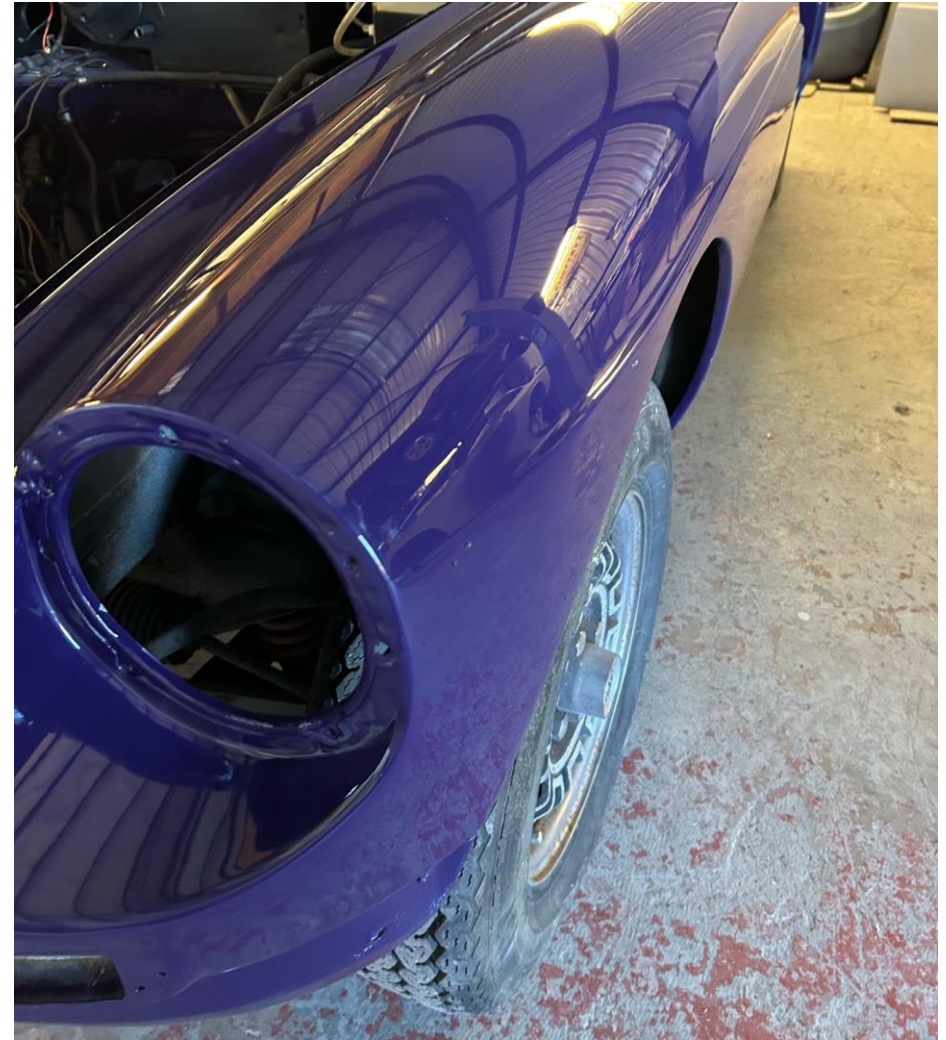


MGBGTV8 rebuild report from Lorraine Noble-Thompson



Lights waiting to be reinstalled to the freshly painted MGBGTV8.

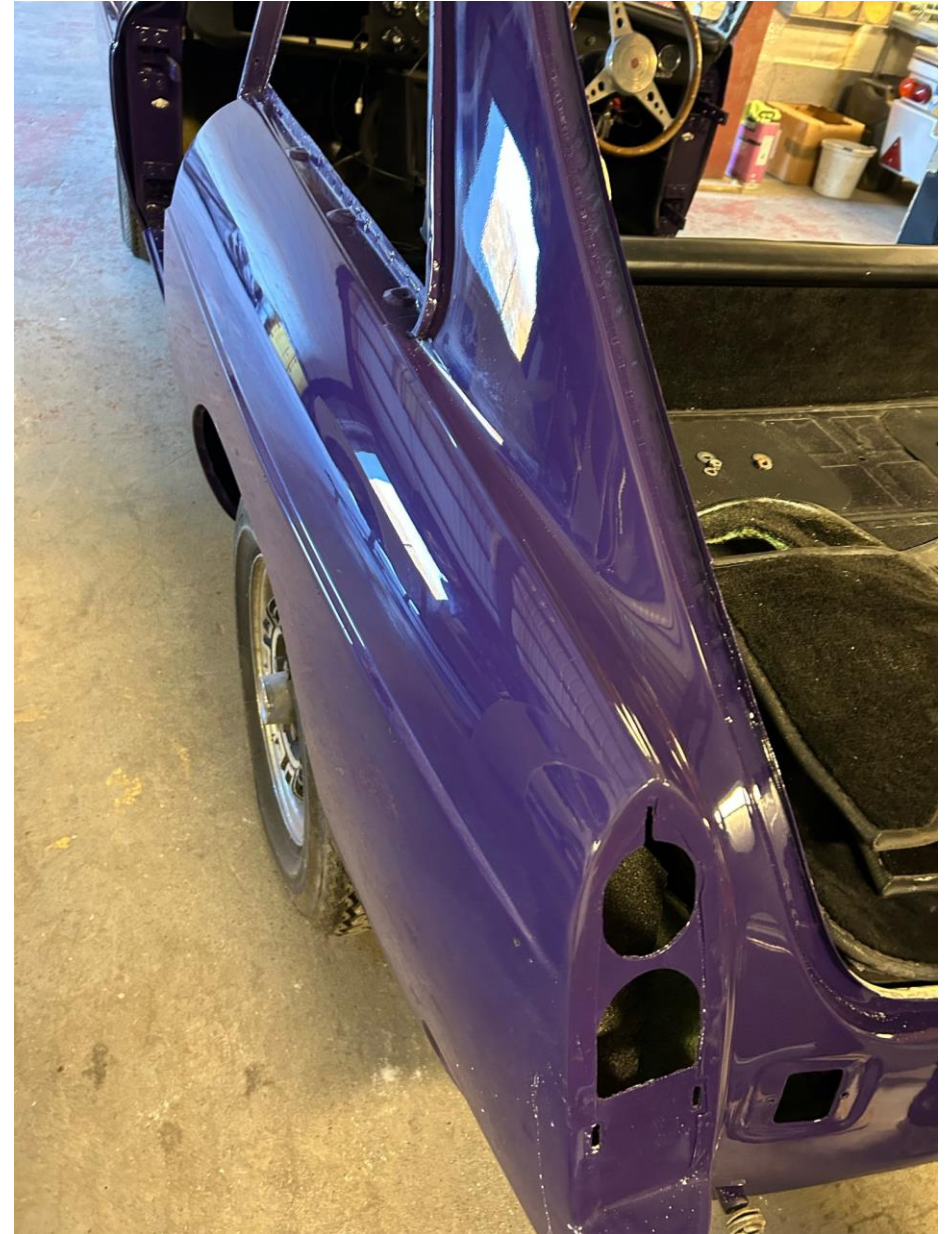


Close up the fresh Aconite paint finish is good – this is an attractive, deep colour that suits the lines of the car so well. The badging, packed in plastic bags, will soon be fixed. Locating the badging is covered by a useful V8NOTE on refixing them to the nearside wing, tailgate and grille panel. Remember no V8 and BL badges were fitted to the offside wing.

[See V8NOTE253 in Volume 7](#)



Parts are being returned to the engine bay – cooling fans, oil cooler and the equipment on the bulkhead is beginning to go back.



The change of body colour to Aconite is beautiful which suits an MGBGT V8.



Rechromed rear bumper with the numberplate illuminators on the overriders. The work was carried out by a rechroming specialist in the West Midlands.



More parts have been sourced ready for fitting the car as part of the detailed restoration.



Many parts are bagged-up waiting to go back into and on the MGBGT V8.

Restoration of Factory MGBGT V8 (Aconite 0870) continues

Lorraine Noble-Thompson reports "I took these photos this morning (Tuesday 17th January 2023) as the interior specialist was coming to take the original headlining and door cards etc away as well as the seats. They don't need reupholstering yet but I wanted the frames painted as they looked shabby as someone recovered them without doing this. So the replacement headlining will be light grey. As the rest of the interior is black, it may as well stay black. I now have a new steering wheel – Clive Wheatley sourced it for me. Once the new headlining is in they can fit the windows and rear tailgate.

A long way to go yet - it's had one polish so far!"