Earl of Lathom Lodge No.2560

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Minutes of the meeting of the Earl of Lathom Lodge No: 2560 held on Wednesday, 5th September 2018 at the Masonic Hall, Parsons lane, Bury, BL9 OLY.

	MEMBERS	GUESTS	
WM IPM SW	WBro TW Hankins WBro DA Kyme Bro PT Juniper	Bro A Scaife WBro H Berry WBro RA Foggin	St Chads 1129 Concord 2171 Unanimity 339
A/JW	WBro AB Wilson	WBro R Sykes	Absalom 8382
Chap.	WBro AB Wilson	Bro D Cadman	C.LoF 7302
Treas.	Bro J Metcalfe		
Sec.	Absent		
DC	WBro DA Kyme		
Alm.			
Ch.Stwd.			
Mentor	WBro MJS Bailey		
SD	Bro AG Bradshaw		
JD	Bro SE Browning		
ADC			
Asst. Sec	Bro CD Lomax		
Org.	WBro Lt Col (Ret'd) DG Hilton TD		
IG	Bro CJ Boardman		
Stwds.	Bros G Johnson <i>MBE</i> , AE Bryan and		
+ 1	DR Brown		
Tyler	WBro MJS Bailey		
Members	Bros MW Hankins, CJ Halliday, JP Sanderson a	ind JE Thomas.	

The Lodge tyled at 6.25pm and was opened in due form and solemn prayer by the WM at 6.35pm.

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

The WM requested that all brethren below the rank of a Fellow Craftsman were asked to retire from the lodge and he opened it in the Second Degree.

All brethren below the rank of a Master Mason were asked to retire from the lodge with the exception of Bro CJ Halliday. Bro JE Thomas retired from the Lodge.

The WM put the usual questions to Bro Halliday, which he answered in exemplary fashion before retiring from the Lodge to be prepared for his ceremony.

The Lodge was then opened in the Third Degree by the WM.

There was an alarm and Bro Halliday re-entered the Lodge. He was raised to the Third Degree by the WM, who was ably assisted by his Wardens and Deacons. The candidate received an explanation of the Traditional History, an Explanation of the Extended Signs and the Working Tools in this degree from WM

Our newly raised brother retired from the Lodge to be restored to his personal comforts after which the WM, by virtue, closed the Lodge from the 3rd Degree to the 2nd degree (at which point Bro JE Thomas re-entered the Lodge) and from the 2nd Degree to the First.

The WM deferred Bro JE Thomas's 3rd degree ceremony to another date.

There was a report and our newly raised Brother re-entered the Lodge.

There were no contributions to Any Other Business,

At the **1**st **Rising** the Secretary reported that he had received no communication from United Grand Lodge

WBro H Berry tendered greetings as an Officer of United Grand Lodge and complimented the A/WM on an excellent ceremony.

At the **2**nd **Rising** the Secretary reported that he had received no communication from Provincial Grand Lodge.

WBro tendered greetings on behalf of himself and his colleagues from Provincial Grand Lodge and complimented the WM and his officers on a very good ceremony.

At the **3**rd **Rising** the Secretary reported that he had received the Lodge Rental notice from the Bury Masonic Association.

Bro A Scaife, St Chads Lodge 1129 tendered greetings on behalf of the guests.

Apologies for absence had been received

from the following brethren, J Hammersley, AF Sinkinson, MN Ashton, M Sutton, R Smith, and Bros CJ Halliday, PT Juniper, AG Bradshaw and RP Smith.

No apologies were received from Bros JD Pepperday, J Birtles and IA Ellis.

The Charity Bag raised £70.69 and one Canadian Cent.

There being no further business the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 8.17pm

Signed

Bro Chris Lomax Assistant Secretary

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SW

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