



PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE  
OF HAMPSHIRE AND ISLE OF WIGHT  
**Coronavirus Bulletin 24**  
**Installation Meeting and AGM**  
**24<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

Dear Bro Secretary,

Following the recent government announcement that Covid-19 restrictions will be extended until 19th July, we have been advised by the management of the Guildhall, Southampton, that they are unable to accommodate us for the Installation of the Provincial Grand Master and Grand Superintendent or for the Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge at the meetings due to be held on 28/29th July 2021.

Will you therefore please note the following information and communicate this bulletin to your members, honorary members and Visiting Officer:

**1. Installation of PGM and MEGS**

The Installation Meeting will now be held at Freemasons Hall, Great Queen St, London, on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021. We are working on the assumption that the current Covid restrictions will still be in place and numbers are therefore limited to 300 invited guests (Craft and Royal Arch combined).

Those invited guests will be contacted directly and at this stage, it will not be possible to admit other members of the Province to the meeting.

However, should the lifting of restrictions be announced on 12<sup>th</sup> July, it may be possible for other members of the Province to attend the meeting (but not to dine). In this case, details will be announced via an appropriate bulletin to Lodge Secretaries.

**2. Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge**

We are planning a much smaller meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge, with severely restricted numbers, to be held at the Novotel, Southampton on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> July. The Provincial Grand Master will conduct the business of Provincial Grand Lodge and invest Active Provincial Officers and those brethren receiving First Appointments. The brethren concerned have been contacted by email to confirm their attendance and ensure that all available places are fully occupied.

Those brethren who are due to receive a Promotion have been contacted by letter to advise them that their investiture has been cancelled and that they should not attend the meeting.

In all cases, brethren may celebrate their new rank as of 29<sup>th</sup> July 2021 and are entitled to wear their new regalia from that date.

I understand that many brethren will be disappointed at not being able to attend the Installation or Provincial Meeting but hopefully things will be back to normal in the near future. May I take this opportunity to congratulate all those receiving appointments and promotions.

Frank Milner  
Provincial Grand Secretary