



Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of London

To the Treasurers of Mark & RAM Lodges in the Province of London

28th February 2018

Dear Bro Treasurers

I thought that it might be helpful to explain the requirements of the Provincial by-laws for the submission of Lodge accounts

The by-laws are unequivocal. Every Lodge in the Province must submit a copy of the annual accounts to me.

However, they state no more and no less. The purpose is single fold and that is to ensure that accounts are prepared, audited and submitted to the brethren of that Lodge annually.

The Province accepts no responsibility for the accuracy of those accounts. They are not examined nor checked; we make no challenges and do not require corrections or amendments. They are the sole responsibility of the Lodge and its Treasurer and remain private to that Lodge.

There are some treasurers who may not have understood the purpose of the annual submission to the Provincial Treasurer and may therefore have shown a reluctance to send them to me and are as a result in breach of the by-laws. I hope that this explanation will reassure them that there will no interference in the finances of their Lodge and that those who have not complied to date will hastily strive to do so. I'm sure that they do not want to have a call from a very unhappy Provincial Grand Treasurer

Sincerely and fraternally

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