by the Friends of Abington Park*
- 14.30 *The Heritage at Risk Register and Public Parks, Erika Diaz Petersen, Heritage at Risk
Landscape Architect, East Midlands, Historic England*
- 15.00 *Round-up: how County Gardens Trusts can help*
15.30 *Discussion*
- 16.00-16.30 *Tea and close*

Tickets free for CGT/Gardens Trust members, with a suggested donation of £7 towards lunchtime catering; £40 for non-members (with one year's membership of the Gardens Trust included), payable at event registration. Please email tamsinmcmillan@thegardenstrust.org to reserve a place.