

West Lancashire Freemasons

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF WEST LANCASHIRE

Presentation to
Halls Support Group Seminar 2023
Monday 30th October 2023

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PROVINCIAL WEBSITE

Designed with a view to being more suitable for public viewing and attracting new members, whilst demonstrating that we 'one organisation' and 'one journey'

The screenshot shows the website's header and a news section. The header includes the organization's name, logo, and a navigation menu. The news section features a grid of images and a list of recent news items with dates.

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LATEST NEWS

- 

WLFM provides St Nicholas Primary School with sensory room equipment
19th October 2023
- 

Fleetwood Masonic Hall opens its doors
18th October 2023
- 

West Lancashire Clay Pigeon Society support NSPKU
16th October 2023
- 

Excelsior Lodge donation to Sunflowers
15th October 2023

**Sunflowers**
supporting people living with cancer

PUBLIC FACING

- Home Page
- What is Freemasonry
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- Care
- Contact Us

Freemasonry has four guiding principles and is focused on family, fun and fellowship.



Integrity



Friendship



Respect



Service

Learn More →

Welcome to the Province of West Lancashire and the home of local Freemasonry for over 375 years.

We are West Lancashire Freemasons.

Freemasonry is one of the oldest social and charitable organisations in the world. Its roots lie in the traditions of the medieval stonemasons who built our cathedrals and castles.

We know that Freemasons have been operating in West Lancashire since as long ago as the 1640's when the earliest account of admittance into Freemasonry recorded an initiation into a lodge in Warrington. It is an intriguing thought that whilst Roundheads and Cavaliers were engaged in the bitter English Civil War, Freemasons were meeting in peace and harmony in this very Province.

West Lancashire now has around 8,000 members and its lodges serve an area from Liverpool and the Manchester suburbs in the south to Barrow and the Lake District in the north. There are over 330 active lodges that meet at 50 locations, predominantly Freemasons' halls, but including hotels, pubs, schools, golf and private clubs, a village hall and a synagogue.

Our members come from all walks of life and enjoy the company of like-minded individuals, enjoying meetings and social activities, being active in our local communities, practising concern for people, care for the less fortunate, and helping those in need.



Eccleston Lodge donate £2,000 to local community

12th October 2023



Double success for Clay Pigeon Society in 2023

11th October 2023

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FOLLOW US ON TWITTER



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VISIT OUR SHOP



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- Requires registration on first visit
- Authenticated by PCO
- Full Access

Complete the form below to register your members account.

Already have an account? [Log in.](#)

Email

First Name

Last Name

Password

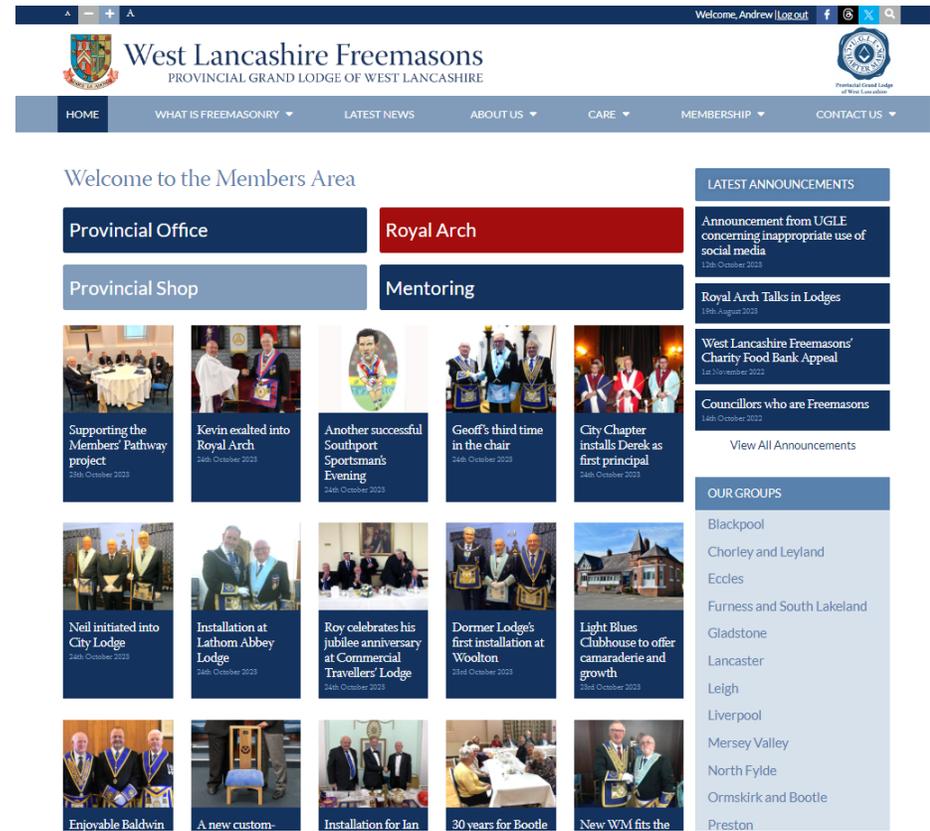
Password Again

Your Date of Birth

I agree to the Privacy Policy

MEMBERS HOMEPAGE

- Care
- Membership
- Contact Us
- Provincial Office
- Royal Arch
- Mentoring
- Provincial Shop
- Latest News
- Our Groups



The screenshot shows the 'Members Area' homepage for West Lancashire Freemasons. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the provincial logo and the text 'West Lancashire Freemasons PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF WEST LANCASHIRE'. Below this is a secondary navigation menu with links for HOME, WHAT IS FREEMASONRY, LATEST NEWS, ABOUT US, CARE, MEMBERSHIP, and CONTACT US. The main content area is titled 'Welcome to the Members Area' and features several key sections: 'Provincial Office' (highlighted in red), 'Provincial Shop', 'Royal Arch', and 'Mentoring'. A grid of 15 news items follows, each with a small image and a title. To the right, there are sections for 'LATEST ANNOUNCEMENTS' and 'OUR GROUPS', which lists various local lodges such as Blackpool, Chorley and Leyland, Eccles, and others.

Welcome to the Members Area

Provincial Office **Royal Arch**

Provincial Shop Mentoring

Supporting the Members' Pathway project
29th October 2023

Kevin exalted into Royal Arch
24th October 2023

Another successful Southport Sportsman's Evening
24th October 2023

Geoff's third time in the chair
24th October 2023

City Chapter installs Derek as first principal
24th October 2023

Neil initiated into City Lodge
24th October 2023

Installation at Lathom Abbey Lodge
24th October 2023

Roy celebrates his jubilee anniversary at Commercial Travellers' Lodge
24th October 2023

Dormer Lodge's first installation at Woolton
23rd October 2023

Light Blues Clubhouse to offer camaraderie and growth
23rd October 2023

Enjoyable Baldwin

A new custom-

Installation for Ian

30 years for Bootle

New WM fits the

LATEST ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcement from UGLE concerning inappropriate use of social media
12th October 2023

Royal Arch Talks in Lodges
19th August 2023

West Lancashire Freemasons' Charity Food Bank Appeal
1st November 2022

Councillors who are Freemasons
14th October 2022

View All Announcements

OUR GROUPS

Blackpool
Chorley and Leyland
Eccles
Furness and South Lakeland
Gladstone
Lancaster
Leigh
Liverpool
Mersey Valley
North Fylde
Ormskirk and Bootle
Preston

CONTACT HALL SUPPORT GROUP

Welcome, Andrew | [Log out](#)    



Provincial Grand Lodge
of West Lancashire

MEMBERSHIP ▾ CONTACT US ▾

- > Membership enquiry
- > Contact the Provincial office
- > Contact a group secretary
- > Contact a secretary / scribe Ezra
- > Contact the Charity team
- > Contact the WLFC
- > Contact the Care team
- > Contact the Mentoring team
- > **Contact the Hall Support Group**
- > Press enquiry

To Contact the Hall Support Group, click on Membership and then on the Halls Support Group tab.

This will open the contact form and you can complete the form with the required information and upload a file if required - tick the Captcha Box and then click submit.



The Halls Support Group mission statement is:

Promoting Sustainable Development

The Halls Support Group is formed to provide support and advice to the management teams of our halls.

The experience within the group is broad based and extensive.

Clarity – Collaboration – Accountability

Please complete this form to send a message to the Hall Support Group.

Your name (required) *

First Last

Your telephone number

Your email *

Your message (required) *

File No file chosen Max. file size: 32 MB.

CAPTCHA I'm not a robot 

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CONTACT HALL SUPPORT GROUP



westlancshalls
To: Andrew Whittle

2023 HSG Seminar

Good evening Andy

Your test message was received OK.

If you would forward your PowerPoint presentation to me, it can be added to the other presentations on my memory stick.

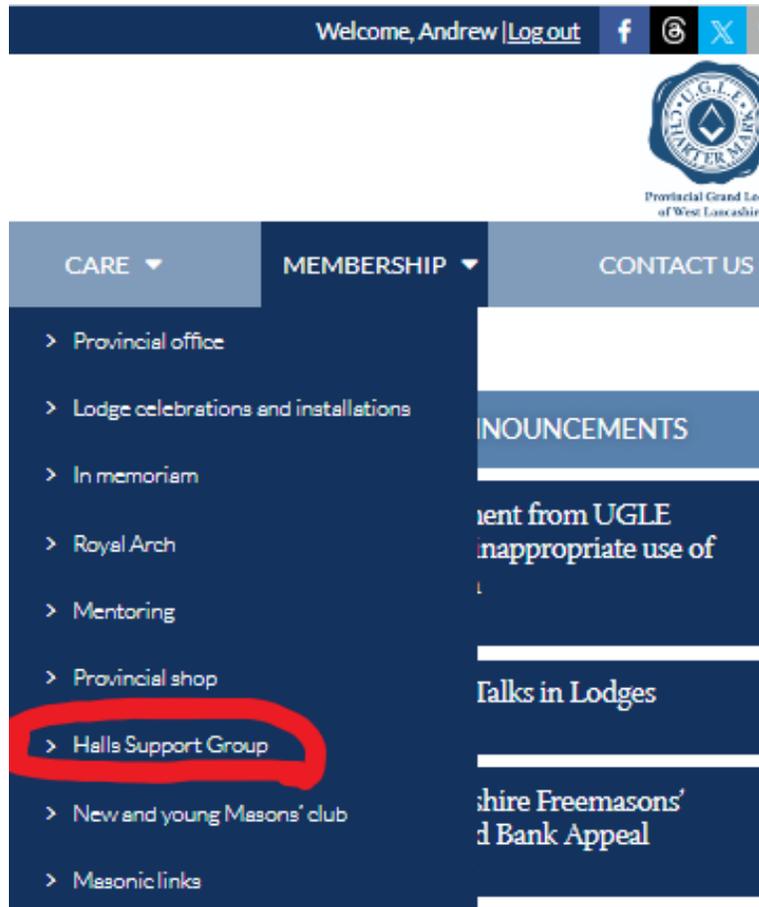
I am aiming to test the presentations - memory stick - laptop - projector link

Hopefully, before Monday morning.

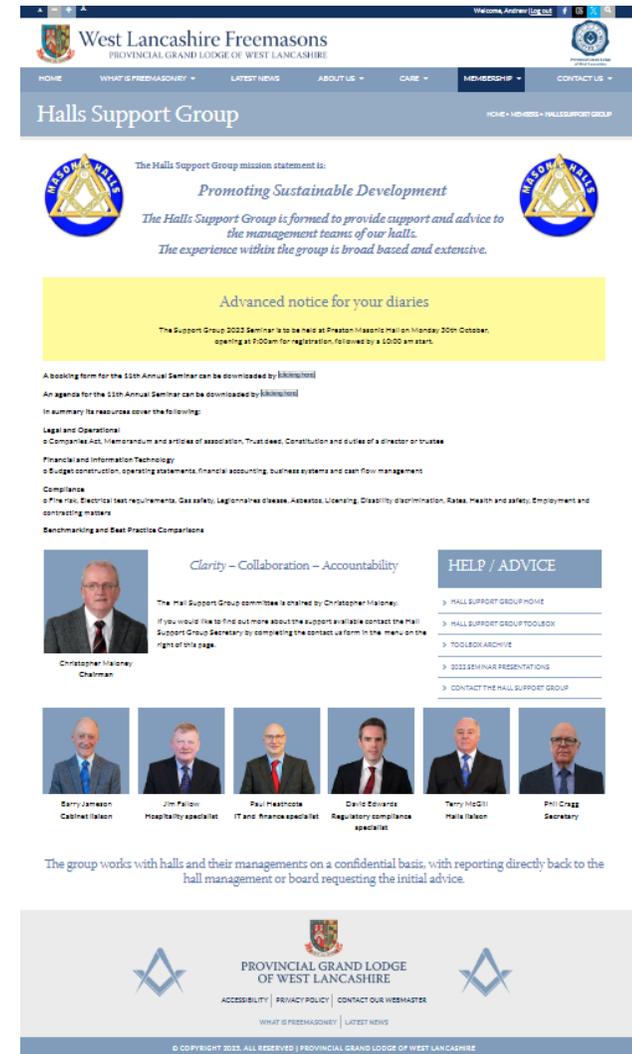
Kind regards

Phil

HALL SUPPORT GROUP PAGE



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Halls Support Group

HOME > MEMBERS > HALLS SUPPORT GROUP



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Advanced notice for your diaries

The Support Group 2023 Seminar is to be held at Preston Masonic Hall on Monday 30th October, opening at 9:00am for registration, followed by a 10:00 am start.

A booking form for the 11th Annual Seminar can be downloaded by [clicking here](#)

An agenda for the 11th Annual Seminar can be downloaded by [clicking here](#)

In summary its resources cover the following:

Legal and Operational

o Companies Act, Memorandum and articles of association, Trust deed, Constitution and duties of a director or trustee

Financial and Information Technology

o Budget construction, operating statements, financial accounting, business systems and cash flow management

HALL SUPPORT GROUP PAGE



Christopher Maloney
Chairman

Clarity – Collaboration – Accountability

The Hall Support Group committee is chaired by Christopher Maloney.

If you would like to find out more about the support available contact the Hall Support Group Secretary by completing the contact us form in the menu on the right of this page.

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Barry Jameson
Cabinet liaison



Jim Fallow
Hospitality specialist



Paul Heathcote
IT and finance specialist



David Edwards
Regulatory compliance
specialist



Terry McGill
Halls liaison



Phil Cragg
Secretary

The group works with halls and their managements on a confidential basis, with reporting directly back to the hall management or board requesting the initial advice.

HALL SUPPORT GROUP TOOLBOX

Hall Support Group toolbox

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On this page you will find a selection of documents available to download.

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UGLE Masonic hall
guidance document

Draft Masonic hall safety
policy

Draft Masonic hall fire risk
assessment

Draft guide for directors of
a Masonic hall

Masonic hall review letter
March 2019

Building Functionality
Checklist

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Toolbox Archive

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2021 Seminar Presentations

Letter to hall managers
Update 01 31 03 2020

Letter to hall managers
Update 2 02 04 2020

Letter to hall managers
Update 3 08 04 2020.

Letter to hall managers
Update 4 23 04 2020

Bounce Back Loans
Update_5 29-04-2020

Masonic Hall Guidelines Ver
1 10.07.20

Corona Virus Toolbox

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2022 SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS



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On this page you will find the seminar agenda and copies of the presenter's slides.



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Agenda

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Presentation 1

[A Case Study - Barrow
Masonic Hall
Dennis Laird](#)

Presentation 2

[Maintenance Systems
Dr David Case](#)

Presentation 3

[Practical Examples
Dr David Case](#)

Presentation 4

[HR Support
Debbie Mosley](#)

Presentation 5

[Regulatory Compliance
David Edwards](#)

MEMBERS ARE - ABOUT US

Our lodges

HOME > ABOUT US > OUR LODGES

Listed below are all the lodges and their meeting dates for all the lodges that meet in the Province.

To find the group you want type the name in the search box or scroll down the table.

If you become aware of any errors or omissions in this website please inform our webmaster by completing this contact form

Search:

Lodge name	Number	Group	Installation month	Meeting dates
Ashlar Lodge	5154	Blackpool	October	Third Friday September to May
Mereside Lodge	6360	Blackpool	April	First Monday September to April. First Tuesday May
Blackpool Lodge	1476	Blackpool	February	Second Tuesday September to May
Symphony Lodge	4924	Blackpool	March	First Thursday September to May
St John's Lodge	2825	Blackpool	October	Fourth Wednesday September to May (Except December). Third Tuesday October
Rectitude Lodge of Blackpool	4122	Blackpool	April	Third Wednesday September to May
Progress Lodge	4120	Blackpool	January	Fourth Tuesday September to April. Second Thursday December
Peace and Unity Lodge	3966	Blackpool	March	Fourth Friday September to April
North Shore Lodge	7916	Blackpool	May	Second Wednesday October to May
Saturnian Lodge	7563	Blackpool	November	Third Saturday October to May
Great Marton Lodge	3985	Blackpool	February	First Wednesday October to May
Emblem Lodge	6727	Blackpool	February	First Friday October to June
Clifton Lodge	703	Blackpool	December	First Thursday September to June (Except January)
Brotherhood Lodge	3967	Blackpool	October	Second Thursday October to May
Blackpool Temperance Lodge	5303	Blackpool	January	Third Tuesday October to November and February to May. Third Friday December. Third Saturday January

Groups in West Lancashire

HOME > GROUPS IN WEST LANCASHIRE

Freemasons meet in lodges, each lodge has a name and a number.

Usually several lodges come together to share the same venue, typically a Masonic hall, though not necessarily. Masonic halls are grouped together to form a Masonic group. A group chairman and his team are responsible for the organisation and well-being of the members, lodges and Royal Arch chapters in their group.

The following list shows the 17 groups in the Province of West Lancashire. Please click each link below for more information.



Blackpool



Chorley and Leyland



Eccles



Furness and South Lakeland



Gladstone



Lancaster



Leigh



Liverpool





PUBLIC FACING - ABOUT US

Is it time for a change?

- When you click on a Group should you see pictures of the Halls in that Group?
- If so, what information needs to be available when you click on a Hall?

St Annes

Built in 1900 as the St Annes Public Hall and Tearooms, it was altered in 1910 to a cinema. The Blackpool Winter Gardens bought the building in 1925, enlarged the cinema, and put in a sprung dance floor (where the lodge room is now).

The Blue Room was a cafe, usually for afternoon teas to accompany the 'Tea Dances'. There was a billiard room in the basement, but with the Freemasons buying the building circa 1959 and carrying out major alterations to remodel the interior, the lowering of the lower floor to accommodate the market, and the fitting of a new floor to create the main dining area upstairs, this along with the creation of the lodge rooms has resulted in the current building.

Recent exterior renovations have added to the looks and expected longevity of the building.



The Palace.

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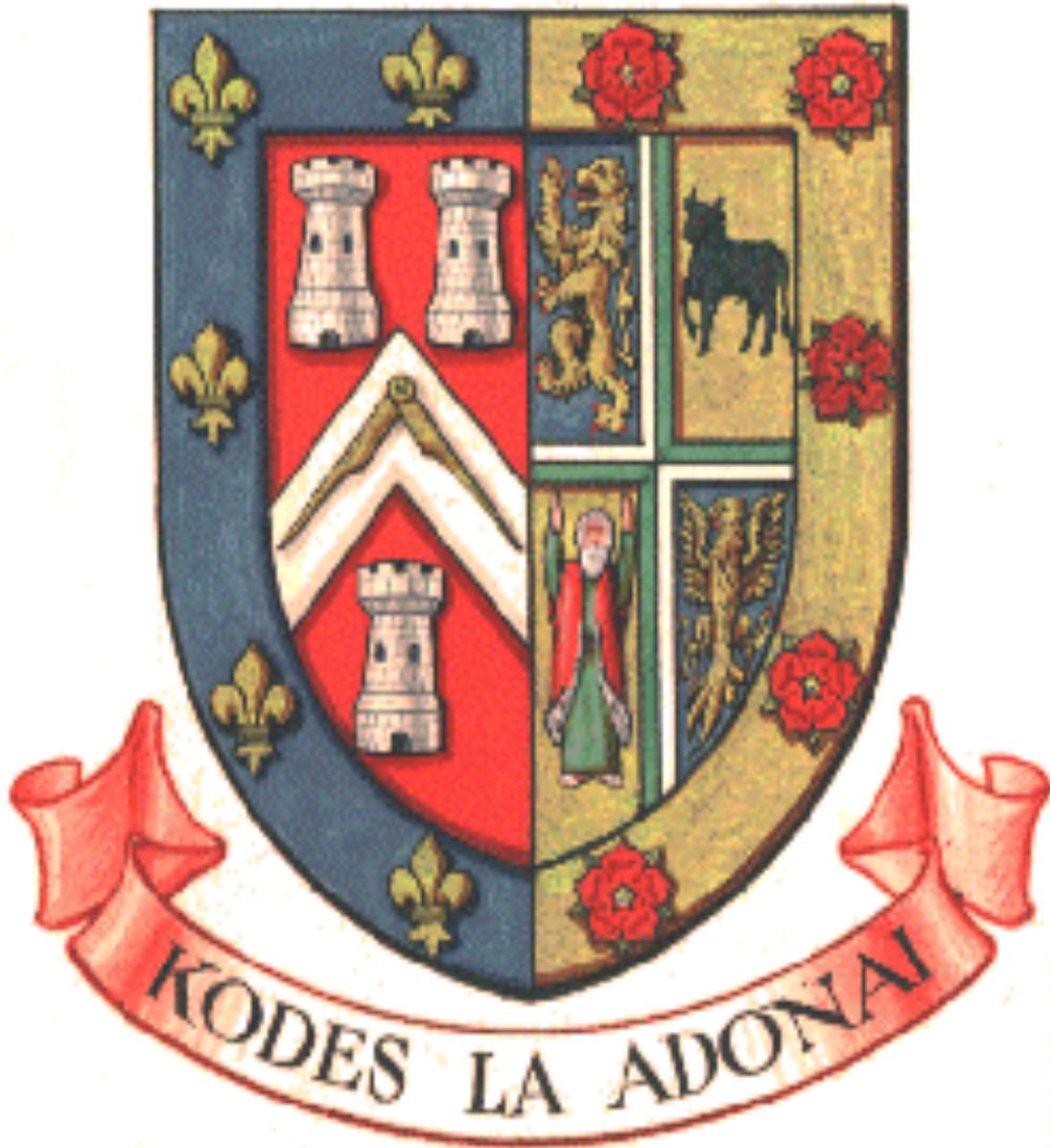
- History of the Hall
- Description of Facilities
- Disability Friendly
- Facilities e.g. lift
- Available for private hire
- Menus / Prices
- Contact Details
- Who writes the content?



MEMBERSHIP HALL SIGNS

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COMMUNICATIONS

COMMUNICATION

- Send three and fourpence, we're going to a dance
- To achieve a common understanding between two or more people
- Both attribute the same meaning to the information that is exchanged.



BASIC RULES



- Achieve
- Audience
- Content
- Clarity
- Engage
- Empathy
- Style

METHODOLOGY-THE BEST MEDIUM TO USE



VERBAL



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ELECTRONIC



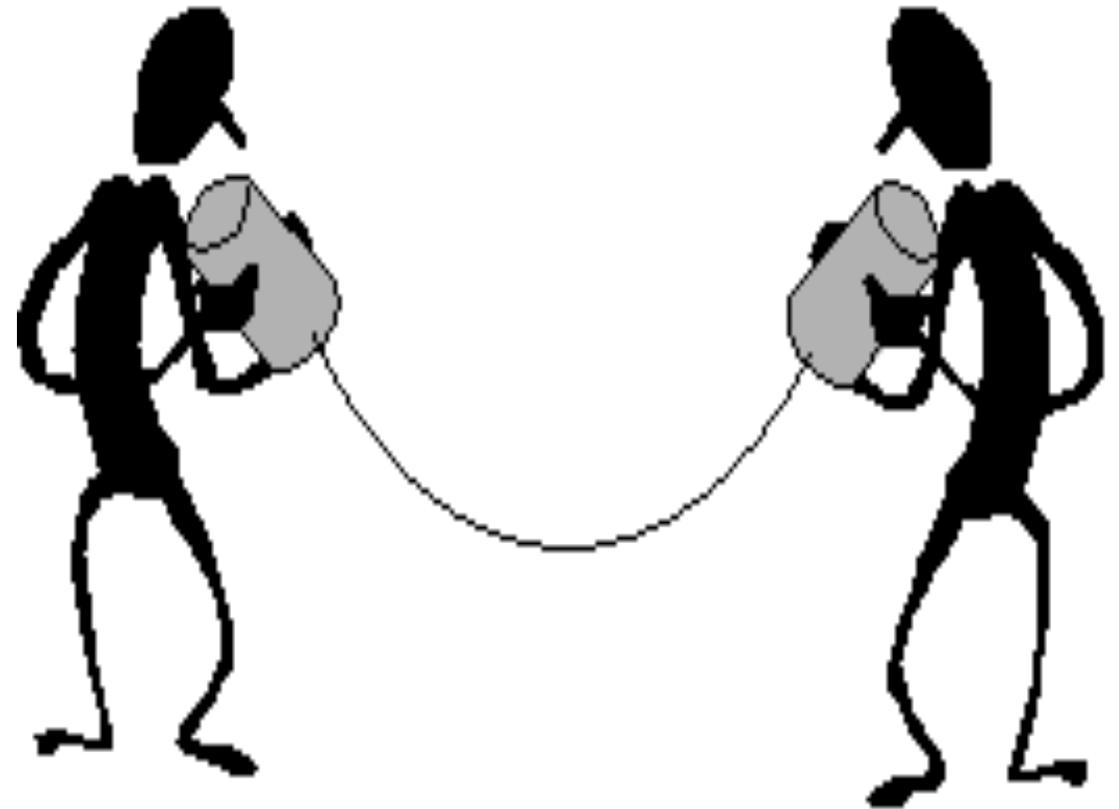
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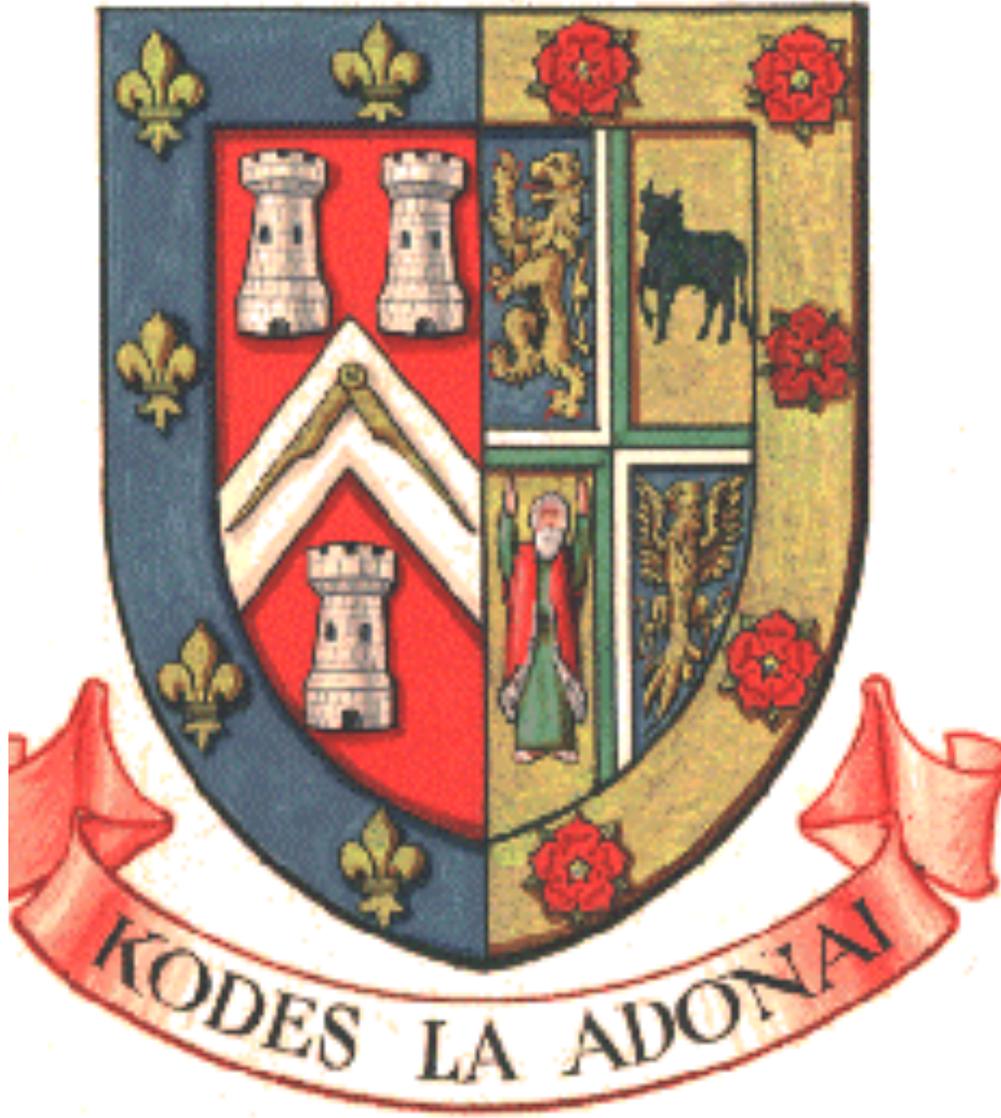


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APPS





HERE IN WEST LANCASHIRE

- UGLE
- Website
- Facebook
- X - Twitter
- Threads
- Mailchimp
- Email
- Letter
- Phone

LET'S SUM UP

- Rocket Science?
- Considerations
- Think outside the box
- Realistic expectations
- Sense of humour





Any Questions