Minutes of the 1141<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Earl of Lathom Lodge 2560 held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at the Masonic Hall, Parsons Lane, Bury, BL9 0LY

IPM	WBro AG Bradshaw
Regular Officers WM SW	Bro H Wood Bro SE Browning
JW Treasurer Secretary SD JD IG Tyler A/Tyler	C J Boardman <i>WBro C O Eccles PProvDepGDC</i> <i>WBro MN Ashton JP. PProv GSwdB</i> Bro K Embrey Bro CJ Lomax Bro C J Wilkinson <i>WBro PT Juniper</i> WBro Karl Rostron (Egerton Lodge)

Additional Officers	
Almoner	Bro C J Halliday
Ch Steward	Bro G Johnson MBE
Chaplain	WBro A Wilson PProvGSupt of Works
DC	WBro David Kyme PProv SGD
Men/Mem Sec	WBro R A Sykes LGR
ADC	WBro MJS Bailey PProv JGD
Organist	WBro Lt Col (Ret'd) David G Hilton TD PProvAGDC
Asst. Secretary	WBro Lt Col (Ret'd) David G Hilton TD PProvAGDC
Asst . Treasurer	Bro CJ Boardman
Stewards	Bro P J Winnington, Bro C A Taylor, Bro M O'Neill
Members	Bro's A Scaife, S Redfern, WBro T Hankins PProv JGD
GUESTS:	See Annex 'A'

The Lodge tyled at 6.40pm and was opened in due and solemn form by the Worshipful Master at 6.45pm. The minutes of the last regular meeting having been circulated to all members, were confirmed then signed off by the WM and Wardens as a true and correct record.

All brethren below the rank of a fellowcraft were asked to retire from the Lodge for a short time with the exception of Bro Mark Booth (Egerton Lodge)

The candidate for passing answered his questions very competently and then retired from the Lodge to prepare for his ceremony. The Lodge was then opened in the second degree. At this point the DC WBro David Kyme took the chair of King Solomon.

There was an alarm and Bro Booth re-entered the Lodge to be passed to the degree of a Fellow Craftsman by WBro Kyme who was assisted by officers of the Lodge. The address in the SE was given by Bro C Wilkinson in an exemplary manner. The working tools were delivered by Bro Ben Jackson (WM Egerton Lodge) Bro Booth then retired from the Lodge to be restored to his personal comforts. The Lodge was then closed by virtue and resumed in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree. The WM then returned to the Chair of King Solomon.

Presentations of Grand Lodge certificates were made to Bros Winnington, O'Neill, Wilkinson and Taylor after an explanation of their contents by WBro T Hankins.

Bro C Boardman gave notice of motion that at the next meeting he will propose that the annual subscription be increased from £210 to £215 with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022.

There were was no correspondence from United Grand Lodge. At the 2<sup>nd</sup> rising The Asst. Secretary said that Correspondence from Provincial Grand Lodge had been previously circulated to Lodge members. At the 3<sup>rd</sup> rising, the Asst Secretary said he wanted to draw attention to a recent email circulated by the Secretary to those members who would be qualified for promotion in 2023 according to his records. If any member thought they were so entitled and had not seen the email, they should contact the Asst Secretary who would rectify the matter.

WBro Wilson gave salutations on behalf of the Provincial officers present. WBro Chadwick gave salutations on behalf of the visitors

There was no report from the Almoner.

Bro George Johnson (Charity Steward) delivered an excellent report in his usual style and expounded on the work being done in various locations particularly with regard Bury Hospice and Fairfield Hospital with the Teddy Bear scheme. He went on to say that collections made so far had raised £6159 and were projected to reach £6.2 million.

A collection for charity then followed and raised the sum of £114.60

The festive board raffle raised £190.00

Apologies for absence had been received from: WBros Ashton, Bradshaw, Eccles, Mountford, Pryce, Sinkinson Sutton, Sykes, J Wilson Bros Halliday, Holt,

No replies from WBros S Fentem, D Fentem, Juniper, Bros Pepperday, Sanderson, Smith

## <u>ANNEX 'A'</u>

## Egerton Lodge

WBro C Hindle, WBro Barry Etchells, Bro Mark Booth, WBro Karl Rostron, WBro Aiden Morris, WBro Rob Flanagan, WBro Ben Jackson, Wbro John Heap, Bro David Hulston, Bro Mark White WBro David Chadwick, WBro Stephen Chadwick, WBro Adrian Milner.

WBro Thomas Smith, Province of Cheshire

WBro Jim Hodge, Lodge of Merit No 934

WBro DG Hilton TD PProvAGDC

.....Worshipful Master

.....Senior Warden

.....Junior Warden