

This meeting has been organised by Rodica Mager and George Freeman

It is many years since REMS visited **the Inns of Court**. Martin Olutniks will be our guide and tell us of the history, what the various “Temples” are and take us over the Middle Temple Hall www.middletemple.org.uk and the Temple Church www.templechurch.com. All these “Temples” are where some of the London lawyers work, many in Georgian buildings but they have a very wide history and organization.



2 Temple Place was the London home and estate office of Viscount Astor. It was built in 1895 to his specifications on land reclaimed in 1870 when the Victoria Embankment was completed. The Portland stone exterior harps back to earlier designs but the interior was the most up-to-date of its time. The architect was John Loughborough Pearson and he was not constrained by costs and used workmen of the highest quality to produce a fabulous building.

Rodica is a *friend* of 2 Temple Place and has invited us in. The official Guide will tell us about the house, its history and what it is used for now. We finish with tea and biscuits.

MEET in the cafe in Ye Olde Cock Tavern, 22 Fleet Street, EC4Y 1AA for refreshments and toilets.

LUNCH can be had in various pubs along Fleet Street but I suggest The Old Bank of England, a Fullers Ale and Pie shop, an interesting building in its own right. This is opposite Ye Olde Cock Tavern

10.00 – 10.45	Assemble in the pub for refreshments and toilets
10.45 – 13.45	Tour of the Inns
13.45 – 14.00	Walk to The Old Bank of England pub.
14.00 – 15.00	Lunch
15.00 – 15.30	Walk to the House
15.30 – 16.45	Tour of 2 Temple Place and tea.

TRAVEL

The nearest station is Temple but it is within walking distance of many stations eg, Holborn, Waterloo, Charing Cross and Blackfriars.

LATE ARRIVALS. Phone George or John to find out where we are.

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COSTS

£19 each with a maximum of 30 and minimum of 10. Refreshments at cost.