



The Wavertree Society

Caring for Wavertree - Past, Present and Future

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We are pleased to announce a number of exciting events

**Our next meeting will be held on Sunday 8th September 2024
At The Wavertree Garden Suburb Institute, Thingwall Road, L15 7JX. From 2-4pm.**
All welcome and admission is free, donations gratefully accepted.

**Leading horticulturist Steve Lyus will talk about the
*History of the Liverpool City Botanical Collection***



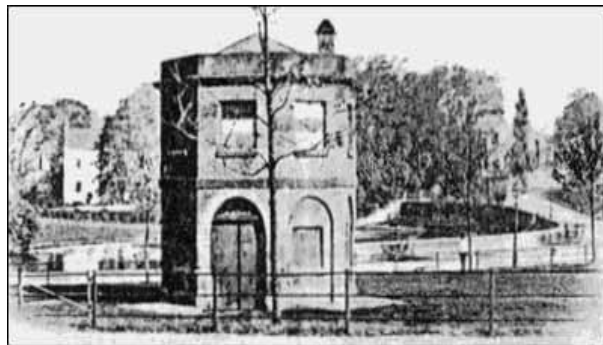
Liverpool Botanic Garden has resided in several locations over the last 220 years. From Mount Pleasant to Wavertree, Harthill and Croxteth via Garston, this story is a real rollercoaster from excellence to mediocrity and back again three times!

On Sunday **15th September** we are participating in the annual National Heritage Open Day, when once again we will have our famous Lock Up open to the public.

This is a constantly popular event when hundreds of people, both local residents and visitors who come to see what is inside the Lock Up. We are part of a city and nation wide event.



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The following Sunday, **22nd September** will see us taking part in the Wavertree High Street Car Free Day. This is being organised by **Love Wavertree** and other local groups including ourselves and the City Council to promote healthy living and Wellbeing. The top part of the High Street will be closed from 9am-4pm on the day. There will be community and private stalls, food, entertainment and music throughout the day. To get the High Street closed, even for this short period is a major achievement by the City Council and is the only place in the city where it is happening.

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THE WAVERTREE SOCIETY

Aims to **IMPROVE** local amenities and to **PROTECT** the local environment and architectural heritage, especially within the Wavertree Village and Wavertree Garden Suburb Conservation Areas.

WEBSITE NEWS

Unfortunately at present we still do not have access to updating our **old** website in order to make changes, nor to our online PayPal account, hence payment by cheque. Bank transfer and new PayPal availability coming soon. Please visit our new website via google for updates
www.thewavertreesociety.uk



We had a wonderful day in May for the unveiling of the George Harrison plaque, when hundreds attended the ceremony, not forgetting the national dignitaries, national press and most importantly Olivia Harrison who flew in from the United States. Olivia spoke most movingly about how much Arnold Grove meant to George and his upbringing. Indeed when Olivia and George wanted some secrecy, George would sign in as Mr and Mrs Arnold Grove! The well known national TV journalist Samir Ahmed, who is part of the National Blue Plaque committee, also spoke about how George's music influenced the wider world of music. His passion for traditional Indian music being prominent. Is it a case of from rags to raga? It was truly a memorable day for

Wavertree.

Following on from the historic day we now have permission from the landlords of the BetFred shop on the High Street which has a side wall facing the High Street and the alley way leading to Arnold Grove, to produce a quality George Harrison mural. We are now investigating the costs, planning permission and suitable artist to do justice to our famous son. Planning permission is proving harder to achieve than first thought!!

ROSE GARDEN NEWS

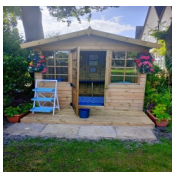
We have funded the repair and restoration of the garden's metal bench. Many thanks to **Neal Davies Fabrication**, for this. **Clomac Ltd** Picton Works, Wellington Road have kindly provided free of charge a replacement circular tree bench.

The garden is looking in excellent condition thanks to all the volunteers who look after it.



It is pleasing to report that our coach outing to Halifax was equal to any of our previous day's out visiting various towns with historic and architectural interest. Our friends from The Halifax Civic Trust did us proud, showing us and explaining some of their most interesting sites, including Dean Clough, the town centre, the Minster and the famous Peace Hall. So much to take in in just a few hours! We hope we can reciprocate and show their members around Wavertree in the near future.

WAVERTREE GARDEN SUBURB NEWS



It is pleasing to report that a brand new summer house has been installed in the grounds of the Institute, this together with the array of flowers and plants in the garden now make the Institute an attractive place to stop by.

The Thingwall Bowling Club

(Entrance opposite Westway (Between 119 and 121 Thingwall Road) have undertaken major renovation work on the pavilion and the bowling green, the whole area is looking in tip top condition. They are looking for new members to join the club, what better way to spend time outdoors enhancing or learning your bowling skills in a friendly and welcoming atmosphere.

Ring Pam Tinnion 07762 099798 for joining details.

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We have just had produced a 3D model, made from a plant based plastic, of our famous Lock Up. They come in two sizes 115mm high, £7.50 and 140mm High, £9.00.

We will take pre-orders at our events and eventually on our website.

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