

SERVICE OF RE-DEDICATION and THE MYDDELTON LUNCH

Trinity House, 29 January 2018

The Service of Re-dedication was first celebrated in January 2002 on the second anniversary of the Company obtaining Livery and is dedicated to the memory of Sir Hugh Myddelton. It follows the same format as then and this year was held in the Church of St. Mary-at-Hill and was led by our Hon. Chaplain the Revd Prebendary Rose Hudson-Wilkin.

During the service, the Company Cross was re-dedicated and those Company Members present pledged themselves to the service of God, the City and our Company. This year was rather special in that it also included a tribute to Past Master Colin Bland which was adroitly incorporated into Rose's sermon which was also highly relevant to the Company.

Drawing on our commitment to the Company objectives, she made reference to Colin's commitment and devotion to highlighted his work as Chairman of the Trust and the Past Masters' Committee and his work on "The Conservator". This was a very heartfelt tribute to Colin's contribution and devotion to the Company. It was particularly heart-warming to see a number of Past Masters present on this occasion.



Following the service the Master and Wardens led those present in procession to Trinity House for the Myddelton Lunch



In previous years we have been honoured with the presence of the Lord Mayor at this our civic lunch. Regrettably this year the Lord Mayor was unable to accommodate us in his diary. We were nonetheless honoured to have Alderman Professor Michael Mainelli, the Master World Trader as our guest speaker together with his Consort Elisabeth. After a splendid meal by “The Cook and the Butler” together with excellent wines Michael gave an interesting and humorous speech touching on a number of significant topics.



The Master then went on to present a Dissertation Prize of a water jug and Certificate on behalf of the Trust to Joseph Tibbetts from Birmingham University. His dissertation on microplastic contaminant in river sediment was highly topical. Joseph was accompanied by Dr Anne Van Loon

who runs the “River Environments and their Management” MSc course at Birmingham University which is supported by the Trust. Also in attendance were Trust bursary holders Rawan Ragheb from Brunel University and Gemma Bennet from Wadham College, Oxford together with a former bursary holder from 2009, Edna Wolfermann.

After a number of “Parish Notes” the Master closed the proceedings and urged those present to give generously to the collection for the Treloar’s Trust. This was followed by a Stirrup Cup and an opportunity to network. The collection amounted to £1,000 and a cheque for this amount was presented to the Chair of the Treloar’s Trust by the Master the following week on the occasion of the Lord Mayor’s visit to Treloar’s School and College.

Mike Williamson, Master