



PROVINCE OF EAST LANCASHIRE



To: Chapter Scribes E and Lodge Secretaries
Cc: Cabinet Members [RA & Craft]
Grand and District Officers

25 January 2021

Dear Sir and Companion,

Royal Arch Changes

I am writing to advise you that on 15 March 2021, EComp Gerry Hodson, PGStB, Assistant to the Provincial Grand Principals will retire from Office.

Comp Hodson has held this senior Office for three years, having been appointed in March 2018. He has been an outstanding servant to the Province of East Lancashire in many roles covering both the Craft and Royal Arch. The ME Grand Superintendent wishes to place on record his sincere thanks for all that EComp Hodson has done and I am sure we all will join in wishing him well for the future.

As a result of this, the ME Grand Superintendent has asked EComp Peter Douthwaite, PProvGSwdB, the current District Chairman for the Ashton & Mossley District to take on this Office and he has been delighted to accept.

Comp Douthwaite's appointment, as Assistant to the Provincial Grand Principals, will commence on **15th March 2021** and he will be invested at the next Meeting of Provincial Grand Chapter.

EComp David Bristol, PGStB, Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies is also to retire, with effect from the same date. David has held the Office of Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies in the Royal Arch since 2015. His contribution to the Ceremonial side of our Orders has been exceptional, having been part of both the Craft and RA DCs teams since 2007. The ME Grand Superintendent wishes to place on record his sincere thanks for all that EComp Bristol has done for the Province and I am sure you will join me in wishing him well for the future.

As a result of Comp Bristol's retirement, the ME Grand Superintendent has asked EComp Andrew Procter, PProvGSwdB, to take on this Office and he has been delighted to accept, with effect from **15th March 2021**.

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

Provincial Grand Scribe E.

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