



PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF HAMPSHIRE AND ISLE OF WIGHT

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On Monday 24th April over two hundred women, children, men and brethren packed into the Purbrook Masonic Centre for the fourth South East Area annual charity cheque presentation evening.

The Assistant Provincial Grand Master for the area, Mark Mills-Goodlet welcomed everyone to the event, including the Mayor of Havant Councillor Faith Ponsonby and her consort Michael, and our Provincial Grand Master R.W.Bro. Mike Wilks and his wife Kay. Both the PGM and the Mayor of Havant then addressed those present bestowing the good work that Freemasonry does in the community.

Each charity was called up to receive their cheque and were also given two minutes to promote their charitable work and giving us an insight into the tremendous work that they carry out for those in distressed circumstances.

The Area APGM closed the evening with a short speech and then carried out his own 'Ninja' moment on the PGM by presenting him with a cheque for £2,250.00 for his chosen charity Lifelites. This money was raised by a number of lodges within the area.

In total fifty one cheques totalling £49,162.00 was given away on the evening which drew gasps and a huge round of applause from all those present. The formalities closed at 9.30pm and the Mayor of Havant departed thoroughly uplifted by the generosity that she had witnessed from members of the Craft.

