

Earl of Lathom Lodge No.2560

Minutes of the 1,132nd Lodge meeting of the Earl of Lathom Lodge No: 2560 held on Wednesday, 1st September 2021 at the Masonic Hall, Parsons lane, Bury, BL9 0LY.

MEMBERS		GUESTS	
WM	Bro AG Bradshaw	WBro A Ikin	Merit 934
IPM	WBro PT Juniper	Bro A Scaife	St Chads 116
SW	Bro H Wood		
JW	Bro SE Browning		
Chap.	WBro AB Wilson		
Treas.			
Sec.	WBro MN Ashton <i>JP</i>		
A/DC	WBro RA Sykes		
Alm.	Bro CJ Halliday		
Ch.Stwd.	Bro G Johnson <i>MBE</i>		
Mentor	WBro RA Sykes		
SD	Bro CJ Boardman		
JD	Bro AE Bryan		
ADC			
Asst. Treas	Bro CJ Boardman		
Org.	WBro Lt Col (Ret'd) DG Hilton <i>TD</i>		
IG	Bro G Johnson <i>MBE</i>		
Stwds.	Bros CA Taylor and MA O'Neill.		
A/Tyler	Bro K Embrey		

Members: WBros TW Hankins, AF Sinkinson, MS Pryce, CO Eccles and CD Lomax.

The Lodge tyled at 6.37pm, but before it was opened in due form and solemn prayer by the WM at 6.47pm, the WM asked the Brethren to stand in silence for a few moments in memory of Bro Jack Metcalfe, who passed away on the 26th March 2021.

The WM welcomed our newly promoted Brother WBro Chris Eccles, PProvDepGDC to the Lodge who responded with suitable applause. The WM reinvested all the officers of the Lodge.

The minutes of the last regular meeting held on the 4th March 2020, having been circulated to all members, were confirmed and the WM and Wardens signed them off as a true and correct record.

The ballot for Bro Alan Scaife, as a joining member, was unanimous and he was welcomed into the Lodge by all the brethren after WBro Malcolm Ashton thanked them on behalf of the late Bro Jack Metcalfe for the confidence in their new member.

The WM announced the Passing due for Bros Matthew Anthony O'Neill and Gareth Roose Williams; and the Raising due for Bros Peter Matthew Taylor and Christopher Andrew Taylor, all of which are to be deferred to a future meeting.

The Lodge heard reports from the following Officers: -

The Charity Steward who gave a list of donations that had been made to charity during the pandemic.

The Almoner had nothing to report and urged members to get in contact if they felt that his intervention was needed.

WBro Toni Hankins made no report from the Association as no meeting had been held.

The Secretary reported that a Trustees/Shareholder’s meeting was to be held on the 17th September next and would report at the next meeting.

At the **1st Rising** the Secretary reported that he had received no communications from United Grand Lodge, other than those previously circulated.

At the **2nd Rising** the Secretary read a communication from the RWPGM, tendering his resignation from the post.

WBro Christopher O Eccles tendered greetings on behalf of his colleagues from Provincial Grand Lodge.

At the **3rd Rising** the Secretary reported that he had received a letter of resignation from Bro David Brown. That he had received the Lodge Rental notice from the Bury Masonic Association in the sum of £4,860.

All other correspondence had been disseminated to all members.

Apologies for absence had been received from the following Brethren, PG Mountford, MJS Bailey, DA Kyme, JP Sanderson, RP Smith, M Sutton, PM Taylor, JE Thomas, CJ Wilkinson and PJ Winnington.

No apologies had been received from WBros DW and SD Fentem, and Bros JD Pepperday and GR Williams.

The Charity Bag raised £82.37

There being no further business the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 7.28 pm

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WBro Malcolm N Ashton, *JP*, PProvGSwdB, Secretary

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