



# Greater Wigston Historical Society Blue Plaques in Wigston

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## The Blue Plaque Scheme in Wigston Magna and South Wigston 2007



The Civic Society first considered the idea for a Blue Plaque Scheme in 2002 when discussing a vision for Wigston which included several other ideas that would hopefully make the area a better place in which to live.

A working group was formed consisting of Tricia Berry and Tony Lawrance from the Historical Society, and Colin Hames, Colin Towell and Margaret Ford from the Civic Society who would manage the project and follow through to implementation.

A lottery Grant was obtained and the process begun. Full details of the process and history behind the project can be found in a booklet celebrating some of the notable local people of the past.

**Blue Plaques in Wigston Magna & South Wigston - Wigston Civic Society £3.00**

Notable include:

Plaque Number	Person	Location of Plaque
1	Orson Wright (1853 – 1913)	2 Orange Street
2	Gertrude Mary Astbury (Gertie Gitana) (1887 – 1957)	Marquis of Queensbury, Blaby Road
3	Charles Moore (1878 – 1962)	56 Blaby Road
4	Henry Walter Bates (1854 – 1948)	Station Street
5	Thomas Ingram (1810 -1909)	Abington House Station Road
6	Hiram Abiff Owston (1830 – 1905)	Bushloe House, Station Road
7	Samuel Davenport (1708 – 1775)	Royal British Legion, Bushloe End
8	William Ewaqrt Boulter VC (1892 – 1955)	9 Central Avenue
9	Donald Ross (1902 – 1980)	41 Long Street
10	Henry Davis Pochin (1824 – 1895)	United Reform Church, Long Street
11	Alonzo Harry Broughton (1875 – 1954)	The King's Centre, Bull Head Street
12	William Eggleston (1813 – 1892)	St Wolstan's House, Bull Head Street
13	Thomas Burgess (1799 – 1874)	The Grange, Bull Head Street
14	William George Hoskins (1908 – 1992)	12 Sandy Rise

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