

2024 BRIGANTES WINTER GATHERING

FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER – SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL AND CUTLERS HALL - S1 1HG

Dear Brigantes Supporter

29 September 2024



Our 2024 Winter Gathering takes us to the City of Sheffield, where we shall enjoy an evening of festive music in the Cathedral of St Peter and St Paul, preceded by our Annual General Meeting, Reception and Early Evening Supper.

The Brigantes Winter Gathering is open to all Liverymen of the City of London, accompanied by upto three guests each. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Dress is lounge suits and Badges of Office may be worn.

Before the Concert we will start proceedings in the magnificent Cutlers Hall, just opposite the Cathedral, followed by a reception at 4.45pm and an early evening supper in the Grand Hall at 5.30pm. The Christmas Concert starts at 7pm in the Cathedral.

For those able to arrive earlier in the day, there will be tea and coffee available in Cutlers Hall, then at 3pm, local entrepreneur Paul Iseard has very kindly agreed to give a talk for us on 'The History of the Humble Fork', very appropriate for Cutlers Hall. Paul is currently the Chair of Friends of Portland Works, restoring the Grade 2 listed building where the first stainless steel cutlery was made.

The cost for the 2024 Winter Gathering is £103.00 per person, including a £2 charitable donation. A booking form is attached with guidance notes for completion and payment. A Pour Memoire acknowledgement of your booking will be sent, along with final details nearer to the date of the event.

Frequent trains run to Sheffield, with the journey time from Manchester being about one hour and from London St Pancras about two hours.

If you would like to stay overnight on Friday, please copy the link below to show details of several hotels (room only rates), close to Cutlers Hall and the Cathedral. Parking is available at Q Park, Rockingham Street and if staying at the Leopold Hotel their parking is a special rate of £15 per night. Please check with other hotels for their arrangements.

<https://go.tripstaxhotels.com/hotelSearch/1726226419312///listView/1>

We expect the Concert will conclude at about 9pm, following which Brigantians and guests will be most welcome at the Leopold Hotel for a convivial nightcap or three.

We very much look forward to seeing you in Sheffield.

The Brigantes Council and Sub Committee Chairmen

Adrian Waddingham CBE Past Sheriff, PM Actuary
Nick Gale, PM Plumber
Richard Groome, PM Engineer
Lynn Webster, Environmental Cleaner

Sir David Wootton, Past Lord Mayor, PM Solicitor
David Bentley, PM Baker
Keith Houlston, Baker
David Boyne, Chartered Surveyor