



Green Heritage Challenge – Central London

CLUE 1

A fountain was erected in Parliament Square in 1865-6, possibly in connection with the abolition of slavery in America at that date. It is thought that Charles Buxton took over the project from the Metropolitan Drinking Fountain Association, which, since its inception in 1859, had wished to build 'a costly and handsome fountain in Palace Yard'. Eight metal figures of British rulers have twice disappeared from the eaves of this octagonal memorial. Where is it now?

Answer:

CLUE 2

In the 1940's there was bomb damage that destroyed two trees and part of the embankment wall close to the Palace of Westminster. You will find the spot either by looking across the river or looking for younger trees. Can you see the repair?

Answer:

CLUE 3

In 1912 Mr Henry Gage Spicer, a local paper merchant and philanthropist, donated money for a drinking fountain in the Gardens for the benefit of the children. Office of Work's First Commissioner proposed something rather special - that a drinking fountain which could be accompanied by a small children's playground, like the sandpit in St James's Park. Find the fountain!

Answer:

CLUE 4

In October 1928 Lambeth Bridge looked very different, it was replaced with the current bridge in 1929-32 but what did it look like? Can you find anything similar in the Gardens?

Answer:

CLUE 5

The name of the road that runs alongside the Gardens give a clue to the history of the place. In 1513 there are records of a crossing between Millbank and Lambeth Palace but how did people cross the river back then? Can you find something in the Gardens that represents this?

Answer:

CLUE 6

This statue was the work of painter and sculptor A G Walker, but after the Royal Fine Arts Commission criticised his proposed plinth, this was redesigned by the eminent architect Sir Herbert Baker. This memorial was unveiled in 1930 but was unveiled again in 1959 when a low curved Portland stone wall was built to flank the statue following the death of the commemorated person's daughter. Which memorial is this?

Answer:

Find it, photograph it, share it

Instructions can be found on the London Parks & Gardens Trust Website

<http://londongardenstrust.org/ghc/> with the Terms & Conditions of entering the Challenge.



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