

**The minutes of the 284<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting of the North Harrow Lodge No. 6557 held at Harrow District Masonic Centre on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018.**

The Officers were as follows:-

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| W.M.            | W.Bro. Leonardo Monno   |
| I.P.M.          | W.Bro. Vaughan Coleridge-Matthews (Acting)                                  |
| S.W.            | Bro. Simon Thomas   |
| J.W.            | Bro. Kam Chana  |
| Chaplain        | W.Bro. Terry Clayfield  |
| Secretary       | W.Bro. Nigel Harris-Cooksley  |
| Treasurer       | Bro. Maurice Ndirika (Acting)   |
| D.C.            | W.Bro. David Russell  |
| Almoner         | W.Bro. David Errington  |
| Lodge Mentor    | W.Bro. Vaughan Coleridge-Matthews   |
| Charity Steward | W.Bro. Derek Biddle   |
| S.D.            | Bro. Moses Kiwanuka   |
| J.D.            | Bro. Srdjan Susic   |
| Asst. D.C.      | W.Bro. Pratik Karia   |
| Asst. Secretary | W. Bro. Howard Paton Barnes   |
| Inner Guard     | Bro. Feliciano Romero   |
| Snr Steward     | W.Bro. Ken Crisp  |
| Stewards        | Bros. Navin Bhatia, Feliciano, John Romero, Shilen Thakker, Matthew Jeffrey |
| Tyler           | W.Bro. Mike Porter  |
| Acting Organist | W.Bro. Nigel Ball   |

**Members present:** W.Bros. Tony Moore, Bros. Paolo Russo, Richard Flood,

**Also, present:** W. Bro Patrick Frederick V. O (Official Visit), W.Bro. Ted Bentley (Gradation 6368), W.Bro. David Chittleborough (Gradation 6368)), W. Bro Chris Nixon (Draytonian 3980), W. Bro Vaughan Davies, W. Bro Simon Iley & W. Bro Morris Hogg (Cestreham 6674) W.Bro. Philip Scully (Herongate 4960), Bro Rick Beets (Hundred Elms 5749), Bro. Colin Bannerman (New Morning 9207), W.Bro Alex Schwartz (HIYL 3192) W.Bro Peter John.(Chiltern 9594)

The Lodge was opened in due form and solemn prayer at 4.40pm.

The minutes of the 283<sup>rd</sup> Installation Meeting held on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017 having been previously circulated with the summons were proposed by Bro. Simon Thomas & Seconded by Bro Kam Chana were approved and signed.

The Worshipful Master had pleasure in investing Bros. Shilen Thakker and Matthew Jeffrey as Stewards of the Lodge.

Bro Secretary read out details for **Mr. George Walker** of 5 Harlequin Court, 6 Arla Place, Ruislip, Middx. HA4 0FF, a Sales Executive at Renault Retail Group, Concord House, Western Ave, W3 0RZ. D.o.B. 25/05/1988 Proposed by W. Bro David Russell and Seconded by W. Bro Terry Clayfield.  
Proposal read in open Lodge on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017

A ballot was taken and proved in favour of the candidate.

**Mr. George Walker** was admitted into the Lodge and duly initiated and entrusted into Freemasonry and the North Harrow Lodge by W. Bro Leonardo Monno in an outstanding manner.

WBro Monno vacated the chair in favour of WBro Howard Paton Barnes, who entrusted the candidate with the secrets of the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree,

Bro Matthew Jeffrey delivered the first part of the charge in the N/E corner, Bro John Paul Romero, the second. The 1<sup>st</sup> degree Working Tools were presented by W. Bro Vaughan Coleridge-Matthews all in an outstanding manner.

The candidate then retired to restore his personal comforts.

WBro Leonardo Monno resumed the chair of King Solomon.

Bro George Walker re-entered and placed in the centre of the Lodge. Bro Shilen Thakker delivered the Preamble to the Charge and Bro Srdjan Susic continued with the Charge after Initiation, all in an exemplary manner and to the acclaim of both W. Bro Patrick Frederick, our VO on his Official Visit and Grand Officer, W. Bro Chris Nixon.

Before placing Bro Walker in his seat in the Lodge, WBro Patrick Frederick had pleasure in presented him with an Initiation Pack consisting of a Welcome letter of congratulations from W.Bro. Brian Fisher, PSGD, APGM and a parchment copy of the Charge after Initiation.

**Almoner's Report:**

W.Bro. David Errington informed the brethren Bro. Matthew Jeffrey had suffered an attack in the street and had recovered sufficiently to be present today. Bro Simon Thomas has had some family problems and is overcoming them with the help of his partner. Shirley May, our Lodge widow is managing her kidney dialysis treatment with her usual efficiency with no complaints.

**Charity Steward's Report:**

W. Bro Derek informed the brethren that £107 had been collected at the last meeting and was delighted to announce that the Lodge had achieved the **Vice Patron of the 2020 Festival** and was only about £4,000 away from being Grand Patron and that with brethren making a small covenant donation are over a 5-year period, this could easily be reached and that he had received raffle tickets or the Family Fete.

W. Bro Patrick Frederick had great pleasure in presenting the Lodge with 2no. 2020 Festival charity collection pouches, sash and certificate along with notification that we are eligible for 2 x £200 to a charity of our choice from the festival.

**Provincial Co-ordinator's Report:**

W. Bro Nigel referred the brethren to the Lodge website for all events; other items would be covered in the risings.

Alms were collected using our newly presented charity pouches.

**The W.M. rose for the first time.**

Bro. Secretary stated that all communications from Grand Lodge had been circulated electronically. Grand Officers present were saluted, W. Bro Chris Nixon rose asked for his congratulations to the brethren on their exceptional presentations of ritual, especially Bro Susic on his presentation of the Charge be recorded in the minutes.

**The W.M. rose for the second time.**

Bro secretary had received letters of congratulations to Bro.Walker on his initiation from W. Bro Brian Fisher, APGM. Bro Secretary informed the Brethren that all members had been circulated with the Provincial Calendar, which is also available on the Lodge website and recommended the new brethren to attend the Potential and New Members Seminar on 10<sup>th</sup> March at Cole Court.

**The W.M. rose for the third time.**

Bro. Secretary stated that the Lodge Ladies' Night has been arranged for Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April at the Runnymede Hotel with a reduced ticket price of £49pp and that booking forms will be available at the Festive Board and all members are urged to attend in support of our WM.

Apologies were received from the Brethren absent at the meeting, W. Bros Adam Clayfield, Rimal Shah, Qadeer Mirza, Saeed Ahmed, David Olive, Bros, Alkesh Shah, Sanjay Kotecha, Aamir Khan, Howard Cheng, Shaun Dias, James Flood, Nigel Lanchbury, Hari Ravindran, Aiedan Sagayarajah, Harshad Raja,

There being nothing further offered for the good of Freemasonry in general or this the North Harrow Lodge No. 6557 in particular. The lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 6.30pm.

W. Bro Nigel Harris-Cooksley (Secretary) .  
05.02.2018

Signed: - \_\_\_\_\_ WM 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018