

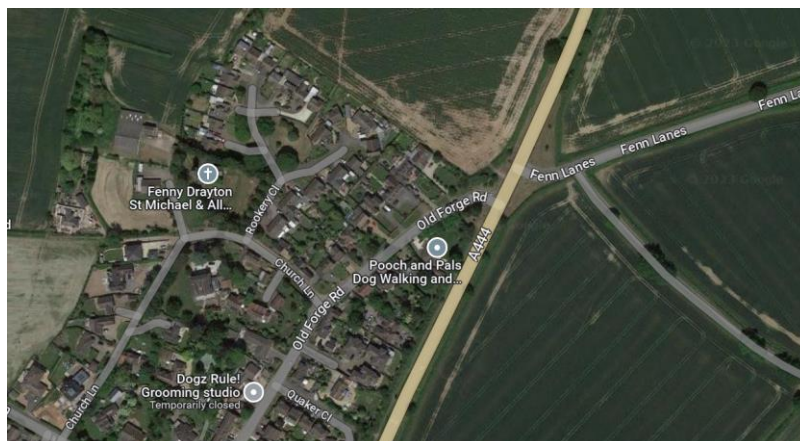


Unveiling of the Green Plaque in honour of George Fox

Green Plaques are awarded to notable and historic Leicestershire people and places after nominations from and voting by members of the local community, and those closely associated with the county.

In June 2014, we unveiled the first Green Plaque to philanthropist Charles Booth in Thringstone. Since then, we have unveiled a further 32, the latest to Arts & Crafts stained glass artist Theodora Salusbury in Birstall. Others include Ibstock born Battle of Britain pilot Sgt Herbert Black RAFVR, Suffragette sisters Kathleen and Nora Corcoran from Loughborough, WWI soldier and poet Arthur Newberry Choyce, artist and illustrator John T. Kenney, the Palitoy factory in Coalville, Fleckney pharmacist Fanny Deacon and Crimean War nurse Ann Ayre Hely from Ravenstone.

On 22 June 2023, we will honour founder of the Quaker Movement, George Fox. Born in Fenny Drayton in 1624, Fox's interpretation of the Christian faith incorporated the belief that there was 'something of God in every person' and hence all were equal. Fox's followers were encouraged to live simple, non-violent lifestyles and believed in spiritual equality for everyone. As pacifists, they played a key role in both the abolitionist and women's rights movements. By the time of his death in 1691, the Quakers had over 50,000 followers. The Green Plaque will be unveiled at St Michael and All Angels Church in Fenny Drayton where Fox began to formulate his beliefs.



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There is on-street parking in the vicinity.