

Royal Arch Masons of England

Provincial Grand Chapter of Hertfordshire



**E Comp James William Sharpley**  
*ME Grand Superintendent*

**E Comp David John Hampton, PGSwdB**  
*Deputy Grand Superintendent*

**E Comp Robert John Asser, PGStB**  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Provincial Grand Principal*

**E Comp John Bedford Linley, PAGDC**  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Provincial Grand Principal*

**The Present and Past Provincial Grand Officers, the MEZs, Past  
First Principals and Principals of Chapters in the Province are  
hereby summoned to attend**

**The Annual Convocation of Provincial Grand Chapter,  
to be holden at Freemasons' Hall (The Grand Temple)  
Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5AZ  
on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 3.30 pm.**

**All Royal Arch Masons are cordially invited**  
*(whether or not they wish to dine  
afterwards.)*

**By Command of the ME Grand Superintendent**

*David Broomer, PAGDC*  
*Provincial Grand Scribe E*

**Companions should be seated by 3.00 pm when the Chapter Principals, Grand  
Officers and Provincial Grand Officers of the year will be formed in Procession**

**Dinner will be served in the Grand Connaught Rooms at 6.30 pm, at which the ME  
Grand Superintendent will preside**

#### **CLOTHING ARRANGEMENTS**

**(Dark Morning Dress, White Gloves are NOT to be worn)**

1. GRAND OFFICERS will clothe in the Grand Officers' Room and sign the appropriate Attendance Sheets. Those Grand Officers whose intention to be present is notified to the Provincial Grand Scribe E by 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023 will form the 2<sup>nd</sup> procession. Those Grand Officers who have not so notified should take their seat in the Grand Temple before the entry of the procession. **Entrance:** Main Entrance, 60 Great Queen Street.

2. PRESENT ACTING PROVINCIAL GRAND OFFICERS will clothe in the Past Grand Officers' Room, sign the appropriate Attendance Sheets in that room, and will form the 8<sup>th</sup> Procession into Provincial Grand Chapter. COMPANIONS TO BE APPOINTED AND PROMOTED will clothe in the Past Grand Officers' Room, and they will sign the Attendance Sheets appropriate to their Chapter in the vestibules and take their numbered seats in the Temple. PAST PROVINCIAL GRAND OFFICERS will clothe in the Past Grand Officers' Room, sign the appropriate Attendance Sheets in the vestibules and take their unallocated seats in the Temple. **Entrance:** Main Entrance, 60 Great Queen Street.

3. CURRENT PRINCIPALS will arrive by the Tower entrance, will clothe in the ground floor room and sign the Attendance Sheets appropriate to their Chapter in the vestibules and then remain there until called. At the appropriate time you will be assembled by the Stewards to form the 1<sup>st</sup> Procession into Provincial Grand Chapter. **Entrance:** Tower Entrance at the junction of Great Queen Street and Wild Street.

4. PAST PRINCIPALS AND COMPANIONS will arrive by the Tower entrance, will clothe in the ground floor room and sign the Attendance Sheets appropriate to their Chapter in the vestibules and take their unallocated seat in the Temple. **Entrance:** Tower Entrance at the junction of Great Queen Street and Wild Street.

## Order of Business

1. **The ME Grand Superintendent accompanied by the Provincial Executive and the Officers of the year will enter in Procession.**
2. **To open Provincial Grand Chapter at 3.30 pm precisely.**
3. **To read the Dispensation** authorising the Convocation to be held in London.
4. **To read the Obituary Roll.**
5. **To welcome distinguished guests.**
6. **To submit, for confirmation, the Minutes of Provincial Grand Chapter** held in Halsey Hall, Cheshunt on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022
7. **To call the roll of Provincial Grand Officers.**
8. **To call the roll of Provincial Chapters.**
9. **To receive the Report of the Finance and General Purposes Committee**  
Which met on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 at Ashwell House, St Albans. (The Auditors, appointed by Provincial Grand Chapter, have audited the Treasurer's accounts, which have been approved by the Finance Committee.).
10. **It will be moved** that the Report be received and that the Financial Statement, as circulated to members, be adopted and entered on the Minutes.
11. **To receive the Report of the Provincial Grand Scribe E.**  
On the state of Royal Arch Masonry in the Province, as printed in the Summons and move that it be adopted and entered on the Minutes.
12. **To elect a Provincial Grand Treasurer.**  
E Comp Cameron Mackenzie, of the St Michael's Chapter No 2136, has been nominated.
13. **To elect two Account Examiners.**  
E Comps Peter Cox and Antony Peter Young have been nominated
14. **The ME Grand Superintendent** will nominate Twelve Chapters to appoint a representative to the Provincial Finance and General Purposes Committee:-  
Nos: 8746, 8831, 8919, 8984, 9085, 9116, 9121, 9262, 9324, 9369, 9608 and 9675
15. **The ME Grand Superintendent will:**
  - (a) Re-appoint E Comp David John Hampton, **PGSwdB, as Deputy Grand Superintendent**
  - (b) Re-appoint E Comp Robert John Asser, **PGStB, as Second Provincial Grand Principal**
  - (c) Re-appoint E Comp John Bedford Linley, **PAGDC, as Third Provincial Grand Principal**
16. **The ME Grand Superintendent** will greet representatives of Companions who were Exalted during the last year.
17. **The ME Grand Superintendent** will present his Certificate of Service to Royal Arch Masonry to:

Dallas David Banfield	Watford	404
Leslie John Bernard Butler	Charles Edward Keyser	2518
Leonard Roy Fletcher	King Henry the Eighth	1757
Denis Patrick Gibney	Penman's Green	8384
18. **The ME Grand Superintendent** will appoint and invest the Provincial Grand Officers.
19. **The ME Grand Superintendent** will address the Companions.
20. **To Collect Alms.**
21. **To transact any other business which may be regularly brought before Provincial Grand Chapter.**
22. **To close Provincial Grand Chapter.**