

MASONIC HALL, TALBOT HOTEL, STOURBRIDGE
Provisional Costs of Refurbishing the Lodge Furniture

S.M.M.C.

Decorating Room	1260.00
Draw Curtains - Dry Clean	133.25
Carpets - Clean and protection	249.60
Seat Cushions - Clean	40.00
Ground Floor Committee Room - Decoration	485.00

	2167.95
+ 10% Contingency	218.00

	2385.95
+ 17.5% VAT	417.54

Curtains to Windows - Replace, material only	300.00

	£3103.49

Management Service Windows

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ADDENDUM

1. Curtains - Mrs June Sykes has volunteered to make the curtains free of charge.
2. May I suggest that we rearrange all the Lodge banners into a more uniform and presentable manner with a possibility of framing the small older banners.
3. As a last recommendation, would it be possible to replace the (17) ? very utility chairs with chairs to match the older Sheraton type belonging to Stability Lodge. It would mean scouring the second-hand furniture stores to find something suitable.

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F X INTERIORS

**SPECIALISTS IN HIGH QUALITY SHOPFITTING,
JOINERY & MAINTENANCE**

344 Hagley Rd West, Oldbury, Warley, West Midlands B68 OPA
Tel No: 0121-421-1757

DATE: 14.10.98

G.I. Sykes Limited
The Hayes
Lye
Stourbridge
DL9 ONX

Estimate for Works to be carried out at:

The Free Mason Hall, The Old Talbot Stourbridge

1. Three Pedestals - Strip down and make good all surfaces, Reglaze in grey and white marble, finish in eggshell varnish
2. Three Ornamental Chairs - Strip down and make good all surfaces, brush grain in Mid Oak Glaze, Black Panel to be red, finish in Eggshell Varnish

All Labour and Materials.....£750.00

DEK

£125.00

£875.00

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Total Cost £2583

Total Cost. £2583

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Abbrevs: S/W Sign Writer
M&G Marbling and Graining
F/R Furniture Restorer
UP/H Upholsterer

Master's Chair

Strip down, make good all surfaces, prime, undercoat, buff, brush grain in medium oak glaze.

Back Panel - Prepare as above and finish in red eggshell glaze to receive pillars and arches.

Sun and Holder - Regild and inscribe as before.

Spherical Balls - Repaint as before.

S/W M&G F/R UP/H

M&G

S/W

S/W

Junior Warden's Chair

Repair all joints as necessary.

Strip down, make good all surfaces, prime, undercoat, buff, brush grain in medium oak glaze.

Back Panel - Prepare as above and finish in red eggshell glaze to receive pillars and arches.

Restore and regild seven stars motif and skeletal frame.

Regild and inscribe holder.

£85 60s

85

M&G

S/W

S/W

Senior Warden's Chair

Strip down, make good all surfaces, prime, undercoat, buff, brush grain in medium oak glaze.

Back Panel - Prepare as above and finish in red eggshell glaze to receive pillars and arches.

Moon and Holder - Regild and inscribe.

M&G

S/W

S/W

Deacons Chairs and Other of same Pattern

Strip chairs - Make good all joints and repair splits as necessary,

Clean, stain and repolish.

£350

Chairs starting at the N/E part of the Lodge

1st Chair - Clean, stain and polish.

Provide new blue pad.

2nd Chair - Very old carved.

Repair all joints, clean, stain and polish.

Provide new blue pad.

£40

£40

£85

475

£40

80

	<u>S/W</u>	<u>M&G</u>	<u>F/R</u>	<u>UP/H</u>
South East				
Charles Williams Chair - Clean, stain and polish.			£45	
Provide new blue pad.				£40
Two chairs in corner - Clean, stain and polish.			£75	
Provide two pads.				£80
Chair - M F Bache - Restore, clean, stain and polish.			£80	
Reupholster in brown hide.				£120
			<u>£200</u>	<u>£200</u>
South				
Ten Sheraton type chairs - Clean, stain and repolish.			£250	
Recover seats in blue vinyl.				£200
All benches (fitted) throughout the Lodge - Clean, stain and repolish.			£100	
			<u>£350</u>	<u>£200</u>
North West				
ADC Chair Marston - Restore, stain and polish.			£80	
Re-upholster in brown hide.				£120
Cabinet - Repair, restore, stain and polish.			£55	
			<u>£135</u>	<u>£120</u>
North				
Secretary's Desk - Strip, prime, undercoat buff, regrain in medium Oak.				
Recreate Masonic symbols as before	S/W	M&G		
Strip, supply and fix new leather top.				£45
Lectern - Strip, stain and repolish.			£45	
Voting Box - Strip, regrain and varnish.		M&G		
Kneeling Chair - Strip, stain and repolish.			£15	
Strip, re-upholster in brown hide.				£100
Tracing Board Stands (3) - Clean, stain, repolish.				
Frames to tracing boards - ditto.			£195	
			<u>£35</u>	<u>£145</u>
3rd Degree Tracing Board - Clean, stain and repolish.				
Candlesticks and Bases	S/W			
Pedestals (2) - Repair all damaged areas.				
Fit all new knobs, locks and catches.			£75	
Strip down, make good all surfaces, reglaze in grey and white, marbling brush in eggshell.		M&G	£25	
Columns - S/W and J/W				
Clean, stain and repolish.			£30	
Working Tool Box (J Field) - Repair, clean, stain and repolish.			£45	
Working Tool Table - Completely repair, clean, stain and polish.			£150	
			<u>£225</u>	

NB: I suggest that:

- (1) Insurance be taken out during the time of refurbishment.
- (2) Staggered transport will have to be arranged.
- (3) VAT will be charged on all items other than furniture restoration.
- (4) May I suggest that a 10% contingency be included to cover any problems that may arise during the refurbishment.

COST OF ROOM AND FLOOR

May I also suggest that the room be redecorated, the draw carpets and curtains cleaned and the curtains to the windows be replaced.

Room cost - £1260

Draw curtains	-	Clean	Cost?
Window curtains	-	Replacement	Cost?
Carpets	-	Clean	Cost?

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M & W Signwriters

TRADITIONAL & MODERN SIGN SERVICE

G.I. Sykes Ltd.
C/o Mr. Gary Sykes
The Hayes, Lye,
Stourbridge
West Midlands
DY9 8NX

£1430

QUOTATION

Thursday, 22 October 1998

Stourbridge Masonic Lodge Room Talbot Hotel

To Signwrite / Paint / Guild etc.

- LOS 1. Masters Chair
- | | | |
|---|------|-----|
| (a) Borders, lines and shadows etc. to Inside back panel onto existing red base | £120 | |
| (b) Sun in gold leaf, painting lines, face etc. | £ 80 | |
| (c) Globes to match original designs etc. 2 @ £90 each | £180 | |
| (d) Symbol design, lines etc. to marble effect pedestal in gold leaf | £ 90 | 590 |
| (e) Candle pillar in gold paint | £ 30 | |
| (f) Lower Candle steps including diamond patterns etc | £ 90 | |
- LOS 2. JW Chair
- | | | |
|---|------|-----|
| (a) Borders, lines and shadows etc. to Inside back panel onto existing red base | £120 | |
| (b) Stars in gold leaf | £ 40 | |
| (c) Symbol design, lines etc. to marble effect pedestal in gold leaf | £ 90 | 370 |
| (d) Candle pillar in gold paint | £ 30 | |
| (e) Lower Candle steps including diamond patterns etc | £ 90 | |
- LOS 3. SW Chair
- | | | |
|---|------|-----|
| (a) Borders, lines and shadows etc. to Inside back panel onto existing red base | £120 | |
| (b) Moon in gold leaf | £ 50 | |
| (c) Symbol design, lines etc. to marble effect pedestal in gold leaf | £ 90 | 380 |
| (d) Candle pillar in gold paint | £ 30 | |
| (e) Lower Candle steps including diamond patterns etc. | £ 90 | |
4. Centre Panel
- | | | |
|--|------|----|
| (a) 3 off Symbols / number in gold leaf to original designs etc. and | | |
| (b) Finishing panels etc | £ 90 | 90 |

Please note: we would need to take a more detailed copy of all work to be carried out

Thank you for your enquiry

Jim McCormack

24 Oakhill Drive Brierley Hill West Midlands DY5 3PP
Tel: 01384 371180 Fax: 07970 659747 Mobile: 0973 359715
Email Address: jimac@yahoo.com

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Signwriter	£1430.00 (No VAT)
Marbling and Graining	875.00 (Possibly no VAT)
Furniture Restorer	1835.00 (No VAT)
Upholsterer	785.00 + VAT
Carpet cleaning	192.00 + VAT
" protection	57.60 + VAT
Blue Leather - West Kneeling Stool) East " ")	250.00 (Estimate only)
Curtains (Room Divider) Clean	133.35 + VAT
Decoration	1260.00 + VAT
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TOTAL	£6817.95
CONTINGENCY 10%	660.00
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New curtains to windows	£300.00 Budget fabric - making free
Ground Floor Committee Room Decoration	£485.00
Insurance	?

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Sykes Chem-Dry

10 Herondale Crescent

Wollaston

Stourbridge

West Midlands. DY8 3LH.

Tel. 01384 441007

Fax. 01384 441083



G I Sykes Ltd.
The Hayes
Lye
West Midlands DY9 8NX

27 October 1998

For the attention of Mr. G. Sykes

Re. The Freemasons room The Talbot hotel.

Dear Sirs

At your request we have completed a written quotation for the cleaning of carpets, curtains and seat cushions, which is as follows:-

To clean 96 sq. metres carpet	192.00
To apply protector to above carpet (optional)	57.60
To clean 10 seat cushions	40.00
To dry clean blue cotton curtains (room divider)	133.35

SUB TOTAL £ 422.95

VAT £ 74.02

TOTAL £ 496.97

Carpets and upholstery will take 6 hours to complete cleaning. Curtains will be cleaned off site, and require 3 days.

Assuring you of our attention to service and quality. Please don't hesitate to contact me on any queries.

Yours faithfully

Neil Sykes

Neil Sykes
Proprietor.

LODGE OF STABILITY No. 564

ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 1999

INCOME

2745	Subscriptions	2895 .00
70	Initiation/Joining Fees	150 .00
374	Bank Interest (Gross)	201 .76
2176	Share Dividend (Gross)	1879 .95
250	Sundry Income	15 .00
3874	Dining Account	4672 .33
--	Transfer from L/E Account	1120 .00
--	L/E Account Fees	12840 .00
--	150 Yr.Festival Transfer	3000 .00
--	150 Yr.Festival Fees	1939 .00
<u>11209</u>		<u>28713 .63</u>

EXPENDITURE

391	U.G.L. Dues	421 .59
164	U.G.L. Charity	163 .80
37	U.G.L. Registration	77 .00
238	P. G. L.Dues/Registration	254 .62
60	P. G. L. Year Books	60 .00
770	P. G. L. Covenant	770 .00
10	W. A. M. L. Group 13	12 .00
1264	S. M. M. C. Rent	1213 .00
395	Printing and Stationary	445 .00
175	Postage and Phone	277 .40
110	Sundry Payments	122 .49
435	Share Tax Credits	292 .79
3928	Dining Account	4984 .75
110	Tyler	120 .00
--	1999 L/E Account Transfer	13940 .00
--	150 Yr.Festival	3622 .22
--	Festival Reservation	100 .00
<u>10786</u>		<u>26876 .66</u>

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EXCESS INCOME/EXPENDITURE = £1836 .97

ALMS ACCOUNT

INCOME

435	Contributions - 8 Meetings	521 .78
	L/E Donation	225 .00
	Collection 150 Yr. Festival	<u>271 .25</u>
435		<u>1018 .03</u>

EXPENDITURE

	James Allport Trust	50 .00
	McMillan Cancer Research	35 .00
	St. Mary's 800 Yr. Fund	100 .00
	St. Mary's Water & Light Fund	200 .00
	St. Peter's School Fund	25 .00
99	Almoner's Expenses	<u>111 .51</u>
		<u>526 .51</u>

419
16 EXCESS INCOME = £491 .52

BALANCE SHEET

	Brought Forward 1998	23 .60
	Excess Income 1999	<u>491 .52</u>
24		<u>515 .12</u>

BANK BALANCE SHEET

4571	Bank Balance (Midland) 1998	4994 .54
423	Excess Income 1999	1836 .97
250	R.S. Blunsom Fund 1999	250 .00
515	Alms Account 1999	<u>515 .12</u>
		<u>7596 .63</u>
1112	High Interest Cheque Account	1428 .54
8921	Midland MoneyMaker Account	7364 .15
(645)	Unpresented Cheques	<u>(1195 .90)</u>
9388		<u>7596 .79</u>

PORTFOLIO VALUATION

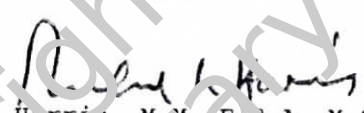
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3000 Foreign & Colonial Inv. Trust PLC.
8743 Jupiter Dividend & Growth Trust.
11102 Martin Currie Portfolio Investment.
20885 Aberdeen Prolific Unit Trust Income Bond.

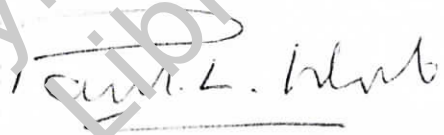
24826 Book value of Shares at Purchase £26,244 .00
33569 Market value at 30/12/99 £37,881 .00

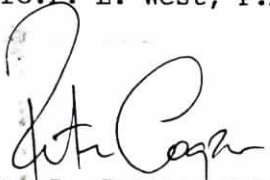
NOTES

- 1 No allowance for Tax on Bank Interest.
- 2 No allowance for purchase of 150 Year Festival Firing Glasses.
- 3 No Valuation included for inventoried items of Assets, Jewels, and Regalia.

Audited and Found Correct


Bro. R. I. Harris, M.M., F.C.A., M.S.I.


Wor. Bro. P. L. West, P.M., P.Prov.A.G.D.C.


Wor. Bro. P. Cooper, P.M., P.Prov.J.G.D.

TALBOT.

John Harold

313000

3 ✓ BIG THRONES.

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20 HRS PER CHAIR x 3 x £10 PER HR. = 600.

6 ✓ GOTHICS. PUTTING TOGETHER & RE-POLISHING GENTLY
+ REPAIRING SPLIT IN ONE & WOODWORK DAMAGE IN
ANOTHER.

8 HRS PER CHAIR x 6 x £10 PER HR = 480.

1 ✓ TUDOR CHAIR MINOR REPAIRS + FINISHING

4 HRS x £10 PER HR = 40

3 ✓ PEDESTAL CANDLE SCONCES. DE-VINX, RE-DECORATE

BASES, MINOR REPAIRS TO INLAY, RE-GILD COLUMNS = 360

12 HRS EACH x 3 x £10 PER HR.

1, + 1 ✓ LEATHER CHAIR WITH ARMS. RE-TOUCH CHIPPING

TREAT LEATHER

3 HRS x £10 PER HR = 30.

= 30

3 ✓ WHITE PAINTED PEDESTALS. RE-DECORATE BASES, SIDES

& EDGES, RESTORE FRONT PANEL, LEAVING ORIGINAL
DECORATION.

14 HRS x 3 x £10 PER HR = 420

1 ✓ PINE DESK. RE-FINISH. LEAVING ORIGINAL DECORATED

PANELS UNTOUCHED, BUT MATCH-IN MINOR DAMAGE. = 250

25 HRS x £10 PER HR

1 ✓ ROUND OAK TABLE. TOTALLY RE-FURBISH = 180.

REPAIR 2 SPLITS + 4 JOINTS
18 HRS

£ 2360

302390

Pickwicks Antiques.

35. Audnam.

Amblecote.

Stourbridge,

West Mid. DY8 4AA.

19. 11. 1999

Dear Mr Smith,

After our discussion at the Talbot I have put together a few notes for your benefit and for other members.

Regarding the chairs that I saw. These are important antiques and apart from any repairs that may be required they should only be very lightly cleaned and thoroughly waxed.

The painted backs of the

three large chairs could I feel be sympathetically cleaned to bring back some of the original colour.

The small round table which is very badly marked would require completely repolishing.

Other pieces of furniture I saw such as the desk and the candlesticks would need to be assessed and discussed further.

My estimate for doing the small chairs would be £50 each and the three large ones £70 each.

To give the round oak table an original finish I estimate £220 and recommend for future use a protective cover be used.

I also recommend that
this furniture has a thorough
hard waxing once a year.

Yours Sincerely,
G. E. Smith

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~~INVOICE~~ ESTIMATE

Wollaston Woodcraft

'KINFAYRE,' 2 PARK ROAD WEST, WOLLASTON,
STOURBRIDGE, WEST MIDLANDS DY8 3NQ

Tel: (01384) 390456

M. R. Smith
Lodge Room Talbot hotel
Stourbridge..... Date 4/1/2000

QTY.	DESCRIPTION	£	p
3	large Pine high back chairs reglue where needed, touch up.	300	00
6	Med oak chairs reglue clean up & polish	300	00
2	Inlaid candle sticks repair & clean up	200	00
1	Small oak table refinish top.	50	00
	INVOICE TOTAL	850	00



ORIGINAL.

CAPITAL RESTORATION FRENCH POLISHERS

REGISTERED OFFICE:
69 HAGLEY ROAD
STOURBRIDGE
WEST MIDLANDS DY8 1QR
01384 374805

QUOTATION

No. **1193**

Terms: ON DELIVERY.

MR SMITH

19 FARLANDS RD, OLDSWINFORD, DY8 2DD

Date of Quote **3/11/99**

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	£	p
6	RESTORE 6N° OAK CHAIRS + FRENCH POLISH	£161.00	966	00
3	RESTORE 3N° LARGE CHAIRS + FRENCH POLISH	£230.00	690	00
3	CLEAN AND FRENCH POLISH 3N° CANDLE STICKS	£60.00	207	00
1	RESTORE + POLISH 1N° DARK OAK CHAIR	£92.00	92	00
2	RESTORE + POLISH 2N° OAK CHAIRS	£69.00	138	00
2	RE-UPHOLSTER ABOVE CHAIRS IN LEATHER	£115.00	230	00

DELIVERY	—
GOODS TOTAL	2323 00
VAT DUE @ %	—
AMOUNT DUE £	2323 00

CONT ON QUOTATION N° 1194

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MR SMITH

19 FARLANDS RD, OLDSWINFORD, DY8 2DD

Date of Quote **3/11/99**

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	£	p
	B/FLWD FROM QUOTE N° 193	2323.00	2323	00
1	RESTORE + RE-POLISH DESK	322.00	322	00
1	SUPPLY + FIT NEW DESK LEATHER	92.00	92	00

DELIVERY	—
GOODS TOTAL	2737 00
VAT DUE @ %	—
AMOUNT DUE £	2737 00

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PICKWICKS ANTIQUES.
35, AUDNAM,
STOURBRIDGE,
WEST MIDLANDS.
DY8 4AG.

(01384) 443404 /
79335.

30 / 12 / 1999

Dear Sir,

After our visit to the Talbot Inn on the 14,th December, both myself and my father came to the same conclusion regarding the work needing to be carried out on the furniture within the Masonic room.

With such important and valuable furniture, most of the pieces need only a tidy-up and should be preserved for the future. This is opposed to us trying to restore the furniture to its former glory, which I believe in this case would detract from there value and desirability.

If you should accept our quote, we would be available from February and the work should take about a month to complete.

Please feel free to contact us about the quote or the work needed to be carried out.

We look forward to hearing from you,

Yours sincerely,



JEREMY SMITH.



ERIC SMITH.

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PICKWICKS ANTIQUES.
35 AUDNAM,
STOURBRIDGE,
WEST MIDLANDS.
DY8 4AG.

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30 / 12 / 1991.

THREE (3) LARGE PINE THRONE CHAIRS.

Each chair to be cleaned and checked for woodworm.
Colouring-in of scratches and waxed.

£ 120.00

Each chair.

THRONE
SIX (6) SMALL OAK ~~THRONE~~ STYLE CHAIRS.

Each chair would require an application of woodworm
killer on chair backs and elsewhere if needed. Worm
holes filled and the chairs waxed.

£ 50.00

Each chair.

TWO (2) SHOW-WOOD AND LEATHER UPHOLSTERED CHAIRS.

Leather in need of reviving and feeding. Show-wood
waxed.

£ 50.00

Each chair.

ONE (1) 17 TH.C ? OAK OPEN ARMCHAIR.

Repair to carving on chair back and waxed.

£ 85.00

THREE (3) WHITE PAINTED MARBLE-EFFECT PEDESTALS.

Re-paint in the original white and gray marble-effect
Keeping the blue motif on the front of pedestal.

£ 150.00

Each
Pedestal.

ONE (1) VICTORIAN PAINTED DESK.

Clean desk and check for woodworm. Colour-in
scratches and wax.

£ 280.00

THREE (3) BLACK PAINTED PINE, TILT AND INLAYED VANEERED CANDLESTICKS.

Replace any larger missing vaneer and colour smaller
chips and scratches. Re finish black coloured pine
and touch-in any scratches to gilt.

£ 170.00

Each
Candlestick.

ONE (1) 17 TH.C ? OAK TABLE.

Lightly strip down old finish. Re-colour and wax.

£ 220.00

TOTAL

£ 2305.00

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RESUME OF WORK REQUIRED ON THE FURNITURE OF THE STOURBRIDGE MASONIC HALL AT THE TALBOT HOTEL.

QTY. 3 THRONE STYLE CHAIRS.

CARCASE :- PINE.

STATE :- SATISFACTORY.

{ FINISH, :- UNDERPAINTED &

STATE :- RUBBED,

{ COLOUR VARNISHED

REMEDY :- RENEW PAINTWORK. RUB DOWN
& RE-VARNISH.

QTY 12. CHIPPENDALE STYLE CHAIRS

CARCASE :- MAHOAGANY.

STATE :- WORN & CHIPPED.

REMEDY :- RUB DOWN, RECOLOUR &
POLISH.

QTY 1 OAK TABLE.

STATE :- DAMAGED & WATER STAINED.

REMEDY :- RE-FURBISH COLOUR GENTLY &
RE-POLISH.

QTY 1 DESK

STATE, RUBBED, CHIPPED, SCRATCHED & WORN

CARCASE - MAHOAGANY AND

PINE?

REMEDY. TOTALLY RESTORE TO ORIGINAL
CONDITION

QTY 2 - SCREENS.

STATE :- RUBBED & POLISH POOR.

CARCASE :- OAK ?

RE-POLISH, TAKING CARE NOT TO DAMAGE
DECORATION

THERE ARE VARIOUS OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY NEED TO BE RESTORED, DEPENDING ON HOW THEY LOOK, COMPARED TO THE OTHER RESTORED ITEMS. THE GENERAL IDEA BEING TO CREATE A HARMONIOUS LOOK TO THE WHOLE ENTITY.

(2)

METHOD OF CARRYING OUT THE RESTORATION.

TO MAINTAIN THE SMOOTH RUNNING OF THE MASONIC HALL, I SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING: -

- 1/ REMOVAL OF ONE OF THE THRONES TO MY PLACE, FOR EXAMINATION, PAINT COLOUR TESTING, AND SUBSEQUENT RESTORATION.
- 2/ RETURN OF ABOVE ITEM FOR APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE.
- 3/ SUBJECT TO APPROVAL, SUBSEQUENT RESTORATION OF THE OTHER 2 THRONES, ONE AT A TIME, TO MINIMISE DISRUPTION OF THE HALL.
- 4/ A SIMILAR PROCEDURE FOR THE 12 CHAIRS.
- 5/ THE DESK MAY HAVE TO BE DONE IN SITU. (TO BE DISCUSSED).
- 6) THE SCREENS TO BE RE-FURNISHED, ONE AT A TIME.
- 7/ SIMILAR PROCEEDINGS FOR ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT ARE AGREED NEED RE-FURNISHMENT.

TIME SCALES - I UNDERSTAND THAT THE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE THE ITEMS TO BE RE-FURNISHED FOR THE YEAR 2000. I SUSPECT IT WOULD BE A GOOD PLAN TO START EARLY IN THE NEW YEAR, HOPEFULLY TO COMPLETE BY THE MIDDLE OF 2000.

IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO PUT A TIME/COST FOR EACH ITEM, BUT I SUSPECT THAT THE THRONES MAY COST AROUND £300 EACH. THE CHIPPENDALE CHAIRS £40 EACH, THE DESK AROUND £250. THE OAK TABLE AROUND £150, AND THE OTHER ITEMS TO BE PRICED AT £10 PER HOUR (SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATION AND APPROVAL, PLUS MATERIALS.

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THE MATERIALS SHOULD NOT BE A SIGNIFICANT COST, COMPARED TO THE LABOUR CHARGES.

ACCESS: - CONSIDERABLE ACCESS WOULD BE REQUIRED, TO REMOVE AND REPLACE VARIOUS ITEMS. IT IS NOT REALLY PRACTICAL TO DO MUCH ON SITE, FRENCH POLISHING & STAINING CAN SMELL UNPLEASANT TO SOME PEOPLE, PLUS THE ITEMS NEED TO BE LEFT ALONE FOR THE POLISHES TO HARDEN.

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