

The United Religious, Military and Masonic Orders of the Temple and of St John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta in England and Wales and Provinces Overseas



MINUTES OF THE CHAPTER OF GREAT PRIORY

held under the Banner of the Preceptory of St George No. 6 in the Grand Temple,
Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5AZ, at 12.30 p.m. on

Wednesday, 21 May 2025
A.L. 6025, A.D. 2025, A.O. 907

PRESENT

MOST EMINENT AND SUPREME GRAND MASTER
PAUL RAYMOND CLEMENT, *OStJ*, G.C.T.

VERY HIGH & RIGHT EMINENT GREAT SENESCHAL
ANDREW CHRISTOPHER RAINBOW, G.C.T.

KNIGHTS GRAND CROSS

R.E.Kt. G. L. Flight
R.E.Kt. Dr J. L. W. Wright, *RD*

KNIGHTS COMMANDER

R.E.Kt. A. J. Englefield
R.E.Kt. T. C. Gulliver
R.E.Kt. G. L. Perkins
R.E.Kt. K. J. Jones
R.E.Kt. Lt Cdr A. P. D. Hannagan, *RD, MStJ*
R.E.Kt. J. R. Collison
R.E.Kt. D. H. Gallear, Provincial Prior for Lancashire
R.E.Kt. P. M. Darley, *BEM*
R.E.Kt. A. C. Sweeney
R.E.Kt. R. E. Cochrane
R.E.Kt. S. C. L. Middleton
R.E.Kt. C. G. Maiden
R.E.Kt. S. J. Wyer
R.E.Kt. Dr V. Thomas, *JP*
R.E.Kt. R. S. Edgar R.E.Kt. A. J. Hellier
R.E.Kt. M. F. Bilton
R.E.Kt. D. F. Coombes
R.E.Kt. W. J. T. Pratt
R.E.Kt. R. E. Dixon
R.E.Kt. A. J. Padmore, Provincial Prior for Leicestershire and Rutland
R.E.Kt. J. H. Prizeman
R.E.Kt. J. Roberts, Provincial Prior for Middlesex
R.E.Kt. P. P. Crossan, Provincial Prior for Surrey
R.E.Kt. D. Jordan, Provincial Prior for Kent

PROVINCIAL PRIORS

R.E.Kt. Dr P. R. Calderwood, <i>JP</i>	Provincial Prior for Monmouth and South Wales
R.E.Kt. R. Scott	Provincial Prior for Durham
R.E.Kt. G. Hutchinson	Provincial Prior for Derbyshire
R.E.Kt. Cdr C. J. Aspinell, <i>RD, JP</i>	Provincial Prior for Hampshire and Isle of Wight
R.E.Kt. K. P. Stannard	Provincial Prior for Northumberland
R.E.Kt. D. J. Thompson	Provincial Prior for London
R.E.Kt. F. R. Thomas	Provincial Prior for Devonshire and Cornwall
R.E.Kt. D. W. Phillips	Provincial Prior for Staffordshire and Shropshire
R.E.Kt. D. J. Crossley	Provincial Prior for Nottinghamshire
R.E.Kt. H. R. Lenton, <i>MBE</i>	Provincial Prior for West Yorkshire
R.E.Kt. T. G. Dillon	Provincial Prior for North and East Yorkshire
R.E.Kt. R. F. Micklefield	Provincial Prior for Dorset and Wiltshire
R.E.Kt. A. D. White	Provincial Prior for Hertfordshire
R.E.Kt. A. Rosengren	Provincial Prior for City and County of Bristol
R.E.Kt. A. Pierce, <i>JP</i>	Provincial Prior for Cheshire and North Wales
R.E.Kt. C. Birkbeck	Provincial Prior for East Anglia
R.E.Kt. P. Burrows	Provincial Prior for Gloucestershire and Herefordshire
R.E.Kt. C. Dann	Provincial Prior for Sussex
R.E.Kt. P. J. Davis	Provincial Prior for Somerset
R.E.Kt. R. L. Smith	Provincial Prior for Essex
R.E.Kt. D. R. White	Provincial Prior for Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Buckinghamshire
R.E.Kt. D. Handley	Provincial Prior for Warwickshire
R.E.Kt. M. F. H. Levick	Provincial Prior for Lincolnshire
R.E.Kt. M. J. Hadden	Provincial Prior for Worcestershire

GREAT OFFICERS

R.E.Kt. The Revd M. C. G. Lane, <i>JP, G.C.T.</i>	Great Prelate
R.E.Kt. His Hon. I. D. G. Alexander, <i>KC, G.C.T.</i>	Great Chancellor
V.E.Kt. J. Spence, <i>DL</i>	1st Great Constable
V.E.Kt. P. A. Norman	2nd Great Constable
V.E.Kt. J. R. G. Hilditch	Great Treasurer
V.E.Kt. F. Fowlie	Great Registrar
R.E.Kt. J. C. Whitaker, <i>JP, DL, K.C.T.</i>	President of the Grand Master's Council
V.E.Kt. D. M. Heath	Great Vice-Chancellor
R.E.Kt. T. J. Wheeler, <i>G.C.T.</i>	Great Marshal
E.Kt. A. R. Brumwell	Deputy Great Vice-Chancellor
E.Kt. K. A. Gane	Deputy Great Marshal
E.Kt. P. C. Atkinson	Deputy Great Marshal
E.Kt. A. R. Timms	Deputy Great Marshal
E.Kt. Revd Dr S. A. Thorn	Great Almoner
E.Kt. A. Maclean Bather	Great Herald
E.Kt. S. Priestly	Great Herald
E.Kt. S. T. Schofield	Great Standard Bearer (B.)
E.Kt. P. R. Crudge	Great Standard Bearer (V.B.)
E.Kt. A. Yelland	Grand Master's Banner Bearer
E.Kt. W. Carlyon	Great Sword Bearer
E.Kt. Revd A. N. Johnston	Deputy Great Almoner
E.Kt. D. Mersh	Assistant Great Vice-Chancellor
E.Kt. Lt Col. M. C. A. Caseman-Jones, <i>TD</i>	Assistant Great Vice-Chancellor
E.Kt. A. R. Gaudion	Deputy Great Sword Bearer
E.Kt. J. Derry	Great Aide-de-Camp
E.Kt. R. A. Orridge	Great Aide-de-Camp
E.Kt. J. P. Lemm	Great Aide-de-Camp
E.Kt. N. Wicks	Great Warden of Regalia

E.Kt. P. C. Clare Great Captain of Guards
 E.Kt. I. C. Drury Great Captain of Guards
 E.Kt. M. Rizzardi, P.Gt.Her. Great Organist
 E.Kt. A. T. Morris, P.Gt.Her. Deputy Great Organist
 E.Kt. P. Busby Great Guard

MALTA DELEGATION

V.E.Kt. A. T. Howls Great Sub-Prior of Malta
 V.E.Kt. D. Dean, P.Gt.Reg. Prov. Vice-Chan., Kent
 E.Kt. R. Laxton, P.Gt.Her. Prov. Vice-Chan., Northants, Hunts and Beds
 E.Kt. T. Pearman, P.Gt.W. of R. Prov. Vice-Chan., Devonshire and Cornwall
 E.Kt. I. Satherley, P.Gt.Her. Prov. Vice-Chan., City and County of Bristol
 E.Kt. J. Anderson Prov. Vice-Chan., Derbyshire
 E.Kt. D. Thompson, P.Gt.St.B.(B.) Prov. Vice-Chan., Surrey

KNIGHTS FROM OVERSEAS

SOUTH AMERICA

E.Kt. D. S. Machado

SOUTH EAST ASIA

E.Kt. J. G. Bones, P.Gt.St.B.(B.)	E.Kt. C. H. Moore
E.Kt. K. N. Nadrianov, P.Gt.Chamb.	E.Kt. J. W. S. Ko
E.Kt. E. S. W. K. Tay, <i>PBM</i>	Kt. G. N. Nair
E.Kt. Lt Col. R. A. Stuart, <i>CSC</i>	Kt. N. A. Tottman

UNATTACHED PRECEPTORIES

Calpe Preceptory No. 60 (Gibraltar)

E.Kt. S. Soobiah

Observance Preceptory No. 111 (Chennai, India)

E.Kt. B. V. Epur

Iyanola Preceptory No. 588 (St Lucia)

V.E.Kt. G. L. Gill, *SLMM*, P.Gt.Reg.

The Preceptory of St John the Almoner No. 626 (Malta)

E.Kt. I. McKenzie, P.Gt.A.-de-C.

E.Kt. L. L. Porter, P.Gt.A.-de-C.

E.Kt. D. H. C. L. Foster

Waller Rodwell Wright Preceptory No. 640 (Malta):

E.Kt. J. D. Campbell, P.Gt.A.-de-C.

E.Kt. D. J. Broxup, P.Gt.A.-de-C.

E.Kt. R. W. Chilvers, P.Gt.A.-de-C.

Kt. J. Wolf

DEPUTATIONS FROM OTHER GREAT PRIORIES AND GRAND LODGES

GREAT PRIORY OF IRELAND

V.H. & R.E.Kt. Dr M. Costello, G.C.T., Great Seneschal

R.E.Kt. G. Allen, K.C.T. Great Vice-Chancellor

GREAT PRIORY OF SCOTLAND

M.E. & Revd.Kt. W. R. King, G.C.T., Grand Master

R.E. Frater R. J. Simpson, K.C.T., Grand Seneschal

V.E. Frater A. Buntain, Grand Secretary

GREAT PRIORY OF GREECE

M.E. & Revd.Kt. A. Spyropoulos, G.C.T., Grand Master

R.E.Kt. I. Benetatos, G.C.T., Grand Registrar

GREAT PRIORY OF GERMANY

M.E.Kt. R. Mackenzie, G.C.T., Grand Master

V.Em. Br.Kt. N. W. Schoen, Grand Secretary

R.Em. Br.Kt. J. MacKinnon, G.C.T.

GREAT PRIORY OF SPAIN

V.H. & R.E.Kt. K. Halliwell, K.G.C., Great Seneschal
V.Em. A. Garcia Hernandez, Grand Chancellor

GRAND PRIORY OF THE UNITED ORDERS FOR FRANCE

M.E. & S.Kt. M. Manueco, G.C.T., Grand Master
V.H. & R.E.Kt. J. Techene, K.C.T., Great Seneschal
R.E.Kt. J-L. Nanot, K.C.T., Past Great Prior
R.E.Kt. J-P. Dupinay, K.C.T., Great Chancellor
V.E.Kt. R. Barham, Past Second Grand Connétable

GREAT PRIORY OF NETHERLANDS

M.E. & S.Kt. F. C. J. Poot, G.C.T., Grand Master
M.E. & S.Kt. A. G. M. Captijn, G.C.T., Past Grand Master
V.H. & R.E.Kt. H. R. Lioe-A-Tjam, G.C.T., Great Seneschal
R.E.Kt. H. R. Huiskamp, K.C.T., Great Vice-Chancellor
V.E.Kt. M. van der Lindon, Second Great Constable

GREAT PRIORY OF PERU

M.E. & S.Kt. J. E. López-Machiavello, G.C.T., Grand Master
Cab.Temp. K. O. C. T. Mayer, Gran Capitan de la Guardia
Cab.Temp. J. V. M. Izquierdo, Porta Estandarte Gran Maestre

ORDER OF THE KNIGHTS FREEMASONS OF ROMANIA

Bro. G. Coica, Knight Commander with Red Cross

GRAND PRIORY OF CBCS IN AMITY

GREAT PRIORY OF BELGIUM AND ITS PREFECTURES IN AUSTRALIA

M.Revd.Kt. F. M. F. Lacante, Great Prior and National Grand Master
R.Revd.Kt. D. A. Hope, Assistant Great Prior
R.Revd.Kt. T. L. Duffin, Hon. Great Dean

VISITORS FROM ABROAD (MEMBERS OF UK PROVINCES)

Kt. A. N. Johnston, Deputy Great Almoner – Ireland

A number of Past Great Officers, Present and Past Preceptors, and Knights were also in attendance.

Report of Proceedings

1. OPENING

The Arch of Steel having been formed, the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master, attended by Great Officers, entered and ascended the Throne.

2. MUSTER ROLL

The Great Registrar called the Muster Roll.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Chapter of Great Priory held on Wednesday, 15 May 2024, which had been circulated with the summons for the meeting, were taken as read, approved and confirmed.

4. REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER'S COUNCIL

The Report of the Grand Master's Council, having been circulated with the Summons as **Appendix A**, was taken as read, approved and adopted.

5. REPORT OF THE GREAT TREASURER

The Great Treasurer presented the audited accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024, which had been circulated with the Summons as **Appendix C**.

6. AMENDMENTS TO THE STATUTES.

The amendments, which had been circulated with the Summons as **Appendix D**, were proposed by the President of the Grand Master's Council, seconded by the Great Vice-Chancellor, and approved.

7. ELECTION AND PROCLAMATION THE MOST EMINENT AND SUPREME GRAND MASTER

The Great Seneschal proposed that Paul Raymond Clement, *OStJ*, be re-elected Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master. This was seconded by the First Great Constable and carried with acclamation by the Brother Knights.

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master was then proclaimed by the Great Herald as follows:

Be it known that PAUL RAYMOND CLEMENT, Officer of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem; Past Grand Sword Bearer in the United Fraternity of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of England; Grand Superintendent in and over the Province of South Wales in the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England; Past Provincial Grand Master for South Wales in the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and its Districts and Lodges Overseas, and a member of the Grand Master's Royal Ark Council, Honoris Causa, in the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariner; Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33rd Degree, in the Ancient and Accepted Rite under the Supreme Council 33rd Degree for England and Wales and its Districts and Chapters Overseas; Knight Commander of Constantine of the Grand Imperial Conclave for England and Wales and its Divisions and Conclaves Overseas of the Masonic and Military Order of the Red Cross of Constantine and the Orders of the Holy Sepulchre and of St John the Evangelist; Past Grand Chancellor in the Grand Council of the Order of Royal and Select Masters of England and Wales and its Districts and Councils Overseas; Past District Grand Prefect for Severn in the Grand Council of the Order of the Allied Masonic Degrees of England and Wales and Districts and Councils Overseas; Past Grand Supreme Ruler in the Grand Conclave of the Order of the Secret Monitor, or Brotherhood of David and Jonathan, in the British Isles and its Districts and Conclaves Overseas; Past Deputy Grand Summus in the Grand Senatus of the Ancient and Masonic Order of the Scarlet Cord in the British Isles and its Districts and Consistories Overseas; Knight Commander of the Priestly Orders of the Grand College of Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests and Order of Holy Wisdom; Grand Prior & Deputy Grand Master and Knight Grand Cross of the Holy City of the Grand Priory of the Knights Beneficent of the Holy City of the Rectified Scottish Rite of England and Wales; Provincial Grand Master for London and Metropolitan Counties in the Royal Order of Scotland; Adept of Christian Rosencreutz, Ninth Grade, Magus Honoris Causa, in the Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia; Grand Master and Knight Grand Cross of the United Orders, etc, etc, etc, etc, has this day been elected and installed Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master of the Great Priory of the United Religious, Military and Masonic Orders of the Temple and of St John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta of England and Wales and its Provinces Overseas; whom may the Most High long preserve.

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master was saluted under the direction of the Great Marshal. The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master returned thanks.

8. APPOINTMENT AND PROCLAMATION OF THE VERY HIGH AND RIGHT EMINENT GREAT SENESCHAL

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master announced that he had reappointed Andrew Christopher Rainbow, G.C.T., as Great Seneschal for the ensuing year. The Great Herald then proclaimed as follows:

Be it known that ANDREW CHRISTOPHER RAINBOW, Fellow of the Chartered

Association of Certified Accountants; Past Junior Grand Warden in the United Fraternity of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of England; Past Assistant Grand Sojourner in the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England; Past Assistant Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and its Districts and Lodges Overseas; Grand Inspector Inquisitor Commander, 31st Degree, in the Ancient and Accepted Rite under the Supreme Council 33rd Degree for England and Wales and its Districts and Chapters Overseas; Past Grand Almoner in the Grand Priory of the Knights Beneficent of the Holy City of the Rectified Scottish Rite of England and Wales; Great Seneschal and Knight Grand Cross of the United Orders, etc., etc., etc., has this day been re-appointed Very High and Right Eminent Great Seneschal of the Great Priory of the United Religious, Military and Masonic Orders of the Temple and of St John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta of England and Wales and its Provinces Overseas; whom may the Most High long preserve.

The Very High and Right Eminent Great Seneschal was saluted under the direction of the Great Marshal. The Very High and Right Eminent Great Seneschal returned thanks.

9. APPOINTMENT, INVESTITURE AND PROCLAMATION OF KNIGHTS COMMANDER OF THE UNITED ORDERS

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master announced that he had been pleased to appoint the following Knights to the honour and dignity of Knight Commander of the United Orders:

R.E.Kt. Dr Paul Richard Calderwood, *JP*, Provincial Prior for Monmouth & South Wales

V.E.Kt. Jonathan Spence, *DL*, First Great Constable

V.E.Kt. Daniel Mark Heath, Great Vice-Chancellor

The Knights were conducted to the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master, to whom they paid homage. They were then invested as Knights Commander of the United Orders and presented with their patents of appointment. The newly invested Knights Commander were proclaimed as follows:

Be it known that PAUL RICHARD CALDERWOOD, A Justice in His Majesty's Commission of the Peace; Doctor of Philosophy of the University of London; Past Grand Sword Bearer in the United Fraternity of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of England; Past Grand Sword Bearer in the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England; Past Grand Senior Overseer in the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and its Districts and Lodges Overseas and Holder of Grand Rank in the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariner; Past Grand Prefect in the Grand Imperial Conclave for England and Wales and its Divisions and Conclaves Overseas of the Masonic and Military Order of the Red Cross of Constantine and the Orders of the Holy Sepulchre and of St John the Evangelist; Past Grand Captain of the Guard in the Grand Council of the Order of Royal and Select Masters of England and Wales and its Districts and Councils Overseas; Past Grand Junior Deacon in the Grand Council of the Order of the Allied Masonic Degrees of England and Wales and Districts and Councils Overseas; Past Grand Sword Bearer in the Grand Conclave of the Order of the Secret Monitor, or Brotherhood of David and Jonathan, in the British Isles and its Districts and Conclaves Overseas; Past Grand Seventh Pillar in the Grand College of Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests and Order of Holy Wisdom; Past Assistant Grand Herald in the Grand Priory of the Knights Beneficent of the Holy City of the Rectified Scottish Rite of England and Wales; Provincial Prior for Monmouth & South Wales;

And that JONATHAN SPENCE, One of His Majesty's Deputy Lieutenants for the County of Cambridge; Fellow of the Queen's College of St Margaret and St Bernard, commonly known as Queens' College, in the University of Cambridge; Master of Arts of the University of Oxford; Master of Arts of the University of Cambridge; Member of the Institution of Royal Engineers; Pro Grand Master of the United Fraternity of Antient,

Free and Accepted Masons of England; Pro First Grand Principal of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England; Past Grand Senior Warden in the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and its Districts and Lodges Overseas and a member of the Grand Master's Royal Ark Council, Honoris Causa, in the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariner; Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33rd Degree in the Ancient and Accepted Rite and Honorary Member of the Supreme Council for England and Wales and its Districts and Chapters Overseas; Past Grand Chancellor in the Grand Council of the Order of Royal and Select Masters of England and Wales and its Districts and Councils Overseas; First Great Constable;

And that DANIEL MARK HEATH, Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies in the United Fraternity of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of England; Grand Standard Bearer of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England; Past Grand Junior Warden in, and Grand Secretary of, the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and its Districts and Lodges Overseas and a Member of the Grand Master's Royal Ark Council in the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariner; Grand Elected Knight Kadosh, 30th Degree, Knight of the Black and White Eagle in the Ancient and Accepted Rite under the Supreme Council 33rd Degree for England and Wales and its Districts and Chapters Overseas; Past Grand Senior General in, and Grand Recorder of, the Grand Imperial Conclave for England and Wales and its Divisions and Conclaves Overseas of the Masonic and Military Order of the Red Cross of Constantine and the Orders of the Holy Sepulchre and of St John the Evangelist; Past Grand Councillor in, and Grand Recorder of, the Grand Council of the Order of Royal and Select Masters of England and Wales and its Districts and Councils Overseas; Past Grand Junior Warden in, and Grand Secretary of, the Grand Council of the Order of the Allied Masonic Degrees of England and Wales and Districts and Councils Overseas; Past Grand Guide in, and Grand Recorder of, the Grand Conclave of the Order of the Secret Monitor, or Brotherhood of David and Jonathan, in the British Isles and its Districts and Conclaves Overseas; Past Grand Vice-Chancellor in, and Grand Recorder of the Grand Senatus of the Ancient and Masonic Order of the Scarlet Cord, in the British Isles and its Districts and Consistories Overseas; A member of the Seventh Degree, Honoris Causa in the Worshipful Society of Freemasons, Rough Masons, Wallers, Slaters, Paviers, Plaisterers and Bricklayers; Past Grand Seventh Pillar and Knight of Holy Wisdom in the Grand College of Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests and Order of Holy Wisdom; Grand Chancellor of the Grand Priory of Knights Beneficent of the Holy City of the Rectified Scottish Rite of England and Wales; Past Substitute Provincial Grand Master in the Provincial Grand Lodge of North Thames in the Royal Order of Scotland; Ninth Grade, Magus Honoris Causa of the Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia; Great Vice-Chancellor, etc, etc, etc; have this day been appointed, obligated and invested as Knights Commander of the United Orders in the Great Priory of the United Religious, Military and Masonic Orders of the Temple and of St John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta of England and Wales and its Provinces Overseas; whom may the Most High long preserve.

The Knights Commander of the United Orders were saluted under the direction of the Great Marshal. On behalf of himself, and Right Eminent Knights Heath and Spence, R.E.Kt. Calderwood returned thanks.

10. ELECTION OF THE GREAT TREASURER

On the proposition of the President of the Grand Master's Council, seconded by the Great Vice-Chancellor and carried unanimously by the Knights present, V.E.Kt. James Robert Guy Hilditch was elected as Great Treasurer for the ensuing year.

11. APPOINTMENT AND INVESTITURE OF GREAT OFFICERS 2025/2026

The Great Vice-Chancellor announced that the following Knights had been appointed to Great Rank by the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master, who invested those present.

GREAT OFFICERS

Great Prelate	Revd Fr Malcolm Clifford George Lane, <i>JP</i> , G.C.T.
Great Chancellor	His Hon. Ian Douglas Gavin Alexander, <i>KC</i> , G.C.T.
First Great Constable	Jonathan Spence, <i>DL</i> , K.C.T.
Second Great Constable	Gaspar Llewellyn Gill, <i>SLMM</i>
Great Treasurer	James Robert Guy Hilditch
Great Registrar	Terence Desmond Ward
President Grand Master's Council.....	Jonathan Charles Whitaker, <i>JP, DL</i> , K.C.T.
Great Vice-Chancellor	Daniel Mark Heath, K.C.T.
Great Marshal.....	Timothy John Wheeler, G.C.T.
Deputy Great Vice-Chancellor.....	Alan Robert Brumwell, <i>JP</i>
Deputy Great Marshals.....	Paul Courtenay Atkinson Andrew Ronald Timms Alan Charles Bolton
Great Almoner	Revd Dr Simon Alexander Thorn
Great Heralds	Robert William Chilvers Drs Andries Johannes Van Der Burgh
Great Standard Bearer (B.)	Christopher James Bowles
Great Standard Bearer (V.B.)	Neil Raymond Harvey
Grand Master's Banner Bearer.....	Stephen Ranson, <i>JP</i>
Great Sword Bearer.....	Lewis George Clement
Deputy Great Almoner	Revd Allen Niall Johnston
Assistant Great Vice-Chancellor.....	Derek Mersh, P.Gt.Her. Lt Col. Michael Charles Alexander Caseman-Jones, <i>TD</i>
Deputy Great Sword Bearer	George John Deacon
Great Aides-de-Camp.....	Mark Anthony Aitkins David Anthony Bargrove Ian Spencer Burgess Geoffrey James Morrison
Great Warden of Regalia	Stuart Gary Thomas
Great Chamberlain	Michael Reginald Radcliffe
Great Captains of Guards.....	Paul Yaw Asante Chevalier Mark Anthony Wright
Great Organist.....	Mario Rizzardi, P.Gt.Her.
Deputy Great Organist.....	Andrew Timothy Morris, <i>JP</i> , P.Gt.Her.
Great Guard.....	Paul Busby

PROMOTIONS

Past Great Registrar

Anthony Richard Clark
Carl Douglas Davies
Dennis Colin Fountain
Adrian Thorogood Jones
William Sydney Frederick King

Antony Fabian Legge
Peter Anthony Riley
Allan Seager
David Tuke

Past Great Almoner

Paul Andrew Christodoulou

Revd Steven Andrew Hawkins

Past Great Herald

Christopher Colin Adkin
Brian Frank Amos
Robert John Asser
John William Bond
Reginald Leslie Brittan
Michael Frank Bull
Gary William Clark

Peter James Froment
Dr Miguel Antonio Junior Godfrey
Alan Guest
George Tyrrell Heys
Irving James Horne, *JP*
Paul Laurence Merryfellow
Trevor Russell Scott-Worthington

Past Great Herald (cont'd)

Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson
 Reginald Alec Heathcote Smith
 David Ronald Truman

Alan Leslie West
 John Charles Wright

Past Great Standard Bearer (B.)

John Arthur Andrews
 Dr John Martin Colley
 Anthony McGahan

Richard John Phillips
 Denis Alan Plater
 Lewis Lindsay Tovey

Past Great Standard Bearer (V.B.)

Ian Dunstan Moseley

Past Deputy Great Sword Bearer

Vernon Edward King

Steffan Rhys Madoc

PAST RANKS (FIRST APPOINTMENTS)**Past Deputy Great Sword Bearer**

Edward Stanley Tay Wey Kok, *PBM*

Past Great Aide-de-Camp

Edward Anderson
 Nicholas Andrew Ball
 Mark Barlow
 Daniel Herbert Betts
 Philip Andrew Hamilton Bowler
 Garry Breakwell
 David Burton
 Jason Cameron-Potter
 Maj. Matthew Roger Christmas
 Timothy Andrew Cox
 Simon Guy Darbyshire
 Anthony Paul Dyer
 James Dean Dyett
 Keith Berwick Ferguson
 Robert John Fernyhough
 John Vaughan Christopher French
 Mark Eric Gannaway
 Fernando Garcia Acosta
 Ian Michael Gilberg
 Jeffrey Michael Green
 Danny Guy
 Ian John Hall
 John Cordingley Harrison
 Angus John Herdman
 Jonathon Richard Hedley Hibbins
 Stephen Peter Howlett
 Robin Francis Knight

Andries Cornelius Krause
 Edward Michael Lines
 Benny Chu Hung Lo
 Daniel Schutz Machado
 Paul Anthony Massie
 Barrie John McCappin
 Capt. Hilton Oates
 David John Parry
 John Peck
 Martin Leland Preece, *TD, AE*
 Graeham Douglas Quilliam
 Gary Quinn
 Henry Gonsalves Rebeiro
 Hilton Malcolm Richards
 Rowland John Rogers
 Martin James Sando
 Huw Leslie Shooter
 Robert John Siddall
 Donald Christopher Smith
 Mark Philip Stretton
 Lt Col. Russell Alexander Stuart, *CSC*
 Roger Hibbert Till
 Lester Douglas Wellington
 Michael John Wiles
 Brian Williams
 David Allen Williams

Past Great Warden of Regalia

Antony Richard Baker
 David Charles Bridge
 Selwyn John Burton
 Daniel Frederick Firth
 Jeremy Simon Griffin
 James William Harrington
 Brian Norman Higgins
 Nicholas Mark Humble

Anthony James Hung
 Thomas Johannes Korff
 Ronald Anthony Marno
 Keith Cedric McCully
 Ian Alexander Minkley
 Neil Murray
 Robert Charles Neal
 Martyn Ian Russell

Past Great Chamberlain

John Wai Seng Ko
Dilwyn Edward Littlejohns

Edward Harry Long
Anthony David Thomas

Past Great Captain of Guards

Bharat Venkat Epur
Dr Andre Josef Lawrence

Carlton Alexander Stephen
Peter Edward Worby

12. APPOINTMENTS TO THE APPEALS PANEL

The Great Vice-Chancellor announced that the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master had appointed the following Knights to serve on the Appeals Panel from which he may constitute Appeals Courts:

R.E.Kt. Revd M. C. G. Lane, *JP*, G.C.T., Great Prelate
R.E.Kt. Dr V. Thomas, *JP*, K.C.T.
R.E.Kt. L. E. Bourne, *JP*, P.Prov.Prior (Worcestershire)
V.E.Kt. D. B. Morris, P.Gt.Reg.

13. ELECTIONS TO THE APPEALS PANEL

The Great Vice-Chancellor announced that the following Knights had been nominated for election to the Appeals Panel from which the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master may constitute Appeals Courts: R.E.Kt. G. F. Redman, K.C.T.

V.E.Kt. R. L. Gan, *JP*, P.1st Gt.Con.
V.E.Kt. N. A. B. Grout, P.2nd Gt.Con.
V.E.Kt. R. S. H. Hussey, P.Gt.Reg.

There being no other nominations and only four vacancies, the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master declared those four Knights duly elected.

14. APPOINTMENTS TO THE GRAND MASTER'S COUNCIL

The Great Vice-Chancellor announced that the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master had appointed the following Knights to serve on the Grand Master's Council:

R.E.Kt. J. M. Beard, K.C.T.
R.E.Kt. G. L. Perkins, K.C.T.
R.E.Kt. K. J. Jones, K.C.T.
R.E.Kt. W. J. T. Pratt, K.C.T.
R.E.Kt. R. Scott, Prov.Prior for Durham

15. ELECTIONS TO THE GRAND MASTER'S COUNCIL

The Great Vice-Chancellor announced that the following Knights had been nominated for election to the Grand Master's Council:

R.E.Kt. J. H. Prizeman, K.C.T.
R.E.Kt. Dr P. R. Calderwood, K.C.T., *JP*, Prov.Prior for Monmouth and South Wales
R.E.Kt. G. Hutchinson, Prov.Prior for Derbyshire

There being no other nominations and only three vacancies, the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master declared these three Knights duly elected.

16. ELECTION OF TRUSTEES TO THE FUND OF BENEVOLENCE

The Great Vice-Chancellor announced that the following Knights had been nominated for election to serve as trustees of the Fund of Benevolence in accordance with the Trust Deed:

R.E.Kt. J. H. Prizeman, K.C.T.
V.E.Kt. J. R. G. Hilditch, Gt.Treas.

There being two nominations and only two vacancies, the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master declared those two Brother Knights duly elected.

17. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

On the proposition of the President of the Grand Master's Council, seconded by the Great Vice-Chancellor and carried unanimously by the Knights present, Crowe U.K. LLP, Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors, were elected as auditors to Great Priory for the financial year 1 September 2025 to 31 August 2026.

18. APPOINTMENT OF COMMANDER AND DEPUTY COMMANDER OF THE GRAND MASTER'S BODYGUARD

The Great Vice-Chancellor announced that the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master had been pleased to re-appoint E.Kt. Adam William Lancashire, P.Gt. Her., as Commander, and E.Kt. Roland John Rogers, P.Gt.A.-de-C., as Deputy Commander of the Bodyguard. The Great Marshal conducted Eminent Knights Lancashire and Rogers to the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master who received and congratulated them.

18a. PRESENTATION OF A CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION AS PRECEPTOR IN KING EDWARD VII PRECEPTORY OF IMPROVEMENT

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master announced that E.Kt. Martin James Sando has passed the test required to qualify as a Preceptor within the King Edward VII Preceptory of Improvement. E.Kt. Sando was presented to the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master by the Great Marshal, presented with his certificate and congratulated.

19. THE MOST EMINENT AND SUPREME GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master addressed Great Priory as follows:

'Brother Knights, I offer a very warm welcome to all attending Great Priory today. Brother Knights, standing here at this vantage point looking out at this panoramic view of Great Priory today is a very impressive sight, and I do welcome you all to this Chapter of Great Priory and thank you all for your on-going support at our meetings, it's very much appreciated.

'The honour and dignity of Knight Commander of the United Orders was first conferred in 1873 and, as the Statutes remind us, forms part of the exclusive prerogative of the Grand Master. This afternoon, I have been pleased and delighted to create three new Knights Commander, and I know you would all like to join me in congratulating R.E.Kt. Dr Paul Calderwood, R.E.Kt. Jonathan Spence, *DL*, and R.E.Kt. Daniel Heath on their preferment to one of the highest grades within our Order.

'R.E.Kt. Paul Calderwood has been our Provincial Prior for Monmouth and South Wales since 2016 and has done, and is doing, so much to raise the profile of the Order and establish strong relationships, particularly with the Royal Arch which, as you know, is essential to our Order. Similarly, with R.E.Kt. Jonathan Spence, we are very fortunate Brother Knights, are we not, to have a Pro Grand Master and Pro 1st Grand Principal who is so supportive of all the Companion Orders and that can only be a great advantage to us all. And you don't need me to tell you how well R.E.Kt. Dan Heath has done in his first year as our Great Vice-Chancellor and Grand Secretary of all our Orders at Mark Masons' Hall, so I will ask you to join me in wishing these three Knights well in their new stations.

'In our congratulations we include all the Brother Knights who received appointments and promotions in Great Priory today. This is your day, your special occasion, and I trust you will enjoy your new roles to the full, ever remembering that with rank comes added responsibilities and even more so, as Great Priory Officers. We look to you to offer help, encouragement and support to your Preceptories and the Brother Knights therein and never to rest on your laurels.

'There is much to be done, Brother Knights, and we are all in this together. Now, a challenge for you: in 2022, the Province of Somerset hosted an extremely successful **Cathedral Service** at Wells which was well supported by Brother Knights and their

families from far and wide. I feel it's time we repeated the exercise and held a similar event, to publicly witness our faith and enjoy the splendour of such an occasion. I would be most keen to receive any suggestions as to where we might hold such a Service, and, hopefully volunteers to take on the mantle of arranging it.

'As you are aware, for well over 100 years our Order has provided financial support to the **St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital** – a partnership we can all be proud of, as it enables the delivery of better front line eye care for adults and children from disadvantaged backgrounds in Jerusalem and further afield. This association was started when HRH The Duke of Connaught was our Grand Master, and it seems that our members are as passionate now over their support of the Hospital Group as ever they were. Very generous amounts are being raised by Provinces, Preceptories and individuals which, although coming through Great Priory, are now more often being donated with a specific purpose in mind already identified by the donor.

'Not surprisingly, the operations of the Hospital remain severely impacted by the continuing war in Gaza which has gone into a new phase since the breakdown of the ceasefire. They have now regained access to the Hospital in Gaza, and it is structurally sound but much damaged by shrapnel and the other collateral effects of the war. The Board has authorised repairs to the ground floor, which can then be used as a base for the further provision of services. Although the blockade on aid convoys has severely disrupted the supply of the necessary medicines needed, only last week, for the first time since 2023, on one single day, more than 60 patients were treated there.

'On a happier note, the new hospital at Nablus has now been opened with assistance of a grant of £71,000 from the KT Benevolent Fund to help with specific equipment required for the Paediatric Outpatient Department. This will be the second largest facility within the group and will provide services to the 1.2m people who live in and around Nablus without the need for them to go through Israeli checkpoints. So, thank you Brother Knights, on behalf of all the doctors, nurses and staff, and most importantly, the patients they are able to treat.

'I now turn to welcoming our distinguished guests from Sister Great Pories who have collectively made the proceedings of this afternoon that much more special for us all. It may be better on this occasion to withhold your applause until the end of the list:

From the Great Priory of Ireland, V.H. & R.E.Kt. Dr Michael Costello, G.C.T., Great Seneschal, and R.E.Kt. Gordon Allen, K.C.T., Great Vice-Chancellor;

From the Great Priory of Scotland, M.E. & R.Kt. Raymond King, G.C.T., Grand Master; R.E. Frater Ronald John Simpson, K.C.T., Great Seneschal; and V.E. Frater Alan Buntain, Grand Secretary;

From the Great Priory of Greece, M.E. & R.Kt. Andreas Spyropoulos, G.C.T., Grand Master, and R.E.Kt. Ioannis Benetatos, G.C.T., Grand Registrar

From the Great Priory of Germany, M.E.Kt. Roderick Mackenzie, G.C.T., Grand Master, R.E.Kt. John MacKinnon, G.C.T, and V.E.Kt. Norbert Schoen, Grand Secretary;

From the Great Priory of Spain, V.H. & R.E.Kt. Keith Halliwell, G.C.T., Great Seneschal, and V.E.Kt. Alejandro Garcia Hernandez, Grand Chancellor;

From the Great Priory of the United Orders of France, M.E. & S.Kt. Michel Manueco, G.C.T., Grand Master; V.H. & R.E.Kt. Jacques Techene, K.C.T., Great Seneschal; R.E.Kt. Jean-Louis Nanot, K.C.T., Past Great Prior; R.E.Kt. Jean-Paul Dupinay, K.C.T., Great Chancellor; and V.E.Kt. Ronald Barham, Past 2nd Great Connetable;

From the Great Priory of The Netherlands, M.E. & S.Kt. Frank Cornelis Johannes Poot, G.C.T., Grand Master; V.H. & R.E.Kt. Herman Lioe-A-Tjam, G.C.T., Great Seneschal; R.E.Kt. Hermen R. Huiskamp, K.C.T., Great Vice-Chancellor; and M.E. & S.Kt. Loek Captijn, G.C.T., Past Grand Master;

From the Great Priory of Peru, M.E. & S.Kt. Juan Elias Lopez-Machiavello, G.C.T, Grand Master; E.Kt. Kuno Oscar Chavez Tafur Mayer, Grand Captain of Guards; and E.Kt. Joseph Izquierdo, Grand Master's Banner Bearer;

From the Great Priory of Belgium and its Prefectures in Australia, M.Revd.Kt. Francis Michel Lacante, National Grand Master; R.E.Kt. David Albert Hope, Assistant Great Prior; and R.Revd.Kt. Thomas Leslie Duffin, Honorary Great Dean;

And from the Order of the Knights Freemasons of Romania, Bro. Greg Coica, Knight Commander.

Let's show our distinguished guests the warmth of our welcome.

'We now turn to the Brother Knights from overseas within our own Constitution and Heads of other Orders:

From South East Asia, E.Kt. John Graham Bones, P.Gt.St.B.(B.); E.Kt. Karl Nikolai Nadrianov, P.Gt.Chamb.; E.Kt. Edward Wey Kok Tay, *PBM*, P.Dep.Gt.Swd.B.; E.Kt. Lt Col. Russell Alexander Stuart, *CSC*, P.Gt.A-de-C.; E.Kt. Christopher Moore; E.Kt. Louise Ruehlmann; Kt. John Wai Seng Ko; Kt Neil Tottman; and Kt. Gopi Nath Nair;

From South America, E.Kt. Daniel Schutz Machado, P.Gt.A-de-C.;

From Calpe Preceptory No. 60 in Gibraltar: E.Kt. Selvan Soobiah;

And from Observance Preceptory No. 111 (Chennai): E.Kt. Bharat Epur, P.Gt.Capt. Gds.;

From Iyanola Preceptory No. 588 (St Lucia): V.E.Kt. Gaspar Llewellyn Gill, *SLMM*, 2nd Gt.Con.;

From Preceptory of St John the Almoner No. 626 (Malta): E.Kt. Dr Lawrence Leon Porter, P.Gt.A.-de-C., E.Kt. Ian McKenzie, P.Gt.A-de-C., and E.Kt. David H. C. L. Foster;

From Walter Rodwell Wright Preceptory No. 640 (Malta): E.Kt. Robert Chilvers, Gt.Her., E.Kt. David James Broxup, P.Gt.Her., E.Kt. John David Campbell, P.Gt.A-de-C., and Kt. Johnny Wolf.

'We have long enjoyed excellent relationships with all Orders in Freemasonry, and this is exemplified again this afternoon:

R.E.Kt. Graham Flight, G.C.T. – Grand Sovereign of the Red Cross of Constantine;

R.E.Kt. Kessick Jones, K.C.T. – Grand Master of the Royal and Select Masters;

R.E.Kt. Andrew Sweeney, K.C.T. – Grand Supreme Ruler of the Order of the Secret Monitor;

R.E.Kt. Christopher Maiden, K.C.T. – Grand High Priest of the Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests and Order of Holy Wisdom;

R.E.Kt. Dr Vivian Thomas, *JP*, K.C.T. – Grand Master of the Grand Priory of the Knights Beneficent of the Holy City;

R.E.Kt. John Herbert Prizeman, K.C.T. – Pro Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons;

E.Kt. Revd Dr Simon Thorn, Gt.Alm. – Grand Prior, Supreme Council 33rd Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Rite; and E.Kt. Dr Giles Shilson, P.Gt.Her., Secretary-General;

E.Kt. Anthony Llewellyn, P.Gt.Her. – Supreme Magus of the Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia;

E.Kt. Dr Paul Mycock, P.Gt.Her. – First Grand Master Mason of the Worshipful Society of Free Masons, Rough Masons, Wallers, Slaters, Paviers, Plaisterers and Bricklayers

R.E.Kt. Jonathan Spence, *DL*, K.C.T., 1st Gt.Con. – Pro Grand Master and Pro 1st Grand Principal, United Grand Lodge and Supreme Grand Chapter of England.

Let's express our appreciation for the attendance of all these Brother Knights.

'Before we close, I would like to express my personal gratitude to the Great Vice-Chancellor and the staff at the Chancery for all they do to ensure the smooth running of the Order and this meeting in particular. Similarly, to the Great Marshal and his Deputies for the exemplary ceremonial we have enjoyed today, and a special 'thank you' to the Grand Master's Bodyguard, which, in my experience, has always set the standard for meetings of Great Priory. I also wish to thank E.Kt. John Vasquez and those at Freemasons' Hall for all their support and for making these magnificent facilities available to us.

'Today has been a very important and significant meeting for us, and I feel more than ever that we are highly privileged in being members of this great Order, drawing its inspiration from the Christian Religion and the faithful practice of Christian virtues. It extends to us the privilege of sharing in its priceless heritage of the past, as defenders of the Faith.

'Thank you, Brother Knights, for your attendance today, and I look forward to seeing you all again at our Malta Great Priory in November which is now moving to the second Monday – so this year it will be Monday, 10th. I wish you all well and thank you for your attention.'

20. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Great Vice-Chancellor and Brother Knights present congratulated the M.E. & S. Grand Master for his investment as an Officer in the Venerable Order of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem. The Great Vice-Chancellor also thanked the Provincial Priors, Provincial Vice-Chancellors and Executives for their support and hard work for the benefit of Great Priory and extended his thanks to the staff at Mark Masons' Hall. Other than some administrative matters, he reported that there was no other formal business.

21. ALMS

During the singing of the Templars' Hymn, alms amounting to £2,626.61 were collected for the St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital Group.

22. CLOSING

The Chapter of Great Priory was closed.

