

London Bridge Sheep Drive

25 September 2016

In medieval times, sheep farmers drove their sheep across London Bridge into the City of London to sell them at market. Freemen of the City were excused the bridge toll in recognition of their status as local traders.

Freemen of the City of London still have the right to drive their sheep across London Bridge free of charge and in 2013 the Worshipful Company of Woolmen arranged a “sheep drive” for Freemen to help raise funds for the Lord Mayor's charities. This event was so successful, that it has been repeated each year.

Our Master and his Consort (who is also a Freeman of the City of London) took part in this years event on 25th September and completed the task without incident!

Photographs show them both about to set off.

