

NATIONAL TRUST OF AUSTRALIA (VICTORIA)

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BEAUTIFUL
32 acres Alfred Nicholas
Memorial Gardens at
Sherbrooke are in de-
cay. Walk through at
weekend revealed gar-
den rubbish lying about,
paths and beds over-
grown, some blocked by
fallen trees, ornamental
pools empty, waterfalls
dry. Sherbrooke Shire
secretary Ken Matson
admits that the council
can't afford proper
maintenance and any-
way doesn't think it
should carry the full
cost of this tourist asset.

He says the shire
spends about \$1500 a
year more than 20 cent
gate yields, on limited
maintenance.

KEN reckons
restoration at \$5000,
and proper care at least
\$2500 more than the
council's present outlay.
Government won't help,
so the council is looking
at a private developer's
scheme to lease them.

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