

A list of Freemen of the Borough of Wigan 1626-1834

In 1641 Wigan Court Leet ordered that no one "be free of the town but with the consent of the Mayor and Burgers unless he had served 7 years apprenticeship!"

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Surname	First name	Title, Profession or Trade	Date/Dates	Comment
Acton	Thomas	Not stated	1732	Freeman
Acton	William	Not Stated	29th January 1694-1695	Sworn Freeman "Debet"
Ainsworth	John	Linen Weaver	February 1758	Freeman
Allanson	Richard	Grocer & Chapman	Mich. 1782	Freeman
Anderton	Lawrence	Not stated	1641?	Freeman
Andrews	Henry	Victualler	March 1772	Freeman
Anglesarke	John	Not stated	7th November 1711	Sworne Freeman
Ascough	James	Not stated	13th November 1727	Sworn Freeman
Ascroft	Richard	Not stated	1640-41	Freeman
Ascroft	William	Not stated	1635	Freeman
Ashton	Gilbert	Not stated	18th January ? Manuscript torn	Sworn Freeman "Debet"
Ashurst	Robert (of Pemberton)	Grocer	15th October 1748	Freeman
Aspinall	James	Not stated	19th July 1712	Sworne Freeman
Asteley	Ralph	Fuller	Between 1635 and 1657	Freeman

Astley	James	Not stated	By Mich.1660	Freeman
Astley	Ralph	Gentleman	1660	Freeman
Aynscowe	Hugh [heirs of]	Gentleman	1641,1657,1660-1663	Freeman
Baldwin	John (The elder)	Not stated		Freeman. Dead 1732
Banches	William	Gentleman	1635,1641,1653,1657, 1660 -	Freeman
			1663	
Banckes	Adam	Not stated	1665	Freeman
Banckes	Christopher [heirs of]	Not stated	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Banckes	Edward (of Ince)	Husbandman	1671	Freeman
Banckes	Gerrard	Gentleman	1653,1657, April 1660-1663	Freeman
Banckes	James	Shoemaker	1657	Freeman
Banckes	Robert	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Banckes	Thomas	Pewterer	1653, 1657	Freeman
Banckes	Thomas	Not stated	1660	Freeman
Bancks	John	Gentleman	1732,1733-1735	Freeman
				Freeman. Dead Easter
Bancks	Ralph	Not stated	1732, 1733	1734
Bancks	Ralph	Not stated	Mich.1734, 1735	Freeman
Barker	Thomas	Not stated	Mich.1737	Freeman
Barker	William	Not stated	6th April 1751	Freeman
Barker	William	Not stated	21st December 1754	Freeman
Barker	William	Gunsmith	2nd April 1755	Sworn Freeman
Baron	James	Grocer & Chapman	Mich. 1770	Freeman
Baron	Robert	Not stated	1640,1641,1657-1663	Freeman
Baron	Roger	Not stated	16,411,653	Dead 1657
Barrow	Gilbert	Gentleman	1635,1641,1657-1663	Freeman
Barrow	Edward	Gentleman	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Barrow	Robert	Not stated	1635, 1641	Freeman
Barrow	Thomas	Linen Weaver	September 1695	Sworn Freeman "Debet and swearing and Dutie"
Barrowe	Hugh (The elder)	Not stated	1653,1657, April 1660-1663	Freeman
Barrowe	Hugh	Not stated	1635, 1641	Freeman

Barrowe	Hugh	Clerk	1657	Freeman
Barrowe	Robert (The elder)	Not stated	1640	Freeman
Barrowe	Thomas	Not stated	1653	Freeman
Barrymore	James	Earl of	1722	Freeman
Barrymore	James [heirs of]	Earl of	1749, 1750-1764	Freeman
Barton	Thomas	Knight	1635, 1641	Freeman
Barton	Thomas	Sadler	Mich. 1770	Freeman
Battersby	William	Not stated	9th June 1709	Sworne Freeman
Bennett	Robert	Glazier	21st December 1754	Sworn Freeman
Bibby	Henry	Not stated	11th November 1729	Sworn Freeman
Birchall	Joseph	Mason	January 1747	Freeman
Blackburne	Richard	Gentleman	1657	Freeman
Blackhurst	Thomas	Chaveller	26th October 1661	Freeman
Bold	Samuel	Husbandman	March 1748	Freeman
Bolton	James	Not stated	17th February 1700-1701	Sworn Freeman
Bond	Thomas	Not stated	9th November 1700	Sworn Freeman
Boulton	Adam	Tanner	Admitted Mich. 1670	Freeman
Bourne	Ann	Milliner	March 1772	Freeman
Bradshawe	Roger [heirs of]	Taylor	1641	Freeman
Bradshaigh	Roger	Sir, Bart	1732-1747,1749,1750-1764	Freeman
(B)ridge	Thomas	Not stated	?of August 1712 (Manuscript faded)	Sworne Freeman
Bridgehouse	John [heirs of]	Not stated	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Briggs	Robert	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Brighthouse	John	Gentleman	1641	Freeman
Brighthouse	John [heirs of]	Not stated	1653, 1657	Freeman
Brown	Henry	Gentleman	1732-1740,1745-1764	Freeman
Brown	William [heirs of]	Not stated	1732-1740,1743,1745-1764	Freeman
Browne	George	Esquire	1732	Mayor
Browne	Henry	Gentleman	1732	Dead 1732
Browne	James	Not stated	1732-1733	Mayor
Browne	Ralph (The elder)	Not stated	1635	Freeman
Browne	Ralph (The younger)	Gentleman	1635, 1637-1663	Freeman

Browne	Ralph	Dyer	1640-1641	Freeman
Browne	Ralph	Gentleman	1641, 1653, 1657, April 1660	Freeman
Browne	Roger	Not stated	1640-1641, April 1660-1663	Freeman
Browne	William (The elder)	Gentleman	1641	Freeman
Browne	William	Gentleman	1641, 1653, 1657, April 1660	Freeman
Browne	William	Dyer	1653, 1657, April 1660-1663	Freeman
Browne	William	Not stated	1732	Dead 1732
Buckhouse	William	Brazier and Founder	January 1753	Freeman
Bullocke	John	Not stated	1635, Alderman 1640, Mayor 1641	Freeman
Burges	Thomas	Not stated	1663	Freeman
Burges	Thomas	Not stated	1732	Dead 1732
Burges	Thomas [heirs of]	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1764	Freeman
Bury	James	Not stated	6th February 1696-1697	Sworn Freeman "Not paid dutie"
Buxton	German	Gentleman	30th September 1727	Sworn Freeman
Callon	Thomas	Not stated	1732	Freeman
Carter	John	Ropemaker	October 1666	Freeman
Carter	John	Not stated	29th 1711-1712	Sworne Freeman
Carter	Robert	Ropemaker	October 1666	Freeman
Casson	Richard	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Catterall	Peter	Gentleman	1635, 1641, 1653	Freeman
Catterall	Thomas	Gentleman	1657, April 1660-1663	Freeman
Chaddock	Elias	Not stated	January 1753	Freeman
Challenor	Thomas	Not stated	1653, 1657	Freeman
Chamberlain	William	Grocer	October 1766	Sworn Freeman
Chamberlain	William (The younger of Wigan)	Grocer	28th October 1766	Sworne
Challyner	Hugh [heirs of]	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Clarke	Thomas (of Ormskirk)	Roper	September 1741	Freeman
Cochran	Robert (of Wigan)	Linenn(sic) Draper and Chapman	28th October 1761	"1762 Inspected Cha: Marshall" Sworn Freeman

Cockran	Robert	Linen Draper	October 1761	Freeman
Cooper	James	Not stated	28th January 1696-1697	Sworn Freeman "not paid for stamp"
Critchley	Thomas	Miller	12th November 1729	Sworn Freeman
Croachlowe	James	Miller	1657	
Crooke	Randle (of Wigan)	Not stated	30th April 1695	Sworn Freeman "Debet for this and swearing"
Croytchloe	Robert [heirs of]	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Curghey	John	Genleman	1732-1740, 1743	Freeman
Curghey	John	Gentleman		Dead 1732
Curghey	William	Gentleman	Mich.1645	Freeman
Dampner	Edward	Gentleman		1653 Freeman
Daniell(sic)	William	Esquire	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Daniel	William	Esquire		Dead 1732
Daniel	William [heirs of]	Esquire	1732-1740, 1743, 1750, 1764	1745- Freeman
Davies	John	Gentleman		Dead 1732
Davies	John [heirs of]	Gentleman	1732-1740, 1743,1745-1764	Freeman
Dawber	Thomas	Malster	Mich.1782	Freeman
Deane	Ralph	Butcher	1641, 1653	Freeman
Deane	William	Butcher	1658-1663	Already Freeman
Derby	Charles	Earl of	1653, 1657	Freeman
Derby	Edward	Earl of	Mich.1736	Freeman
Derby	James	Earl of	1732-1736	Freeman
Derby	William	Earl of	1635, 1641	Freeman
Diconson	Edward	Esquire	Mich.1768	Freeman
Diconson	Hugh	Esquire	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Diconson	Hugh [heirs of]	Esquire	1632-1640,1643, 1645-1667	Freeman
Diconson	William	Esquire		1802 Freeman
Doncaster	Thomas	Silversmith and Tinsplate Worker	December 1763	Freeman
Doncaster	Thomas (of Wigan)	Siversmith	27th January 1764	Sworn Freeman

Downes	Francis	Esquire	1640, 1641	Freeman
Downes	John (heirs of)	Esquire	1653	Freeman
Downes	Roger	Esquire	1635	Freeman
Eccles	Thomas	Flax Drawer	May 1739	Freeman
Edleston	Jonathan	Taylor	17th October 1698	Sworne Freeman
Entwisle	Bertie	Esquire		Dead 17326
Entwisle	Bertie (heirs of)	Esquire	1732-1740, 1743	Freeman
Entwisle	John	Gentleman	Mich. 1745, 1746-1750	Freeman
Entwisle	John (heirs of)	Gentleman	1764	Freeman
Faireclough	James	Gentleman	3rd September 1730	Sworn Freeman
Fairclough	John	Chapman	February 1764-1765	Freeman
Farrimond	Alexander	Chapman	28th February 1755	Sworn Freeman
Farrimond	Alexander	Chapman	1st February 1755	Feeman
Fazakerley	Robert	Gentleman	1634, 1641	Freeman
Fazakerley	Robert [heirs of]	Gentleman	1653, 1657, 1660	Freeman
Fell	George (Junior)	Not stated	29th April 1728	Sworn Freeman
Ferryman	Henry	Not stated	September 1740	Freeman
Finch	Cuthbert	Not stated	24th September 1695	Sworne "not paid for stamp swearing"
Finch	Robert	Not stated	Elected October 5th 1667	Freeman
Finch	Robert	Not stated		Frreman, Dead 1732
Finch	Robert [heirs of]	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750, 1764	Freeman
Fleetwood	Henry	Gardener	1672	Freeman
Fogg	Jonathan	Linen Weaver	1748	Freeman
Ford	Alex. (of Swindley)	Genleman	1637, 1641	Freeman
Ford	Hugh	Pewterer	1653, 1657, 1660, 1663, 1667	Freeman
Ford	James	Pewterer	1653, 1657	Freeman
Ford	James (The Younger)	Pewterer	1657	Freeman
Ford	James	Groser (sic)	30th November 1705	Sworne Freeman
Ford	Lawrence	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Ford	William	Gentleman	1641, Alderman 1657	Freeman
Ford	William	Not stated		Freeman, Dead 1732

Ford	William [heirs of]	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750, 1764	Freeman
Ford	William	Girdler	1649, Mich. 1660	Freeman
Ford	William [heirs of]	Girdler	1641, 1653-1663	Freeman
Ford	William (of Swinley)	Gentleman	1657-1663	Freeman
Ford	William (of Swinley) [heirs of]	Not stated	1635	Freeman
Forster	William	Panner	1653	Freeman
Forth	Hugh	Gentleman	Alderman 1656, 1653	Freeman
Forth	James	Not stated	April 1660	Freeman
Forth	Robert	Gentleman	Mayor 1635	Freeman & Burgher?
Forth	Robert	Not stated	1641	Heirs of
Forth	William	Gentleman	1637, 1653	Freeman
Forth	William (of Swinley)	Not stated	1653, April 1660	Freeman
Forth	William	Dyer	1687	Freeman
Foster	Ralph	Gentleman	1635	Freeman
Foster	Ralph	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Foster	Robert	Not stated	1641	Heirs of
Foster	Robert	Brazier		Freeman, Dead 1732
Foster	Robert [heirs of]	Brazier	17321740, 1743, 1745-1750, 1764	Freeman
Foster	William	Brazier	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Foster	William	Gentleman	April 1660	Freeman
Foster	William	Butcher	1653, 1657	Freeman
Foster	William	Not stated		Freeman Dead 1732
Foster	William (heirs of)	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750, 1764	Freeman
Fox	Richard	Not stated	Elected October 1734	Freeman
France	Robert	Not stated	1st December 1705	Sworne Freeman
French	Joshua	Not stated	4th July 1704	Sworne Freeman
Gaulter	John	Ship's carpenter	Admitted 4th October 1746	Freeman
Gay	Thomas	Cabinet maker	Admitted 4th October 1746	Freeman
Gerard	Thomas (of Wigan)	Hosier and Chapman	13th December 1755	Sworn Freeman

Gerrard	Justinian	Not stated	15th July 1738	Freeman
Gerrard	Myles [heirs of]	Gentleman	April 1660	Freeman
Gerrard	Miles (sic)	Not stated	1637, 1641	Freeman
Gerrard	Robert [heirs of]	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Gerrard	Thomas	Not stated	1635	Freeman
Gerrard	Thomas	Esquire	1635, 1641, 1653, 1657	Freeman
Gerrard	Thomas	Hosier and Linen Draper	Nich. 1755	Freeman
Glazebrook	Edward	Not stated	16th September 1753	Sworne Freeman
Glover	James [heirs of]	Not stated	1640-1641	Freeman
Glover	William	Gentleman	1653, 1657, Mayor 1660-1663	Freeman
Glover	William	Gentleman		Freeman, Dead1732
			1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750,	
Glover	William [heirs of]	Gentleman	1764	Freeman
Gordon	William	Linen Draper	December 1763	Freeman
Gordon	William (of Wigan)	Linnen(sic) Draper	21 January 1764	Sworn Freeman
Gorsuch	Edward	Gentleman		Freeman, Dead1732
Gorsuch	Edward [heirs of]	Gentleman	1732-1740,1743, 1745-1750	Freeman
Gorsuch	Edward	Gentleman	1641	Freeman
Gosnoh	Edward	Gentleman	1635	Freeman
Greenough	William	Not stated	Elected October 1734	Freeman
Grimshaw	Roger	Linen Weaver	Mich. 1772	Freeman
				Sworn Freeman " not
Hackhurst	Edward	Not stated	16t October 1696	paid for stamp"
				To be admitted a
				Freeman of the
Haigh	John	Weaver	1652-1653	[company]
				Sworn Freeman
Hall	Peter	Not stated	14th January 1694-1695	"debet"
				To be made free of the
Hall	William	Hosier	1656	[Hosiers]
Halliwell	John	Not stated	30th September 1704	Sworne Freeman
Hamilton	George	Not stated	4th October 1728	Sworn Freeman
Hardman	Richard	Not stated	8th December 1705	Sworne Freeman

Hargreaves	James	Skinner	October 1769	Freeman
Harrison	Richard (of Hinley) sic	Not stated	1741	Freeman
Hart	Thomas	Not stated	March 1745	Freeman
Hartcliffe	William	Not stated	10th April 1708	Sworne Freeman
Harvey	John	Gentleman	1657-1663	Freeman
Hesketh	Robert	Esquire	1653, April 1660	Freeman
Hesketh	Thomas	Esquire	1653, 1641	Freeman
Heys	James	Hardware	Admitted 25th October 1760	Freeman
Heys	James of Wigan	Hardwareman	28th October 1760	Sworn Freeman
Heywood	Samuel	Fustian weaver	Mich. 1755	Freeman
Higham	James	Tanner	1635, 1641	Freeman
Higham	Robert	Butcher	Mich. 1672	Freeman
Higham	Robert	Carrier/ Currier?	9th December 1754	Sworn Freeman
Higham	Robert	Currier	October 1754	Freeman
Higham	William	Gentleman	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Higham	William	Miller	12th November 1729	Sworn Freeman
	Samuel (of Pennington			
Hilton	Green)	Gentleman	October 12th 1700	Freeman
Hodson	John	Not stated	September 1741	Freeman
				Sworn Freeman "not
Hollis	William	Not stated	28th January 1696-1697	paid dutie"
Holme	John (of Shevington)	Taylor	Admitted 15th October 1748	Freeman
Holt	Thomas	Dancing Master	October 1748	Freeman
Hoole	George	Not stated	4th July 1704	Sworne Freeman
Hunt	John	Not stated	4th October 1728	Sworn Freeman
Hough	Edward	Not stated	1662	Freeman
Houghton	Ralph	Gentleman	1653, 1641	Freeman
Hulton	Evan	Watchmaker	Mich. 1670	Freeman
Ireland	James [heirs of]	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Ireland	Thomas	Pewterer	1657	Freeman
Ireland	Thomas	Gentleman	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Johnson	Jonathan	Not stated	2nd October 1708	Sworne Freeman
Jolley	Hugh	Gentleman		Freeman, Dead 1732

Jolley	Hugh [heirs of]	Gentleman	1732-1740,1743,1740-1750, 1764	Freeman
Jolley	Thomas	Grocer	March 1745	Freeman
Jollie	Ambrose	Gentleman	1653, 1657	Freeman
Jollie	Robert	Not stated	1635, 1641	Freeman
Jolly	Edward	Not stated	1st November 1710	Sworne Freeman
Jolly	Ralph	Gunsmith	September 1665	Freeman
Junkin?	Henry (of Wigan)	Whitster	28th October 1766	Sworn Freeman
Kendall	Thomas	Inn Holder	March 1748	Freeman
Kenwricke	Edward	Not stated	8th December 1711	Sworne Freeman
Kidd	Thomas (alias)	Not stated	1649, 1653	Freeman, Ireland Sworn Fremman
Knowles	Samuell (sic)	Not stated	Undated	"Debet"
Laithwaite	John	Not stated	1663	Freeman
Laithwaite	John	Not stated		Freeman, Dead 1732
Laithwaite	John (of Wigan)	Linen Weaver	15th April 1758	Sworn Freeman
Laithwaite	John [heirs of]	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743,1745-1750, - 1764	Freeman
Laithwaite	Roger	Gentleman	1641, 1653	Freeman
Laithwaite	William	Gentleman	1653, 1657	Freeman
Laithwaite	William	Not stated	1732	Freeman
Laithwaite (heirs of)	William	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750,- 1764	Freeman
Langshaw	John the elder (heirs of)	Not stated	Mich. 1745, 1746-1750, -1764	Freeman
Langshaw	Ralph (senior)	Not stated		Freeman, Dead 1732
Langshaw	Ralph (senior) (heirs of)	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743	Freeman
Langshawe	Hugh [heirs of]	Not stated	1635	Freeman
Langshawe	John	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Langshawe	Robert	Pewterer	1640-1641, 1653, 1657	Freeman
Langshawe	William	Fuller	1653, 1657	Freeman

Latham	John (of Clifton, Westmorland)	Watchmaker	1749	Freeman
Latham	Peter (of Wigan)	Hosier	13th December 1755	Sworn Freeman
Latham	Peter	Hosier	Mich. 1755	Freeman
Latham	Richard	Linen Weaver	March 1745	Freeman
Lathom	Henry	Esquire	1635, 1641, 1653	Freeman
Layland	Thomas	Grocer	March 1772	Freeman
Leatherbarrow	Pierce (i.e. Piers)	Chapman	March 1772	Freeman
Leatherbarrow	Robert	Gentleman		Freeman, Dead 1732
Leatherbarrow	Robert (heirs of)	Gentleman	1732, 1733-1740, 1754-1764	Freeman
Lee	Humphry (sic)	Gentleman	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Legh	Charles	Not stated		Freeman, Dead 1732
Legh	Charles (heirs of)	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743	Freeman
Leicester	Lawrence	Not stated	4th November 1710	Sworne Freeman
Leigh	Chatles	Not stated	1653	Freeman
Leigh	Ellen	Widow	(1)1635, (2) 1640	Freeman
Leigh	Humphrey	Not stated	1640,1641, 1653	Freeman
Lenrick	John	Linen Draper	March 1745	Freeman
				Freeman "Debet & stamp"
Letherbarrow	Edward (son of Myles)	Not stated	18th June 1695	
Letherbarrow	Miles (heirs of)	Not stated	1640-1641	Freeman
Letherbarrow	Richard	Not stated	5th November 1703	Sworne Freeman
Letherbarrow	Robert	Not stated	1663?	Freeman
Letherbarrow	Robert	Not stated	1657	Freeman
	James (son of Rev.			
Lever	Samuel Lever	Linen weaver	October 1743	Freeman
Lord	John	Not stated	13 August 1730	Freeman
Lowe	John	Butcher	9th December 1754	Freeman
Lowe	John	Butcher	October 1754	Freeman
Lowe	Thomas	Victualler (sic)	October 1750	Freeman
Lowe	William (of Pemberton)	Yeoman	Mich. 1746	Freeman
Lyon	Jeremy	Chapman	March 1772	Freeman

Markland	Edward (heirs of)	Not stated	1635, 1641	Freeman
Markland	James	Gentleman	1635	Freeman
Markland	John	Gentleman	Mich. 1745 - 1750, 1757	Freeman
Markland	Matthew	Gentleman	1653, 1657	Freeman
Markland	Oliver	Gentleman	1653, 1657	Freeman
Markland	Ralph	Gentleman	1653, 1657	Freeman
Markland	Robert	Gentleman	1635	Freeman, Dead 1732
Markland	Robert (the younger)	Not stated	1640-1641, Heirs of 1663	Freeman
Markland	Robert (heirs of)	Not stated	1635-1641	Freeman
Markland	Robert (the younger) (heirs of)	Not stated	1653 1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750,	Freeman
Markland	Robert (heirs of)	Gentleman	1764	Freeman
Markland	Thomas	Not stated	28th January 1696/1697	Sworn Freeman " " Not paid for stamp"
Markland	Thomas	Apothecary	6th April 1728	Sworn Freeman
Markland	William	Not stated	1653	Freeman
Markland	William	Not stated	Mich. 1660-1663	Freeman
Marsden	Thomas	Tanner	1657	Freeman
Marsh	John (of Aspull)	Linen Weaver	Admitted January 1747	Freeman
Marsh	William	Gentleman	1732-1740, 1743, 1745, 1750,	Freeman, Dead 1732
Marsh	William (heirs of)	Gentleman	1746	Freeman
Marshe	Peter	Gentleman	1660-1663	Freeman
Marshe	William	Gentleman	1635	Freeman
Marshe	William (heirs of)	Not stated	1641, 1653	Freeman
Martin	Thomas	Watchmaker	October 26th 1674	Freeman
Mason	Henry	Gentleman		Freeman, Dead 1732
Mason	Henry (heirs of)	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750	Freeman
Mason	Henry (heirs of)	Not stated	1653, 1657	Freeman
Mason	Robert (heirs of)	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Mather	Humphrey	Not stated	1653	Freeman

Mather	John	Inn Holder	Mich. 1782	Freeman
Mather	Roger (heirs of)	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Mather	Thomas	Not stated	1662	Freeman
Mather	Thurstan (heirs of)	Not stated	1640, 1641	Freeman
Mawdsley	Robert	Gentleman	1635, 1641	Freeman
Mawdsley	Robert (heirs of)	Not stated	April 1660	Freeman
Mayor	John (son of William, Mayor of Pemberton)	Linen Weaver	October 1743	Freeman
Mayor	William	Linen Weaver & Chapman	Admitted October 4th 1746	Freeman
Milligan	Michael (son in law of William Roe. Freeman)	Linen Draper	Mich. 1782	Freeman
Milligan	William	Milliner	August 1758	Freeman
Mollineux	James	Gentleman	1653, 1657 Mayor 1639 - 1640, Freeman	Freeman
Mollineux	James	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Mollineux	James	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750, 1764	Freeman, Dead 1732
Mollineux	James (heirs of)	Not stated	1764	Freeman
Mollineux	Robert	Gentleman	1635, 1641	Freeman
Mollineux	Robert	Esquire	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750, 1764	Freeman, Dead 1732
Mollineux	Robert (heirs of)	Esquire	1764	Freeman
Moor	Henry	Whitesmith	March 1772	Freeman
More	John	Barber	2nd January 1747	Freeman
Mort	Robert	Esquire	Mich. 1734	Freeman
Mort	Thomas	Esquire	1732, 1733 Mich. 1735 -1740, 1743, 1745-	Freeman
Mort	Thomas (heirs of)	Not stated	1750, 1764	Freeman
Mullineux	Robert (heirs of)	Gentleman	1653, 1657, 1660-1663	Freeman
Mullineux	Thomas	Gentleman	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Naylor	John	Shoemaker	February 4th 1758	Freeman
Naylor	Richard	Cooper	18th September 1701	Sworn Freeman

Nightgale	John	Potter	in 1635	Freeman
Nuttall	Lawrence	Chapman	March 1772	Freeman
Ollerhead	William	Mercer	Mich. 1751	Freeman
Orrell	James (heirs of)	Not stated	1641, 1660	Freeman
Orrell	John	Weaver	1657	Freeman
Orrell	Richard	Not stated	1653	Freeman
Orrell	Richard (heirs of)	Yeoman	1657	Freeman
Page	William	Gentleman	1653, 1657	Freeman
Palding	John	Not stated	March 1748	Freeman
Parrin	Thomas	Chapman	1659	Freeman
Paxton	David	Inn Holder	December 1763	Freeman
Pearson	George	Not stated	12th May 1711	Sworne Freeman
Pemberton	Thurstan (heir of)	Panner	1641, 1653, 1657	Freeman
Penington	Robert	Gentleman	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750,	Freeman, Dead 1732
Penington	Robert (heirs of)	Gentleman	1764	Freeman
Pennington	Nicholas	Not stated	1635, 1657	Freeman
Penson	James	Malster	March 1772	Freeman
Penyngton	Robert	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Pilkington	William	Not stated	1635, 1641	Freeman
Pinkerton	William	Gardener	December 1763	Freeman
Platt	John	Chapman	April 1764-1765	Freeman
Platt	Oliver	Watchmaker	1674	Freeman
Platt	Thomas	Not stated	19th December 1730	Sworn Freeman
Plumbe	Thomas (of Wigan)	Grocer and Chapman	27th December 1755	Sworn Freeman
Plumbe	Thomas	Grocer and Cheesemaker	Mich. 1755	Freeman
Prescott	James	Not stated	1637	Freeman
Prescott	William (of Ince)	Taylor (sic)	1656	To be a sworn Freeman of the Tailors Co.
Probart	Thomas	Sadler (sic)	Mich. 1749	Freeman
Ranson	James (of Wigan)	Glazier	28th October 1756	Sworn Freeman
Ranson	James	Plumber and Glazier	Mich. 1756	Freeman

Ranson	Raphe (of Wigan)	Not stated	29th January 1694/1695	Sworn Freeman. "Debet stamp"
Reynold	Lawrence	Not stated	7th February 1711/12	Sworn Freeman
Rigby	James	Not stated		Freeman, Dead 1732
			1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750,	
Rigby	James (heirs of)	Not stated	1746	Freeman
Rigby	Thomas	Not stated	2nd October 1705	Sworne Freeman
Rigby	Thomas (of Lancaster)	Cabinet maker	December 1749	Freeman
Rigby	William (of Wigan)	Watch-Toolmaker	28th October 1756	Sworn Freeman
Rigby	William	Watch-Toolmaker	Mich. 1756	Freeman
Rigbye	James	Shoemaker	1653, 1657	Freeman
Robinson	William	Gardener	March 1772	Freeman
Roe	William	Linen Draper	January 1752	Freeman
Roscoe	William	Gardener	Mich. 1782	Freeman
Rudd	Joshua (of Ince)	Tinman	Mich. 1737	Freeman
Rylance	James	Not stated	January 1753	Freeman
				Freeman. Inspected
Rylance	James (of Wigan)	Chapman	9th March 1756	1756. "Tho:Jones" Freeman
Rylandes	Thomas	Not stated	1653, 1641, 1653	Freeman
Rylandes	Richard	Not stated	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Scofield	James	Not stated	May 1739	Freeman
Scott	Geoffrey	Junior Brazier	1659-1660	Freeman
[Scott] (son of William Scott)	Hugh	Brazier	October 1656	Sworn a Freeman of the Braziers
Scott	James	Linen Manufacturer	March 1745	Freeman
Scott	James	Gentleman		Freeman. Dead 1732
			1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750,	
Scott	James (heirs of)	Gentleman	1764	Freeman
				Sworn Freeman. "Not paid for stamp nor swearing"
Scott	Myles	Not stated	24th September 1695	
Scott	Ralph	Gentleman	1635, 1641, 1653	Freeman

Seddon	Myles	Not stated	11th September 1729	Sworn Freeman
Sephton	John	Not stated	28th March 1728	Sworn Freeman
Sherrington	Francis	Esquire	1635, 1641, 1653	Freeman
Sherrington	Geoffrey	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Sherrington	John (of Wigan)	Not stated	17th January 169(4)/(5)?? (Manuscript torn)	Sworn Freeman. "Debet"
Simkin	Henry	Huckster	Mich. 1756	Freeman
Slater	James	Gardener	Admitted 2nd October 1736	Freeman
Smith	James	Blacksmith	December 1763	Freeman
Smith	James (of Wigan)	Smith	21st January 1764	Sworn Freeman
Smith	John	Not stated		Freeman. Dead 1732
Smith	John (heirs of)	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750, 1764	Freeman
Standish	Edward	Esquire	April 1660-1664	Freeman
Standish	Edward	Gentleman	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750	Freeman
Standish	John	Gentleman		Freeman. Dead 1732
Standish	Ralph	Esquire	1732-1739, 1743	Freeman
Standishe	John	Gentleman	1635, 1641, 1653	Freeman
Standishe	Ralph	Esquire	1635, Mayor 1637	Freeman
Stringfellow	John	Not stated	September 1740	Freeman
Stuart	Charles	Bookseller	December 1763	Freeman
Stuart	Charles (of Wigan)	Bookseller	21 January 1764	Freeman
Sumner	Christopher	Gentleman		Freeman. Dead 1732
Sumner	Christopher (heirs of)	Gentleman	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750, 1764	Freeman
Sumner	Edward	Gentleman	1657, April 1660-1663	Freeman
Tarleton	Ralph	Not stated		Freeman. Dead 1732
Tarleton	Ralph (heirs of)	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750, 1764	Freeman
Tarleton	Thomas	Pewterer	1640,1641, 1653, 1657	Freeman
Tarleton	Thomas	Gentleman	April 1660-1663-1691, 1695	Freeman
Tatlocke	James	Gentleman		Freeman. Dead 1732

Tatlocke	James (heirs of)	Gentleman	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750, 1764	Freeman Sworn Freeman. "Not paid for stamp"
Taylor	Roger	Not stated	29th January 1695/1696	Sworn Freeman. "Not paid dutie)
Taylor	Thomas	Not stated	25 January 1696/1697	
Tempest	William	Gentleman	1653, 1657, Alderman, B. 1656	Freeman
Thacker	Lovat	Founder	Mich. 1782	Freeman
Thompson	James	Ironmonger	Mich. 1782	Freeman
Thurstan	? (heirs of)	Not stated	1635	Freeman
Tompson	Alexander	Gentleman	1653, Mayor 1653-1660	Freeman
Trafford	Cecil	Knight	1635, 1641	Freeman
Trafford	Humphrey	Esquire	1732-1740, 1743	Freeman
Turner	Thomas	Gentleman	1641, 1653	Freeman
Turner	William	Gentleman	1657, April 1660-1663	Freeman
Tyrer	Alexander	Not stated	3rd June 1699	Sworn Freeman
Unsworth	John	Not stated	20 May 1709	Sworne Freeman
Waekfield (sic)	John	Gentleman	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Wakefield	John	Pewterer	1653, 1657	Freeman
Wakefield	John (heirs of)	Not stated	1641	Freeman
Wakefield	Henry	Not stated	1635, 1641, 1653	Freeman
Wakefield	Ralph	Not stated	April 1660-1663	Freeman
Wakefield	Ralph	Not stated		Freeman. Dead 1732
Wakefield	Ralph (heirs of)	Not stated	1732-1740, 1743, 1745-1750, 1764	Freeman
Wakefield	William	Not stated	1732	Freeman
Walmisley	John	Gentleman	4th July 1704	Sworne Freeman
Ward	Theopelus	Not stated	1st December 1705	Sworne Freeman
Wareing	William	Butcher	December 1763	Freeman
Wareing	William (of Wigan)	Butcher	21st January 1764	Sworn Freeman
Waterson	John	Not stated	30th April 1695	Sworn Freeman. "Debet and stamp"

Whitehouse	William (of Preston)	Brazier	Mich. 1756	Freeman
Whitle	Thomas	Not stated	1662	Freeman
Wilding	James	Smith	December 1763	Freeman
Wilding	James (of Wigan)	Smith	21 January 1764	Freeman
				Sworn Freeman.
				"Inspected 1770. Tho.
Williams	William (of Wigan)	Tinplate worker	28th October 1766	Jones"
Williams	William	Tinplate worker	October 1766	Freeman
Winstanley	George (of Haigh)	Not stated	4th October 1701	Sworn Freeman
Winstanley	Joseph	Linen Manufacturer	Mich. 1782	Freeman
Winstanley	Robert	Not stated	1634	Freeman
Withnall	Richard	Not stated	24th November 1705	Sworne Freeman
			Admitted October 4th 1765,	
Woltham	Thomas	Candlestick Maker	1764	Freeman
				Sworn Freeman.
				"Debet and stamp and
Wood	Gilbert	Carpenter	23rd September 1695	swearing"
Wood	Raphe	Blacksmith	25th July 1701	Sworn Freeman
Wood	William	Linen Weaver	27th September 1701	Sworn Freeman
Woods	William	Joiner	Admited 1773	Freeman
Worthington	John	Not stated	April 1660	Freeman
Worthington	Richard	Gentleman	1641	Freeman
Worthington	Richard (heirs of)	Gentleman	1653, 1657-1663	Freeman
Wrigley	James	Not stated	25th May 1707	Sworne Freeman