

ROYDS LODGE, MALVERN

No. 1204.



BYE-LAWS.

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The Book of Constitutions shall be referred to on every occasion for the guidance of officers of this Lodge, these Bye-Laws being only intended to provide for such matters as are not settled by the Book of Constitutions

Bye-Laws of the Royds Lodge, No. 1204.

1.—The Lodge shall meet at the Masonic Hall, Malvern, on the third Thursday in each month—except in the months of July, August, and September—at such hour as the Worshipful Master may direct.

2.—The Master and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot at the Regular Meeting in April, and the Master be Installed at the Regular Meeting in May of each year. The Tyler to be elected by a show of hands at the Regular Meeting in April.

The financial year shall, however, end on December 31st in each year, and the Audited Financial Statement be presented by the General Purpose Committee at the February Meeting.

3.—The following fees shall be payable in advance.

	£	s.	d.
Initiation Fee	10	10	0
Joining Fee—			
(a) By Brethren who are, or have been, Members of a Lodge under English Constitution	4	4	0
(b) By Brethren who are not, and have not been, Members under the English Constitution	5	5	0
Annual Subscription to Lodge (exclusive of cost of dining)	2	12	6

In the case of Members who reside more than ten miles from the Masonic Hall, the Subscription may, if the Member so desire, be

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In the case of any Brother initiated or joining the Lodge after the Summer Recess, the proportion of Annual Subscription for the remainder of that year shall be ... 1 6 3

4.—A General Purposes Committee shall be formed in June each year, consisting of the Master and Members of the Lodge who are Past-Masters. This Committee shall deal with Financial matters connected with the Lodge, other than the Buildings Committee's Accounts, including the Auditing of Treasurer's and Secretary's Accounts, also any other matters specially referred to it by the Lodge, or the Worshipful Master, including the consideration of applications for Initiation or Joining by prospective Candidates. Five to form a Quorum.

5.—The Election of Members to form Building and Catering Committees, also Lodge Representatives on Provincial Charity and Library and Museum Committees shall be at the June Meeting.

6.—The fee for dining shall be such as the Catering Committee may decide from time to time. The General Purposes Committee may invite visitors to dine at the expense of the Lodge. The cost of Refreshments of any Brother not a member of the Lodge shall be paid by the Brother upon whose introduction or invitation he is present.

7.—The method of application for Initiation or joining shall be in accordance with the Book of Constitutions, with the proviso that two Black Balls shall exclude.

8.—No sum exceeding £5 shall be expended out of the funds of the Lodge for other than ordinary purposes without the sanction of the Lodge by resolution, of which notice has appeared on the Summons.

9.—A fund shall be established, and an account shall be opened at a Bank, to be called "The Royds Lodge Reserve Fund," and the General Purposes Committee may, by resolution, direct that all Initiation and Joining Fees, or a portion of such, also any special donations or surplus funds, other than Buildings Committee's Funds, shall be transferred thereto. The Fund shall only be applied for charitable or such other special purposes as the Lodge shall direct. No sum shall be paid out of the Fund, unless notice has appeared on the Summons, and until the same has been voted in open Lodge by a majority of the Brethren present. Cheques on this Fund shall be signed by the Worshipful Master and Treasurer.

10.—No motion to add to, alter, or amend the foregoing Bye-Laws shall be made without first giving notice of such motion, in writing, in open Lodge, and notice thereof shall be inserted by the Secretary in the Summons for the next Lodge meeting, when the motion may be considered, and, if approved, entered on the Minutes, but shall not become effective until confirmed at a subsequent Lodge Meeting, and approved by the R.W. Provincial Grand Master and the M.W. Grand Master.

Should there be any objection to the introduction of a Candidate for Initiation, or a Brother for joining, it is recommended that such objection be mentioned privately to the Worshipful Master, who shall bring the matter before the General Purposes Committee.

Approved, FRANCIS DAVIES,
Prov. Grand Master, Worcestershire.

R. A. ERNEST PAYNE,
Prov. Grand Secretary.

25th Feb., 1920.

Approved by the M.W. Grand Master,
March 4th, 1920.

P. COLVILLE SMITH,
Grand Secretary.