

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 Provinces Overseas



Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master  
PAUL RAYMOND CLEMENT, G.C.T.

Very High & Right Eminent Great Seneschal  
ANDREW CHRISTOPHER RAINBOW, G.C.T.

Chancery of the Orders  
86 St James's Street  
London, SW1A 1PL

Dear Sir and Brother Knight

A Chapter of the GREAT PRIORY OF THE ORDER OF THE TEMPLE will be held on **Wednesday, 15 May 2024, at 12.30 p.m.**, under the banner of the Preceptory of St George No. 6, in the Grand Temple, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5AZ.

All Knights of the Order are invited to attend.

**All Active Great Officers will attend a rehearsal at 10.30 a.m. under the direction of the Great Marshal.**

By command of the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master.

Yours in the Bonds of the Order

V.E.Kt. Daniel M. Heath  
Great Vice-Chancellor

Dated this 16th day of April  
A.D. 2024 A.L. 6024 A.O. 906

DRESS: Short black coat or dark lounge suit. Full regalia – no swords (except Active Officers)

# AGENDA

1. A Chapter of Great Priory will be opened.
2. The Great Registrar will call the Muster Roll.
3. To propose that the Minutes of the Chapter of Great Priory held on Wednesday, 17 May 2023, having been circulated with the summons for this meeting, be taken as read, approved and adopted.
4. To receive the Report of the Grand Master's Council, as printed in **Appendix A**, and approve the recommendations contained therein.
5. To receive the Great Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31 August 2023, as printed in **Appendix C**.
6. To elect and install the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master.
7. To appoint and proclaim the Very High and Right Eminent Great Seneschal.
8. To appoint, invest and proclaim Knights Commander of the United Orders.
9. To nominate and elect the Great Treasurer.
10. To appoint and invest the Great Officers for the ensuing year.
11. The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master will appoint four Knights to serve on the Appeals Panel from which he may constitute Appeals Courts in accordance with Statute 135 (1).
12. To elect four Knights to serve on the Appeals Panel.
13. The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master will appoint five Knights to serve on the Grand Master's Council in accordance with Statute 122.
14. To elect three Knights to serve on the Grand Master's Council in accordance with Statute 122.
15. To appoint Crowe U.K. LLP, Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors, as Auditors to Great Priory for the financial year 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025.
16. To receive the Commander and Deputy Commander of the Grand Master's Bodyguard.
17. The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master will address the Chapter of Great Priory.
18. Any other business.
19. Alms will be collected, during which the Templars' Hymn will be sung.
20. The Chapter of Great Priory will be closed.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER'S COUNCIL

### 1. APPOINTMENTS

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master has been pleased to appoint the following Provincial Priors at his pleasure:

E.Kt. Trevor Clive Gray, P.Gt.A.-de-C., to be Provincial Prior for FAR EAST, with effect from 27 April 2024, in succession to the late R.E.Kt. Alan Rodney Cox.

E.Kt. Dean Robert White, P.Gt.St.B.(B.), to be Provincial Prior for OXFORDSHIRE, BERKSHIRE and BUCKINGHAMSHIRE, with effect from 25 May 2024, in succession to R.E.Kt. Graham John McGowan-Smyth.

E.Kt. David Handley, P.Gt.A.-de-C., to be Provincial Prior for WARWICKSHIRE, with effect from 15 June 2024, in succession to R.E.Kt. Roger Edward Dixon, K.C.T.

V.E.Kt. Leslie Alexander Martin, P.Gt.Reg., to be Provincial Prior for SOUTH AFRICA (CAPE), with effect from 15 July 2024, in succession to R.E.Kt. Pieter H. C. de Kock.

### 2. REGISTRATION OF NEW MEMBERS

During the period 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023, 698 new members were admitted into the Order of the Temple.

As at the latter date, the total subscribing membership of the Order was 14,453.

### 3. WARRANTS OF CONSTITUTION

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master has been pleased to grant Warrants of Constitution to:

Pilar Preceptory No. 727 – River Plate

Carniola Preceptory No. 728 – Unattached EC (Slovenia)

### 4. SESQUICENTENARY WARRANT

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master has been pleased to grant a sesquicentenary warrant to De Warenne Preceptory No. 126 (Sussex) on completion of one hundred and fifty years continuous working.

### 5. JUBILEE WARRANT

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master has been pleased to grant a Jubilee Warrant to Clermont Preceptory No. 443 (Nottinghamshire) on completion of fifty years continuous working.

### 6. WARRANT IN ABEYANCE

The Grand Master's Council noted and approved the request for Pride of Surrey Preceptory No. 594 (Surrey) to be placed in abeyance for a period of not more than three years.

### 7. WARRANT SURRENDERED

The Grand Master's Council noted that members of the the Preceptory of Jacques De Molay No. 670 (Hertfordshire) had voted to surrender their Warrant following a period of abeyance.

### 8. OBITUARY

The Council reports, with deep regret, the death of the following Great Officers:

R.E.Kt. John Norman George Howitt, K.C.T., Gt.Treas.

R.E.Kt. David George Richmond Lovett, K.C.T.

R.E.Kt. Alan Rodney Cox, Prov.Prior (Far East)

V.E.Kt. Ian Richard Benton, P.Gt.Reg.

V.E.Kt. Peter Ransom Duckworth, P.Gt.Reg.

V.E.Kt. Robin Fagence, P.Gt.Reg.  
 V.E.Kt. John Edward Leaman, P.Gt.Reg.  
 V.E.Kt. Michael Henry Roalfe, P.Gt.Reg.  
 V.E.Kt. Dr Harry John White, *JP*, P.Gt.Reg.  
 E.Kt. David Hartley, P.Gt.Her.  
 E.Kt. Jeremy Nevill Heron, P.Gt.Her.  
 E.Kt. John Michael George Marsden, P.Gt.St.B.(B.)  
 E.Kt. William Alec Brown Sherlock, P.Gt.St.B.(B.)  
 E.Kt. Trevor John Walker, P.Dep.Gt.Alm.  
 E.Kt. John Trevor Dunford, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. John Everett, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Barry Howarth, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Kenneth Charles Humphryes, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. John Malcolm Lewis, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Ian Ronson, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Ian George William Tailby, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Roy Alan Warman, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Nigel Antony Hatton, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. Albert Edward Marshall, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. Howard Charles Wallbank, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. Anthony William Bradshaw, P.Gt.Chamb.  
 E.Kt. Brian Gordon Fordyce, P.Gt.Chamb.  
 E.Kt. Ian David Fox, P.Gt.Chamb.  
 E.Kt. William Kerr, P.Gt.Chamb.  
 E.Kt. Joseph Edward Lucas, P.Gt.Chamb.  
 E.Kt. George Guy Stevenson, P.Gt.Chamb.  
 E.Kt. Graham Arthur Jolly, P.Gt.Capt.Gds.  
 E.Kt. Eusebio Sanda Palacios, P.Gt.Capt.Gds.

8a. The Grand Master's Council also note, with deep regret, that the death of the following Great Officers was reported between 1 September 2023 and 16 April 2024:

R.E.Kt. Capt. Eidwin Frederick Mullan, G.C.T.  
 R.E.Kt. Alfred John Day, K.C.T.  
 R.E.Kt. Peter Ernest Albert Fotheringham, K.C.T.  
 R.E.Kt. Keith Barry Jackson, K.C.T.  
 R.E.Kt. Ian Moxon, K.C.T.  
 R.E.Kt. Ronald Webster, K.C.T.  
 R.E.Kt. Lt Col. Peter Craig Dagg, P.Prov.Prior (South Africa – Cape)  
 R.E.Kt. Geoffrey Hewitt, P.Prov.Prior (East Anglia)  
 V.E.Kt. William Jack Hagger, P.2nd Gt.Con.  
 V.E.Kt. Eric Gordon Thompson, P.2nd Gt.Con.  
 V.E.Kt. Michael John Bartels, P.Gt.Reg.  
 V.E.Kt. Capt. Herbert Charles Farlow, *RM*, P.Gt.Reg.  
 V.E.Kt. David Gareth Gait, P.Gt.Reg.  
 V.E.Kt. John Gott, *OBE*, P.Gt.Reg.  
 V.E.Kt. Naunton Charles William Liles, P.Gt.Reg.  
 V.E.Kt. Brian Fraser Muir, P.Gt.Reg.  
 V.E.Kt. Robert Harry Upton, *JP*, P.Gt.Reg.  
 E.Kt. Barry Funnell, P.Gt.Alm.  
 E.Kt. David Frederick Robert Ayears, P.Gt.Her.  
 E.Kt. Angus Murdo Gillies, P.Gt.Her.  
 E.Kt. Raymond William Hudson, P.Gt.Her.  
 E.Kt. Trevor Ralph Mardling, P.Gt.Her.  
 E.Kt. Richard John Horace Neale, P.Gt.Her.  
 E.Kt. Roger Joseph Ernest O'Brien, P.Gt.Her.

E.Kt. David Henry Smith, P.Gt.Her.  
 E.Kt. Michael George Spencer, P.Gt.Her.  
 E.Kt. John Stewart, P.Gt.Her.  
 E.Kt. Major Robert Norton Wilkinson, *TD*, P.Gt.Her.  
 E.Kt. Michael John Louis, *JP*, P.Gt.St.B.(B.)  
 E.Kt. Derek Cecil Wright, P.Gt.St.B.(B.)  
 E.Kt. Allan Robin Young, P.Gt.St.B.(B.)  
 E.Kt. Revd. Peter Spivey, P.Dep.Gt.Alm.  
 E.Kt. Richard Kenneth Alderson, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Grayham Norman Allenby, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Godfrey Bedford, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Eifion Bowen Jones, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Derek Alfred Buswell, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Glyn Harvey, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Ian Leigh, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. John David Glynn Marshall, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Roger Richard George North, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Austin Peter Oakley, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Robert James Pomfret, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Reginald David Spicer, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. William Philip Thompson, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Harry Spencer Twelvetree, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Stephen Edgar Wardle, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Robert James Wilkinson, P.Gt.A.-de-C.  
 E.Kt. Ronald Gregson, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. William Hall, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. Bryan Ernest James Luker, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. Derek Antony Maclean, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. Arthur March, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. Eyo Nsa Nkune, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. David William Old, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. Michael John Shoebridge, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. Gordon Kenneth Stavert, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. Ronald Thornhill, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. Brian Woodall, P.Gt.W. of R.  
 E.Kt. Malcolm Bardgett, P.Gt.Chamb.  
 E.Kt. Bryan Hodgson, P.Gt.Chamb.  
 E.Kt. Raymond Duff Rodgers, P.Gt.Chamb.

9. GREAT HONOURS

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master has ruled that **12 December 2024** is the latest date by which recommendations for Great Honours can be received by the Great Vice-Chancellor.

10. FEES AND ANNUAL DUES

The standard rates of registration and other fees payable to Great Priory for the financial year **1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025** shall be as follows:

WARRANTS

For a Warrant of Constitution..... at cost  
 For a Warrant of Confirmation ..... at cost  
 For a Celebration Warrant (Centenary/Sesquicentenary/Bicentenary) ..... at cost

PATENTS

For a Knight Grand Cross..... at cost  
 For a Knight Commander ..... at cost  
 For a Provincial Prior ..... at cost

## REGISTRATION

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Annual Dues .....   | £33.00 |
| Installed Preceptors' Preceptory .....  | £16.50 |
| Of a Knight Templar on Installation or a joining member<br>not previously on the Register of Great Priory<br>(TBC: 50% reduction – 2024/2025) ..... | £15.00 |
| Of a joining member already on the Register of Great Priory<br>(TBC: 50% reduction – 2024/2025) .....   | £11.50 |
| Of a founder member of a new Preceptory being a Knight already<br>on the Register of Great Priory .....   | £8.00  |
| Duplicate, replacement or amended Great Priory Certificates .....   | £30.00 |

## DISPENSATIONS

|                                     |        |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Preceptory or Preceptor Elect ..... | £30.00 |
| Dispensations (Nunc Pro Tunc) ..... | £58.00 |

*Any request for dispensation received less than 21 days before it is required will be treated as a Nunc Pro Tunc dispensation and charged accordingly.*

## YEARBOOKS

|                        |        |
|------------------------|--------|
| Mark .....             | £13.00 |
| All other Orders ..... | £12.00 |

**All Fees shown are inclusive of Value Added Tax at the current rate of 20% payable by Preceptories and Knights in England and Wales. Fees pertaining to members in the European Union will be advised accordingly.**

### 11. ST JOHN OF JERUSALEM EYE HOSPITAL GROUP

During the year ended 31 December 2023, donations were received and passed to the Hospitaller of the Order of St John in the sum of **£137,645**.

A list of the Provinces, Preceptories and other donors is printed as **Appendix B** to this Summons.

The Hospitaller of the Order of St John has expressed his sincere appreciation of our continued interest and support.

The Council hopes that contributions to the Hospital will continue to be made on as generous a basis as possible.

Cheques should be made payable to '**St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital Group**', but sent in the first instance to the Great Vice-Chancellor for record keeping purposes.

### 12. ADMINISTRATION

The Registrations Department should be informed of deaths, resignations or changes of address of Great Officers as soon as they occur via Keystone Online.

Provincial Vice-Chancellors and Registrars of Unattached Preceptories are requested to address communications either to the Great Vice-Chancellor or the most appropriate member of MMH staff by name, depending on the nature of the communication. Communications should only be marked 'Private and Confidential' by exception.

All such communications should be sent to:

Chancery of the Orders  
86 St James's Street  
London  
SW1A 1PL

13. CHRISTMAS DAY OBSERVANCE

The Knights of the Holy House of the Temple in England and Wales and Provinces Overseas are reminded to join in good wishes to their Brother Knights in the Order throughout the world on Wednesday, **25 December 2024**, at 5 p.m. GMT.

In this connection the Council has considered it appropriate that a standard form of prayer be introduced to be offered by Knights Templar on this special occasion in the following words:

“Preserve, O Lord, our Brother Knights  
by land and sea and air,  
and as we hold them in our thoughts,  
so keep them in thy care.”

16 April 2024

R.E.Kt. J. C. Whitaker, *JP, DL*, K.C.T.  
President of the Grand Master's Council

V.E.Kt. D. M. Heath, Great Vice-Chancellor

Appendix B

**DONATIONS TO  
ST JOHN OF JERUSALEM EYE HOSPITAL GROUP**

1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

|  | £        |
|--|----------|
| Great Priory – Alms Collection.....          | 1,925.00 |
| Great Priory of Malta – Alms Collection..... | 1,892.00 |

**PROVINCIAL PRIORIES**

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Cheshire and North Wales .....                   | 500.00    |
| Derbyshire .....                                 | 500.00    |
| Devonshire and Cornwall .....                    | 1,000.00  |
| Dorset and Wiltshire .....                       | 400.00    |
| Durham.....                                      | 22,000.00 |
| East Anglia Lodge of Conformity .....            | 150.00    |
| Essex.....                                       | 2,500.00  |
| Far East.....                                    | 300.00    |
| Gloucestershire and Herefordshire.....           | 250.00    |
| Hampshire and Isle of Wight .....                | 1,091.00  |
| Hertfordshire.....                               | 2,000.00  |
| Kent .....                                       | 1,000.00  |
| Kent (Preceptory of Improvement) .....           | 100.00    |
| Lancashire .....                                 | 4,000.00  |
| Leicestershire and Rutland.....                  | 1,300.00  |
| Lincolnshire .....                               | 356.00    |
| Monmouth and South Wales .....                   | 337.00    |
| Nottinghamshire .....                            | 1,000.00  |
| Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Buckinghamshire ..... | 750.00    |
| South East Asia .....                            | 3,000.00  |
| Staffordshire and Shropshire.....                | 2,500.00  |
| Warwickshire .....                               | 2,298.00  |
| Warwickshire (Preceptory of Improvement) .....   | 261.00    |
| West Yorkshire.....                              | 976.00    |
| West Yorkshire (Emmaus Society).....             | 200.00    |
| Worcestershire .....                             | 900.00    |

**PRECEPTORIES**

|                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| A Abbey Chapter T.I.....             | 250.00   |
| C The Camp of Baldwyn T.I. ....      | 100.00   |
| 8 Plains of Mamre (Lancashire) ..... | 500.00   |
| 11 Plains of Tabor.....              | 250.00   |
| 12 St Michael.....                   | 250.00   |
| 14 Royal Edward.....                 | 200.00   |
| 15 Preceptory of St Salem .....      | 300.00   |
| 17 St John of Jerusalem.....         | 500.00   |
| 18 Prince Edward .....               | 200.00   |
| 31 All Souls .....                   | 150.00   |
| 41 Faith (Wigan).....                | 200.00   |
| 43 St George's.....                  | 1,000.00 |
| 52 Richard de Vernon.....            | 250.00   |
| 56 Hugh de Payens.....               | 250.00   |
| 61 Edmund Plantagenet.....           | 150.00   |
| 67 Howe-Beauceant.....               | 425.00   |



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| 68  | Preceptory of St Amand .....                         | 400.00   |
| 69  | Cabbell .....  | 500.00   |
| 72  | Coteswold Preceptory of St Augustin .....            | 300.00   |
| 78  | Victoria.....  | 201.00   |
| 95  | de Lacy.....   | 400.00   |
| 97  | Prince of Peace .....                                | 525.00   |
| 98  | Hyde.....  | 300.00   |
| 114 | Fidelity .....                                       | 300.00   |
| 115 | Gwent.....   | 74.00    |
| 125 | Sussex Preceptory and Southdown Priory.....          | 1,500.00 |
| 137 | The Duke of Connaught and Strathearn's Himalaya..... | 250.00   |
| 140 | Studholme .....                                      | 200.00   |
| 143 | Temple Bruer.....                                    | 126.00   |
| 149 | Royds .....  | 300.00   |
| 155 | Lullingstone .....                                   | 400.00   |
| 157 | Rose of Lancaster .....                              | 400.00   |
| 159 | Peveril .....  | 100.00   |
| 161 | Robert de Sable .....                                | 400.00   |
| 174 | Holy Sepulchre .....                                 | 500.00   |
| 183 | Sancta Maria .....                                   | 200.00   |
| 195 | Preceptory of Shanghai .....                         | 150.00   |
| 202 | Londesborough .....                                  | 250.00   |
| 205 | Integrity.....                                       | 200.00   |
| 211 | King Ina .....                                       | 500.00   |
| 212 | Richard Coeur de Lion .....                          | 100.00   |
| 213 | De Ros .....   | 426.00   |
| 216 | Wharfedale .....                                     | 500.00   |
| 217 | Palestine .....                                      | 111.00   |
| 218 | Perseverance .....                                   | 300.00   |
| 222 | Finchale .....                                       | 372.00   |
| 225 | Kyngstun .....                                       | 1,000.00 |
| 226 | Lindisfarne.....                                     | 752.00   |
| 229 | Peter de Erdington .....                             | 197.00   |
| 232 | Chibburn.....  | 100.00   |
| 237 | Vectis.....  | 500.00   |
| 253 | Staines .....  | 1,500.00 |
| 259 | Trafalgar .....                                      | 150.00   |
| 278 | Temple (Kings Heath).....                            | 100.00   |
| 282 | Britannic Preceptory of Madeira .....                | 450.00   |
| 284 | Brinkburn .....                                      | 173.00   |
| 293 | Holy Rood.....                                       | 192.00   |
| 298 | Saint Laurence .....                                 | 150.00   |
| 316 | Tees.....  | 200.00   |
| 327 | Temple.....  | 100.00   |
| 330 | Lynn Regis.....                                      | 650.00   |
| 331 | Holy Trinity.....                                    | 383.00   |
| 332 | Preceptory of the Holy Cross .....                   | 100.00   |
| 340 | Temple Balsall .....                                 | 444.00   |
| 348 | Abbeydale .....                                      | 100.00   |
| 361 | Ascalon.....   | 275.00   |
| 364 | Preceptory of St George at Stoneleigh .....          | 250.00   |
| 365 | Dean Forest Preceptory of St Mary .....              | 400.00   |
| 367 | St Mary and All Saints'.....                         | 170.00   |
| 371 | West Kent.....                                       | 200.00   |

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| 389 | Aylesbury.....  | 500.00   |
| 391 | Preceptory of The Holy Trinity.....                   | 350.00   |
| 396 | Preceptory of St John the Baptist.....                | 100.00   |
| 398 | Preceptory of Saint Clement.....                      | 250.00   |
| 401 | Thanet.....   | 250.00   |
| 406 | Stroud Preceptory of St Michael.....                  | 250.00   |
| 407 | Roger de Clinton.....                                 | 500.00   |
| 410 | Sir John Babington.....                               | 200.00   |
| 413 | Pelham.....   | 200.00   |
| 414 | Simon de Montfort.....                                | 300.00   |
| 418 | St John.....  | 300.00   |
| 420 | Ulverscroft.....                                      | 500.00   |
| 421 | Bernard de Frankley.....                              | 100.00   |
| 428 | Maples.....   | 100.00   |
| 440 | The Earl of Lathom.....                               | 250.00   |
| 448 | Phoenix.....  | 502.00   |
| 449 | Gauntlet.....   | 300.00   |
| 451 | Walter Short.....                                     | 200.00   |
| 452 | Salebeia.....   | 500.00   |
| 455 | Keynsham Preceptory of St Keyna.....                  | 400.00   |
| 457 | Sir Robert Mavesyn.....                               | 500.00   |
| 458 | Warwickshire.....                                     | 112.00   |
| 461 | St Wilfrid of Hexham.....                             | 200.00   |
| 462 | Corpus Christi.....                                   | 250.00   |
| 470 | Holy Cross.....                                       | 600.00   |
| 473 | The High Peak.....                                    | 400.00   |
| 475 | Lord Harris.....                                      | 100.00   |
| 479 | Strathmore.....                                       | 2,000.00 |
| 482 | Trinity.....  | 100.00   |
| 484 | Frederick Friday.....                                 | 200.00   |
| 488 | William of Normandy.....                              | 400.00   |
| 495 | The Pilgrim.....                                      | 100.00   |
| 497 | The Walsingham.....                                   | 400.00   |
| 500 | Shirley Woolmer.....                                  | 1,000.00 |
| 513 | Norman Wright.....                                    | 250.00   |
| 517 | Agincourt.....  | 250.00   |
| 519 | The Preceptory of King John.....                      | 150.00   |
| 520 | Round Table.....                                      | 400.00   |
| 525 | St George of Throckley.....                           | 100.00   |
| 529 | St Alphege.....                                       | 489.00   |
| 531 | The Preceptory of St Stephen.....                     | 80.00    |
| 537 | Wudcestre.....  | 100.00   |
| 538 | The Dunwich.....                                      | 51.00    |
| 541 | The Abbey.....  | 336.00   |
| 546 | John O'Gaunt.....                                     | 750.00   |
| 547 | Owain Glyndwr Preceptory of Installed Preceptors..... | 1,000.00 |
| 549 | The Worcestershire.....                               | 300.00   |
| 550 | The Marmaduke Lumley.....                             | 2,100.00 |
| 552 | The Kent Body Guard.....                              | 250.00   |
| 556 | Sant Madoc.....                                       | 775.00   |
| 557 | The Kingsbury.....                                    | 500.00   |
| 558 | Northwich.....  | 100.00   |
| 566 | Guy of Warwick.....                                   | 762.00   |
| 568 | St David's (Pembrokeshire).....                       | 200.00   |

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| 577 | Castell Nedd .....                                       | 64.00    |
| 579 | Cefn Ydfa .....  | 486.00   |
| 580 | St Ronan .....   | 100.00   |
| 582 | Fforest .....  | 600.00   |
| 585 | The Varangian .....                                      | 100.00   |
| 588 | Iyanola .....  | 200.00   |
| 589 | Prince Bishops .....                                     | 100.00   |
| 592 | The Northern Light .....                                 | 250.00   |
| 602 | Temple Slebech Preceptory of Provincial Bodyguards ..... | 200.00   |
| 606 | The Westmorland .....                                    | 300.00   |
| 607 | St Catherines .....                                      | 1,100.00 |
| 610 | The George North .....                                   | 100.00   |
| 612 | Preceptory of St Michael and All Angels .....            | 350.00   |
| 616 | Preceptory Jean Parisot de la Valette .....              | 200.00   |
| 620 | Derventio .....  | 100.00   |
| 622 | Palatine Guards .....                                    | 100.00   |
| 625 | Tamar .....  | 200.00   |
| 626 | The Preceptory of St John the Almoner .....              | 5,000.00 |
| 629 | The Kent Preceptory of St George .....                   | 100.00   |
| 632 | Londinium .....  | 200.00   |
| 637 | Leslie Felgate Dring .....                               | 1,500.00 |
| 645 | Mistley Towers .....                                     | 200.00   |
| 647 | Preceptory of Barthelemy de Quincy .....                 | 206.00   |
| 662 | Omnis Sanctus .....                                      | 282.00   |
| 666 | St James .....   | 666.00   |
| 668 | Sir William Marshall .....                               | 259.00   |
| 675 | Hong Kong .....  | 300.00   |
| 677 | The Isle of Ely .....                                    | 500.00   |
| 678 | The Grand Master's .....                                 | 3,000.00 |
| 684 | Kolossi .....  | 2,600.00 |
| 686 | The Templecombe .....                                    | 200.00   |
| 692 | The Peter Cannon Meridian .....                          | 92.00    |
| 694 | John O'Gaunt Preceptory of Installed Preceptors .....    | 300.00   |
| 704 | Brecknock Castle .....                                   | 100.00   |
| 710 | Gilbert de Lacy .....                                    | 200.00   |
| 712 | St John of Cardiff .....                                 | 25.00    |
| 715 | The Grand Master's Bodyguard .....                       | 100.00   |

#### IN MEMORIAM

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| Airedale Preceptory No. 230 – in memory of E.Kt. A T Sheffield ..... | 45.00 |
| D Cresswell – in memory of E.Kt. J R Cresswell .....                 | 25.00 |
| P T Coles – in memory of V.E.Kt. W J Hagger .....                    | 25.00 |
| Mrs B Mann – in memory of C J Knight .....                           | 25.00 |
| S C L Middleton – in memory of V.E.Kt. W J Hagger .....              | 50.00 |

#### PERSONAL AND OTHER DONATIONS

|                    |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| K Anderson .....   | 50.00    |
| M R Beardall ..... | 40.00    |
| C Birkbeck .....   | 60.00    |
| R Briggs .....     | 55.00    |
| J C P Brown .....  | 1,000.00 |
| M C Brown .....    | 60.00    |
| R J Brown .....    | 110.00   |
| P Buchan .....     | 22.00    |

|                        |          |
|------------------------|----------|
| S J Burrell .....      | 60.00    |
| T G Burton .....       | 50.00    |
| M Byde .....           | 55.00    |
| P R Calderwood .....   | 20.00    |
| R C Callaby .....      | 55.00    |
| C M Carr .....         | 55.00    |
| D J P Cattermole ..... | 60.00    |
| C E Catton .....       | 60.00    |
| R A Clack .....        | 55.00    |
| R C Clarke .....       | 20.00    |
| P T Coles .....        | 120.00   |
| D Cresswell .....      | 35.00    |
| C Cridford .....       | 100.00   |
| R E Denyer .....       | 55.00    |
| R E Dixon .....        | 160.00   |
| R P J Dor .....        | 1,410.00 |
| B Drake .....          | 100.00   |
| I A F Dupont .....     | 110.00   |
| J D Edmonds .....      | 65.00    |
| R A W Farley .....     | 110.00   |
| B French .....         | 48.00    |
| M Fisher .....         | 55.00    |
| G Garraway .....       | 55.00    |
| N P Gibson .....       | 55.00    |
| F J Gillo .....        | 30.00    |
| A P Goldson .....      | 60.00    |
| I S Gray .....         | 120.00   |
| R T A Gray .....       | 60.00    |
| C W Greaves .....      | 25.00    |
| R G Guy .....          | 60.00    |
| R R Hack .....         | 60.00    |
| W J Hagger .....       | 50.00    |
| C G Hamilton .....     | 60.00    |
| M Harrison .....       | 100.00   |
| D B Hedges .....       | 85.00    |
| B N Higgins .....      | 110.00   |
| K D Hill .....         | 25.00    |
| P J Holbrook .....     | 110.00   |
| N J Hood .....         | 110.00   |
| R G Hoskins .....      | 55.00    |
| N W Howard .....       | 55.00    |
| W D Irwin .....        | 60.00    |
| M G James .....        | 55.00    |
| M J Jesset .....       | 24.00    |
| A N Johnston .....     | 1,250.00 |
| J A Jones .....        | 55.00    |
| V King .....           | 50.00    |
| A Leyland .....        | 1,000.00 |
| L P M Loades .....     | 220.00   |
| J Love .....           | 100.00   |
| J E Mack .....         | 102.00   |
| I H Macklin .....      | 60.00    |
| J A Marchington .....  | 200.00   |
| A K Mason .....        | 120.00   |

|                      |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| R B Masterson.....   | 55.00    |
| J R L Maultby.....   | 20.00    |
| G R W MacLean.....   | 165.00   |
| K McCully.....       | 60.00    |
| W McShane.....       | 50.00    |
| S C L Middleton..... | 60.00    |
| R Murdo-Smith.....   | 650.00   |
| I H Notley.....      | 60.00    |
| A Nuttall.....       | 120.00   |
| T R T Orams.....     | 60.00    |
| A D Panter.....      | 60.00    |
| M R J Pardon.....    | 94.00    |
| M Pendred.....       | 30.00    |
| I R Phillips.....    | 110.00   |
| P M Platon.....      | 400.00   |
| J Redshaw.....       | 80.00    |
| R J Robertson.....   | 25.00    |
| J Rowell.....        | 55.00    |
| P Royal.....         | 24.00    |
| C T Sampson.....     | 60.00    |
| R C Senter.....      | 110.00   |
| CA Seston.....       | 50.00    |
| S Sheriff.....       | 22.00    |
| A D Skudra.....      | 15.00    |
| A P Smith.....       | 110.00   |
| M Smith.....         | 60.00    |
| M Southworth.....    | 75.00    |
| D M Spearmen.....    | 55.00    |
| C J Spinks.....      | 25.00    |
| F J Steed.....       | 96.00    |
| G H Steele.....      | 20.00    |
| R P C Strutt.....    | 1,000.00 |
| A M Swift.....       | 24.00    |
| A F Vella.....       | 55.00    |
| D Walker.....        | 60.00    |
| J S Warne.....       | 20.00    |
| D C F Watts.....     | 10.00    |
| A White.....         | 50.00    |
| J P White.....       | 80.00    |
| J W A White.....     | 80.00    |
| N C Williams.....    | 55.00    |
| A M J Wooderson..... | 60.00    |

### **KNIGHTS BENEFICENT OF THE HOLY CITY**

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Prefecture of Avalon.....                               | 500.00   |
| Prefecture of Anglo-Saxon.....                          | 500.00   |
| Prefecture of St George.....                            | 1,000.00 |
| Prefecture of Heart of England.....                     | 100.00   |
| Mercia Lodge of S.M.S.A. No. 10 (Heart of England)..... | 250.00   |

### **HOLY ROYAL ARCH KNIGHT TEMPLAR PRIESTS**

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Himalaya Tabernacle No. 45.....                       | 50.00  |
| London Installed High Priests Tabernacle No. 202..... | 250.00 |

**OTHERS**

|   |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| St Barbara Craft Lodge No. 4930 – Warwickshire.....                           | 200.00                    |
| St George's Royal Arch Chapter No. 5 – London.....                            | 600.00                    |
| Ascension Rose Croix Chapter No. 746 – Warrington .....                       | 100.00                    |
| Lux in Oriente Conclave and St John Sanctuary & Commandery No. 215 (RCC)..... | 100.00                    |
| <b>Total Payments through MMH .....</b>                                       | <b><u>£136,045.00</u></b> |

**REGULAR GIVING DIRECT TO THE  
ST JOHN OF JERUSALEM EYE HOSPITAL GROUP**

|   |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| R E Cochrane.....   | 300.00                    |
| P T Coles.....  | 60.00                     |
| I C Drury.....  | 300.00                    |
| K T D'Souza .....   | 300.00                    |
| Dr G Miguel.....  | 60.00                     |
| M Graham.....   | 120.00                    |
| E F H Misselke .....  | 150.00                    |
| R G Scott.....  | 110.00                    |
| M Smith .....   | 20.00                     |
| J A Southwell .....   | 120.00                    |
| C J Thomas .....  | 60.00                     |
| <b>Total Direct to ST JOHN OF JERUSALEM EYE HOSPITAL GROUP.....</b> | <b><u>£1,600.00</u></b>   |
| <b>TOTAL.....</b>   | <b><u>£137,645.00</u></b> |

## Appendix C

### GREAT PRIORY OF ENGLAND AND WALES GENERAL FUND GRAND MASTER'S COUNCIL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

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The Members of the Grand Master's Council of the Great Priory of England and Wales present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023.

#### **CUSTODIAN TRUSTEES**

The Custodian Trustees of the Great Priory of England and Wales, who served during the year and to the date of signing this report, unless otherwise stated, are:-

J H Prizeman  
R V Wallis, *JP*

#### **GRAND MASTER'S COUNCIL**

The responsibilities of the Grand Master's Council of the Great Priory of England and Wales are as follows:

- The day to day management of the Great Priory of England and Wales.
- The management of the finances of the Great Priory of England and Wales in order to be able to discharge any financial liability that they may correctly incur.
- The installation of the correct policies and procedures in order to monitor and control all financial transactions that they deem necessary.

The Grand Master's Council is also required to ensure that the future commitments of the Great Priory of England and Wales are considered and that appropriate provisions are made.

The members of the Grand Master's Council of the Great Priory of England and Wales are:

|  |                             |
|--|-----------------------------|
| His Honour I D G Alexander, <i>KC</i>            | T J Wheeler                 |
| J M Beard  | J C Whitaker, <i>JP, DL</i> |
| B D Burridge (Deceased 24 September 2022)        |                             |
| Dr P R Calderwood, <i>JP</i>                     |                             |
| P R Clement                                      |                             |
| P M Collins, <i>JP</i> (Retired 17 May 2023)     |                             |
| G D A Elgood (Retired 17 May 2023)               |                             |
| G R Goddard (Retired 17 May 2023)                |                             |
| J N G Howitt (Deceased 29 July 2023)             |                             |
| G Hutchinson (Appointed 17 May 2023)             |                             |
| K J Jones  |                             |
| G L Perkins                                      |                             |
| W J T Pratt                                      |                             |
| A C Rainbow                                      |                             |
| R Scott (Appointed 17 May 2023)                  |                             |
| Dr N F J Scott-Moncrieff (Appointed 17 May 2023) |                             |
| M E Slater, <i>OSTJ</i>                          |                             |
| S J Warwick (Appointed 17 May 2023)              |                             |

**GREAT PRIORY OF ENGLAND AND WALES  
GENERAL FUND  
GRAND MASTER'S COUNCIL REPORT (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

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**INVESTMENT POLICY**

The Great Priory of England and Wales seeks to invest to provide funds for special events, ceremonial meetings and any other worthy causes.

In accordance with this policy the Board has concentrated on investing in equities.

In accordance with these aims, the funds are managed by J M Finn & Co Ltd. The Investment Committee, appointed by the Trustees, reviews the funds on a regular basis.

**AUDITOR**

Crowe U.K. LLP has indicated its willingness to be reappointed as auditor.

Approved by the Grand Master's Council on 13 March 2024 and signed on its behalf:

**J C Whitaker, JP, DL**  
**PRESIDENT**

**D M Heath**  
**GREAT VICE-CHANCELLOR**



**GREAT PRIORY OF ENGLAND AND WALES  
GENERAL FUND  
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

|  | <b>2023</b>     | <i>2022</i>      |
|--|-----------------|------------------|
|  | <b>£</b>        | <i>£</i>         |
| <b>INCOME</b>  |                 |                  |
| Income from investments                                | <b>19,672</b>   | <i>19,575</i>    |
| Bank Interest  | <b>1,533</b>    | <i>0</i>         |
|  | <hr/>           | <hr/>            |
| <b>TOTAL INCOME</b>                                    | <b>21,205</b>   | <i>19,575</i>    |
| <b>EXPENDITURE</b>                                     |                 |                  |
| Grant Paid   | <b>0</b>        | <i>0</i>         |
| Other Expenses   | <b>15,243</b>   | <i>0</i>         |
| General expenses                                       | <b>3,247</b>    | <i>3,762</i>     |
|  | <hr/>           | <hr/>            |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>                               | <b>18,490</b>   | <i>3,762</i>     |
| <b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</b>      | <b>2,715</b>    | <i>15,813</i>    |
| Realised & unrealised gains/(losses) on<br>Investments | <b>(59,970)</b> | <i>(124,490)</i> |
| Corporation Tax  | <b>0</b>        | <i>0</i>         |
| Deferred tax   | <b>15,187</b>   | <i>32,160</i>    |
|  | <hr/>           | <hr/>            |
| <b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</b>                | <b>(42,068)</b> | <i>(76,517)</i>  |

**Notes:**

The following sums were received into The Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons General Fund by way of dues, fees etc. from members of The Great Priory of England and Wales during the year ended 31 August 2023.

|                    | <b>2023</b>    | <i>2022</i>    |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|
|                    | <b>£</b>       | <i>£</i>       |
| Annual Dues        | <b>351,796</b> | <i>238,165</i> |
| Registration Fees  | <b>11,943</b>  | <i>11,091</i>  |
| Warrants (at cost) | <b>2,903</b>   | <i>1,463</i>   |
| Fees of Honour     | <b>16,091</b>  | <i>13,214</i>  |
| Dispensations      | <b>2,155</b>   | <i>1,745</i>   |
| Year Books         | <b>7,584</b>   | <i>6,780</i>   |
|                    | <hr/>          | <hr/>          |
|                    | <b>392,472</b> | <i>272,458</i> |

The notes on pages 19 form part of these financial statements.

**GREAT PRIORY OF ENGLAND AND WALES  
GENERAL FUND  
BALANCE SHEET  
31 AUGUST 2023**

|  | Notes | £              | 2023<br>£      | 2022<br>£      |
|--|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>INVESTMENTS</b>                       |       |                |                |                |
| Quoted securities at Market Value        | 4     |                | 655,032        | 718,428        |
| Historic Cost £511,212 (2022 - £510,673) |       |                |                |                |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                    |       |                |                |                |
| Sundry debtors                           |       | 5,088          |                | 100,000        |
| Cash at bank                             |       | 207,818        |                | 91,522         |
|  |       | <u>212,906</u> |                | <u>191,522</u> |
| <b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>               |       |                |                |                |
| Corporation tax                          | 3     | 0              |                | 0              |
| Sundry creditors                         |       | 15,243         |                | 0              |
|  |       | <u>15,243</u>  |                | <u>0</u>       |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>                |       |                |                |                |
|  |       |                | <u>197,663</u> | <u>191,522</u> |
| Provision for deferred tax               |       |                | (22,956)       | (38,143)       |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                      |       |                |                |                |
|  |       |                | <u>829,739</u> | <u>871,807</u> |
| Represented by:                          |       |                |                |                |
| <b>CAPITAL FUND</b>                      |       |                |                |                |
| Balance at 1 September 2022              | 6     |                | 871,807        | 948,324        |
| (Deficit) / Surplus for the year         |       |                | (42,068)       | (76,517)       |
| <b>BALANCE AT 31 AUGUST 2023</b>         |       |                | <u>829,739</u> | <u>871,807</u> |

These results have been audited as part of the overall group audit of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons. The auditors, Crowe UK LLP, have confirmed that in their opinion, these results are consistent with the figures included in the GLMMM financial statements for which they gave an unqualified report on 29 January 2024.

**G L Flight**  
Acting Great Treasurer

Date: 13 March 2024

The notes on pages 19 form part of these financial statements.

**GREAT PRIORY OF ENGLAND AND WALES  
GENERAL FUND  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

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**1. ENTITY INFORMATION**

Great Priory of England and Wales General Fund is an unincorporated association and operates from Mark Masons' Hall, 86 St. James's Street, London, SW1A 1PL.

**2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**(a) Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with FRS 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland, applicable to small entities.

All activities contained within these financial statements are continuing.

**(b) Investments**

Listed investments are measured at fair value through income and expenditure, and are reported at their market value at each balance sheet date.

|   | <b>2023</b>            | <i>2022</i>            |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
|   | <b>£</b>               | <i>£</i>               |
| <b>3. CORPORATION TAX</b>                             |                        |                        |
| Tax nil   | <u>-</u>               | <u>-</u>               |
| <b>4. INVESTMENTS</b>                                 |                        |                        |
| Quoted at Market Value                                | <u><b>655,032</b></u>  | <u><i>718,428</i></u>  |
| Historic Cost   | <u><b>511,212</b></u>  | <u><i>510,673</i></u>  |
| <b>5. DEFERRED TAX</b>                                |                        | <i>£</i>               |
| Tax at 25% (2020: 19%)                                | <u><b>15,187</b></u>   | <u><i>32,160</i></u>   |
| <b>6. CAPITAL FUND</b>                                |                        |                        |
| Balance at 1 September 2022                           | <b>871,807</b>         | <i>948,324</i>         |
| (Deficit) / Surplus on Income and Expenditure Account | <u><b>(42,068)</b></u> | <u><i>(76,517)</i></u> |
| Balance at 31 August 2023                             | <u><b>829,739</b></u>  | <u><i>871,807</i></u>  |

**GREAT PRIORY OF THE ORDER OF THE TEMPLE  
FUND OF BENEVOLENCE  
TRUSTEES' REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

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The Trustees of Great Priory of the Order of the Temple Fund of Benevolence present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023.

**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

The Charity is the Great Priory of the Order of The Temple Fund of Benevolence and is a registered Charity under registration number 208563. The Charity's address is 86 St James's Street, London, SW1A 1PL.

**TRUSTEES**

The Trustees of the Great Priory of the Order of the Temple Fund of Benevolence who served during the year and to the date of signing this report, unless otherwise stated, are:

J Prizeman  
R V Wallis, *JP*

Newly appointed Trustees receive an induction from the President and Great Treasurer and attend training courses as necessary.

**ORGANISATION**

The Members of the Grand Master's Council are responsible for the administration of all aspects of the Great Priory of the Order of The Temple Fund of Benevolence.

The members of the Grand Master's Council of the Great Priory are Ex officio, appointed by the Grand Master with the exception of the Great Treasurer who is elected by the Great Priory of England and Wales:

|  |                                     |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| His Honour I D G Alexander, <i>KC</i>            | S J Warwick (Appointed 17 May 2023) |
| J M Beard  | T J Wheeler                         |
| B D Burridge (Deceased 24 September 2022)        | J Whitaker, <i>JP, DL</i>           |
| P R Calderwood, <i>JP</i>                        |                                     |
| P R Clement                                      |                                     |
| P M Collins, <i>JP</i> (Retired 17 May 2023)     |                                     |
| G D A Elgood (Retired 17 May 2023)               |                                     |
| G R Goddard (Retired 17 May 2023)                |                                     |
| J N G Howitt (Deceased 29 July 2023)             |                                     |
| G Hutchinson (Appointed 17 May 2023)             |                                     |
| K J Jones  |                                     |
| G L Perkins                                      |                                     |
| W J T Pratt                                      |                                     |
| A C Rainbow                                      |                                     |
| R Scott (Appointed 17 May 2023)                  |                                     |
| Dr N F J Scott-Moncrieff (Appointed 17 May 2023) |                                     |
| M E Slater, <i>OStJ</i>                          |                                     |

**GREAT PRIORY OF THE ORDER OF THE TEMPLE  
FUND OF BENEVOLENCE  
TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

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**PRINCIPAL ADVISERS**

**BANKERS**

Clydesdale Bank plc (Trading as Virgin Money)  
7 Gold Street  
Northampton  
NN1 1EN

**FUND MANAGERS**

J M Finn & Co Ltd  
4 Coleman Street  
London  
EC2R 5TA

**AUDITOR**

Crowe U.K. LLP  
55 Ludgate Hill  
London  
EC4M 7JW

**CONSTITUTIONS AND OBJECTS**

The Great Priory of the Order of The Temple Fund of Benevolence is governed by statute (Charities Acts), the Trust Deed dated 30 May 1928 and Statutes of the Order 1957. The objects of the charity are Relief of members of the Order and their widows and children.

The Fund of Benevolence is supported by contributions from Brethren, Ladies, Preceptories and Provinces and these take the form of either donations, covenants, legacies or bequests. The Charity's main income is from investments, the Charity has not engaged with third parties to raise funds and there has been no direct approach to members of the public for funding. No complaints were received in relation to our fundraising activities.

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on the strategy towards and the achievements of the Charity against its objectives.

**GRANT MAKING POLICY**

The payments of grants are made to the needy who qualify according to the statutes of Great Priory.

**RESERVES POLICY**

At 31 August 2023, the free reserves amounted to £836,027 (2022: £ 833,352). The Trustees believe that the level of reserves should provide a safety net for downturns in the market as well as building up for large donations in the future. However, the Trustees are aware that the reserves are high and continue to review the level held. The Trustees consider that there are sufficient reserves held at 31 August 2023 to manage any foreseeable downturn in the UK economy. The Trustees consider that there is a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and, for this reason, the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

**GREAT PRIORY OF THE ORDER OF THE TEMPLE  
FUND OF BENEVOLENCE  
TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

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**INVESTMENT POWERS**

Investment powers are set out and operated within the provisions of the Trustee Act 2000. The investments are managed by the Investment Committee, which is advised by JM Finn & Co Limited.

**INVESTMENT POLICY AND PERFORMANCE**

The policy of the trust deed is to provide quickly grants in relief of need for Knights Templar and their dependents. The only sources of income for the fund are receipts from individual Preceptories and any investment income (including capital gains).

Changes are made to the investments held on the basis of seeking to maintain the existing funds and to increase them so far as possible. The intention is to invest in securities, which are likely to increase in value (including providing increased dividends), rather than by any other criteria.

In accordance with these aims, the funds are managed by J M Finn & Co Limited. The Investment Committee, appointed by the Trustees, reviews the funds on a regular basis. The value of the investments at the balance sheet date was £815,822.

**ACTIVITIES**

Grants were paid in the year to 31 August 2023 amounting to £nil (2022: £100,000).

**TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards) and applicable law.

Under charity law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its net incoming/outgoing resources for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the charity's constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**AUDITOR**

Crowe U.K. LLP has indicated its willingness to be reappointed as statutory auditor.

Approved by the Trustees on 13 March 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

**J H Prizeman, Trustee**

## **Independent Auditor’s Report to the Trustees of the Great Priory of the Order of the Temple Fund of Benevolence**

### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of the Great Priory of the Order of the Temple Fund of Benevolence for the year ended 31 August 2023 which comprise Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity’s affairs as at 31 August 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor’s responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC’s Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Conclusions relating to going concern**

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees’ use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity’s ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

### **Other information**

The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor’s report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

## **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit

## **Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 3, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

## **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

## **Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We identified and assessed the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements from irregularities, whether due to fraud or error, and discussed these between our audit team members. We then designed and performed audit procedures responsive to those risks, including obtaining audit evidence sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.



We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks within which the charity and group operates, focusing on those laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The laws and regulations we considered in this context were the Charities Act 2011 together with the Charities SORP (FRS 102). We assessed the required compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our audit procedures on the related financial statement items.

In addition, we considered provisions of other laws and regulations that do not have a direct effect on the financial statements but compliance with which might be fundamental to the charity's and the group's ability to operate or to avoid a material penalty. We also considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the charity and the group for fraud. The laws and regulations we considered in this context for the UK operations included General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these laws and regulations to enquiry of the Trustees and other management and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

We identified the greatest risk of material impact on the financial statements from irregularities, including fraud, to be within the timing of recognition of income and the override of controls by management. Our audit procedures to respond to these risks included enquiries of management and the Management Board about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities, sample testing on the posting of journals, reviewing accounting estimates for biases, sample testing of income, reviewing regulatory correspondence, and reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it. In addition, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

### **Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

### **Crowe U.K. LLP**

Statutory Auditor

**London**

**Date: 16 April 2024**

Crowe U.K. LLP is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

**GREAT PRIORY OF THE ORDER OF THE TEMPLE  
FUND OF BENEVOLENCE  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

|  | Notes | 2023<br>£      | 2022<br>£        |
|--|-------|----------------|------------------|
| <b>Income and endowments from:</b>               |       |                |                  |
| Donations  |       | 53,981         | 20,432           |
| Bank Interest                                    |       | 1,309          | 0                |
| Investments                                      |       | 25,893         | 26,141           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                     |       | <b>81,183</b>  | <b>46,573</b>    |
| <b>Expenditure on:</b>                           |       |                |                  |
| Raising funds                                    |       | 0              | 0                |
| Investment management costs                      |       | 4,048          | 4,658            |
| Charitable activities                            |       | 0              | 0                |
| Legal Fees                                       |       | 0              | 0                |
| Benevolent grants                                | 3     | 0              | 100,000          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                     |       | <b>4,048</b>   | <b>104,658</b>   |
| <b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (LOSS)</b>                |       | <b>77,135</b>  | <b>(58,085)</b>  |
| Net realised and unrealised gains on investments |       | (74,460)       | (141,387)        |
| <b>NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)</b>                |       | <b>2,675</b>   | <b>(199,472)</b> |
| <b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>                     |       | <b>2,675</b>   | <b>(199,472)</b> |
| <b>FUNDS</b>                                     |       |                |                  |
| Balance at 1 September 2022                      |       | 833,352        | 1,032,824        |
| <b>BALANCE AT 31 AUGUST 2023</b>                 |       | <b>836,027</b> | <b>833,352</b>   |

All of the above are represented by continuing operations. There are no recognised gains or losses other than those shown above.

**The notes on page 28 to 29 form part of these financial statements.**

**GREAT PRIORY OF THE ORDER OF THE TEMPLE  
FUND OF BENEVOLENCE  
BALANCE SHEET  
31 AUGUST 2023**

|   | Notes | £             | 2023<br>£      | 2022<br>£       |
|---|-------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <b>FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS</b>            |       |               |                |                 |
| Quoted securities at market value         | 4     |               | 815,822        | <u>894,644</u>  |
| Cost £628,350 (2022 £631,168)             |       |               |                |                 |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                     |       |               |                |                 |
| Debtors                                   |       | 7,634         |                | 100             |
| Cash at bank                              |       | <u>12,821</u> |                | <u>38,858</u>   |
|   |       | <u>20,455</u> |                | <u>38,958</u>   |
| <b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>                |       |               |                |                 |
| Sundry creditors                          |       | <u>250</u>    |                | <u>100,250</u>  |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)</b> |       |               | <u>20,205</u>  | <u>(61,292)</u> |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                       |       |               | <u>836,027</u> | <u>833,352</u>  |
| Represented by:                           |       |               |                |                 |
| <b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>                 |       |               | <u>836,027</u> | <u>833,352</u>  |

Approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 13 March 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

**G L Flight**  
Acting Great Treasurer

The notes on page 28 to 29 form part of these financial statements.

**GREAT PRIORY OF THE ORDER OF THE TEMPLE  
FUND OF BENEVOLENCE  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

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**1. CHARITY INFORMATION**

The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity registered as an unincorporated charity registered in England and Wales (registration no. 208563) and operates from its registered office Mark Masons' Hall, 86 St James's Street, London, SW1A 1PL.

**2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**(a) Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a "true and fair" view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a "true and fair" view. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

Having considered post year end results and reserves, and the impact of Covid-19, the Trustees consider the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and there are no material uncertainties. Accordingly, the accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

**(b) Investments**

Fixed asset investments are revalued to market value at the balance sheet date and the surplus or deficit of this revaluation represents unrealised gains or losses.

The differences between the carrying value (or cost if acquired in the year) and the proceeds of investments disposed of represent realised investment gains or losses.

Net realised and unrealised gains or losses are shown as a combined figure in the Statement of Financial Activities.

**(c) Investment Income**

Investment income is accounted for on a receivable basis.

**(d) Grants Payable**

Grants are accounted for when they are paid.

**(e) Financial Instruments**

The charity has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Financial assets held at amortised cost comprise cash and bank and in hand, together with accrued income. Financial liabilities held at amortised cost comprise grants payable and accruals.

**GREAT PRIORY OF THE ORDER OF THE TEMPLE  
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**(e) Financial Instruments (continued)**

Investments, including bonds held as part of an investment portfolio are held at fair value at the Balance Sheet date, with gains and losses being recognised within income and expenditure.

**(f) Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates, assumptions about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects the current and future periods.

In the view of the Trustees, no assumptions concerning the future or estimation uncertainty affecting assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date are likely to result in a material adjustment to their carrying amounts in the next financial year.

**3. GRANTS**

There were no benevolent grants paid in the year.

**4. INVESTMENTS**

|  | 2022                  | 2022           |
|--|-----------------------|----------------|
|  | £                     | £              |
| Market value at 1 September 2022           | <b>894,644</b>        | 1,040,689      |
| Less: Disposal proceeds                    | <b>(132,835)</b>      | (83,245)       |
| Add: Acquisitions at cost                  | <b>128,473</b>        | 78,587         |
| Net realised and unrealised gains/(losses) | <b>(74,460)</b>       | (141,387)      |
| Market value at 31 August 2023             | <b><u>815,822</u></b> | <u>894,644</u> |
| <br>                                       |                       |                |
| Cost at 31 August 2023                     | <b><u>628,350</u></b> | <u>631,168</u> |

Unrealised gains/(losses) amounting to £187,472 (2022: £263,476) are based on a valuation at the year-end which is unlikely to equate to the actual gains and losses which will arise on the subsequent realisation of those investments.

**5. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION**

No Trustee received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the current or previous year.

There are no related party transactions in the reporting period.

# NOTICES

## 1. GREAT PRIORY SUMMONS

Registrars of Preceptories are required to forward copies of this summons to Eminent Knights and to all other Knights who may wish to attend the meeting of Great Priory.

## 2. DINING

Knights will dine together after the **Annual Chapter of Great Priory on Wednesday, 15 May 2024**, at approximately 3.30p.m. in the Grand Connaught Rooms, 61-65 Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5DA.

Knights who wish to dine may make reservations via the online dining facility on the Great Priory website:

**<https://markmasonshall.org/kt-events/knight-temple/great-priory>**

Group reservations may also be made via email to: **[ktsupport@mmh.org.uk](mailto:ktsupport@mmh.org.uk)** provided a completed dining form is attached which includes full debit/credit card details for payment of the requisite dining fee, or by sending a completed reservation form, together with payment of the dining fee of £58 / £60.50 (cheese & biscuits) to Masonic Support Services on or before **Wednesday, 1 May 2024**.

Reservations may be cancelled, without incurring a charge, up to 7 days prior to the meeting, after which fees will not be refunded.

## 3. WEBSITE / SOCIAL MEDIA

To keep up to date with events in all orders administered from Mark Masons' Hall go to:

**[www.markmasonshall.org](http://www.markmasonshall.org)**

**<https://www.facebook.com/GLofMMM/>**

**<https://www.instagram.com/markmasonshall/>**

**<https://twitter.com/MarkMasonsHall>**

**<https://www.youtube.com/@markmasonshall86>**

## 4. KEYSTONE ONLINE

All documents relating to the administration of Provincial Priories and Preceptories are available in the document store on Keystone Online. Provincial Vice-Chancellors are advised not to save copies to a PC or Provincial Priory website but to always use the latest version in the document store.

## 5. MASONIC CHARITIES

Information and downloadable for all the Masonic charities administered from Mark Masons' Hall can be found on the Great Priory website: **[www.markmasonshall.org](http://www.markmasonshall.org)**

## 6. HOSPITALITY AT MARK MASONS' HALL

The Carvery at 86 St James is open on selected weekdays and is available to all Freemasons, their family and friends. **Booking in advance is strongly recommended** as the Carvery is very popular and is, on occasions, fully booked for private functions. Members of the **86 St James Loyalty Scheme** will receive advance notification of opening dates by email.

Reservations may be made via email to **[info@86stjames.com](mailto:info@86stjames.com)** or by telephone: 020 7747 1180.

To coincide with the UGLE Quarterly Communications at Freemasons' Hall, we can guarantee the Carvery Restaurant will be open on the second Wednesday in March, June, September and December. Advance booking is required and you can be seated between 12 noon and 2.30 p.m., finishing at 4 p.m.

A variety of hot and cold sandwiches is also available in the bar on weekdays from 12 to 4 p.m. The bar opening times will be 11.30 a.m. until 10.30 p.m., Monday to Saturday.

Further information is available on the 86 St James website:

**<http://86hospitality.info>**

#### 7. PUBLICATIONS AND REGALIA

Publications and regalia for all Orders can be purchased from the shop at Mark Masons' Hall and via the website: **[www.shopat86.co.uk](http://www.shopat86.co.uk)**


The shop opening hours are 10 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. (Monday to Friday).

Orders may also be placed by email: **[regalia@mmh.org.uk](mailto:regalia@mmh.org.uk)** or Tel: **020 7747 1191**.


# Templars' Hymn

Sine Nomine


R. Vaughan Williams



For all the Saints who from their la - bours rest, Who  
O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold \_\_\_\_\_  
And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long, \_\_\_\_\_  
But lo! there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: The  
From earth's wide bounds, from oc - cean's far - thest coast. Through



thee \_\_\_\_\_ by faith be - fore the world con - fest. Thy  
Fight as the Saints who no - bly fought of old, And  
Steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, And  
Saints \_\_\_\_\_ tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray: The  
gates \_\_\_\_\_ of pearl streams in the count - less host. \_\_\_\_\_



name, O \_\_\_\_\_ Je - su, be for ev - er \_\_\_\_\_ blest.  
win, with \_\_\_\_\_ them, the vic - tor's crown \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ gold.  
hearts are \_\_\_\_\_ brave a - gain, and arms \_\_\_\_\_ are strong, Al -  
King of \_\_\_\_\_ Glo - ry pas - ses on \_\_\_\_\_ his \_\_\_\_\_ way.  
Sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly \_\_\_\_\_ Ghost.



- le - lu - ya! Al \_\_\_\_\_ le - lu - ya!