

SILVERDALE LODGE No 6926

Silverdale Lodge No 6926 meets at Silverdale Masonic Hall, Emesgate Lane, Silverdale, LA5 0RF. The consecration ceremony of Silverdale Lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Morecambe and Heysham, on Thursday 11 May 1950. The first regular meeting of Silverdale Lodge was held at Carnforth Masonic Hall on Friday 8 September 1950 at 6.30pm. The lodge purchased premises in Silverdale and after considerable renovation to the building held its first Masonic meeting when the new lodge room was completed 3 May 1958. The lodge has met in the current building for over 60 years and is the only Masonic lodge or organisation that use the building.

Meetings of the lodge take place on the first Tuesday of each month except July and August and start at 7pm. The only exception is the installation meeting which is held on the second Tuesday in January and this meeting starts at 4pm.

Practise meetings take place on the Tuesday and Friday before the Regular meeting and start at 7pm.

There are currently 40 members in the lodge. The members range in age from 22 to 92 years old and come from a wide range of occupations including, teachers, veterinary surgeon, joiner and cabinet maker, transport manager, building contractor, carpet fitter, IT consultant, accountant, Operations Director, Engineer, actor, head Chef, bank manager, plumber, electrician etc.

Many members are joining members who have moved to the picturesque Silverdale area for work or to retire.

A high proportion of the members of Silverdale lodge are also Royal Arch Masons. Members having joined Carnforth Chapter, Rowley Chapter, Sandylands Chapter or other chapters in the group.

For a number of years the director of ceremonies of the lodge has ensured a high standard of Masonic ritual. This has been based on regular attendance at the practise meetings by those taking part in the ceremonies. If necessary, additional practise meetings are arranged for those who need a little more help with their part in the ceremony.

Where possible new members are encouraged to progress to the office of master of the lodge and asked to attend as many practise and regular meetings as they can after their family and work commitments have been fulfilled.

The lodge has a good and active social programme each year with a ladies evening, lodge BBQ, lodge walk, children's Christmas parties, Christmas parties for the adults and other events for families and friends.

Each December non-Masonic gentlemen are invited to attend the annual Old English night meetings. Visitors are always made welcome at any meeting of the lodge.