

The Blue Plaques Scheme

The Society has recently completed a joint project with the Wigston Historical Society to erect – with lottery funding – a number of “blue plaques” in Wigston and South Wigston, together with a booklet, to celebrate notable past residents. The scheme reflects similar projects in London and other historic towns. 14 plaques were erected and the scheme was launched in the autumn of 2007. The accompanying booklet is available at libraries, The Record Office and from Members.

Who was honoured ?

Those commemorated include Professor W.G.Hoskins, a nationally recognized historian; Gertie Gitana, a first world war music hall artiste and Orson Wright whose firm built nearly all of South Wigston over a ten year period in the late 19th century.