



The Pavilion Gardens (131)

Wed, 31st Oct 2012, The Pavilion Gardens

Lot 27

Estimate: £1000 - £1500 + Fees

1966 Vauxhall Viva HA 90 Deluxe

Registration No: JNR747D

Chassis No: HAD6503520

Mot Expiry: None

The Viva progressed through three generations between 1963 and 1979 and provided fun, economical motoring for over 1.5 million owners. HA production lasted three years (1963-1966), during which only two-door Saloon and Van versions were offered, with the car derivative serving as a worthy new competitor for the well-established Ford Anglia and Morris Minor. Power was provided by a lusty 1057cc OHV straight-four engine, which drove through a four-speed manual gearbox. At launch the HA was available in base and Deluxe trim. Improved seats and higher-g geared steering were fitted from September 1964 and an SL (Super Luxury) variant was added to the range a year later.

This 'time warp' Viva Deluxe hails from 1966 and has a Beige-coloured body and Beige vinyl interior. It has reportedly been stored in a joiner's workshop since the late 1970s, having been acquired by the current keeper in part payment for building work carried out 35 years ago. Local to the Derby/Leicester area throughout its life, 'JNR 747D' was last MOT'd in 1988 but is described by the vendor as having a "very solid body with just minor surface rust". Currently displaying an unwarranted 37,106 miles from new, this classic Vauxhall is in search of some deserved TLC. Such HA survivors are few and far between.