

# THE CHARTER OF THE FOREST AFTER 800 YEARS – ITS MEANING THEN AND NOW

THE TEMPLE CHURCH WILL HOST A SYMPOSIUM BASED UPON THIS  
CHARTER, WHICH CAME INTO BEING 800 YEARS AGO, AND TWO YEARS AFTER  
ITS MORE FAMOUS COUSIN MAGNA CARTA.

## SPEAKERS

PROFESSOR SIR JOHN BAKER QC, THE EMINENT LEGAL HISTORIAN, WILL EXPLAIN WHAT  
THE CHARTER WAS AT THE TIME OF ITS CREATION AND WHAT ROLE IT PLAYED IN ITS  
EARLY YEARS.

PROFESSOR STEPHEN TOOPE, NEWLY INSTALLED AS VICE CHANCELLOR OF THE  
UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE, WILL DISCUSS THE EXTENT OF THE CHARTER'S INFLUENCE  
IN SUCCEEDING CENTURIES.

PROFESSOR GERALDINE VAN BUEREN QC OF QUEEN MARY, LONDON WILL ARGUE FOR  
THE CONTEMPORARY SIGNIFICANCE OF THE CHARTER IN INSPIRING THE DEMAND FOR  
SOCIAL JUSTICE IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY.

ALL ARE WELCOME, AND THERE WILL BE AMPLE TIME FOR EVERYONE TO MAKE A  
CONTRIBUTION TO THIS IMPORTANT BUT CONTROVERSIAL DEBATE, WHICH WILL BE  
FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS.

THE EVENING WILL BE MODERATED BY STEPHEN HOCKMAN QC, MIDDLE TEMPLE  
TREASURER IN 2015 (THE YEAR IN WHICH MAGNA CARTA HAD ITS 800TH ANNIVERSARY).

MONDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2017 AT 5.45 FOR 6 PM IN  
THE TEMPLE CHURCH, TEMPLE, LONDON EC4.

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