



# Shrieval Mid-Year Update

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# Sheriffs' and Consorts' Mid-Year Update

The 2023/ 2024 Shrieval plan anticipated a number of initiatives, broadly around the pillars of Connectivity, Community & Resilience.

Throughout the course of the Shrieval year so far, and the way in which the plan has survived contact with reality, this activity has fallen largely under the following categories:

- **Support the Civic City**, including through the activity and objectives of the Mayoralty, to advance the City's engagement with the wider civic, philanthropic, legal and business communities through events and lunches hosted at the Old Bailey
- **Support the work of the Old Bailey** to broaden understanding of the rule of law and promote the links between the Shrievalty and the judiciary at the Old Bailey
- **Improve social cohesion**, with a primary focus on broadening consideration of and access to roles at City firms

This activity has been undertaken by the Sheriffs, supported by their Consorts as well as the judges and the Old Bailey team.

# Sheriffs' Focus

Supporting the Civic City	Supporting the work of the Old Bailey	Improve Social Cohesion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attended 54 Livery dinners</li> <li>• Attended 31 additional dinners including Corporation 'set piece' events and one-off events (such as Visiting Liveries' Dinner and Testre de Vin Dinner)</li> <li>• Supported 15 Ward Club events</li> <li>• Participated in 39 church services, lectures, careers fairs and discussions</li> <li>• Spoken at 8 seminars with industry groups</li> <li>• Sheriff Masojada accompanied the Lord Mayor on his overseas trip to China and Sheriff Langley will support the Lord Mayor on his trip to Japan at the end of this month</li> </ul>	<p><b>Lunches</b> Hosted 83 Old Bailey lunches with 497 guests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partnering with Head-hunters to ensure a diverse range of guests</li> <li>• 'Themed' Lunches with the London Chamber of Commerce, CMI Women and Abe Bailey scholars</li> </ul> <p><b>Events and Tours</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted 17 tours as livery prizes, community tours and ad hoc requests</li> <li>• Engaged with judges in social events, including a quarterly 'Open House' event</li> <li>• Co-hosted with judges two community seminars on Knife Crime with charities, London borough leaders and the NHS</li> <li>• Visits to HMP Brixton and Crimestoppers</li> </ul> <p><b>Fundraising</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Raised £35k for the Sheriff &amp; Recorder's Fund. Target of circa £80k for the year</li> </ul>	<p>Hosted 4 community events with approximately 450 attendees – Soft Launch of Dame Commanders' Society, iWin, Livery Reception, City of London Residents' Reception</p> <p>Promoted access to City roles by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partnering with the E&amp;Y Foundation, piloting a series of new Outreach lunches with talks from a range of OB staff</li> <li>• Created a virtual Old Bailey internship with HHJ Anuja Dhir KC with support from 'Speakers in Schools'</li> <li>• 'Discussions &amp; Discover' event for 12 businesses and 12 social mobility/ employability charities</li> </ul> <p>Expanded the Sheriffs' Challenge to include an evening event for all students and mentors</p> <p>Hosted fundraising events for several charities, including East End Community Foundation, LTSB, St John's Eye Hospital, Hostage International</p> <p>Launched Teresa May's Global Commission on Modern Slavery and Human Rights</p> <p>Hosted Worshipful Company of Security Professionals' Bravery Awards &amp; Worshipful Company of Educators' Sheriff's Challenge</p>

# Consorts' Focus

Supporting the Civic City	Supporting the work of the Old Bailey	Improve Social Cohesion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supported almost all of the events with their Sheriff</li> <li>• Supported 18 events with the Lady Mayoress, including the opening of the City Christmas Fair in aid of Wellbeing for Women and the Red Cross Christmas Fair</li> <li>• Attended 16 additional Civic and Livery events, including freedom ceremonies and lunches with Liveries, including those with an outreach industry focus</li> <li>• A number of additional events, such as:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City Gardens</li> <li>• Bees for Development</li> <li>• Market visits, Billingsgate, Smithfield</li> <li>• Goldsmiths tour</li> <li>• Carpenters tour</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attended the vast majority of the events with the Sheriffs</li> <li>• Hosted 5 Consorts' lunches with more than 50 guests, including a lunch for the Spouses of Ambassadors and High Commissioners</li> <li>• Hosted community group events and more than 20 Old Bailey tours, including for UK and overseas magistrates</li> <li>• Participated in 13 school and other community group outreach programme with judges, plus designed an exercise to engage students</li> <li>• Painted portraits of the Old Bailey judges to raise funds for Sheriffs' and Recorder's Fund (exhibiting two of the portraits of female judges at the Goodenough College International Women's Day event)</li> <li>• Visits to HMP Brixton, HMP Downview and</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supported 90% of events with Sheriffs, including, for example, Urban Synergy Annual Awards, Laying Up of Regimental Colours etc.</li> <li>• Engaged with army cadets programme to increase opportunity for students</li> <li>• Sheriffs and Consorts sponsored a taxi for the Worshipful Company of Hackney Carriage Drivers' Magical Taxi Tour</li> <li>• Engaged with the Sheriffs' and Recorder's Fund, attending meetings and participating in review discussions.</li> </ul>

# Plans for the rest of the year

- Continuation of Civic Calendar activities (more than 100 events remaining in the calendar)
- Further Old Bailey Outreach work
  - Knife crime reduction seminars will continue – (2 to 3 before the end of the Shrieval year)
  - Further school outreach visits and visits to the Old Bailey by school children
  - Expansion of the Sheriffs' Challenge with an evening event for all students and mentors (June)
  - Development of a virtual 'introduction to law' Old Bailey internship
  - Idea for a Student Dance competition in the Grand Hall to showcase more contemporary dance styles (e.g. street dance) (Sept)
  - Fundraising for Sheriffs' and Recorder's Fund – Ride around the City; Sheriffs' Ball; London to Nottingham Cycle Ride
- Continued Charity and Community focus
  - Several charity fund raising events – Migration Museum; SSAFA – the Armed Forces Charity, Brain Cancer, GAIN, Macmillan Cancer Support, the Insurance Museum
  - City Firms/Employability charity seminars and events will continue