

## Apprentices Visit to the Thames River Police Museum – 4 April 2017



Picture from l to r: Ollie Lincoln, Luke Wheeler (seated), Hugh Pickering-Carter, Nick Taylor, Dan Hadfield, Tilly Sherwood, Rob Jeffries (Curator) and Roy Penrose (Hon Court Assistant).

On Tuesday 4 April 2017, a number of the Company's apprentices visited the Thames River Police Museum in Wapping High Street, London E1. The Marine Police Force, which is claimed to be England's oldest police organisation, was formed in 1798 to tackle theft and looting from ships anchored in the Pool of London and the lower reaches of the Thames. It merged with the Metropolitan Police in 1839 and is now known as the Metropolitan Police Marine Policing Unit. The apprentices were received by the Curator, Rob Jeffries (a former Thames Police officer) and entertained by his considerable and interesting knowledge of the history of the unit, illustrated by a vast array of historical exhibits.