Know It, Love It: Your Mission, Our Mission!
Who Am I?

Twigs Way (yes I know . . . but it really is my name its just a co-incidence!)

I am a garden historian - or more accurately a consultant in historic designed landscapes!

I am working with you on behalf of the Gardens Trust and the Land of the Fanns

I will be with you at all of the workshops and sites and will deliver all of the training and support

My email is twigsway@me.com if you have troubles or queries during the project
Who Are You?
What Is Our Mission for Land of the Fanns?

Land of the Fanns’
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Interested in teaming up with other local people on a training and research project?
Intrigued about garden designers Capability Brown and Humphrey Repton and the local landscapes they made?
Want to help save your local landscapes for the future?

PROJECT STARTS SEPTEMBER runs until November 2019, with further volunteering opportunities.
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Land of the Fanns’
KNOW IT, LOVE IT project

Our local parks and green spaces are special places for so many people - full of childhood memories, happy dog walks and family picnics.

But have you ever wondered why trees were planted where they are? Why the paths take such a long route? What makes your favourite view so beautiful? How the landscape you enjoy today came to exist?

HOW TO GET INVOLVED
We are looking for participants for four training sessions to learn to research and record historic landscapes, and to use this work to help save your local heritage for the future.

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THE GARDENS TRUST
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The Land of the Fanns Landscape Partnership Scheme is a 5 year programme seeking to restore, discover and celebrate one of the last remaining landscapes of London and Essex as it once was.

This workshop provided by the Gardens Trust is part of the Land of the Fanns’ Know It, Love It Project.

The Project is training local volunteers to understand the significance historic designed landscapes and then help conserve them through a supported programme of surveying and recording.

You will learn how to research, record, survey on site, and write up!
Who Is (are?) The Gardens Trust?

- **The Gardens Trust** - Research, Conserve, Campaign

- Journal, events, conservation, network.

- 36 County Gardens Trusts, including Essex Gardens Trust, and London Parks & Gardens Trust. (8,000 members!)
Why Are We All Here?

• The Land of the Fanns team asked the Gardens Trust to bring together and train local people to

  • **RECOGNISE** the features of a historic designed landscape (park/garden) as you walk around it,

  • **RESEARCH** historic parks and gardens using archives etc,

  • **RECORD** what you discover (and the state of the parks and gardens and their features)
• You will also learn to write up your knowledge into something called a **Statement of Significance**, which is a critical tool in conservation.

• All these skills will enable you to help **recognise, protect and conserve** historic landscapes and keep them **safe** from threats for the future.

After the workshops and training we hope to survey and record 55 features across the Land of the Fanns historic landscapes!!
Where Are We Going?

Thorndon

Warley Place

Belhus

Dagnam

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Where Are We Going?
Each site will be different

- **Stubbers**: Famous for its 17thC occupant William Coys, the botanist; and for its later Humphry Repton work.

- **Thorndon (Brentwood)** - Remains of C16 Old Hall and its landscape, remains of C18 New Hall and its Capability Brown landscape. Grade II*

- **Belhus** (S. Ockendon)- Remains of C18 Capability Brown landscape split by motorway and partly within a golf course! Grade II

- **Dagnam (Havering)** - Humphry Repton landscape. Local Importance

- **Warley Place** (Brentwood) - Remains of iconic Edwardian garden by plantsperson Ellen Willmott Grade II

- Brown and Repton are both important and prolific landscape designers - iconic British figures.
Once you have had fun on the workshop and training days . . .

we hope you will decide to help us with surveying features of all periods and types in more local historic parks and gardens in the Land of the Fanns area, between now and the end of 2021.

I will also be around to help with that.
• We are not asking you to become expert garden historians and researchers in these short workshops! (that comes after you are hooked!).

• What we need are ‘feature based’ surveys of what’s on the ground, what survives, and what needs help!

• And succinct summaries of what’s really important about the features for everyone - most especially LOCAL PEOPLE!. These are called Statements of Significance!
• To get more background and history on each site in advance, (and LOTS of other sites in Essex and beyond) you can also look at the website of parksandgardens.co.uk

• You will also be given handouts on each site in advance when you come to the next workshop at the Essex Record Office on 17th September!
Want to Know More About The Gardens Trust?

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As we go along training handouts and information will also be loaded onto a special area of the Gardens Trust website ‘Resources Hub’ so be prepared!
There are also lots of other ‘bodies’ and sources you will get to know:

Just to help you your file has handout on ‘Acronyms’ for these:

In a future Session we will also have a handout on websites to look at!