



## PROVINCIAL GRAND CHAPTER OF EAST LANCASHIRE

**EComp Robert Ian Frankl  
Most Excellent Grand Superintendent**

**EComp Paul Gareth Bowen, PAGSoj, Deputy Grand Superintendent  
EComp, Professor Anthony John Freemont, PGStB, Second Provincial Grand Principal  
EComp David Hudson, PGStB, Third Provincial Grand Principal**

Dear Sir and Companion,

13 January 2025

I am directed by the ME Grand Superintendent to inform you that the

**ANNUAL MEETING OF PROVINCIAL GRAND CHAPTER**  
will be held at the  
**TOUGHSHEET COMMUNITY STADIUM, BURNDEN WAY, HORWICH, BL6 6JW on**  
**THURSDAY, 20 MARCH 2025, at 3.00 pm.**

All Provincial Grand Officers, Principals, Past Principals of Chapters, are hereby Summoned to attend the Meeting. The attendance of all other Companions is invited and would be warmly welcomed.

Companions are required to wear a dark suit or morning dress, an East Lancashire Festival tie, [the Royal Arch or Craft tie or a black tie is acceptable; other ties are not acceptable], Royal Arch clothing. Please note that gloves should not be worn.

Principals of Chapters should wear their appropriate Collars of Office.

Companions are requested to be seated by 2.30 pm at the latest.

Principals and Scribes of all Chapters within the Province are requested to make the contents of this Notice known to their Officers and other Companions.

By Command of the ME Grand Superintendent.

EComp Andrew Holland, PAGSoj  
Provincial Grand Scribe E.

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*Dinner following the Provincial Grand Chapter Meeting will be served in the Lion of Vienna Suite  
Tickets may be obtained at £32.00 [excluding wine] from the Provincial Grand Scribe E and are issued on the  
basis of receipt of an application and the required remittance.*

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## BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED IN PROVINCIAL GRAND CHAPTER

1. To open Provincial Grand Chapter.
2. To welcome our Distinguished Guests.
3. To approve the Report of the Meeting of Provincial Grand Chapter, held at Blackburn on 21 March 2024.
4. The Provincial Grand Treasurer will present the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024.
5. To receive the Auditors' Report.
6. To receive and adopt the Accounts of Provincial Grand Chapter for the year ended 31 December 2024 and to pass a vote of thanks to the Provincial Grand Treasurer and Auditors.
7. To Elect the Provincial Grand Treasurer.
8. To Elect the Auditors for the year.
9. The ME Grand Superintendent will re-appoint EComp Paul Gareth Bowen, PAGSoj, as the Deputy Grand Superintendent.
10. The ME Grand Superintendent will re-appoint, EComp, Professor Anthony John Freemont, PGStB, as the Second Provincial Grand Principal.
11. The ME Grand Superintendent will appoint EComp Andrew Procter, PGStB, as the Third Provincial Grand Principal.
12. The ME Grand Superintendent will re-appoint, EComp Steven Boyle, PGStB, EComp Dr Mohamad Afsa, EComp Andrew David Taylor as Assistants to the Provincial Grand Principals.
13. The ME Grand Superintendent will appoint EComp Stephen John Holland, PProvGSoj and EComp Douglas Oscar Smith, PProvGSwdB, as Assistants to the Provincial Grand Principals.
14. A collection for the 2026 Festival will be taken.  
*[During the collection the Companions will sing Jerusalem]*
15. To receive a Report from the Provincial Grand Scribe E.
16. The ME Grand Superintendent will address Provincial Grand Chapter.
17. To Invest the Provincial Grand Officers.
18. Any other Business.
19. Provincial Grand Chapter will be closed.

## THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

**Security:** Companions are reminded that they **must not** take a bag, case or outside coat into the Chapter room or the dining room. A cloakroom will be available.