



Request

1. How many Blue Plaques there are in your region in total. (If full figure is known, please provide that, if only those approved by the council are known, please specify).
 - a. Who each of the Blue Plaques in the region is for and when it was installed.

2. How many applications for blue plaques there have been in the 2024 to the council. (If full figure beyond the council is known, please provide that)
 - a. Who they are for.

 - b. How many, and which ones were approved.

3. Please identify any other organisations in your region that approve and install Blue Plaques.

Response

Wigan Council has produced 13 blue plaques for Wigan Borough, starting in 2018. Information on all recipients and the year of launch can be found at:

[Blue Plaque Scheme \(wigan.gov.uk\)](https://www.wigan.gov.uk)

Additional plaques (such as the Wigan Casino plaque) have been produced by community representatives and we do not hold a record of these.

Eight nominations were received in 2024 as follows:

George Heaton (awarded)
Geoffrey Unsworth x 2 nominations (awarded)
Bob McKinlay
Stage Door Ritz/ABC
Helen Don Duncan
Hindley Railway Station
Leigh Friendly Cooperative Society Building

b. Two plaques were awarded (as above).

A national scheme is run by Historic England. Information can be found at:

[The National Blue Plaque Scheme | Historic England](https://www.historicengland.org.uk)