

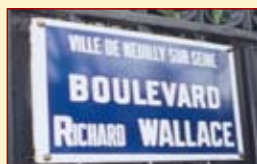
Just across the road, adjacent to the Railway Station is the site of the former Court House, demolished in 1971. See the symbol on the map.



5 Wallace Avenue



The great man remembered in two cities, which knew him well.



Paris has its Boulevard Richard Wallace and here in Lisburn we have our own Wallace Avenue.

6 Wallace Park

Originally known as the “The People’s Park” when Wallace donated the sum of £4,000 to convert a 16 acre meadow into a park in the mid 1880’s. Following his death it was renamed the Wallace Park.



The most striking features of the park are the Victorian gates and gatehouses at the two main entrances and the Wallace Fountain. Over the years the park has played host to many civic, social and sporting events.



7 The Wallace High School

12a Clonevin Park, Lisburn BT28 3AD
A co-educational voluntary grammar school, it was relocated to Clonevin Park in 1976. The original school founded in 1880 from a bequest from the Wallace estate was located off the Antrim Road - see the symbol.

Originally known as the Lisburn Intermediate and University School, it later was renamed in 1942 in memory of its founder. Wallace’s memory is forever immortalised in the school crest and motto ‘Esperance’ meaning “hope”. These were both derived from the Wallace coat of arms of the Wallaces of Craigie in Scotland.

☎ 028 9267 2311

8 Assembly Rooms, Irish Linen Centre & Lisburn Museum

In 1889 the 17th Century Market House (henceforth known as the Assembly Rooms) was remodelled and embellished. In fact ... “Wallace’s handling of the Italianate exterior gave the building a full measure of the three-dimensional strength which its important position undoubtedly merits” (*Lisburn Historical Society Journal Vol 4 Dec. 1982*). The Assembly Rooms are housed within the Irish Linen Centre/Lisburn Museum.

This award-winning museum, as well as having a permanent display on the history of linen, has a varied exhibition programme on topics of local history, including an exhibition on Castle Gardens with particular reference to Sir Richard Wallace.

Opening Hours: Monday - Saturday 9.30am to 5pm

☎ 028 9266 3377



“The Wallace Collection is a national museum in an historic London town house”. The Wallaces moved into Hertford House in 1875 after undertaking internal alterations to the galleries and smoking room and the external appearance of the house. Contained within the twenty-nine galleries are unsurpassed displays of French 18th century painting, furniture and porcelain together with superb Old Master paintings. “A magnificent collection of princely arms and armour is displayed in four galleries and there are further important displays of gold boxes, miniatures, sculpture and Medieval and Renaissance works of art.”



(Quotes from What’s On - Wallace Collection Dec 08 - Feb 09)

The Wallace Collection, Hertford House, Manchester Square, London W1U 3BN
Opening Hours: Daily 10am-5pm

☎ 020 7563 9500



For further Information visit these websites:

- www.wallacecollection.org
- www.richardwallacetrust.com
- www.serc.ac.uk
- www.visitlisburncastlereagh.com
- www.thewallacehigh.co.uk
- www.nationalgallery.ie
- www.ragleyhall.com

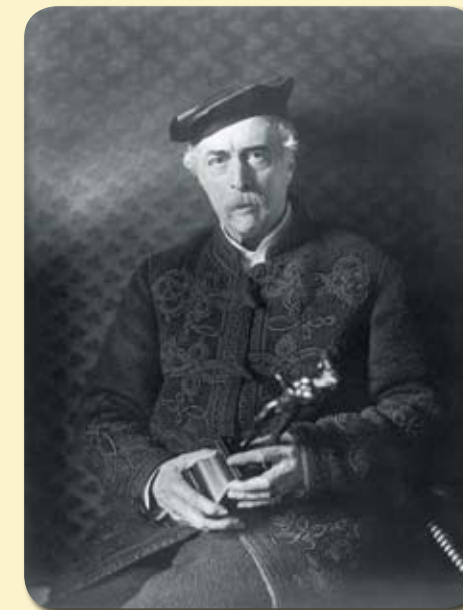
The Richard Wallace Trust was founded in 2003 by Anthea McWilliams to celebrate and promote the cultural and historical legacy of Lisburn’s Sir Richard Wallace. For further information on the Trust please email rwallacetrust@aol.com

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THE RICHARD WALLACE WALKING TRAIL

THE LIFE OF A LISBURN LANDLORD FROM PAST TO PRESENT



SIR RICHARD WALLACE BART MP
1818-1890
PHILANTHROPIST,
ART COLLECTOR
AND BENEFACTOR.



1 Castle House, Castle Street

The trail starts at the former Lisburn residence of Sir Richard Wallace where a blue plaque was unveiled on the 3rd June 2009 in his memory. Castle House was completed in 1880 by Wallace at a cost of £20,000 “to redeem a promise made in 1845 by the Fourth Marquess to his tenantry...to build a house in Lisburn” (*Lisburn Historical Society Journal Vol 4 Dec. 1982*). It is of a similar style but much smaller than Hertford House in London. The house was acquired by the Town Council from Sir John Murray Scott in 1914 and became the Municipal Technical Institute, now known as the South Eastern Regional College.

Opening Hours: Vary

For more information contact SERC: 028 9267 7225

2 Castle Gardens, Castle Street



The site of Lisburn Castle, a 17th century fortified manor house, built by the Conway family, (later Marquesses of Hertford) the landlords of Lisburn. The castle was destroyed in the Great Fire of Lisburn in 1707 and never rebuilt. Upon the death of Sir Richard Wallace, and later his wife, Lady Wallace, the gardens were gifted to the people of Lisburn by the Wallaces' private secretary Sir John Murray Scott in 1903. The upper 19th century gardens and the 17th century terraces have been recently restored by Lisburn City Council with grant aid from the Heritage Lottery Fund. The gardens contain two features relating to the life and works of Sir Richard Wallace, namely the Wallace Fountain, and the Wallace Memorial.

In 1876, Wallace presented five of his celebrated drinking fountains to Lisburn of the grand model style (with its four caryatids), cast from a design by Charles Lebourg. Unfortunately only two fountains have survived; the second fountain is located in Wallace Park. Wallace fountains can be found all over the world today in locations such as Barcelona, Rotterdam, Brussels, Zurich, Washington, New Orleans, Nottingham and Paris. In fact the most remote Wallace fountain in the world can be found on the Island of Reunion in the Indian Ocean.



T Train Station

B Bus Station

P Parking

||||| Train Line

▭ Pedestrian Area

1 Point of Interest

..... Proposed Walking Route (approx 1hr.)

♿ Wheelchair Access

📖 Site of Old Wallace High School

➡ One Way System

The Wallace memorial was erected in 1892 by popular subscription. The inscription reads “to perpetuate the memory of one whose delight was to do good and in grateful recognition of his generous interest in the prosperity of this town”.

**Opening Hours: 1st Apr–30th Sept 8am–8pm
1st Oct–31st Mar 8am–5pm**

For guided tours contact the Irish Linen Centre & Lisburn Museum on 028 9266 3377



3 Lisburn Cathedral

Sir Fulke Conway (ancestor of Sir Richard Wallace) built the private chapel of St Thomas in 1623 after completing the castle in 1622. The church was destroyed in the Rebellion of 1641 but restored immediately and was elevated to Cathedral status in 1662. This building was later reconstructed in the aftermath of the 1707 Great Fire. Two stained glass windows dedicated to the memory of Sir Richard Wallace are located in the cathedral; one window was erected by public subscription and the other by Lady Wallace.

Opening Hours: by appointment

028 9260 2400 (Wed/Thu/Fri mornings)



4 Bridge Community Centre

Wallace gave this site to the Lisburn Temperance Union. The building was erected in 1890 to provide leisure facilities for working men, including newspaper reading rooms, billiards, gymnasium, library and a restaurant. Today within this recently restored listed building can be found the local Citizen Advice Bureau and various community groups.

Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 9am–10.00pm Sat 9.00am–12pm

028 9266 2496

