



Minutes of the nineteenth Annual Meeting of the Provincial Grand Conclave of Surrey held at the Guildford Masonic Centre, Weybourne House, Hitherbury Close, Guildford, GU2 4DR, on Saturday the 24th of May 2025.



A total of 108 Brethren signed the Attendance Sheets

At 10.55 R.Wy.Bro. Mik Barnes, Past Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler, the Presiding Officer, was escorted into the Temple by the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies.

At 11.00 The Presiding Officer opened Provincial Grand Conclave.

The Presiding Officer, R.Wy.Bro. Mik Barnes, Past PGSR, was saluted with seven under the direction of the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies and responded accordingly.

The other Right Worthy Brethren were saluted with seven under the direction of the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies and R.Wy.Bro Noel Grout, Grand Chancellor, responded.



The next item was to receive the Grand Supreme Ruler, M.Wy.Bro. Andrew Sweeney, Installing Officer. The Installing Officer and his Assisting Officers entered in procession. The Installing Officer appointed his Officers and was saluted under the direction of the Grand Director of Ceremonies. The Installing Officer addressed the Brethren and directed the Grand Recorder to call the roll of Conclaves in the Province.

The Installing Officer directed the Grand Director of Ceremonies to ascertain that Wy.Bro. Ian Trevor Dudley

Smith, P.G.St.B., the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler Designate was in attendance and to form an escort and introduce the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler Designate. The Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler Designate and his escort entered in procession.

The Installing Officer addressed the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler Designate and requested the Grand Recorder to read the Patent of Appointment. The Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler Designate knelt for the benefit of prayer by the Grand Chaplain and was then obligated, invested and installed as the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler by the Grand Supreme Ruler. The Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler was proclaimed and saluted.

The Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies enquired of the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler whom he appoints as Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler. The Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler announced the appointment of Wy.Bro. Ian Ramon Bloodworth, P.A.G.D.C., as Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler and requested the Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies to ascertain that the Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler Designate was in attendance and to form an escort and introduce the Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler Designate.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler Designate and his escort entered in procession. The Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler addressed the Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler Designate and requested the Grand Recorder to read the Patent of Appointment. The Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler Designate knelt for the benefit of prayer by the Grand Chaplain and was then obligated, invested, and installed as Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler. The Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler was proclaimed and saluted by members of the Province.



The Grand Director of Ceremonies enquired of the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler if it was his pleasure to confirm in office those Brethren appointed at the last meeting of Provincial Grand Conclave and certain Officers were changed. The Grand Director of Ceremonies presented the By-Laws of the Province to the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler for his confirmation.

The Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler addressed the Installing Officer thanking him and his team for making this such a memorable day for the Province of Surrey. The Installing Officer and his Assisting Officers then retired.

An In Memoriam was held for two Brethren who have been called to Higher Service since our last meeting. R.Wy.Bro. David Hendry Milne-Leithe, Past Grand Guide, and V.Wy.Bro. Ray Horton, Past Grand Registrar, and the Acting Provincial Grand Chaplain gave a prayer for the departed Brethren.

The Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler welcomed all our Honoured Guests whose names are recorded.

The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Conclave held on the 25th of May 2024 were presented and approved.

The Report of the Provincial Grand Recorder was received, and the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler thanked the Provincial Recorder Designate.

The audited Accounts for the year to 31st December 2024 were presented by the Provincial Treasurer. These were adopted on a Proposition from the Deputy ProvGSR, Wy.Bro. Ian Bloodworth, seconded by the Provincial Grand Recorder Designate, Wy.Bro. Chris Eley.

As only one Nomination for Treasurer for the ensuing year had been received, the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler was pleased to declare Wy.Bro. Willmott duly Elected Treasurer. As only two Nominations for Account Auditors for the ensuing year had been received, the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler was pleased to declare Dist Comp Alan Brockwell and Em.Comp. Wally Maymand duly elected as Account Auditors for the ensuing year.

The Provincial Grand Treasurer advised that the Annual Provincial Per Capita amount payable for 2025-2026 will be increased to £8 per member.

The Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler appointed the Provincial Grand Officers for the year and invested those present:

Provincial Grand Chancellor
Provincial Grand Counsellor
Provincial Grand Guide
Provincial Grand Chaplain
Provincial Grand Treasurer

Wy.Bro. Ian Clark
Wy.Bro. Nigel Thomson
Wy.Bro. Len Hillier
Wy.Bro. Derek Williamson
Wy.Bro. David Willmott

Provincial Grand Registrar
 Provincial Grand Recorder
 Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies
 Provincial Grand Almoner
 Provincial Deputy Grand DC
 Provincial Grand Visitor 1
 Provincial Grand Visitor 2
 Provincial Grand Visitor 3
 Provincial Grand Visitor 4
 Provincial Assistant Grand DC
 Provincial Grand Sword Bearer
 Provincial Grand Standard Bearer
 Provincial Grand Bow Bearer
 Provincial Assistant Grand Recorder
 Provincial Grand Guarder
 Provincial Grand Sentinel
 Provincial Grand Steward
 Provincial Grand Steward
 Provincial Grand Steward
 Provincial Grand Steward

Wy.Bro. Timothy Ward
 Wy.Bro. Chris Eley
 Wy.Bro. Simon McCarthy
 Wy.Bro. John Coleman
 Bro. Steve Rowlands (*with Dispensation*)
 Wy.Bro. Alastair Richardson
 Wy.Bro. Robert Anderson
 Wy.Bro. Andrew Sales
 Wy.Bro. Jeff Flint
 Bro. Robert Short (*with Dispensation*)
 Wy.Bro. Jeffrey Sykes
 Wy.Bro. Anton Smith
 Wy Bro Dave Harrison
 Bro. Mark Sharp
 Wy.Bro. Graham Marsh
 Wy.Bro. Norman Woodfin
 Wy.Bro. Barry Northmore
 Wy.Bro. Robert Hancock
 Wy.Bro. James Turner
 Bro. David Thompson

Promotion to Past Rank

Past Grand Chancellor
 Past Provincial Grand Visitor
 Past Provincial Grand Guide

Wy.Bro. Len Hayward
 Wy Bro. Steve Jones
 Wy Bro. Alan Boniface

Arch of Steel

Commander
 Dep Commander

Bro. Allan Thompson
 Bro. John Waggott

The Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler gave a brief address to Provincial Grand Conclave, after which a collection for charity was taken.

Provincial Grand Conclave was closed in due form and with solemn prayer.

The Right Worthy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler accompanied by the Provincial Officers, Right Worthy Brethren, and Honoured Guests, retired in procession under an Arch of Steel.

A total of 100 Brethren dined at the Festive Board



Ian T D Smith
Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler
23rd of May 2026