

## Sir Frances Sharp Powell

Sir Frances Sharp Powell, 1910.

Ernest Gillick.

Mesnes Park.



This statue commemorates Sir Frances Sharp Powell, a local philanthropist and MP. The piece is typical of commemorative sculpture from the 1880-1950s. The bronze sculpture has oxidised over time and become a lovely green colour. You will notice that one of Sir Frances' boots is highly polished. It has become a tradition in Wigan that when you pass the statue you should rub his foot for luck.

*What do you imagine Sir Frances is thinking about?*

*Can you reach his foot?*