

FRIENDS OF READING ABBEY

PROFESSOR BRIAN KEMP  
MEMORIAL LECTURE

Saturday 26 March 2022 2.30 pm

Abbey Baptist Church

Abbey Square, Reading, RG1 3BE

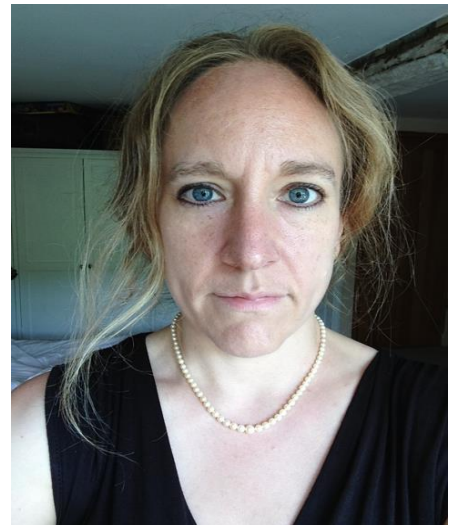
The Reading Abbey Formulary

Dr Fredrica Teale



The Reading Formulary is a collection of legal and other documents written as a guide for use at Reading Abbey. It was located in private ownership by Prof. Brian Kemp, and in 2013 the Friends of Reading Abbey helped the Berkshire Record Office to purchase it for public access.

Dr Teale combined her background in archaeology and music to do an interdisciplinary MA in Medieval Studies at the University of Southampton, with a focus on Benedictine Abbeys. This led to a PhD looking at Benedictine jurisdiction in the fourteenth century, with the Reading Formulary as case study. She will give a background to the Formulary, and what the Formulary tells us about the relationships between people at all levels of society in the late C13th and early C14th.



Abbey Baptist Church is behind Reading Library. It will be open from 2.00pm. Entry will be free, with a voluntary retiring collection to help cover the costs of hire.