

Regency Square garden

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Regency Square garden 1911



Regency Square garden 1933



Regency Square garden 1967

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Regency Square roof garden

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Regency Square garden 1971

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Regency Square garden – site challenges

- **Exposed to sea wind**
 - *Ditto all seafront gardens*
- **Shallow soil**
 - *Ditto all parks and gardens on chalk hills/cliffs*
- **Underlying 'geology' is concrete slab**
 - *Unique to Regency Square*





Regency Square garden – site challenges

- **Exposed to sea wind**
- **Shallow soil**
- **Underlying ‘geology’ is concrete slab**
- **Increased incidence of heatwaves**
 - *England since WW2: 1955, 1976, 1983, 1990, 1995, 2003, 2006, 2011, 2013, and every year 2015-2022*

July 2020



Two borders re-planted 2021



Regency Square garden – planting challenges

- **Exposed to sea wind**
- **Shallow soil**
- **Underlying ‘geology’ is concrete slab**
- **Heatwaves**

- **No on site water supply**
 - *Ditto all B&H garden squares*

Summer 2022



May 2023



Regency Square garden – planting challenges

- **Weather**
 - **Sea wind**
 - **Heatwaves**
- **Water**
 - **No on site supply**
- **Shallow soil**
- **Underlying ‘geology’ is concrete slab**
- **Volunteer capabilities**