

## the Sussex crown



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## A letter from the Grand Secretary

Dear Sir and Brother,

By command of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, I wish to bring to your attention the changes being made to the positions of Deputy and Assistant Grand Master in the Masonic Order of Athelstan, please see below for details. The installation ceremony will take place at Mark Masons Hall in London on Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> of July 2024, full details of this event will be issued shortly.

#### **Retirement of Deputy Grand Master**



It is with a heavy heart that the Grand Master of the Masonic Order of Athelstan announces the retirement of Right Worshipful Brother Tony Burke from his position as Deputy Grand Master.

Tony has served the Order with dedication and distinction, first as Provincial Grand Master for Lindsey and then as Deputy Grand Master since March 2021. His leadership and administrative skills have been instrumental in the success of the Order, and his contributions will be greatly missed.

Although stepping down from his role as Deputy Grand Master, Tony will continue to serve in certain administrative capacities within the Order.

We wish him a peaceful and fulfilling retirement, knowing that his legacy will endure within the Order.

#### **Appointment of Deputy Grand Master**

The Grand Master is delighted to announce the promotion of Right Worshipful Brother Charles Jonathan Aspinell to Deputy Grand Master of the Masonic Order of Athelstan.

Charles was Instructed into the Order on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2010 in The Court of Prince Edmund Number 24. He was the Primus Master of The Court of King Alfred the Great Number 79 in 2012.

He served as Provincial Senior Grand Warden for the Province of Sussex. His first Grand Court preferment was Past Grand Sword Bearer in 2016, then acting Senior Grand Warden from 2017 until his promotion to Assistant Grand Master in 2020.

#### **Appointment of Assistant Grand Master**



In succession as Assistant Grand Master will be Right Worshipful Brother Lionel Broadbent Mee. Lionel was Instructed into the Order on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2007 in Archbishop Aethelhelm Court Number 34. His first Provincial preferment was to Past Provincial Grand Captain of the Guards in 2012, then to Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

In 2015 Lionel was preferred to Past Senior Grand Deacon and swiftly was Installed as Provincial Grand Master for Sussex, serving until the present.

I am sure you will join me in congratulating the new Deputy and Assistant Grand Masters on their preferment.

Kind regards,

Nigel C. Beavan,

#### VW Bro Nigel C. Beavan, Grand Secretary

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# The 2024-2025 Official Visits



### Summary of Official Visits by the Provincial Grand Master and the Deputy Provincial Grand Master in 2024 and 2025

Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024 Rood At Sudtone Sari No. 106 - Sutton

Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> August 2024 King Alfred the Great No. 79 (Inst) - Winchester

Friday, 13th September 2024 Wiht-land No 123 (Inst) - Ryde, Isle of Wight

Tuesday, 8th October 2024 Sword of Constantine No. 120 (Inst) - Croydon

Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024 South Saxons No. 60 (Inst) - Ferring

Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> November 2024 Harrow Way No 88 (Inst) - Guildford

Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024 Archbishop Aethelhelm No. 34 (Inst) - Nutfield

Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> January 2025 Aelle No. 25 - Eastbourne

Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February 2025 Sion Abbey No. 126 (Inst) - Twickenham

Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2025 Prince Edmund No. 24 - Chichester

## The 2025 Annual Assembly

The 2025 Annual Assembly of the Provincial Crand Court of Sussex will be held on Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup> of April 2025 at the Redhill and Reigate Masonic Centre in Nutfield, Surrey.



The meeting will commence at 11.00 a.m. and will be followed by lunch at 1.00 p.m.

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