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OF THE  
Steadfast  
Mark Master Lodge

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DATE OF WARRANT, 19TH JUNE, 1927  
CONSECRATED 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1927

## FOUNDERS

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W. Bro. H. S. SUTHERLAND, P.G.D., P.P.G.S.W. ... ..	W.M.
„ „ Wm. TODD, P.G.D., Deputy Prov.G.M. ... ..	I.P.M.
„ „ H. J. PARK, P.P.G.W. ... ..	S.W.
Bro. E. LYALL ... ..	J.W.
„ E. W. HINDE ... ..	M.O.
„ W. LYALL ... ..	S.O.
„ R. CLARK ... ..	J.O.
„ E. R. YOUNG ... ..	Treasurer
„ J. L. DEARING ... ..	Secretary
W. Bro. G. DOBSON WRIGHT, P.P.G.Ass.D.C. ... ..	D. of C.
Bro. J. E. HODGSON ... ..	S.D.
„ W. G. YOUNG ... ..	J.D.
„ G. H. Walton ... ..	I.G.

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1. This Lodge shall meet at the Freemasons' Hall, Darlington, on the First Wednesday in the months of February, March, April, October, November and December, at such time as the W.M. may direct.
2. The Master and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot and the Tyler and Benevolent Representative by show of hands annually at the regular meeting in November. The Master Elect shall be installed at the regular meeting held in December of each year.

3. The Lodge Committee shall consist of the Master, Wardens, Subscribing P.Ms., Treasurer, Secretary and three other members to be appointed by the Lodge at the regular meeting in November of each year. Five shall form a quorum. This Committee shall consider and report to the Lodge on all proposals for membership and on any other matter referred to it by the Lodge.
4. The Audit Committee shall consist of two members of the Lodge who shall be elected annually at the regular meeting in November. The accounts shall be made up to the 31st December in each year and shall be presented to the Lodge, duly audited, at the regular meeting in February. A copy of the Statement of Accounts shall be sent to each member with the summons for the February meeting.
5. ~~The Advancement Fee shall be £3 3s. 0d., the Joining Fee shall be~~

5. The Advancement Fee shall be £3 10s. 0d., the Joining Fee shall be £1 10s. 0d. and the Joining Fee for Brethren joining from a Lodge under a recognised constitution shall be £3 10s. 0d. The Annual Subscription shall be £2 0s. 0d. payable in advance on the 1st January. The Secretary's services shall be deemed equivalent to payment of subscription. Any Member whose subscription is not paid for 12 months shall not be eligible for election or appointment to office and shall be liable to be excluded from the Lodge after due notice in accordance with Rules 90 and 118 in the Book of Constitutions.
6. The election of Candidates for Advancement or Joining shall be conducted in conformity with the requirements of Rules 107-111 in the Book of Constitutions. On the ballot for a Candidate 2 black balls shall exclude and he shall not be again proposed for a period of twelve months from the date of rejection.

7. A member desirous of terminating his membership of the Lodge shall tender his resignation in writing, or orally in open Lodge, whereupon he shall be entitled to the Certificate mentioned in Rule 119 of the Book of Constitutions, stating the circumstances in which he left the Lodge.
8. All monies received by the Treasurer shall be deposited in the name of the Lodge in a bank to be approved by resolution of the Lodge.
9. Payment of any sum exceeding £5 5s. 0d. if for other than ordinary purposes may be made only by resolution of the Lodge, of which notice has been given in the summons, except in case of emergency, when such payment may be authorised by the Master and confirmed by the Lodge at the next regular meeting.
10. Amendment of these By-Laws or of any of them may be made only in the following manner :—

- (a) Notice of motion in writing stating the precise amendment or amendments proposed shall be given in open Lodge at a regular meeting.
- (b) The Motion shall be set out in the summons for the next regular meeting or for an emergency meeting summoned for the purpose, and shall at such meeting be put to the Lodge.
- (c) A resolution for amendment, of which notice shall have been given as aforesaid, shall be carried if a majority of the members present vote in favour of it; but the amendment shall not be effective until approved by the Provincial Grand Master and by the General Board.

*Should there be any objection to the introduction of a candidate for Advancement or to a Brother for Joining, it is recommended that such objection be*



*mentioned privately to the Master or Secretary, who may communicate with the proposer and give him the opportunity of withdrawing his Candidate.*

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Revised By-Laws

Approved

14-3-59

F. WALTON

Deputy Prov.G.Master  
in charge

Approved on behalf of the General Board

J. W. CHITTY

London

Grand Secretary

19-3-59