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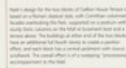
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History of the Terrace

In 1827, the year after the site of a former of the great estate of the House of Lords, a committee of the House of Commons was set up to consider the possibility of building a new House of Commons in the area of the old Palace of Westminster. The plan was to build a new House of Commons in the area of the old Palace of Westminster.



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1754 1820 1827 1829 1860 1860-91 1863 1906 1963 1967 1994-95 1999 2003

Homes of the Royal Society
 Gresham College and Astronomical House 1660 - 1710
 Crane Court 1710 - 1780
 Somerset House 1780 - 1837
 Rutland House 1837 - 1967
 Carlton House Terrace 1967 to date



Number 55 Carlton House Terrace, the residence of the Earl of Derby, was completed in 1829. It was designed by the architect Robert Smirke. The house is a fine example of neoclassical architecture.



Of the five houses built in the area of the House of Commons, only number 55 is still standing. It was built in 1829 and is a fine example of neoclassical architecture.



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Portraits of Past Presidents

Portraits of Presidents and fellows are displayed throughout the building. Since 1941 the Royal Society has commissioned a portrait of the outgoing President. The remainder of portraits have largely been donated by fellows or their families. Since 1967, when the Royal Society moved to 6-9 Carlton House Terrace, the following portraits have been commissioned:



1963-1970
Patrick Maynard Stuart Blackett,
Lord Blackett of Chelsea by
William C. Evans



1970-1975
Sir Alan Lloyd Hodgkin by
Derek Hill



1975-1980
Alexander Robertus Todd,
Lord Todd of Trumington by
William E. Naraway



1980-1985
Sir Andrew Fielding Huxley by
Michael Noakes



1985-1990
George Porter, Lord Porter of
Luddenhams by June Mendoza



1990-1995
Sir Michael Atiyah by
Andrew Festing



1995-2000
Sir Aaron Klug by Jeff Stubbs

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The Library of the Royal Society can be found on the First Floor approached via the Presidents' staircase.

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Presidents' staircase



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