Earl of Lathom Lodge No.2560

Minutes of the 1,125th meeting of the Earl of Lathom Lodge No: 2560 held on Wednesday, 4th September 2019 at the Masonic Hall, Parsons lane, Bury, BL9 0LY.

	MEMBERS	GUESTS	
A/WM A/IPM SW A/JW A/Chap. Treas. Sec. DC Alm.	WBro DA Kyme WBro AB Wilson WBro AG Bradshaw Bro H Wood WBro AB Wilson	WBro S Chadwick WBro A Ikin Bro JP Fleming Bro B. Carter WBro D McCauley WBro S Clarke WBro R Bowden	Egerton 1392 Merit 934 Merit 934 Grants 8522 Knighton 4711 Pilkington 6522 Knowsley 4661
Ch.Stwd.	Bro G Johnson <i>MBE</i>		
Mentor	WBro MJS Bailey		
SD	Bro SE Browning		
JD ADC	Bro CJ Boardman WBro M Sutton		
Abc Asst. Sec	Bro CD Lomax		
Org.	WBro Lt Col (Ret'd) DG Hilton TD		
IG	Bro G Johnson <i>MBE</i>		
Stwds.	Bros DR Brown, CJ Halliday, and		
	AE Bryan.		
Tyler	WBro MJS Bailey		
Members	WBros CO Eccles, RA Sykes Bros CJ Wilkinson, PJ Winnington, PM Taylor, CA Taylor and MA O'Neill.		

The Lodge tyled at 6.30pm and was opened in due form and solemn prayer by the A/WM at 6.38.pm.

The minutes of the last regular meeting, having been circulated to all members, were confirmed and the A/WM and Wardens signed them off as a true and correct record.

There was a ballot for a candidate for the Initiation of Mr Gareth Roose Williams (34) of 11 New Street Tottington Bury BL8 3HA proposed in open lodge on the 4th May 2019 by WBro MN Ashton *JP* and seconded by Bro CJ Boardman. The ballot proved unanimously in favour of the candidate at which point Bro Boardman thanked the members of the Lodge for the confidence shown in WBro Ashton's candidate.

The next item of business was to initiate Mr Matthew Anthony O'Neill. The Assistant Secretary reported that the candidate had paid the usual fees and signed the Register of Members.

There was an alarm and the candidate for initiation entered the Lodge. The candidate answered the AS/WM's questions and his Obligation was taken. The Candidate was then initiated into freemasonry by the A/WM who was ably assisted by, his Wardens and Deacons.

WBro M Sutton gave the address from the NE Corner. The candidate was then placed in front of the JW's pedestal to receive an explanation of the Working Tools by the Bro DR Brown. The Charge in this Degree was given by WBro DA Kyme.

The initiation ceremony over, our newly initiated brother retired from the Lodge to be restored to his personal comforts.

The Lodge By-Laws were read out by Bros CA Taylor, CJ Halliday and PJ Winnington.

There were no Lodge reports and in Any Other Business, WBro Chris Eccles proposed that Mr Simon Mark Fairhurst (32) of 238 Darwen Road, Bromley Cross Bolton BL7 90JQ and Mr Samuel Borek (33) of 5 Chetwyn Avenue Bromley Cross Bolton BL7 9BN be candidates for initiation into the Earl of Lathom Lodge. The proposition was seconded by WBro Michael Sutton

An Alms collection was taken.

At the **1**st **Rising** the Secretary reported that he had received no commands from United Grand Lodge. At the **2**nd **Rising** the Secretary reported that he had disseminated all communications to members via email; Greetings were tendered By WBro S Clarke, ProvGChStwd, of Pilkington Lodge 6522 ; and At the **3**rd **Rising** the Secretary reported that there was no general correspondence, other the Fire Notice that was to be deferred to the next meeting. Greetings were tendered by WBro R Bowden of Knowsley Lodge 4661

Apologies for absence had been received from the following Brethren: -

WBros PG Mountford, MN Ashton JP, PT Juniper, J Metcalfe, TW Hankins, K Embrey, JE Thomas and JP Sanderson.

No apologies had been received from Bros JD Pepperday and MW Hankins.

The Charity Bag raised £69.86

There being no further business the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 7.50 pm.

Signed

Bro Christopher D Lomax Assistant Secretary

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