Bringing people together for over six centuries
An exclusive, memorable place to meet and celebrate in a stunning and prestigious medieval setting.
The Merchant Adventurers’ Hall is one of the finest surviving medieval guild halls in the world and provides a truly unique setting for your event.

The Hall, home of the Company of Merchant Adventurers of the City of York since 1357 is an architectural gem which reflects the Company’s values of charity, endeavour and achievement. It has been the grand setting for banquets, dinners and meetings for centuries and is now also a distinguished wedding venue. This impressive venue is available for use for those who wish to enjoy the splendour and prestige of the Merchant Adventurers’ Hall for private or corporate events.

A very special and atmospheric setting for:
- Dinners & Drinks Receptions
- Civil weddings & partnership ceremonies
- Wedding receptions
- Balls and Banquets
- Parties
- Small Meetings

A stunning, prestigious Grade 1 listed medieval setting.
The Great Hall with its soaring timber framed roof is a versatile space enabling it to host a variety of events from wedding breakfasts and civil ceremonies, to conference dinners and formal banquets. The Undercroft, once a hospital and almshouse acts as a fantastic space in which to welcome guests for pre-dinner drinks.

The Hall combines the best of Yorkshire hospitality with a palpable sense of history.

The Undercroft is also the atmospheric base for evening celebrations such as weddings and parties.

The Hall also offers the elegant Committee Room for small meetings and dinners and the handsome Governor’s Parlour for small civil ceremonies.

The Great Hall and Undercroft can seat up to 180 people. Whilst the Governor’s Parlour and Committee Room can each seat up to 20 people.
Catering. We have a panel of excellent local caterers, of which you must choose one, who will be delighted to serve your needs and who can offer you a wide range of menus.

Music. The choice in entertainment is up to you, so you are free to have a DJ or band.

Accessibility. The Hall has an accessible toilet in addition to the cloakrooms for ladies and gentlemen. There is also a lift making both floors accessible to everyone.

Open Fire. For a small fee, an open fire can be provided in the Reception Area to provide a warm welcome in the winter months.

Sound System. A public address system is available to hire, suitable for speeches and for background music during wedding ceremonies and meals.

High Heels in the Hall. We know that you may be concerned to hear that stiletto heels are not permitted in the Hall. This is to protect both you and our ancient wooden floor. We classify a stiletto as anything smaller than a 5 pence coin. Heels larger than this are welcome!

However, you can now wear your favourite stilettos as we stock heel caps at £3.50 a pair. So never fear, this means that you can wear almost any pair!

The Hall is Wi-Fi enabled.

The Walled Garden. A beautiful walled Garden, bordered by the River Foss, surrounds the Hall. In the spring and summer months, this is the perfect setting for drinks receptions.
## Hire Charges

### Hall Hire Charge

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<td>Weddings - Saturday (from 3.00pm)</td>
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### Extras

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<td>Civil Marriage Ceremony</td>
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<td>Use of the hall PA system (background music/speeches)</td>
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<td>Open fire in reception area</td>
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*The hire of the Hall is not subject to VAT.
The charges on the use of the PA system and open fire are inclusive of VAT.*

### Payments & Cancellations

Provisional Bookings will only be held for 7 days without payment.

A non-refundable deposit of half the basic hire charge is required on booking and full payment is required 3 months before your event. Payment can be made via BACS, credit or debit card or by cheque.

Once the balance has been paid, if the event is cancelled, a refund cannot be made.
Catering

**BLAKEFIELDS**
Blakefields pride themselves on everything food and drink, their biggest passion is creating innovative and exciting taste sensations making your event truly one to remember.

07805 411530 / 07867 334051
hello@blakefieldsevents.co.uk
www.blakefieldsevents.co.uk

**BRADSHAWS**
Bradshaws of York have been established as a leading outside and event caterer in York and North Yorkshire for over 30 years.

Unit 3, London Ebor Business Park
Millfield Lane, Nether Poppleton
York, Y026 6PB
01904 780775
bradshawsofyork@btconnect.com
www.bradshaws-caterers-york.co.uk

**CROFT KITCHEN**
Croft kitchen combines the very best in personal service with the tastiest food & drink sourced from local suppliers in North Yorkshire.

Green Park Business Centre
Goose Lane, Sutton-on-the-Forest
York, YO61 1ET
01347 811194
caroline@croftkitchen.co.uk
www.croftkitchen.co.uk
Catering

**DINE**
Dine have an award-winning range of menus that can be tailored to your event. Our experienced Event Managers will work with you to ensure your celebration is perfect.

The Events Office
Mansion Lane
Leeds, LS8 2HH

**0345 450 4545**
events@dine.co.uk
www.dine.co.uk

**PURPLE CHILLI**
Purple Chilli provide the tastiest, best looking food around using locally sourced and freshly prepared ingredients.

Unit 3, Seafire Close
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**01904 403060**
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First Floor

**GREAT HALL**

Suitable for | Guests |
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Dinner | 180 |
Theatre Style | 180 |
Cabaret Style | 180 |
Drinks Reception | 180 |
Civil Ceremony / Partnership | 180 |

**GOVERNOR’S PARLOUR**

Suitable for | Guests |
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Dinner | 14 |
Civil Ceremony | 20 |

**COMMITTEE ROOM**

Suitable for | Guests |
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Dinner | 20 |
Luncheon | 20 |
Meeting | 20 |
Ground Floor

UNDERCROFT

Suitable for: Guests
Drinks Reception: 180
Evening Wedding: 180
Reception: 180

Chapel
WC
Reception
In the heart of the city and easily accessible.

York is on the main rail line and is easily reached by road from all directions via the A1, A64, A1036 and A19.

The Hall is conveniently located in York city centre, a 20 minute walk from the train station, and 5-10 minute walk from several car parks. The Grimston Bar Park and Ride leaves you at our door.

The Hall is located between the streets named Piccadilly and Fossgate, and is fully accessible with level access from the Fossgate entrance. The main entrance on Piccadilly has steps down into the gardens.

The nearest car parks, as indicated on the map are:

- P1. Piccadilly (closes 6.30pm)
- P2. Peel Street
- P3. Castle
- P4. St. George’s Field
Early booking is recommended as we are a popular venue. Please call us on 01904 654818 or email to discuss your requirements. Viewings of the Hall are by appointment only.
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