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Midland Bank Griffins, Hexagons & Horizons Newsletter

Hello

Thank you for taking the time to read the 84th edition of this monthly newsletter.

We often receive feedback from our members who have friends and colleagues who prefer not to use social media but would really love to enjoy the happy nostalgic memories and reconnections that many of us get to experience.

The Griffins and Hexagons website, along with the monthly newsletters, are some of the ways we make this happen. We do this by sharing nostalgic stories and photos from social media, bringing you the latest updates from our friends at Horizons and appreciating the current and previous service of our friends and colleagues.

Please feel free to contact Anne and myself by email at midlandbankgriffins@gmail.com



Martin Ridley

Facebook Group Admin

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When I restarted the gallery two months ago I had hoped that the encouragement I had been hearing from the membership would garner a significant response by way of submitted photographs.

I am quite disappointed that only just over 50 pictures were received for the first of the new themes, *The British Coast*. Given that each submission could comprise two images, it is not difficult to work out that a very small number of members responded.

Nonetheless, thank you to those who contributed.

With the next theme, I very much hope that the response will improve, so please dig out your pictures and cameras and get snapping. The next theme will run from 1st June to 31 July 2026 and is entitled:

CITIES ABROAD

I know Horizoners are a well travelled lot and have been to many places around the world. I am looking for those iconic pictures of cities and towns abroad, ancient and modern, that your travels have taken you to. In addition, please try to select a picture that has photographic merit, as in composition, framing, focus, lighting and all those other elements that make for good photographs.

You can use this as a practice run for the Horizons Photographic competition which will return later in the summer, if we don't all expire from the heat first. More on the competition in a couple of months.

Please ensure that you adhere strictly to the rules of the Gallery which can be found on the Horizons platform under Opportunities. Photographs that break the rules simply will not be accepted for the Gallery.

I look forward to receiving your photographs in large numbers! If you do not wish to contribute, you can nonetheless visit the Photo Galley to see all the images sent in by your fellow members.

Again click on Opportunities on the platform for the link.

Kind Regards,

Richard Hunt

Horizons' Website Administrator

All replies and photographs are to be sent to:

photogallery@horizonsmail.co.uk



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A successful return visit to Tiverton Castle and the adjacent Grade 1 listed St Peter's Church by members from Bristol, Devon & Plymouth Centres. We enjoyed a talk by a church warden and a comprehensive tour of the Castle, gardens and home of the current owners Alison and Angus Gordon.

Alison is a very entertaining and lively tour guide with a droll sense of humour, despite being in her eighties.

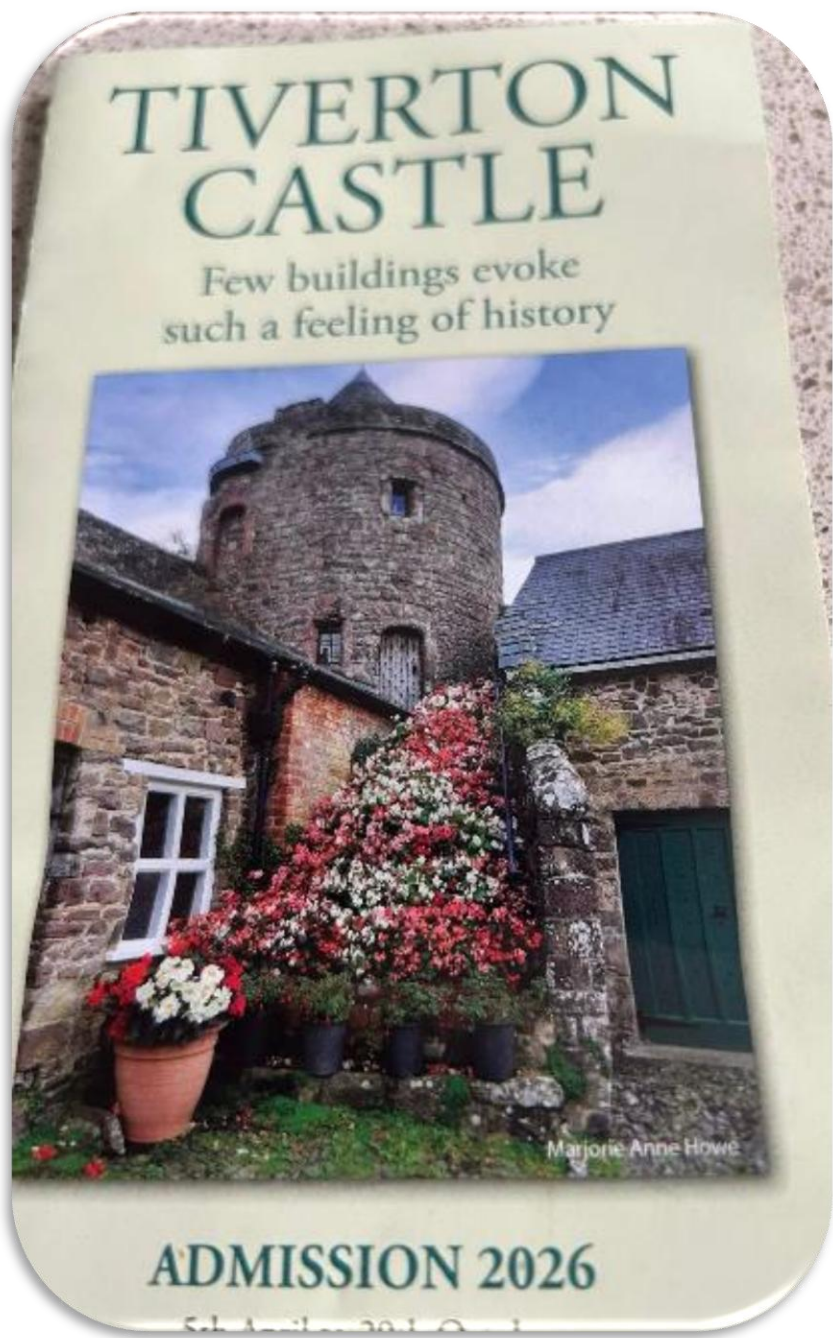
The Castle was originally built as a motte and bailey castle in 1106 by Richard de Redvers on orders of Henry 1. When the de Redvers line died out in 1293 they were succeeded by the Courtenay's who rebuilt an enlarged castle in stone.

Our tour was followed by a Cream Tea in the dining room - with no arguments about jam or cream first!

The Devon drizzle held off long enough for members to also enjoy a stroll around the gardens after their tea.

Kindly shared by Joanne Uden

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Well what a lucky day 21 of our members had today. We did our first of our 2 trips to Sky Gardens at 11am in the City of London. All 21 of us got into the same lift to the 35th floor, just to prove the lift could take 21 persons.

The staff couldn't stop laughing when we all just kept coming out of the lift.



The weather could not have been better. Lovely and sunny and Tower Bridge even opened for us, to let a cruiser through.

Took the obligatory photo of 8CS HSBC Tower.

We had fabulous views, a cheeky Aperol Spritz or coffee, and then back to earth.

Roll on next Monday 18th for trip no. 2.

Kindly shared by Anne Hudson

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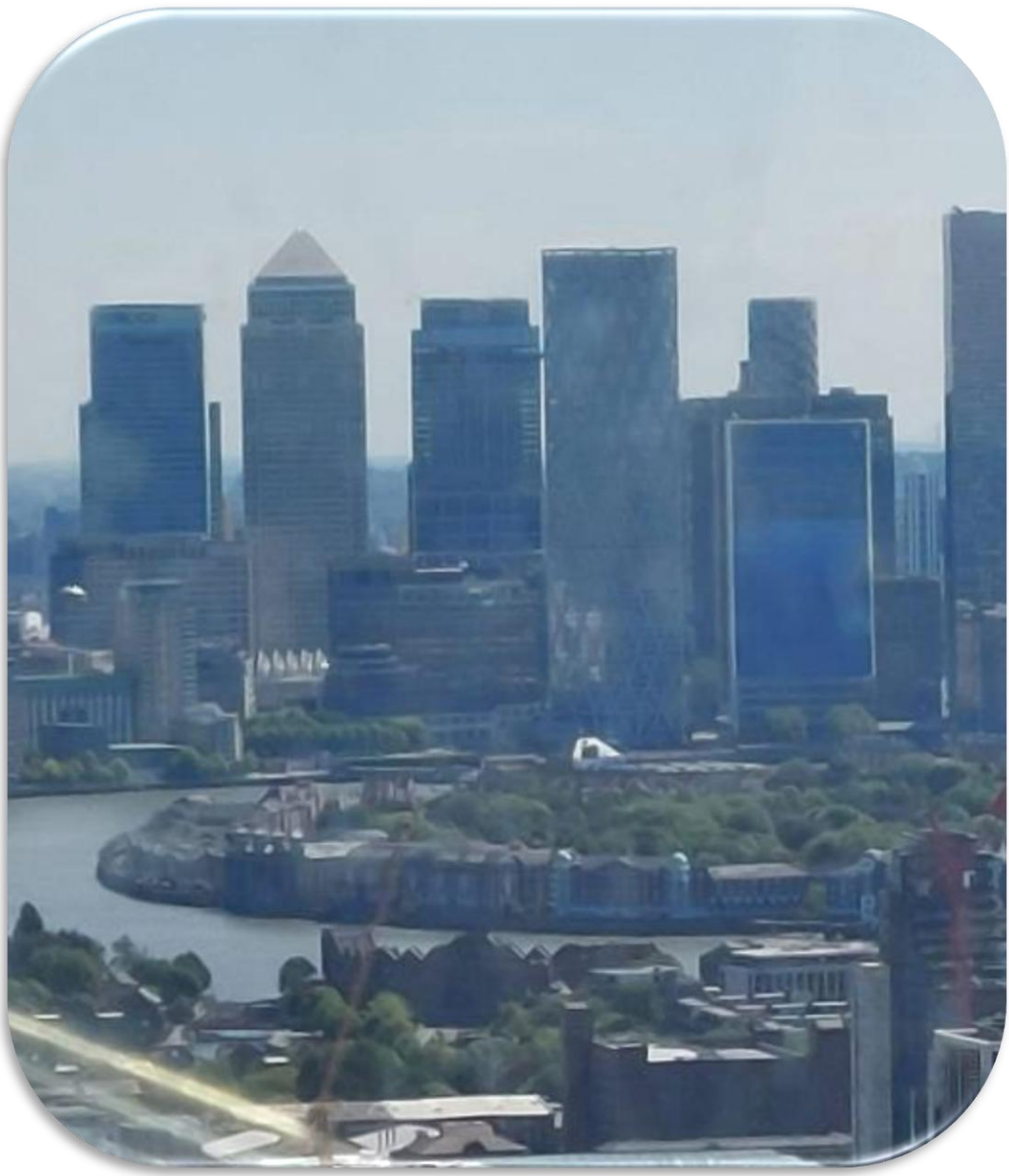
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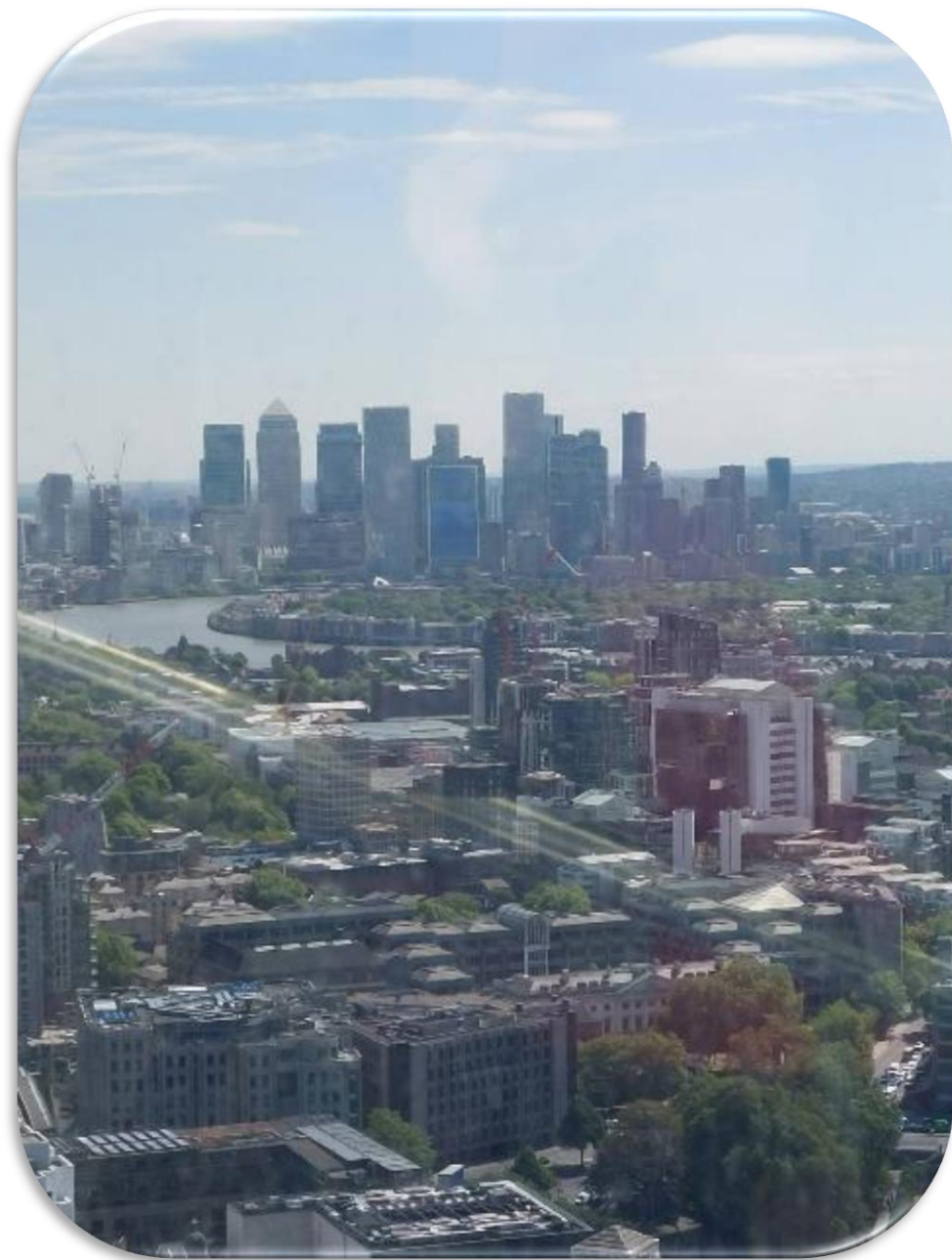
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Our 2nd visit to Sky Gardens took place yesterday with another 10 members. Although the weather was not as good as last week, we did have blue sky and lots of fun.

Afterwards we popped down to Leadenhall Market, which has lots of yummy eateries.

Photos attached are of Battersea Power Station, Strata (a residential block with integrated wind turbine), The Shard, Tate Modern, Millennium Bridge & The London Eye, Poultry & Princes St (now The Ned), Oblix & Olympic Stadium, The Gherkin and The Monument.

Kindly shared by Anne Hudson

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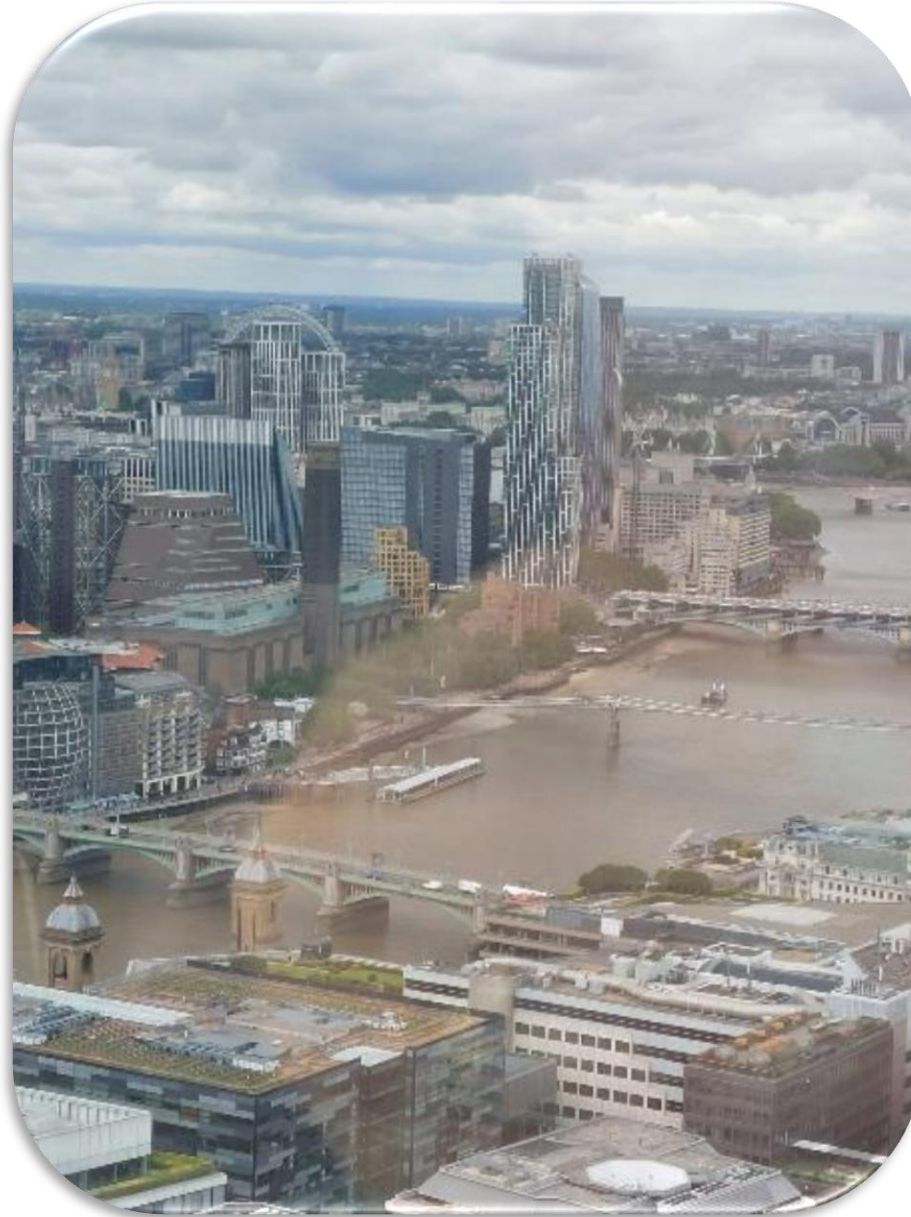
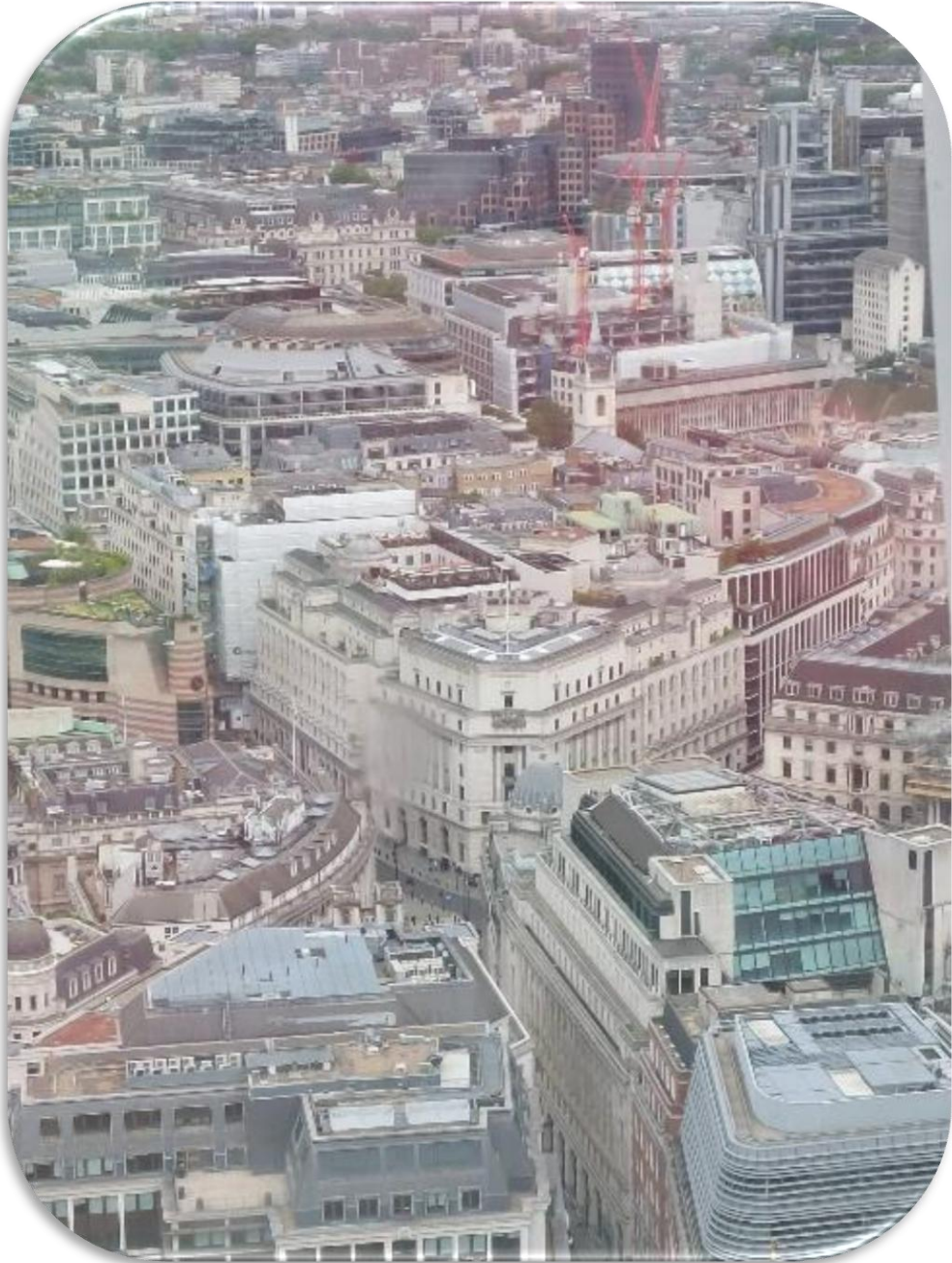
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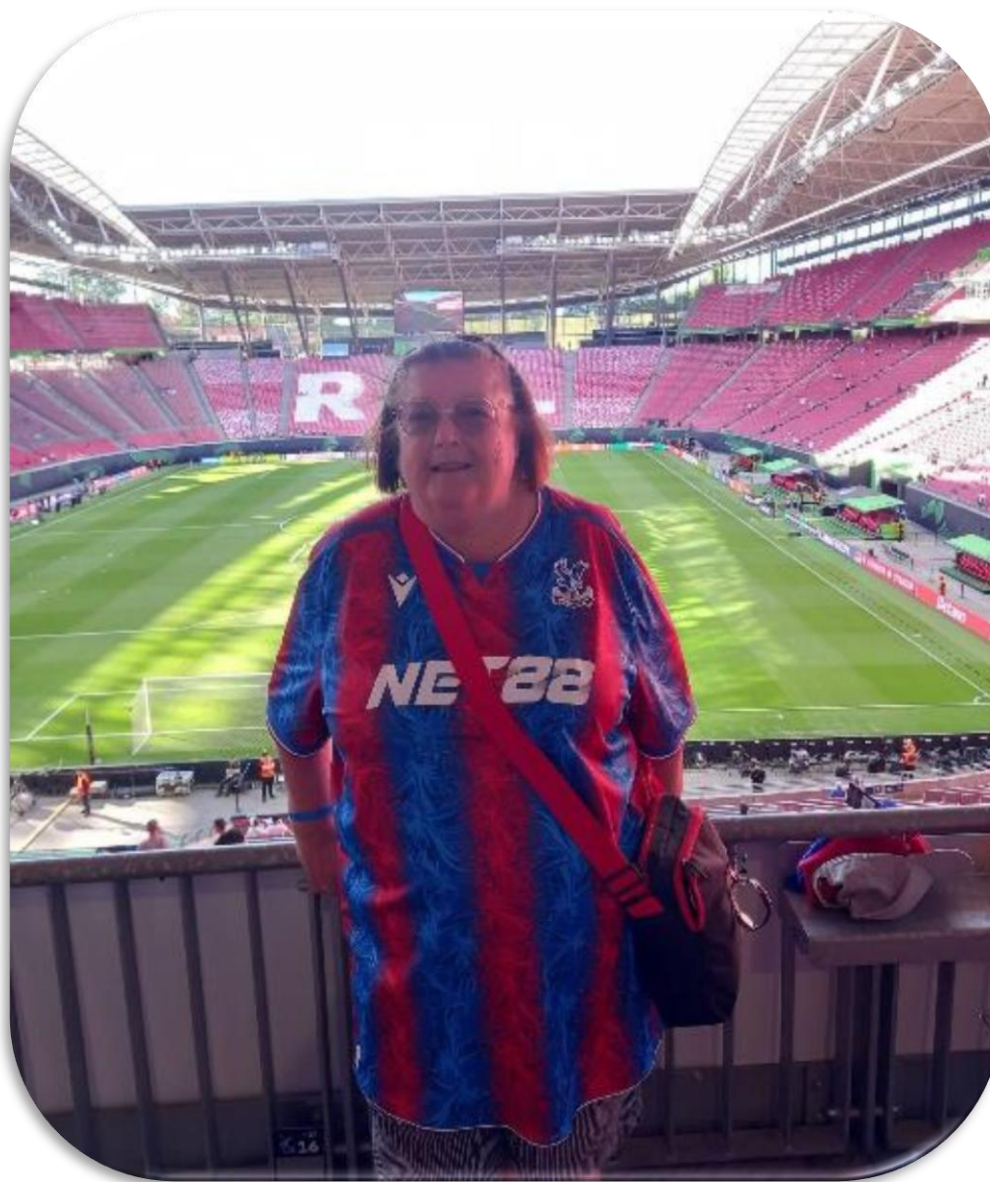
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Toni Anne Skeete returning from Leipzig early this morning after watching Crystal Palace winning a European trophy.

The UEFA Conference League!

On to a Harrow coffee morning after arriving home earlier in the morning.

Simply outstanding!

Martin Ridley

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May coffee morning. Nearly 40 made the morning, despite some record hot temperatures.

A football themed morning with Toni back from European glory in Leipzig with CPFC, Martin in transit to Budapest with AFC and our very own chuckle brothers Martin & Pat celebrating Spurs coming 17th!!!

We welcomed back a special guest in the lovely Shirley K, though she did bring Martin!!

Kindly shared by Dale Allen

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On Wednesday we braved the rain and made a visit to The One:One Collection which brings some of the most iconic and historically important UK railway locomotive, rolling stock and memorabilia to their new home on the Hornby site in Margate, Kent.

It also has an original Banksy and still sells train sets and Airfix models. After a very enjoyable tour we had lunch in the on site cafe.

Kindly shared by Mike Hook

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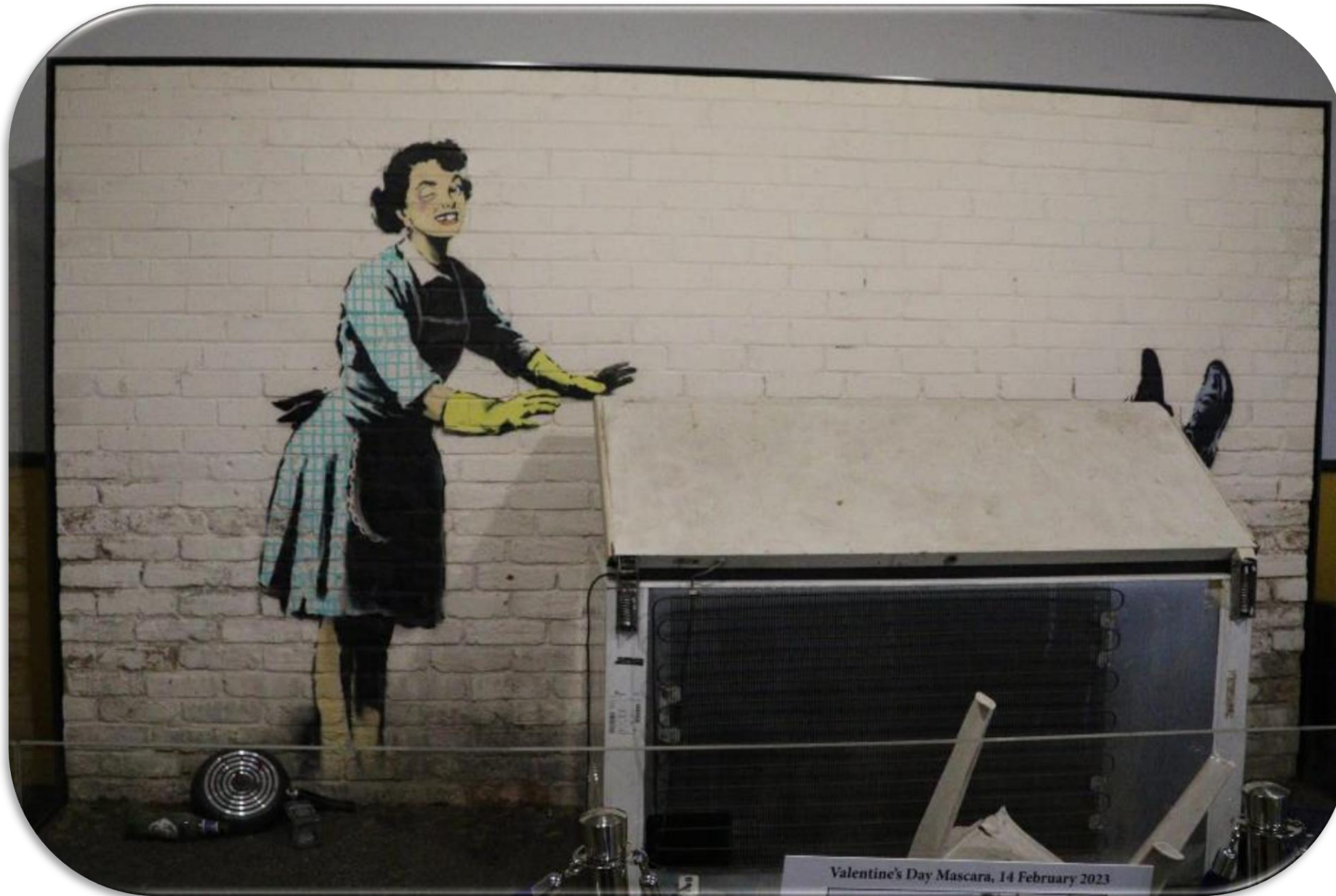


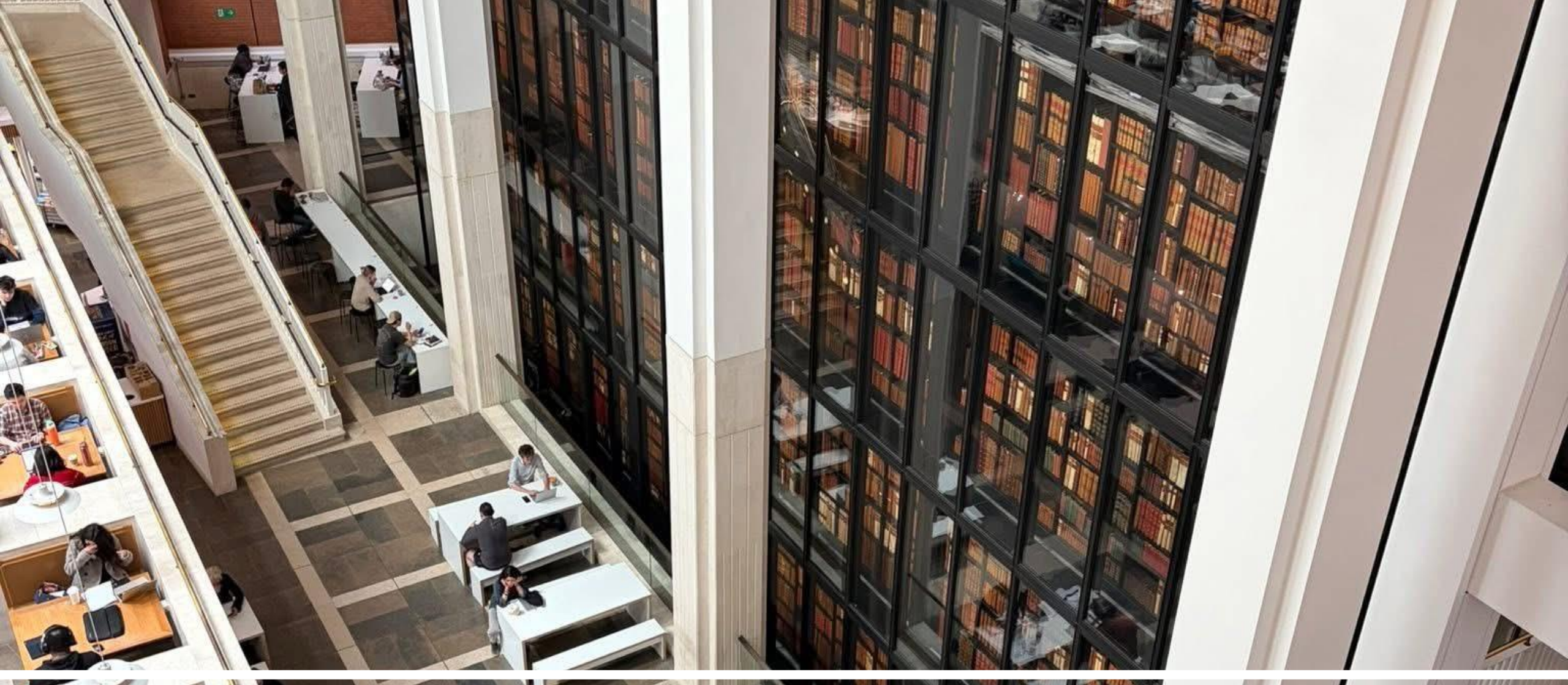
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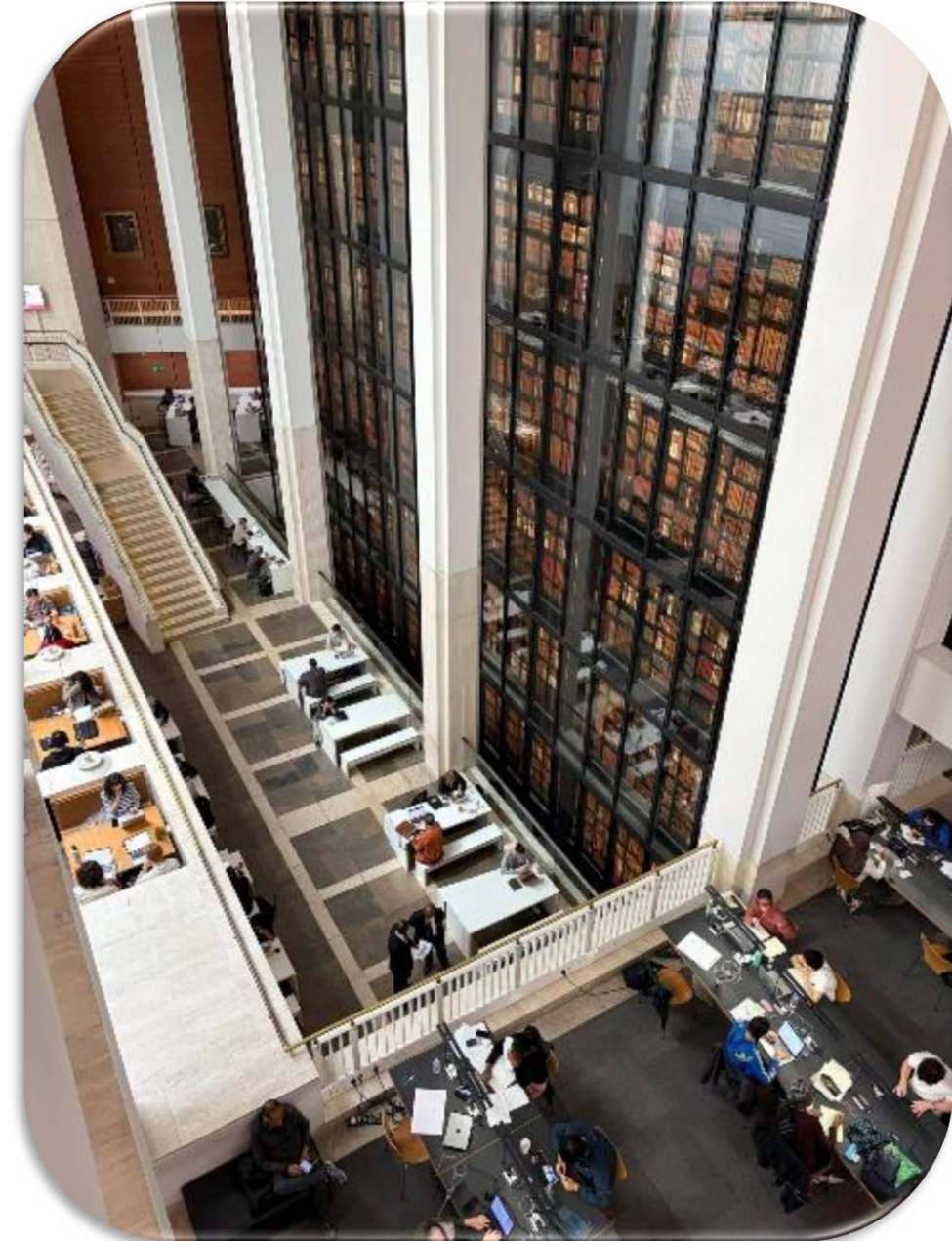


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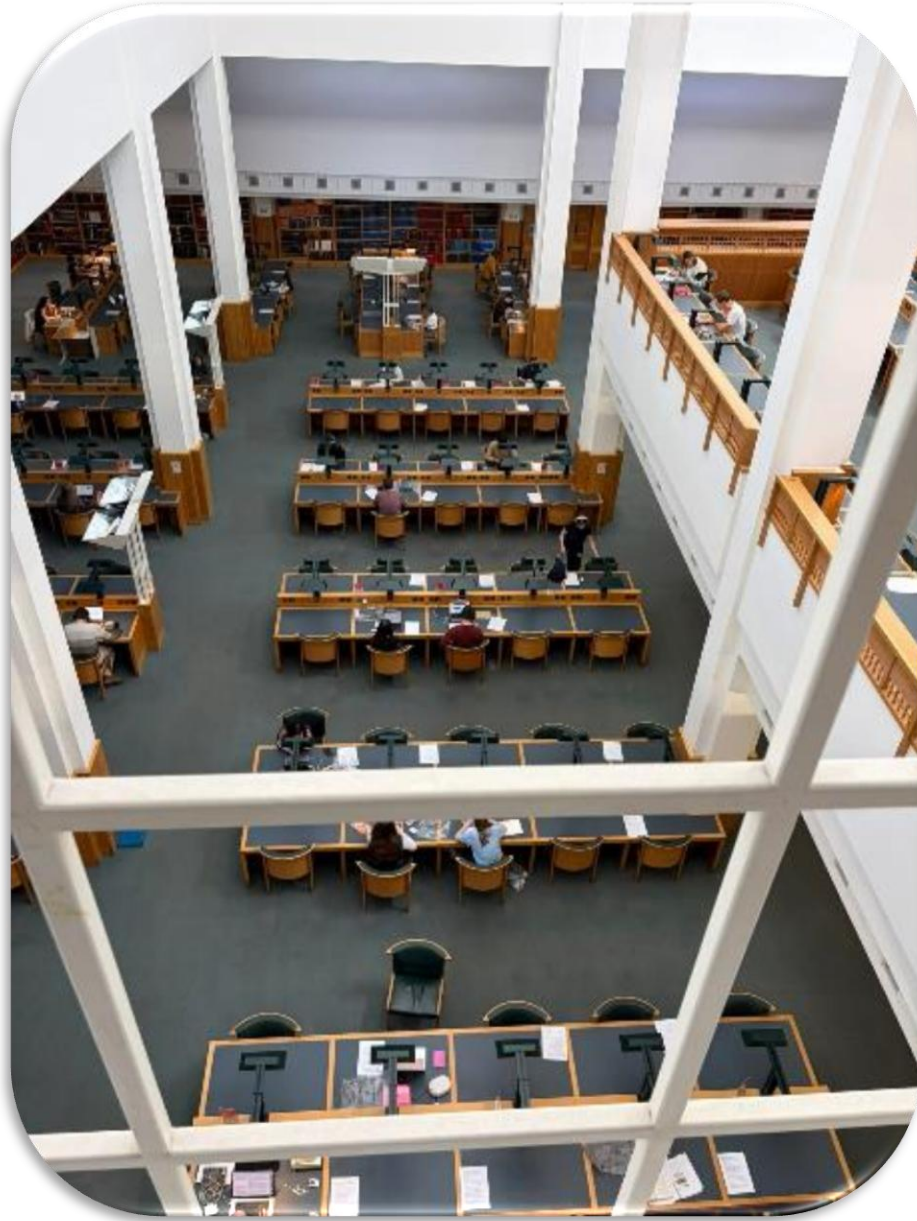
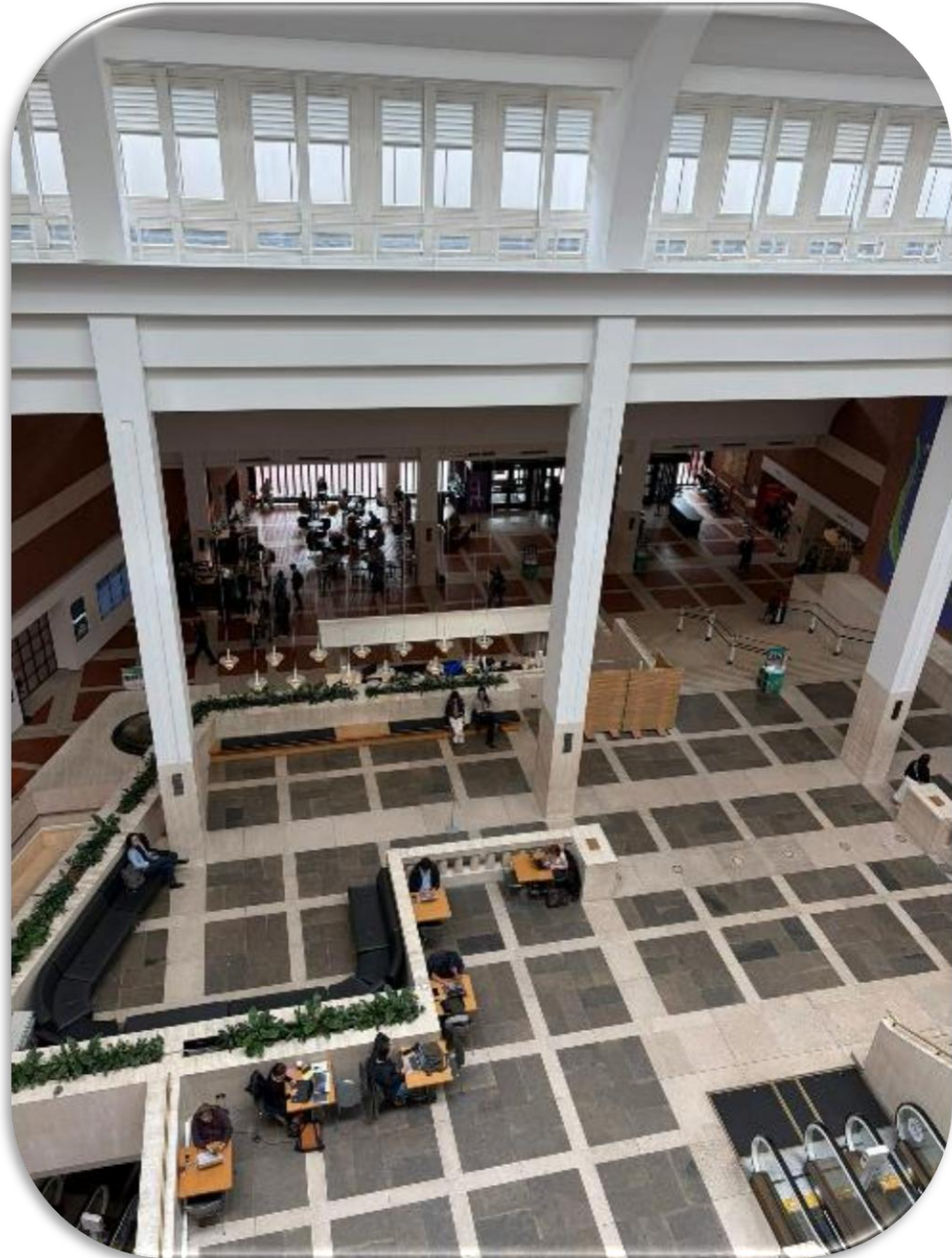


Extremely interesting guided tour for London Horizons of the British Library.

Many thanks to Julie Conway for organising and to the 30 or so members who attended.

Kindly shared by Phil Dell

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Magna Carta, 1215

Runnymede, 15 June 1215

Each copy of Magna Carta was written in Latin, on a single sheet of sheepskin parchment. The document contains over 3,500 words, arranged in 63 unnumbered clauses of continuous prose. Many of the clauses deal with medieval payments and rights, and the administration of the justice system. This document is one of four surviving originals from 1215. When copying it, the scribe accidentally omitted a handful of words, which were added in the margin. The original destination of the document is unknown: it was reputedly found in a tailor's shop and given to Sir Robert Cotton in 1629.

Bequeathed to the nation
by Sir John Cotton in 1702

Cotton Augustus II 106



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Magna Carta, issued in 1215
Preserved in the original parchment at 1215

MAGNA CARTA

Magna Carta – the Great Charter – is now one of the most famous documents in the world, but it began as a practical solution to a political crisis for King John, who reigned from 1199 to 1216.

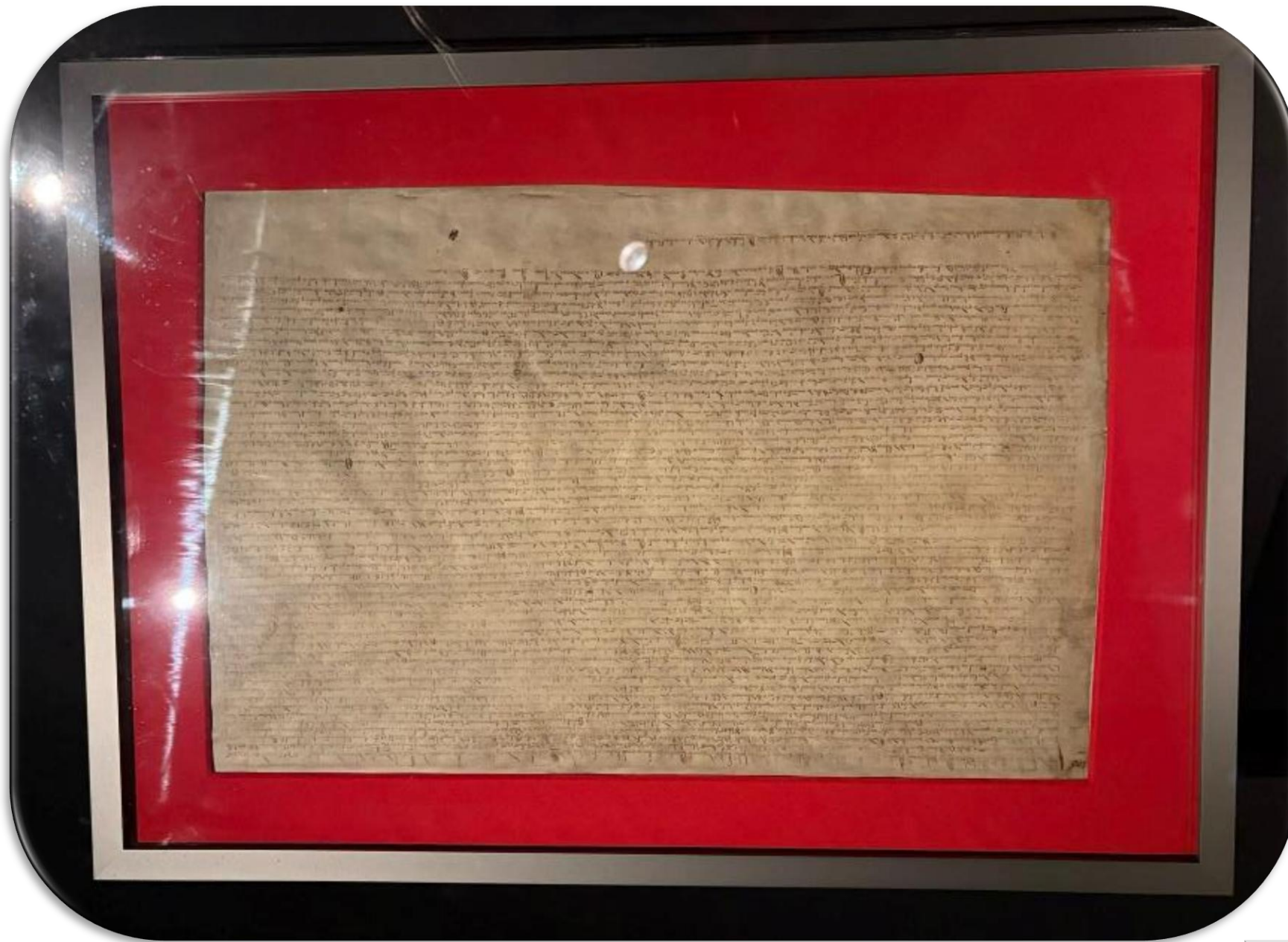
John's reign was dominated by his prolonged struggle with the Church, disastrous military campaign in France and a rebellion by many English barons. His extortionately heavy taxation and extreme disregard for justice led the barons to seek a charter of liberties to defend themselves.

In June 1215, negotiations at Runnymede culminated in the granting of Magna Carta which limited unjust and arbitrary behaviour by the king. It also established the principle that everyone was subject to the rule of law.

Magna Carta failed to secure lasting peace in 1215 and most of its clauses have now been repealed. Nonetheless, it remains a cornerstone of the British constitution and has become an international symbol of individual freedoms and human rights.

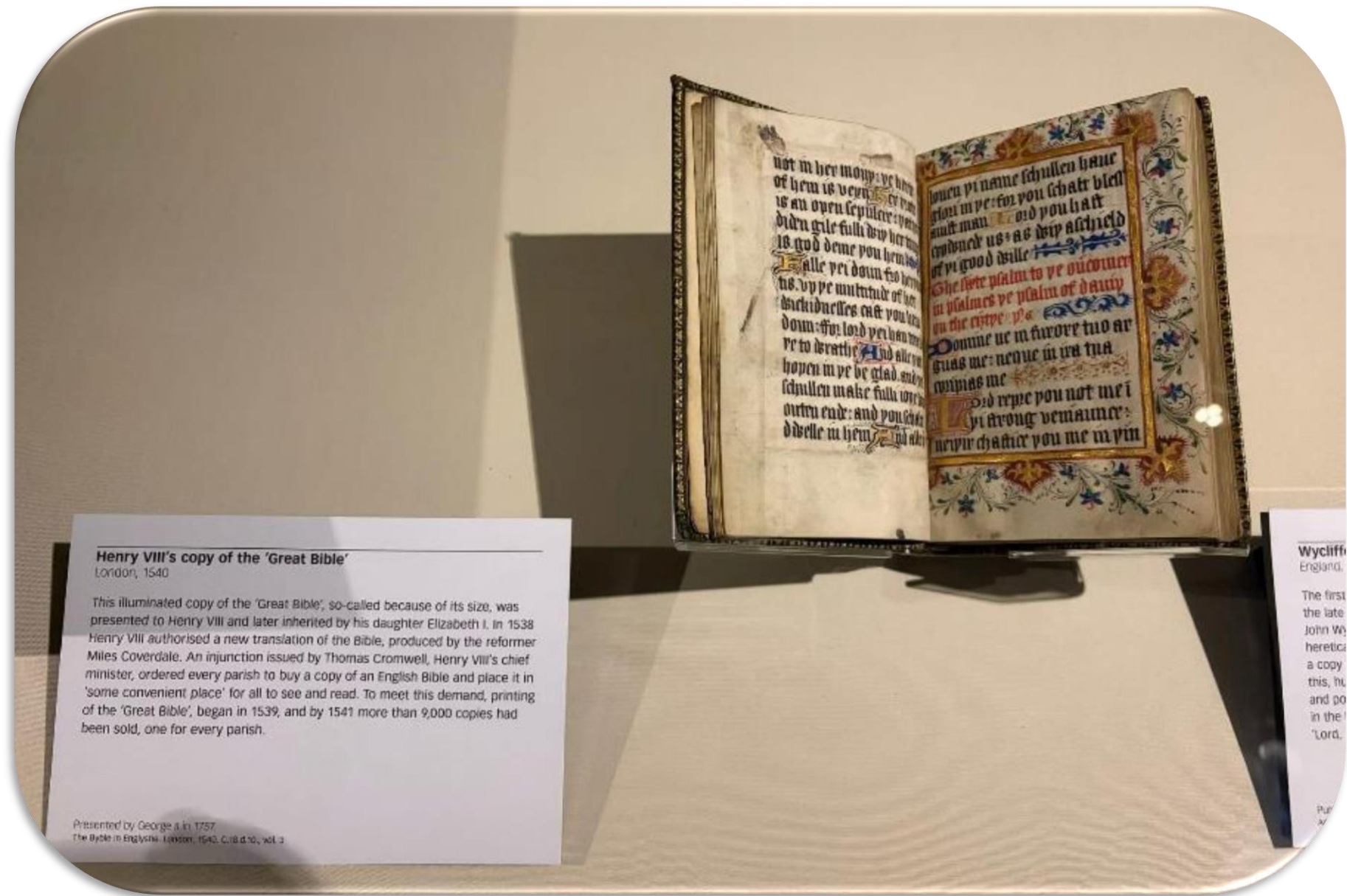
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CHRISTIANITY

The Christian Bible consists of two sections. The first incorporates Jewish scripture originally written in Hebrew, characterised by Christians as the Old Testament. The earliest Christians adopted a Greek version of this text.

The second section is a collection of texts concerning the life, teachings and early followers of Jesus of Nazareth, all originally written in Greek and together known as the New Testament.

As Christianity spread and handwritten copies of the Christian scriptures multiplied, the Bible was translated into many other languages, including Syriac, Coptic, Ethiopian and Armenian. In Western Europe, translations of the Bible into Latin produced by the scholar Jerome (died 420) became the standard translation for over a thousand years.

In the Middle Ages most Christian biblical manuscripts were selections of books instead of complete Bibles; Gospel-books and Psalters (the Book of the Psalms) were especially common.



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Today, fifty members gathered in Liverpool City Centre for another guided tour (in two groups due to health and safety) with our usual Blue Badge Guide. This walk was from The Bluecoat School which is the oldest building in Central Liverpool dating back to 1717. It is now an Arts Centre, the first of its kind in the UK.

The walk would take us through town toward the Baltic Area which is steeped in history and finishing at Cains Brewery and the Brewery Village. A very popular area for eating and drinking. Numerous things were pointed out along our way and it makes you wonder that how we have lived in this city for so long and not known this history.

This fascinating walk took 2 hours and was very informative.

Many thanks to our Blue Badge Guide for being so knowledgeable and thanks to Sandra Worsley for organising the two groups for the day.

Many thanks to all those supporting Horizons today and sending in so many photos.

Another excellent event for Horizons Merseyside.

Kindly shared by Peter Clare

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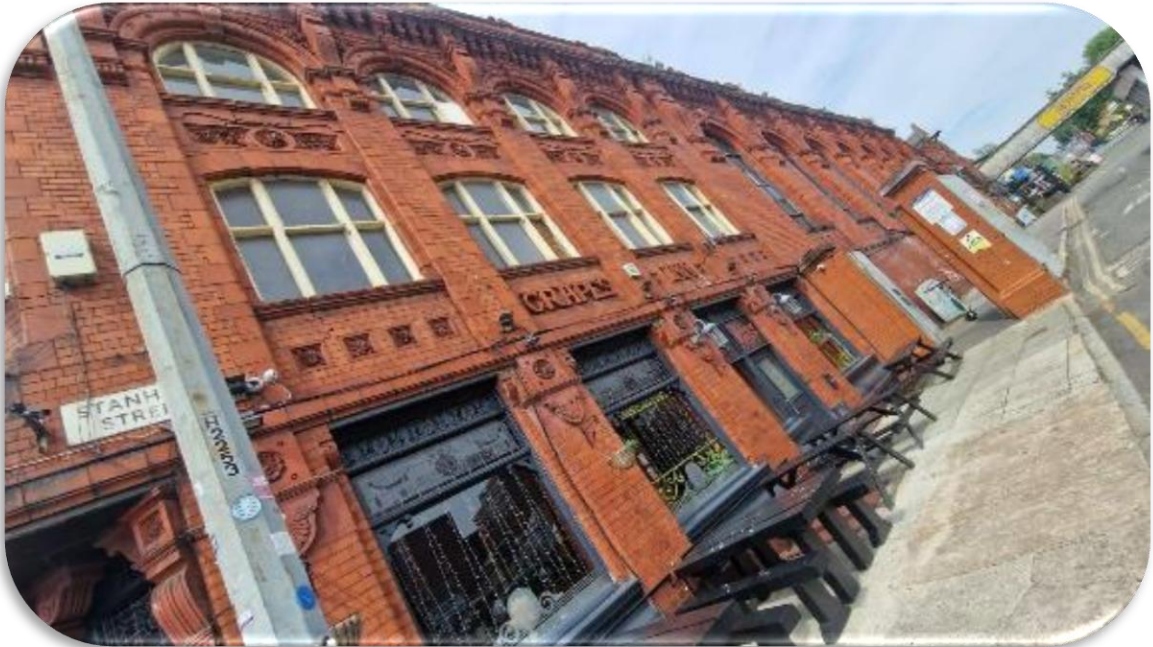
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We met for our May coffee/lunch meeting at the lovely setting alongside the Mere at Ellesmere.

The Boathouse, as usual, looked after the 20+ members very well and we all left 'full'.

Thanks to those who made it there today.

Good to welcome the Chair, Peter Clare, and Secretary, Ruth Clare, from Merseyside Horizons.

Thanks for making it to the wilds of Shropshire!

Kindly shared by Gary Howorth

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Pete and Ruth visited the folk down in Mid Wales & Shropshire.

It was great to see Gary and Ann Howorth and all members at the monthly coffee morning at the Boathouse, Ellesmere.

A great turnout and fantastic lunch.

Many thanks to Gary for the kind invitation.

Kindly shared by Peter Clare

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**On 13th May 23
members/partners/guests
attended our AGM followed by
an excellent lunch in the
training restaurant.**

**The delicious food was
prepared, cooked and
served by the students.**

Highly recommended.

Kindly shared by David Ogden-Jones

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Our thanks to all members who joined us today at Farley's House & Gallery near Lewes, East Sussex.

Beautiful house and gardens containing an eclectic collection of art and Lee Miller's photographs.



Highly recommended if you haven't visited.

Kindly shared by Alan Moyce

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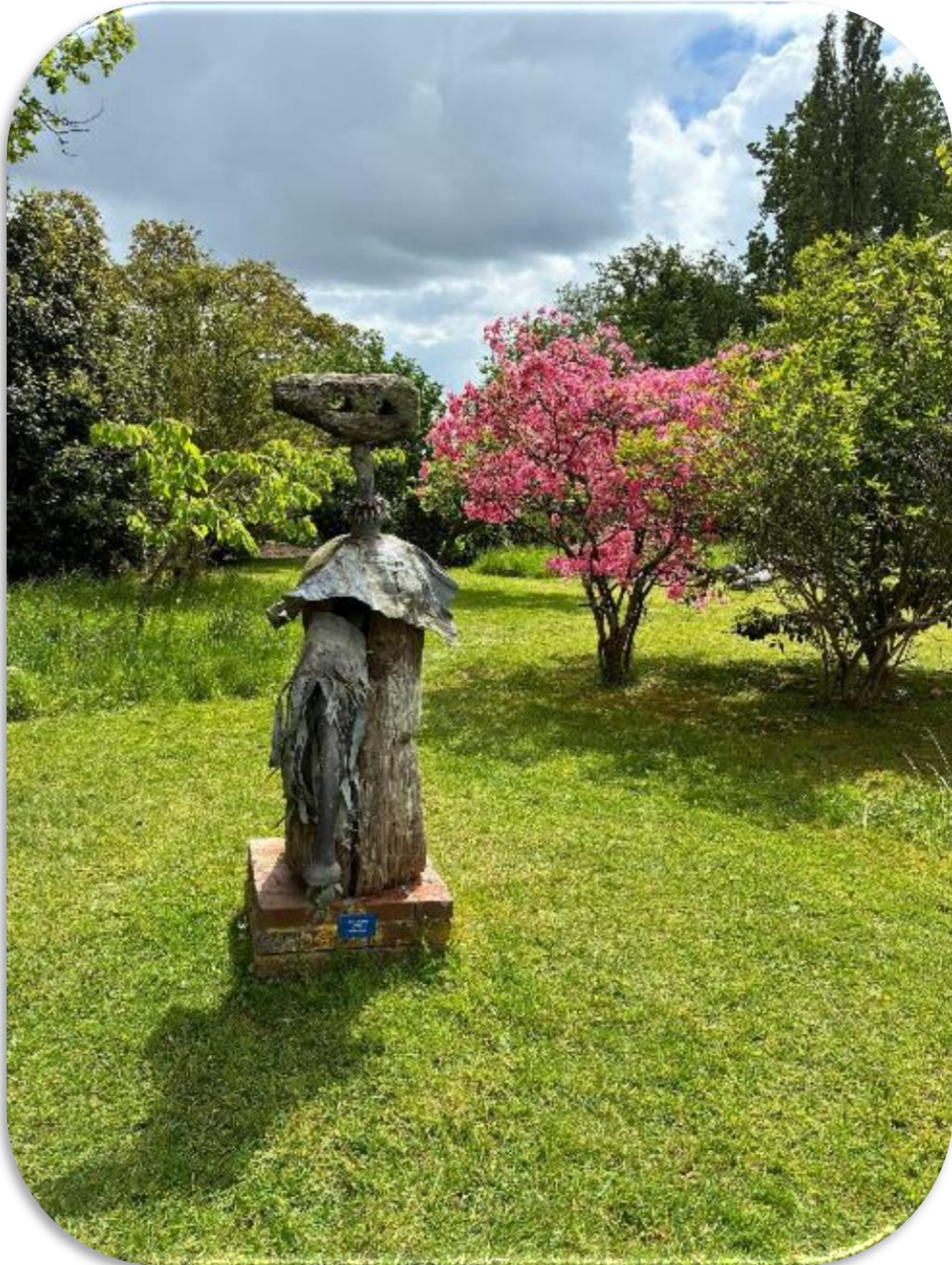


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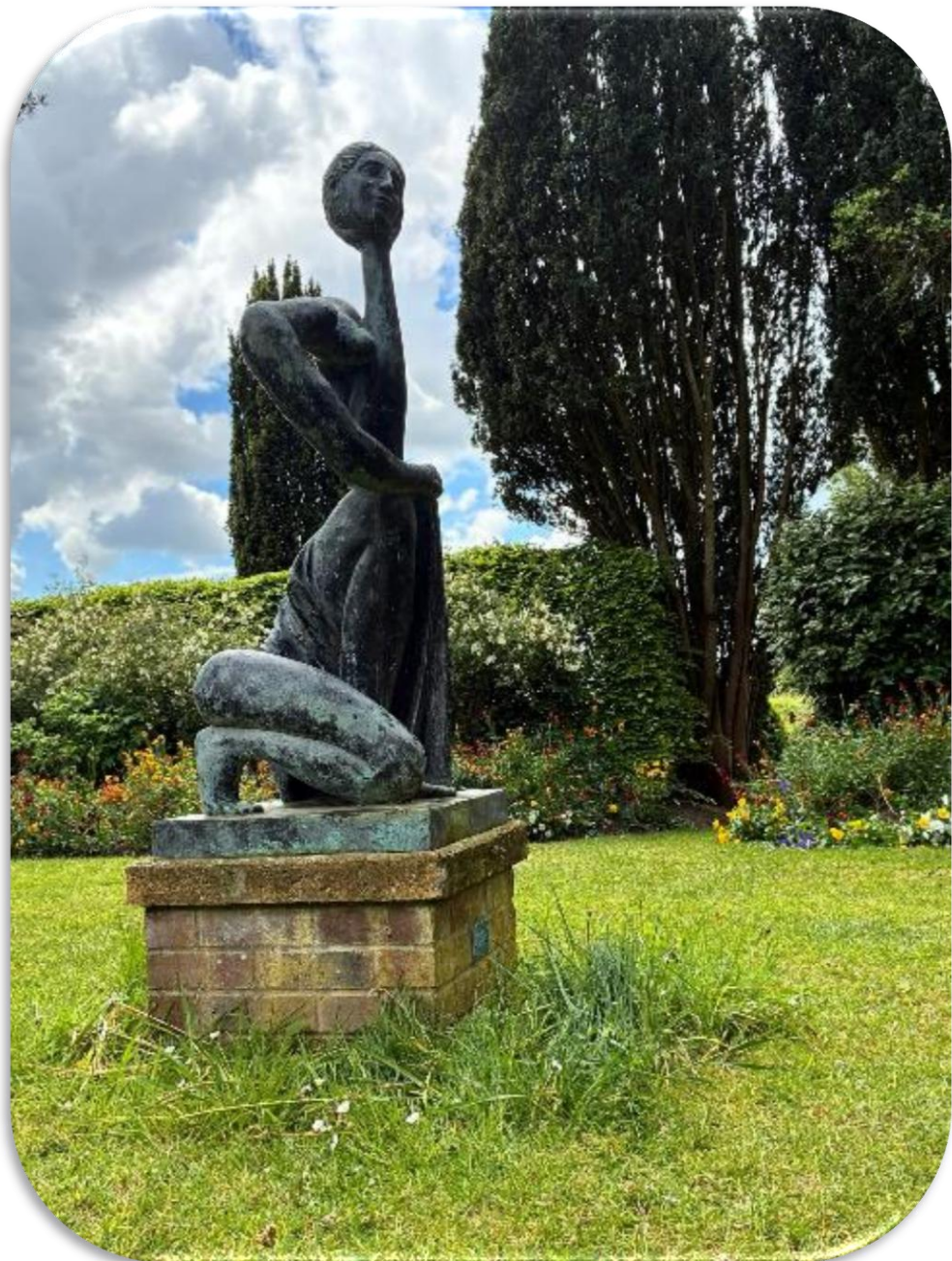
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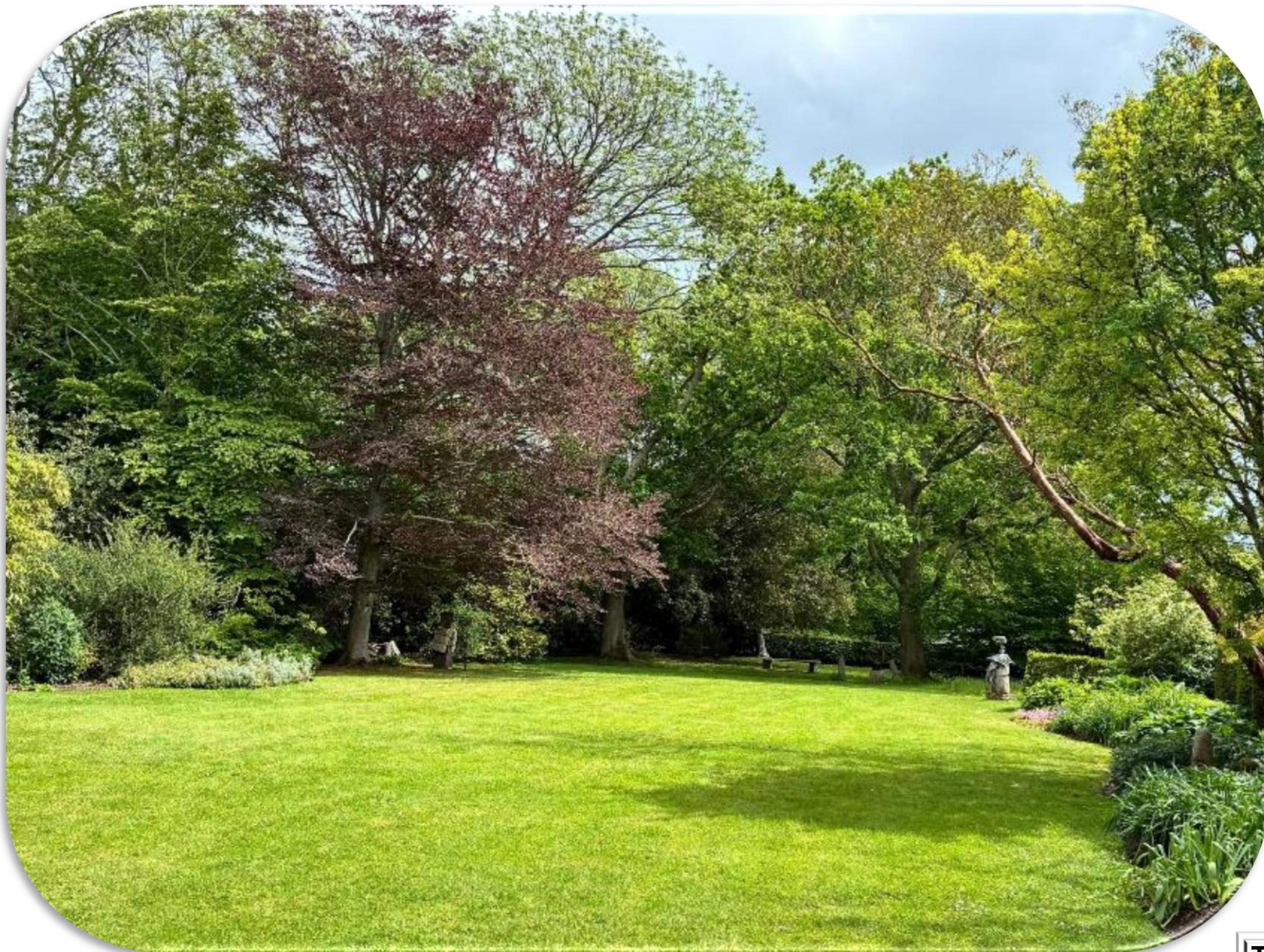
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Eleven of us at Arundel coffee morning today, putting the world to rights like we do.

It was lovely to welcome @ Ian Collins back into the fold - he had travelled all the way back from Wales to join us.

Kindly shared by Anita Baker

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Tyneside group had a lovely day out with afternoon tea in Alnwick Gardens.

The rain held off until we went in for the tea so we were very lucky.

Kindly shared by Jackie Brannagan



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On Thursday 47 Wessex members undertook a stunning walk through the beautiful New Forest. The walk was led by Barry Candler & his wife Jackie, thank you.

We passed the site of a historical gunpowder factory & a WWII bomb practice site.



The walk was all the better for a ploughman's lunch at The Royal Oak.

Spot the Pompey fan spying on the Southampton contingent!

Slight road block on the way home.

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50 plus members enjoyed West Midlands Spring lunch and AGM in Solihull this afternoon.

Thank you for all those attending and to the organisers, especially Jackie Copson.

Great company and food.

Kindly shared by Roy Lewis

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Twelve hardy souls set off yesterday, braving a miserable weather forecast for our Spring Stroll.

This was a circular five and a half mile route from East Keswick, meandering through gorgeous countryside.

At the half way point, we stopped for a lunch at the Scots Arms in Sicklinghall, then completed the circuit back to base, arriving just before the rain did.

Kindly shared by Charlie Creek

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Four Manager's Clerks from Cornmarket Street, Oxford late 1970s at their Annual meet up. Dane Garrod, David Allsopp, Jeff Souch and Ian Wild.

Did we work with you?

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Kindly shared by Jeff Souch



Guess who we met Antonio Simoes,
ex CEO UK/Europe HSBC.

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Kindly shared by Naresh Tailor

Anne and I had a great time catching up with Steve Box to celebrate launch of his autobiography - The humble factor.

A fantastic event raising money for Alzheimer's Society. Well done Steve for all you have achieved. It was a real pleasure to meet you, your family and some of your friends. Happy days!



Martin Ridley

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Preface

For my resilient and much-loved parents Barbara Sheila Box
(7th June 1947 - 18th October 2022) and Keith Harry Box
(born 22nd Sept 1945)

For my grandparents, Walter and Dolly Baker and
Doris Smith.

For my beautiful, amazing wife Julie and for my precious and
much-loved daughters Emily and Georgia.

For all my wonderful friends who have been there for me and
to whom I have sometimes been able to return the favour.

And, finally, to my treasured granddaughter, Hallie Amara,
born on the 5th of March 2025 and any future grandchildren
who I know will also be loved so unconditionally.

Thank you for all your support
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Marshall Street will never be
the same again

Steve



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John Fuller

GRIFFINS

Started in Eltham South London. Then moved to both of the Old Kent Rd branches. Next was relief staff for about 4yrs and ended in East Dulwich.

Played football for the bank from start to finish.

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Julie O'Kane

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Hi started at Mosley Street Newcastle and then moved to Leighton Buzzard in Bedfordshire and Tring in Hertfordshire before moving back up to Leeds in 91.

Happy times.

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Leigh Briggs

GRIFFINS

After 40 years finished in the summer last year. Started at Bingley Branch and worked across West Yorkshire (Leeds, Bradford, Pudsey, Horsforth), Area Retail role in North Yorkshire, CMB Roles in North Yorkshire and Lancashire & Cumbria and then Regional role in North, Scotland, NI and North Wales for CMB!

So many colleague to mention, Great to be reconnecting with some already!

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And that's it, all good things must come to an end. Just shy of 40 years service, my time at HSBC today has come to an end.

I have had a wonderful career where I started at 16 years of age in Loughton Branch (Midland Bank then) as a cashier, I have worked in many different branches carrying out various roles and progressing up the ladder. I finish my career working as an EA in Head Office where I have been for the last 15 years and can truly say this has been my best role yet.

I have worked with amazing people and have built some great friendships. Thank you to everyone who encouraged me and believed in me. Thanks for all the lovely kind words, flowers and presents, what a way to end a fab career.

What does the future hold, am I ready to retire Not at all, so have a holiday, a few weeks to relax, then on to a new adventures.

Gayani Kasthuriarahchi

May 2026

HEXAGONS

20 years with HSBC. From Dubai to London, now in Private Banking...a journey I'm incredibly proud of.

Looking back at moments like being recognised as a "Customer Star", and now celebrating this milestone, reminds me how far consistency, passion, and the people around you can take you. Grateful for the journey so far... and excited for what's ahead.

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Joanne Maria Rooney

May 2026

HEXAGONS

So this week marks the end of 41.5 years in Financial Services as early retirement beckons. A career spanning 5 decades starting in 1984 at Selby branch.

I have always said that the bank is the bank wherever you go and by that I mean the people who work for HSBC have integrity and quality the globe over. What an amazing company HSBC is. It has been an honour to work for the organisation.

Thank you to Mike T Walker for giving me my first real break in mortgages and spotting my love of engaging with our wonderful customers. In Commercial Richard Bearman, Jennifer Crawley & Peter Shearing for making the DRD the best role ever!

If I have any regrets, it would be working too much when Ryan & George were little, so now, I am going to leave at aged 58 when I am still fit enough to spend time with my grandchildren, Dorothy, Arthur, Lily & William. Health is most certainly wealth!

So, if you worked with Jo Morris, Jo Robins or Jo Rooney, thank you for your support and kindness.

I will so miss you all. x

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John Snaithe

May 2026

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I'm not hugely active on here however as I have ex colleagues and friends as connections - today is my last day working for HSBC after 39 years 2 months and 14 days.

I have decided on adventure (2 wheels & 4) and to focus on being the best me I can be - health, family and time over wealth and work.

To all the brilliant leaders and colleagues I have had the pleasure of working for, with and leading. THANKYOU. You have made me who I am today and I am eternally grateful.

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Matt Wilshaw

May 2026

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After 29 incredible years with HSBC, this week marks the start of a new chapter as I begin a period of leave before moving on to a new opportunity in financial services. Over nearly three decades, I've been fortunate to work across Commercial Banking and Risk leadership roles in the UK, Europe and the Middle East.

The journey has given me the opportunity to work with exceptional colleagues, support fantastic clients and experience different cultures, markets and perspectives along the way. I'm incredibly grateful for the experiences, friendships and lessons learned throughout my time at HSBC.

A special thank you to the many talented people I've had the privilege to work with over the years - your support, challenge and partnership have made the journey so rewarding.

I'm looking forward to some time to reflect and recharge before starting an exciting new role and chapter ahead.

Thank you HSBC!

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Matthew Miller

May 2026

HEXAGONS

End of an era. After a wonderful 27 years at HSBC I walked out of 1CS for the last time on Thursday.

Proud of what we achieved together. Thank you to every friend who made the last 3 decades special and helped me make a difference to our colleagues, customers and community's.

Time to re set and then it's onwards to the next adventure.

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This week I have swapped the lions for a quieter commute. After more than 12 years, I said goodbye on Friday to my colleagues and friends at HSBC.

I cannot begin to express how much I have enjoyed my time there and the incredible opportunities I have had to work across markets, regions, and global teams. Most importantly, I have had the privilege of working alongside so many fantastic people and inspirational leaders who have helped shape who I am today. I am now taking some time off before starting my next role later this summer. In the meantime, I will be spending my time riding, travelling, and coaching.

Thank you to everyone who I had the pleasure of working with at HSBC and please stay in touch. I am excited for what comes next!

#Leadership #Coaching #Gratitude

Last week I walked out of the banking door and "in to the garden" knowing that at the end of July will see me complete 39 years (and 4 days) of working for the HSBC Group. I did not think for a minute when I walked through the doors of a small Midland Bank branch in Essex, in July 1987, that my career with HSBC would extend for so long and be full of variety.

As I look back, it has been fascinating and at times a rollercoaster journey starting in the branch banking, progressing to the Enterprise centres (now Commercial Banking), then spending the majority of my time in Global Banking covering a variety of sectors and industries and, ending in Global Trade Solutions. I have thoroughly enjoyed the past 6 years engaging with clients on the topic of working capital optimisation and how we can solve for their needs & requirements through utilising structured trade solutions as a core funding mechanism.

It has been an absolute privilege working with amazing colleagues (many who are now lifelong friends) and a diverse portfolio of global clients, plus, been given the opportunity to travel to many continents and countries all with the aim of delivering HSBC to our clients. Those who know me will be aware that the client is at the heart of what we / I do, but the people, both colleagues and clients, have made the journey even more pleasurable especially across the finance and treasury communities that I have interacted with over many years. Whats next.....now thats a good question. Down time is a start and then travel, more golf (handicap reduction is the game plan) and, of course, family time. And on that, a huge thank you to my wonderful family, Karen, Holly and Poppy who I must call out with huge thanks for their support over the years.

Will there be a "working element" in the next chapter, not sure.....Many thanks to everyone that I have interacted with over the years who have made my time such a great experience! It's been a blast!!



HAVE YOU JOINED **H**ORIZONS?

<https://horizons.life>

The **H**orizons website is the place to sign up and connect with your local **H**orizons' centre and also obtain the latest news and views from the **H**orizons Management Committee.

There are many social activities such as coffee mornings, centre lunches, social excursions and of course the AGM and annual luncheon.

Log on to the website for further information on how to sign up and connect with your friends and colleagues.

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Remembering our friends and colleagues

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/griffinshexagonsrememberingourfriendsandcolleagues>

Remembering our friends and colleagues through fond memories

It is with great sadness that we often receive news of the passing of our friends and former colleagues.

Thank you to our many members who kindly take the time to share this sad news with us. It gives us all an opportunity to reflect and fondly remember the life and service of our friends and colleagues who have passed on.

It's clear that our members welcome the chance to be able to pass on their respects and condolences at the earliest possible moment as opposed to doing so when they find out at a much later point in time.

Remembrance posts are also available on the Griffins & Hexagons website and the Griffins & Hexagons - Remembering our friends and colleagues Facebook group.

<https://www.griffins-hexagons.com>

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The following messages are of those who have been sadly taken from us over the last few months.

Remembering our friends and colleagues
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Ivan David Bamford

25 April 2026

It is with great sadness that I let you know of the sad passing of our friend Ivan David Bamford on 25 of April 2026.

Ivan worked in Haywood, Rochdale and Stretford branches before moving to the Financial Crime team in Leeds in 2017, where he spent most of the last years of his career before before being made redundant

His funeral will be held at Rochdale Crematorium at 2pm on Thursday 21st of May, and everyone is welcome.

No flowers , but donations are to the Cats Protection via Leach and Clegg funeral directors, Milnrow.

Kindly shared by Heather Slowey

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Ivan David Bamford

25 April 2026

What awful news. - *Brian Brittain*

Sad to hear, loved working with Ivan. - *Karen Moxon*

Sadly I cannot attend his funeral tomorrow. Will be thinking of Ivan with fond memories of times at Rochdale branch. - *Ann Dakin*

Remembering our friends and colleagues
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Their team of trained Client Advisors and Visiting Caseworkers, work alongside a range of partners to provide you with specialist support to suit your needs.



Supporting the banking community past and present



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Workers
Charity

“

I feel so safe on here,
thank you. It's really
helpful to know I'm
not alone.

”

In partnership with

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Support when it's needed.

Kooth is a free, safe and anonymous online
mental wellbeing platform: kooth.com/bwc

Bank
Workers
Charity

Creating a safe space for children to talk about how they're feeling is crucial for their mental wellbeing.

Help us teach them that it's okay to ask for help.

Find out how you can support your child's mental health –
<https://eu1.hubs.ly/H0vI1Gf0#MentalHealthAwarenessWeek>

#MHAW26



Brixton Road Staff

1970/71

Kindly shared by Patricia Hartburn

Memories
GRIFFINS



Maindee, Newport branch 1984.

It was the last working day as a full branch before becoming a sub branch to Bridge Street, Newport.

Back row:

Robin Wynne Hughes, Steve Lane, Jacqui Adams, Ceri Dewar, Bev Lacey & Michael Wilding.

Middle Row:

Jean Osmond, Anne Jones, Kath Horton, Linda Price & Sue Galvin.

Front Row:

Sarah Dewar & Sian Davies.

Lovely memories.

Kindly shared by Sue Galvin

Memories
GRIFFINS

Anyone know where this is? Would any of my Swansea ex-colleagues have worked here!?



Is it Penclawdd? – *Karen Edwards*

Correct - never noticed it all the time I lived in Gowerton! – *Gillian Powell*

Former Branches

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Kindly shared by Gillian Powell



MIDLAND BANK LIMITED

Victoria Street

Arkwright Street

Aspley

Bulwell

Carlton Hill

Clifton

Daybrook

Park House Friar Lane

Milton Street

Mapperley

16 Long Row

15 Long Row Exor&Ttee

New Basford

Old Basford

Sherwood

Radford

Sneinton

Tudor Square

West Bridgford

Western Boulevard

Here's a list of branches in Nottingham around 1970 - they've all since closed.

Does anyone have any memories of working at any of them?

I regularly drive past what was Daybrook branch - I recall it closed at the same time as Clifton, in 1983.



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overleaf, to take part in all competitions confined to
members of these Clubs except Races and Speed events
for which a competition licence issued by the RAC is
required.

No. **668**

Club Secretary

Found this today.

Memorabilia

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Kindly shared by Barry Church



Thank you all for your wonderful contributions that are kindly shared through social media.

It's a great pleasure to see you enjoy many rekindled memories and reconnections with friends and colleagues.

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