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All Residents

From:

Lady Marshall

MONTEPELIER SQUARE GARDEN REPORT JANUARY 1994 - JANUARY 1995

A regular schedule of garden maintenance has now been established and this was continued throughout 1994.

The only major additional work was the removal of the robinia tree in the NW corner which had died in the early Summer. A malus planted two years ago in the same area should suffice as the replacement tree. Other trees in the Square were checked at the same time and low, overhanging branches were trimmed as necessary.

It was decided to remove the very old lilac in the same corner which had become mis-shapen, was deteriorating and failed to respond to pruning. It was replaced by a young lilac of similar colour and two existing shrubs were moved to utilise better the space available.

At the AGM it was agreed that the railings be repainted. This was not done but when the work is undertaken there will inevitably be damage to the hedge which is at present growing and thickening well.

The contractors have continued to give good, reliable service. The sprinkler system worked satisfactorily throughout the Summer months.

Again we are indebted to Mrs Mackay-Lewis for her time spent making decorations and helping to decorate the Christmas tree which was particularly fine this year and much admired. Eighty-five residents had planned to join the Carol Singing in the Square but unfortunately a very wet evening considerably reduced the number attending. Approximately £125 was collected for The Salvation Army who were most grateful.

The garden is in good condition and given favourable weather conditions and care should produce pleasing results in 1995.