

# A Guided tour of Guildhall, Thursday 17th May 2018

The Friends are delighted to announce that they have arranged a guided tour of Guildhall on Thursday 17th May 2018. The tour lasts for between an hour to an hour and a half and will include the major features of this wonderful building, including the Great hall and the Crypt.

Guildhall is a Grade I listed building. Over the centuries it has been a major building in the city and for a number of centuries was London's Town Hall. It is still the ceremonial and administrative centre for the City of London and its Corporation. Guildhall refers both to the whole building and to its main room, the medieval great hall. Guildhall may be derived from the Anglo-Saxon "gild", meaning payment, so a "gild-hall" being a place where taxes were paid.

We will meet at 10.30am at Guildhall and the tour will start at 10.45. The church of St. Lawrence Jewry is adjacent to Guildhall and it is highly recommended that we visit the church, where as an added incentive coffee can be purchased. After the tour, there is the opportunity to sit in on the Court of Common Council which will be in session from 1 pm that afternoon.

The cost will be £10.00 each for members and £13.00 for non members. Applications for tickets should be made to: Richard Dunckley at [richarddunckley@hotmail.com](mailto:richarddunckley@hotmail.com) or 01959 563421. Numbers are strictly limited and in case of over subscription places will be drawn by lot.

