

## WIGSTON STREET NAMES

STREET NAME	VILLAGE	MEANING
Anchor Close		
Aylestone Lane	Wigston Magna	The pathway to Aylestone which was originally called Sand Pitt Lane
Balldike	Wigston Magna	Hoskins tells us that Balldike Close is a certain old place or lane in the enclosure award. The close , which faced down what is now called Bell Street (formerly Balldike Street) dates perhaps from the 16th century. The name derives from the Balls who were a considerable family in the 13 / 14 century.
Barrack Yard	Wigston Magna	Going up the hill towards All Saints Church is is on the left hand side.
Bell Street	Wigston Magna	Hoskins tells us that Balldike Close is a certain old place or lane in the enclosure award. The close , which faced down what is now called Bell Street (formerly Balldike Street) dates perhaps from the 16th century. The name derives from the Balls who were a considerable family in the 13 / 14 century.
Blunts Lane	Wigston Magna	
Bull Head Street	Wigston Magna	Originally called Bulls Head Street and got its name from a very old pub called the Bulls Head.
Bushloe End	Wigston Magna	This footpath leaving the village towards Blaby was originally called Wigston Harcourt in the 13th century.
Butts Close	Wigston Magna	Le Buttes in 1405 Common Green called Le Buttes now the site of Police Station on Bull Head Street where archery practise and training took place.
Church Corner	Wigston Magna	in 1709 the way to Oadby passed by St Wolstan's Church. By 1766 the name had changed to Church Nook.
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Cross Street	Wigston Magna	
Frederick Street	Wigston Magna	
Gas Lane	Wigston Magna	The lane leading to the Gas Works

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Glengate		The path to Glenn. This path is still in use running from St Wolstan's Church eastward to the old Mere. Today the pathway is know as Meres Walk passing through the Meadows Estate and across the GlennGorse golf club to the Mere.
Goal Close	Wigston Magna	A paddock on Long Lane where Peace Memorial Park is now located. This paddock was used as a temporary jail while Leicester was under seige.
Granville Road	Wigston Magna	
Harcourt Road	Wigston Magna	
Horsewell Lane		A pathway which was originally the way to Weford which passed a Horse trough and well.
Kilby Gate		The pathway from Wigston to Kilby around 1500
Leicester Road	Wigston Magna	The road to Leicester
Long Lane		Changed its name to Long Street
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Moat Street	Wigston Magna	
Mowsley End	Wigston Magna	
New Gate		
Newgate End	Wigston Magna	
Newton Gate		The pathway from Wigston to Newton around 1500
Newton Lane	Wigston Magna	The road to Newton Harcourt
Oadby Lane	Wigston Magna	The road to Oadby
Paddock Street	Wigston Magna	Named after the old paddock belonging to Wigston Hall on Long Street where the horses were kept.
Parlour Close	Wigston Magna	Named after the Wigston Co-operative dairy which used to be on this site.

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Port Gate	Wigston Magna	The name for the old roadway leaving Wigston in the direction of Leicester circa 1500.
Sandpit Lane		Probably ran down Frederick Street across Leicester Road and along Aylestone Lane for a little way in 1766
Small Hill		The old name for Newton Lane which was at one time called Little Hill. Not to confused with the Little Hill Estate.
Spa Lane	Wigston Magna	Got its name from the springs of fresh water that surfaced here.
Spoutewell Street	Wigston Magna	In all probability it was part of Bulls Head Street and the top of Bell Street where springs erupted from the bank
Station Road	Wigston Magna	Named as it was the road to the Station.
The Green	Wigston Magna	A green space, siad to be the centre of the village, at the junction of Bulls Head Street, Welford Road, Moat Street and Newton Lane. Part of the old road cam still be seen across the front of the Horse and Trumpet Inn.
Tofts		
Wattry		
Welford Road	Wigston Magna	The main road out of Wigston to Welford. It was also know to locals as Wharf Road being the way to the wharf at Kilby Bridge.
Workhouse Lane	Wigston Magna	The name is mentioned in the 1851 census and we know that there was a WorkHouse up there at the junction with Spa Lane.