

Sheffield General Cemetery.

The UK is world renowned for its historic designed gardens and cemeteries.

We want to fund projects that help to restore these special places, engage people with natural heritage and improve habitats for nature.

Using money raised by National Lottery players, we provide grants from £10,000 up to £10million to support heritage projects across the UK.

Our funding could help you to:

- help conserve historic structures or recreate lost features
- help historic gardens improve their biodiversity
- restore historic cemeteries including repairing listed monuments and helping people to appreciate their history
- help celebrate and raise awareness of garden designers
- provide training and apprenticeships in heritage horticultural skills
- help people to identify, record and learn about historic gardens

We've funded a range of projects saving the UK's historic gardens and cemeteries including:

A garden with purple flowers and a path leading to a thatched cottage

The gardens at Great Dixter in East Sussex.

- Florence Court, Northern Ireland – restoring the 1930s kitchen garden of this countryside estate
- Sheffield General Cemetery, South Yorkshire – one of the most complete examples of a garden cemetery in the UK
- National Trust gardens – a collaboration with Sense to help people with disabilities connect with nature
- South Cliff Gardens, North Yorkshire – restoring the 200-year-old coastal gardens to their former glory
- the Botanical Gardens of Belfast and Edinburgh
- the National Botanical Gardens of Wales and Kew in London

Key things to read

- Our guidance on environmental sustainability
- Explore more gardens projects we've recently funded



Historic gardens are on the frontline of climate change with severe weather shifts affecting all aspects of designed landscapes. Credit: Chiswick House and Gardens © Chris Gorman, Big Ladder Photography, August 2026.



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The Wellbeing Garden is one of the many spaces with improved accessibility at RHS Garden Wisley. Photo: Helen Yates. Courtesy of RHS Garden Wisley.



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Environmental sustainability good practice guidance