Plaque Scheme

The Hackney Society in collaboration Discover Hackney’s Heritage Partnership would like to revive the local plaque scheme that celebrates people, places and historic events in the borough. In the 1990s, 50 historical figures, events and places were commemorated around the Borough by a series of brown plaques. Extant and demolished buildings, for example: St Augustine’s Tower, the Curtain Theatre, Brooke House, the Loddiges Nursery, and the first Synagogue in Hackney were celebrated; as well as notable people including Edgar Allan Poe, Joseph Priestley, Daniel Defoe, Mary Wollstonecraft, and Antony Newley.

*Discover Hackney’s Heritage Plaque Scheme* will involve residents in the research and nomination process for ten new plaques to commemorate our local heritage. Nominations for important Hackney people could be from the world of sport, public life, entertainment, art, business or science.

As part of the funding application process we need to prove that there is a demand and need for this project. Could you take a few minutes to fill in this questionnaire? Thank you!

☐ I am interested in taking part in this project and finding out more about the history of important people, places and events in Hackney

I am particularly interested in the following aspects of the project:

☐ book about the people, places and events that are celebrated with a plaque
☐ touring exhibition
☐ researching people, places and events for new plaques
☐ being a project ‘champion’ (helping us to publicise the project)
☐ teacher’s resources
☐ website for posting and sharing research
☐ walks, tours, talks and lectures
☐ school workshops

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I believe that Discover Hackney’s Heritage Plaque Scheme would be of benefit to the following groups:

☐ out-of-school groups
☐ school aged children
☐ 16 to 25 year olds
☐ older people
☐ Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities
☐ teachers
☐ local residents
☐ local historians

I believe that the project could have the following benefits: ________________________________
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What person, place or event would you like to see commemorated with a plaque? Please refer to http://www.hackney.gov.uk/ep-planning-conservation-design-trees-plaques.htm for existing plaques.

Do you have any photographs or documentary evidence relating to possible people, places, or events that could be nominated for a plaque? Yes ☐ No ☐

My organisation would like to be a project partner Yes ☐ No ☐

I/my organisation would be prepared to provide support/be involved in Discover Hackney’s Heritage Plaque Scheme in the following ways: ________________________________
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Name __________________________________________
Position ________________________________________
Organisation ____________________________________
Address ________________________________________

Telephone number __________________________________________
Email ________________________________________________

Signed ____________________________________________
Dated _____________________________________________

For further information please contact Lisa on 020 8806 4003 or email lisa@hackneysociety.org, or email Cllr Patrick Vernon at patrick.vernon@hackney.gov.uk

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