

Vauxhall Wyvern

When I was at prep-school my solicitor Uncle had one of these, and I might even have thought it quite flash. It was a new post-war model with a curved screen and two tone paintwork, and I suppose fitted in with being new and up to date at the start of a professional career in the brave new world. The father of one of my school friends, a blunt owner of a Rochdale rope walk, was scornful of this degenerate trend in car design: "Ah'll 'ave nun of them mouth organ fronts". Vauxhall then, although GM owned, designed its own cars.

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