

MINUTES OF THE TENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PROVINCIAL GRAND SENATUS OF SURREY

Held at Surbiton Masonic Hall on Thursday 21st July 2022 at 11.15 a.m.



The visiting Right Distinguished Companions entered the Temple in Procession,

The Past Provincial Grand Summi entered the Temple in Procession,

The Right Distinguished Provincial Grand Summus entered the Temple in procession accompanied by the Provincial Grand Officers of the Year

- 1. Provincial Grand Senatus was Opened in due Form at 11.15 a.m.
- 2. The Right Dist Provincial Grand Summus was saluted with *SEVEN* under direction of the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies

Other Right Distinguished Companions were saluted with *SEVEN* under the direction of the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies. R Dist Comp Stephen N White, Provincial Grand Summus for Gloucestershire, Herefordshire and Wiltshire responded.

- 3. The Provincial Grand Episcopus was pleased to report that since our last meeting no Companions have been called to Higher Service.
- 4. The Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies, Distinguished Companion Geoffrey Kear, entered and announced that the Most Distinguished Companion Ian Stanley Currans, Grand Summus, is without and demanded admission. The Most Distinguished Grand Summus entered accompanied by the Assistant Grand Summus and was welcomed by the Right Distinguished Provincial Grand Summus.

The Most Distinguished Grand Summus was saluted with *ELEVEN* under direction of his Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies.



- 5. The Provincial Grand Summus welcomed honoured guests of the Province and other Distinguished Companions.
- 6. To confirm the Minutes of last year's meeting of Provincial Grand Senatus held on 18th August 2021. The Minutes were proposed for adoption by Dist Comp Nigel Thomson, Deputy Provincial Grand Summus, and seconded by V.Dist Comp Jack Love, Past Assistant Provincial Grand Summus. The Proposition was duly approved.
- 7. To Call the Roll of Provincial Grand Officers.

The Provincial Grand Recorder reported that with the exception of four officers who have all given good reason for their absence all Active Provincial Officers were present.

8. To Call the Roll of Consistories in the Province

The Provincial Grand Recorder called the Roll of Consistories as follows, and the members of each Consistory rose and indicated their presence with a court bow to the East: -

Surrey Consistory No 4 T.I. Hill of Zion Consistory No 52 T.I. Guildford Consistory No 53 T.I. Warlingham Consistory No 134

Upon completion of the Roll Call, the Provincial Grand Recorder announced that all Consistories were in attendance and well represented.

9. To Receive the Report of Provincial Grand Recorder

The Provincial Grand Recorder stated that his Report was distributed prior to the meeting and can be found on the Provincial website. The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus thanked the Provincial Recorder for his Report and his work during the year.

10. To Receive the Audited Accounts for the year to 31st December 2021

The Provincial Grand Treasurer stated that the Audited Balance Sheet and Accounts were distributed prior to the meeting and can be found on the Provincial website and he has nothing further to add. The Provincial Grand Summus asked if there were any questions regarding the accounts. As there were no questions, the R Dist Provincial Grand Summus called upon Dist Comp Nigel Thomson, Deputy Provincial Grand Summus, who proposed the Accounts for adoption and Dist Comp Chris Eley, Provincial Grand Recorder, seconded the proposition. The proposition was duly approved, and the Accounts were adopted. The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus thanked the Treasurer and Account Auditors for their endeavours.

11. To Elect a Provincial Grand Treasurer

The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus announced that he had received only one nomination for the post of Provincial Grand Treasurer: - Dist.Comp. David M Willmott

He therefore declared Dist.Comp D Willmott elected Provincial Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year.

12. To Elect the Account Auditors for the year

Dist.Comp. Chris Eley, Provincial Grand Recorder, proposed the following two Companions for election as Account Auditors for the year: -

Dist Comp Alan J Brockwell & Comp. Walter Maynard.

Dist.Comp. Ian Bloodworth, Provincial GDC Designate, seconded the Proposition, which was put to the members and duly carried.

13. To confirm the amount of Provincial Dues for 2022-23

The Provincial Grand Treasurer announced that Provincial Per Capita Dues for 2022-23 will remain at £6.00 per member.

- 14. The Treasurer announced that the Fees of Honour effective from July 2023 are as shown on the web site
- 15. The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus announced that he was re-appointing Dist.Comp. Nigel Thomson as Deputy Provincial Grand Summus. He presented Dist.Comp. Nigel who was then saluted with *FIVE* under the direction of the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies. Dist Comp Nigel responded.

16. The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus announced that he will appoint and invest Dist.Comp. Simon McCarthy as Assistant Provincial Grand Summus.

An escort was formed and Dist.Comp. Simon entered Provincial Grand Senatus, was Presented, Obligated, Invested and Installed as Assistant Provincial Grand Summus of the Provincial Grand Senatus of Surrey.

Dist.Comp. Simon was then saluted with *FIVE* under the direction of the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies. Dist.Comp. Simon responded



- 17. To Appoint and Invest the Provincial Grand Officers for the year. The Provincial Grand Recorder read out names and the R Dist Provincial Grand Summus appointed and invested his Officers, with appointments as shown in the Order of Proceedings.
- 18. To appoint the Captain, Deputy Captain and Members of the Tzaddikim

The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus reappointed Comp. Steven Rowlands as Captain of his Tzaddikim and Dist.Comp. Robert Anderson as Deputy Captain.

He then inspected his personal Tzaddikim.

The Provincial Grand Summus welcomed those Companions admitted to the Order since the last Annual Meeting



The Provincial Grand Recorder mentioned that there were nine newly admitted Companions present today: -

Comp Nigel Harding, Surrey Consistory No 4 TI Comp Barry Northmore, Surrey Consistory No 4 TI Comp Allan Thompson, Surrey Consistory No 4 TI Comp Robert Woolloff, Surrey Consistory No 4 TI Comp Andrew Sales, Guildford Consistory No 53 TI Comp Steven Harvey, Warlingham Consistory No 134 Comp Robert Short, Warlingham Consistory No 134 Comp James Turner, Warlingham Consistory No 134 Comp Stephen Jones, Warlingham Consistory No 134

They were presented to the R Dist Provincial Grand Summus who warmly welcomed them into the Order and the Province and presented them with a lapel pin and a token for a drink from the bar.

19. To Address Provincial Grand Senatus.

The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus delivered his Annual Address to the assembled Companions, a copy of which is appended to the minutes, and is on the Provincial web site.

20. To take a Collection for Charity.

The Charity Collection amounted to **£284.00**.

- 21. The Most Distinguished Grand Summus and the Right Distinguished Assistant Grand Summus retired from Provincial Grand Senatus.
- 22. To Transact Any Other Relevant Business.

The Provincial Recorder announced that he had received apologies from a number of members of the Province as well as well as Provincial Grand Summi, Deputy and Assistant Provincial Grand Summi, who all sent their best wishes for a successful and enjoyable meeting.

- 23. To Close Provincial Grand Senatus.
- 24. There being no further business, Provincial Grand Senatus was closed at 1.00 pm and the first verse of the National Anthem was sung.

The Right Distinguished Provincial Grand Summus retired in procession accompanied by his Deputy and Assistant Provincial Grand Summi, Right Distinguished Companions and Honoured Guests.

Following a pre-lunch drinks reception 67 Companions later enjoyed an excellent and convivial Festive Board.

Date: 20th July 2023.....

Provincial Grand Summus