

London Courts Tour. 2nd April 2019.

The How Things Work visit this month was a tour in London of The Royal Courts of Justice in the Strand, the Inns of Court nearby and the Old Bailey. This was a guided tour with Old Bailey Insight & Legal London with our excellent guide Tim Wood.

There were 31 members on the tour which involved information about how the courts operate, what the Inns of Court are for and their history. Also, we learnt about the distinction between criminal and civil barristers and indeed the vast difference in fees each get!

In the Royal Courts of Justice we saw some historical judge's gowns and wigs on display and spent some time in the courtroom's public gallery during actual cases.

At the Inns of Court (which is where barristers offices are), we learned some of the history and saw the beautiful buildings and surroundings.

After walking to the Old Bailey, we were told of its history together with that of the old Newgate Prison. Also we learnt about some of the more infamous executions on the site and the purpose of the court. We were also given a list of some of the cases being tried that day and were able to go into the Old Baily, after the tour ended, to sit in on some of these.



The Royal Courts of Justice



How Things Work members



The Old Bailey



Inns of Court