



The National Heritage List for England https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/ is a register of all nationally protected historic buildings and sites in England - listed buildings, scheduled monuments, protected wrecks, registered parks and gardens, and battlefields.

Within the list, gardens, parkland, cemeteries, public parks and institutional landscapes created for hospitals, asylums and even 20<sup>th</sup> century university campuses (such as The Vale at Edgbaston) are all included on the Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest.

## Examples are:

Stowe, Buckinghamshire (Grade I RPG [Registered Park or Garden]) – 18<sup>th</sup> century landscape

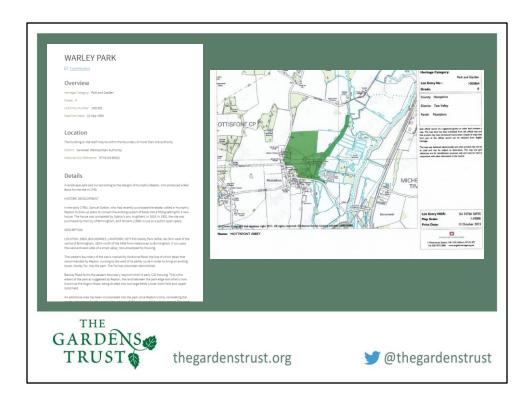
Hill Close Gardens, Warwick (Grade II\* RPG - group of early C19 detached town gardens)

London Road Cemetery, Coventry (Grade I RPG - Joseph Paxton, 1847; v early example of a municipal cemetery)

What can you do if you spot an error in the List entry? Minor errors include:

Spelling errors
Wrong location on map
address changes

Factual errors e.g. dates, that don't affect the significance If you wish to apply for a minor amendment to be made to a List entry, there is a correction procedure in place. Requests for minor amendments can be submitted by email to <a href="minoramendmentstothelist@HistoricEngland.org.uk">minoramendmentstothelist@HistoricEngland.org.uk</a>. More information about what constitutes a minor amendment can be found at <a href="https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/minor-amendments/">https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/minor-amendments/</a>



Here's an example of part of a Register entry you could find by searching the National Heritage List.



If you want to share your knowledge about an historic place you can do this through Historic England's Enriching the List: a virtual volunteering project that enables users of the National Heritage List for England (NHLE) to share their knowledge and photos of listed buildings and other protected heritage sites on The List.

More information on how to do this and what you can include can be found at

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You can see that, for Warley Park, extra information in the form of photos and an historic aerial photograph has been added.



There are a number of reasons why it's useful for people to make contributions to the List:

- It isn't illustrated
- Older descriptions, particularly for Listed Buildings, are brief and sometimes not fit for purpose
- HE doesn't have the resources to go through and update every entry
- Tapping into the vast resources of knowledge, beyond HE
- A commitment to collaborative working

Enriching the List also helps to make the NHLE into a modern and updateable website, not just a data delivery mechanism.

And it also makes the list more accessible and interesting to a wider range of people. During the recent Humphry Repton bicentenary celebrations, it was noted that 130 Registered parks and gardens on the List mentioned a Repton connection and it's really pleasing to see that, of these, 60 have had content added via Enriching the List.



Here are a few examples of contributions made via ETL: An historic postcard of Wanstead Park, added by the HE archive



A written contribution for Cobham Hall, referencing an archived letter.



Some current photos of Russell Square



And some personal recollections of Pryor House

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Registering to contribute is really straightforward. Complete the Heritage Passport form - a standard registration process which takes a few minutes. Or your County Gardens Trust can have a group account which HE can help set up.

Do remember to include your CGT's name to your entry if you are adding any of their research as an individual, rather than a group, as this is really good publicity for your Trust.

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