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OF THE CITY OF LEICESTER



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*Leicester Banquet:
Master & Lady, Patron Col R J Martin & wife Janie, & invited guests*



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The Residents' Coronation Party



The decorated community room



The Food was excellent

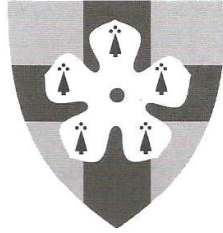


“The one that got away”



The entertainment of the evening

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Editor's Comments

*"The English know how to make the best of things.
Their so-called muddling through is simply skill at dealing with the inevitable."*
Winston Churchill



Hello again!

As usual for this time of year, everyone's been busy. The Board continues with its maintenance work at Freemen's Holt, and now the building work is complete there are a couple of bungalows available – and believe me (having moved in a few months ago) it really is a fabulous place to live – very peaceful, and it feels safe. The residents were treated to a party to celebrate the King's coronation, which was great fun – thank you to the folks who organized it. Members of the Gild have also been kept on their toes during the last three months with a variety of events outlined throughout this issue.

Coming up is the Skittles Night, a Fish & Chip supper at the Holt, the annual pantomime and a couple of 'Making Free Ceremonies' this autumn.

Thanks to Lynn, John and Derek for their articles. If you'd like to contribute an article, we'd be delighted to hear from you – maybe you have an interesting story to tell, or perhaps you've researched your family history and discovered something interesting about your ancestors. Just a short article is all we need, so please put pen to paper, or fingers to keyboard. My contact details are on page 18.

Val Moore

Report by Malcolm Ballard, Master of the Gild



We are now more than six months into this year, time goes so quickly and I can't believe that it is three months since I became Master of the Gild. So far it has been a busy but fulfilling time for me. Since the last Gildhall News was published in May I have passed over my role as Editor to Val Moore, who now lives at the Holt and was willing to take the task on again.

Also since May, we have had a series of events to carry out for the Freemen.

The first that Mary and myself attended was the Banquet of the outgoing Lord Mayor Councillor George Cole which was held at The Grand Hotel Leicester – this was themed "What Makes Leicester Great". It was a most enjoyable evening with a lot of performing acts from different cultures taking part, and all proceeds went to the Lord Mayors named charity which is Sickle Cell.

On the 11th May, we were invited by the Lord Lieutenant, Mr Michael Kapur,

OBE to a service to celebrate the Coronation of HM King Charles III at St Mary de Castro. Mary, myself and Peter and Jean Bates attended. It was a lovely and moving service.

Saturday 13th May was the Coventry Guild Banquet at St Mary's Guildhall which Mary and myself attended along with Mick and Jean Ayres. We had a great evening meeting with old and new friends to enjoy good food. The following day was the robed procession from the Town Hall to Holy Trinity Church Broadgate for the Freeman's Service. These events are open for everyone to attend.

On the 18th May I was invited to attend the council chambers at the Town Hall for the swearing in of the New Lord Mayor Councillor Dr Susan Barton.

A little later than normal on the weekend of 10th and 11th of June we held our Annual Banquet and this year we went back to Devonshire Place, Leicester, following a request from several members. Those that attended enjoyed a good choice of menu and silver service to the table. The food was excellent with everyone enjoying their choices. The Lord Lieutenant Michael Kapur OBE gave a speech which was very entertaining and informative. Unfortunately due to a throat condition Colonel Robert Martin was unable to make a speech on the night. Derek Austin of FEW, and Hazel Hague Master of York Guild made speeches.

The Freeman's church service and robed parade was held on Sunday 11th June at St Andrews Church, Aylestone and was led by the Rector Rowena. The readings were given by Sue Freeman and Jean Bates. Sadly Colonel Martin and Micheal Kappur were both unable to attend for personal reasons.

This was a truly memorable weekend for all and I want to give my thanks to Mary who made it all possible by organising and arranging the whole event – without her none of this would have been possible.

The 24th June was a very busy day due to having the Armed Forces Day Parade and service in the morning and the Damask Rose Ceremony in the afternoon. The Gild were invited to robe for this event and myself, Sue Freeman, Lynn and Brian Roffee, Peter and Jean Bates, Peter Staines and Jeff Lewitt were able to represent the Gild and show our appreciation for the armed forces. This was a well attended day by members of the public. It was a very hot day, thankfully plenty of water was available.

The parade started from Jubilee Square marching down High Street, Gallowtree Gate, Horsefair Street and onto Green Dragon Square. This was a very moving ceremony and an honour to be a part of. The Royal Anglicans led the Drum Head Service and the Cottesmore Wives Choir performed for us.

The only downside was the inability to have an arranged fly past due to mechanical problems with the aircraft.

Following the parade we had the Damask Rose Ceremony where the Lord Mayor invited the Gild of Freeman to process with her from the Town Hall to O'Neills Public House in Loseby Lane. We were ably led by Chris Rhodes the Mace Bearer who unfortunately had injured his hand and was unable to carry the Mace.

We have two Hereditary Making Free ceremonies at the Town Hall coming up on the 27th September and the 25th October, which I will be attending.

We have further dates for the diary, the annual return skittles event against the Coventry Guild on the 11th August at Barnacle Village Hall.

There is also the annual visit to the pantomime at the Little Theatre, and as before there are a limited number of tickets available.

I have organised a Fish and Chip Supper at the Holt Community Centre for residents and other freemen and friends. This will be on September 16th and is £12 per person. There will be a raffle and some form of entertainment (yet to be decided). A booking form is enclosed.

Finally I would like to ask everyone to seriously think about joining the Gild. We need people to bring fresh and interesting ideas into the organisation and to help bring events to fruition. We need your help!

Which brings me to announce that Maurice Hill has had to retire as a deputy through ill health, after many years of devoted service. I am sure that all would like to send him good wishes during this time.

*Malcolm Ballard
Master of The Guild*

Report by Chair of the Board, Lynn Roffee



As I write this report in July, it seems that the weather pattern has already started to change seasons.

Since the start of the year, sadly two long serving Deputies have had to retire from the Board due to health reasons. Brian Mudford, a past Chairman, had served as a Deputy for sixteen years, retired at the start of the year. Maurice Hill, also a former Chairman had served as a Deputy for twenty years, retired in June. Over these years both Brian and Maurice made a significant contribution to the Charity and their absence will be missed. On behalf of the Board of Deputies, the staff, and all the Freemen of the City of Leicester, I would like to thank Brian and Maurice for

their service and wish them all the best for the future.

On a positive note, Sue Pallett joined the Board as a Deputy in February. We currently have a total of fourteen Deputies which is a very good number to have. If you would like to become a Deputy or would like further information about the role, please contact the office for further information.

If you have family members who are eligible to take their Freedom and wish to do so, the Town Hall are planning Making Free Ceremonies in September and October this year. These ceremonies are organized by the Town Hall and are not held that often so please speak with your family and let them know there is a planned event. Please contact the Lord Mayors Office for further information.

The Board Meetings for the rest of 2023 are Wednesday 6th September and Wednesday 6th December. Board Meetings take place in the Community Centre

at Freeman's Holt, starting at 19:30. All Freeman are most welcome and encouraged to attend.

The building work across the estate has now been completed. Whilst we are very pleased with the work carried out, it is nice to get back to normal. The bungalow fences have been painted which has made the estate look neater.

Bungalow Vacancies

We currently have one standard and one extended bungalow vacant. No.9 has been extended to add an extra room and lobby. The additional room can be used as a bedroom or dining room. The work included; new kitchen, new wet room, decorated throughout and larger rear patio.

If you would like to see the floor plan or would like any further information about the current vacancies please contact the office. You would be more than welcome to visit the vacant bungalows and look around the estate.

Below are some photos of No.9:



*Lynn Roffee
Chair of the Board*

Programme of Future Events

Skittles Night, Friday 11th August: Don't forget – the battle is on – let's thrash that Coventry lot!

Fish and chip supper at the Holt: 16th September, 6.30 pm, booking form enclosed

Making Free Ceremonies: 27th September and the 25th October. Contact the Lord Mayor's Office for further details: Tel **0116 4540020** or Email **lord.mayor@leicester.gov.uk**. Anyone interested should do this quickly so applications can be processed in time.

Annual Pantomime: Friday 15th December 7.00 pm Visit to Pantomime "Puss in Boots" at the Little Theatre. Booking form enclosed, don't delay in booking – our seat allocation always sells out very quickly

The Residents' Coronation Party

In March I wrote to all the residents at the Holt suggesting that we celebrate the coronation of King Charles and asking for volunteers to form a working party to organise the event. The response was more enthusiastic than I expected and it eventually became necessary to say to prospective volunteers that their services were surplus to requirements and that the committee was already bursting at the seams. However, thank you to all of you who were willing to offer your services. And thank you to the Board of Deputies who contributed £500 towards the cost of the event.

The committee held their first meeting on Tuesday 14th March when the discussion centred around the date and time of the party, food and drink, decorations, entertainment, and who to invite. Responsibility for organising the food and drink was taken on by Brenda Hargrave and the organising of the decorations was taken on by Jo Lewis, and those of you who attended the party will testify what an excellent job they did.

That is not to say that the other members of the committee did not do anything because everyone pulled their weight in sharing the workload. The whole committee consisted of John Tolton, Josie Tolton, Shirley Jinks, Pete Jinks, Peter Staines, Mick Ayres, Brenda Hargrave, Jo Lewis, and Pat Manship. Over the course of the next two months regular meetings were held and the organisation of the event progressed smoothly.

On the day before the party and on the morning of the event volunteers came from everywhere to help set up the hall fit for a coronation. As part of the warm up to the party guests had been asked to provide a photograph of themselves in their younger days which were then placed around the community room for us to identify. Not everyone provided a picture but there were plenty sufficient to provide entertainment as guests started to arrive for the celebratory lunch and they created much amusement and guesswork.

The food was a delightful selection of sandwiches and various savoury items along with a selection of cakes and sweet puddings and the residents were very polite and civilized during the collection of the buffet service. It had been

expected that there would be plenty of time for games after the lunch but we either ate slowly, or we talked a lot, because the time flew past leaving little time for post lunch games.

The partner of a new Board Member, Linda Norman, plays in a group called 'Sumfin Else' and they volunteered their services for the evening's entertainment and they provided us with a selection of memorable music from the 50's to the 70's.

John Tolton

Contributions to Gildhall News

Glimpses of Ancient Leicester

I have recently had passed to me a book by a neighbour entitled 'Glimpses of Ancient Leicester' written by Mrs T. Fielding Johnson and first published in 1891. The book is neatly divided into six parts each describing the condition of Leicester during the following events during our history:

- Roman Leicester
- Leicester under the Anglo Saxons and Danes
- Leicester under the Norman and Plantagenet Earls
- Leicester in the Sixteenth Century
- The Siege of Leicester
- Leicester at the end of the Eighteenth Century

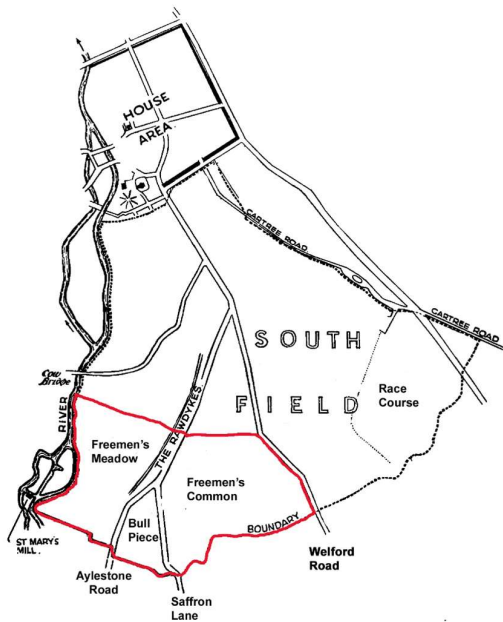
Quite recently I wrote a brief account of the Siege of Leicester and our contribution to the Civil War so I will not bore you with a second rendition of Leicester's war effort except to relate to you an incident that may be of interest. In 1645 there was stationed on the walls surrounding Leicester a young 16-year-old soldier by the name of John Bunyan providing sentinel duties with a comrade of his. Sadly, the comrade whilst providing cover for John Bunyan was killed on duty and the event so greatly affected him that he dates his conversion to religion from that event. There is no hard evidence to verify the incident but he was certainly stationed at Newport Pagnell as Private Bunyan and troupes from that garrison were billeted in Leicester during the siege.

It is in the last section that an item really captured my interest and that relates to the dispute between the corporation and the freemen. All of the members of the corporation were freemen, but not all freemen were members of the corporation, nor ever likely to be. In 1489 Henry VII withdrew the right of freemen to take part in voting for membership of the court, and for attending as observers at court meetings, instead introducing a self-electing court of 24 burghesses and a second tier of 48 comburghesses selected by the 24. This situation remained that way until 1835, at which time the council were no longer freemen but elected from the population at large.

The dispute began in 1755 when the corporation attempted to enclose the whole of the South Fields, an area of land conferred by Simon de Montfort in the 13th century upon the freemen of Leicester the exclusive privilege of pasture and arable farming. By enclosing the land by Act of Parliament the privilege

from time immemorial of the right of farming would be abolished. To aggravate the grievance of the freemen there was the suspicion that the council were granting leases to two aldermen who had used their influence to acquire the leases. In September of that year an angry crowd marched to the South Fields and destroyed all the fencing that had been erected to mark out the leases and made bonfire of the materials. There were also attacks on the properties of the town councillors with broken windows and damage to street paving. The corporation sought the advice of legal council but were advised that under the existing lease the freemen were within their rights to destroy the fencing.

At a Common Hall in 1757 the corporation ordered that the present leases enjoyed by the freemen should be renewed as pasture for horses and cattle and the dispute came to an end. Parts of the South Field were enclosed and utilised for the benefit of the town residents; Gartree Road between the Horsefair and London Road was pedestrianised as the New Walk and an area that is now known as Victoria Park became a race course. To compensate for the loss of pasturage as parts of the South Field were sold, an Enclosure Act in 1804 allotted lands known as the Freeman's Common, Freeman's Meadows, and the Bull Piece to the Freemen as freehold property along with the management of the estate by freemen elected as a Board of Deputies.



1804 Enclosure Act
Lands Acquired by Freemen

John Tolton
Gild Archivist

A Freemen Remembered

Edward John Yearby

Today there is a board in the Community Centre at Freeman's Holt titled "*List of Chairman of the Board of Deputies*" showing the names of all the Chairman (now known as "Chair") since 1899. The first name is that of Edward John Yearby (1856-1936) who was the Chairman in 1899. Edward was educated at Alderman Newton's which he knew in its Greencoat days. He left school in 1870 and was then apprenticed to H T and W Chambers – Builders & Contractors.

At the age of eighteen Edward was one of the young Tories who formed the

first committee of the first Conservative Working Men's Club. From that day he had been in the thick of practically every political fight in Leicester. It wasn't long before Edward set himself up to run his own business and went on to acquire substantial property and land in the City, County and Kettering.

He was married to Hagar Gertrude Blackwell, and they had seven children – Gertrude May, Grace Margaret, Dora Adelaide, Agnes Beatrice, Edward John, Frank Victor, Cyril Bagley. According to Wikipedia, Grace Road, Leicester is named after his daughter Grace and not W G Grace, the amateur cricketer who was widely considered to be one of England's greatest players.

On the 11 November 1916 the Leicester Mercury published “*A Personal Sketch*” of Edward, who had been a member of the Town Council for twenty five years at that time. It stated that:

“He did not find it all smooth sailing when he first entered the Town Council. His outspoken manner was not exactly relished by political opponents, and at times he carries his opposition even to the point of voting against his own party. He was never half hearted in his attitude towards any cause.

It is not unfitting to recall to the public mind a few facts in regard to his work on behalf of the ratepayers. Before the days of the “party truce” Edward John Yearby was rightly regarded as one of the most ardent fighters in the ranks of Leicester Unionists, and that after the war is over, he will fight again, and fight hard, no one can doubt. At the present time, when party strife is hushed, the other side of Alderman Yearby's character is to the forefront. Those who imagine he can only talk know little or nothing about him. True, he is a man with definite opinions, and is not shy in expressing them, whether what he says proves palatable or the reverse. But he is a man of business experience, willing and able to work many hours of every day. As Chairman of the Highways and Sewerage Committee he will have plenty of scope for work, and that he will take that work seriously is beyond doubt”.

A memorial window was erected by Edward in memory of his three children – Dora Adelaide, Agnes Beatrice and Frank Victor. The memorial window was unveiled in 1928 by the Lord Mayor Alderman J Thomas and dedicated by the Rev. C E Jenkins, a former vicar of St Paul's who was residing in Brussels. The Leicester Mail reported that “*the subjects are exquisitely portrayed*”. The inscription across the foot of the panel reads “*To the Glory of God and the loving memory of these children of Hagar Gertrude and Edward John Yearby, Alderman of this City, this window is dedicated, A.D. 1928*”.

On the 30 September 1933 the Leicester Evening Mail reported that Edward had made a further gift of three stained glass windows to complete the Lady Chapel at St Paul's. The new windows are alongside the three other windows to the memory of his children. This gift was a memorial to his parents and a “*thank you offering*” for a long life. The windows portray Edward, King and Martyr, St John the Divine and King Edward the Confessor.

When Edward died at the age of 79 his will contained several bequests to charities as well as family members. These included:

- A trust for the upkeep and repair of the memorial windows and family graves.
- Music for the Choir at St Paul's

- The Leicester Royal Infirmary – where he had been a life Governor
- The Leicester Blind Institution
- The Leicester Cripples Guild
- Leicester Deaf and Dumb Institution
- Lilian Castle – Housekeeper
- Stanley Howard – Chauffeur

Edward had been one of the oldest members of the Market Harborough Freemasons (St Peter's Lodge).

His sons all took their Freedom and below are a few facts about them:

Edward John Yearby (Junior) 1885–1938)

Edward was a carpenter/joiner in civilian life. He enlisted in the 2nd Battalion Leicester Regiment and by 12th December 1914 was in France.

Cyril Bagley 1898-1985

The 1911 Census shows Cyril as a Boarder at Bromyard Grammar School, Herefordshire. During the First World War Cyril he saw service as a Private in the Rifle Brigade (Prince Consort's Own). After the war he became a chemist and the 1939 Register shows Edward residing in Fulham. Cyril died at the age of 86 in Ventnor, Isle of Wight.

Frank Victor Yearby 1886-1917

Frank's civilian occupation was that of Fireman; he was based at the Fire Station in Rutland Street, Leicester. Lance Corporal Yearby, a gunner in the Royal Marine Light Infantry, was aboard the SS "Kingswood" when it was in collision with a French Vessel near Belle Isle on 15 March 1917. He drowned as a result of the collision and was the only man that died, and his body was not recovered for burial. His address was given as "Brentwood" 149 Narborough Road, Leicester.



*Left, Edward Yearby, courtesy BNA The Leicester Mercury, 28-5-1936;
Right, Memorial window to the Yearbys' children, BNA The Leicester Mail 25-5-1928
Thanks to the British Newspaper Archive (BNA)*

Lynn Roffee

News from the Freemen of England and Wales Association (FEW)

Leicester Gild members who hold individual FEW membership will have received their summer issue of the FEW Journal in June. Non members can receive a specimen on-line copy by request to my FEW e-mail address of 4smw@mypostoffice.co.uk

The FEW Spring Court Meeting was held in York in March: there were some new nominations for the Executive Committee; and some long serving officers standing down. These include the President and Journal editor Tom Gibson, with significant health issues, and Alan Shelley as Vice President after 20 years service – and also with health issues at 83 years old. Our thanks to them both for their devoted service.

The 2023 FEW AGM and Officer installations will be held at the invitation of the City of Lincoln Freemen's Gild on Saturday 23rd September in the Lincoln Hotel in Eastgate, Lincoln. A banquet will be held in the evening and a church service the next day. Further details are available at www.facebook.com/FreemenOfEnglandWales.

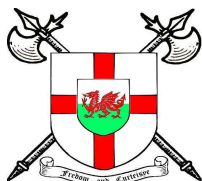
Local news from the other Freemen's Guilds in the FEW South Midlands Area includes:

Coventry Freemen's Guild

The Guild Banquet was held in the refurbished St Mary's Greathall on 13th May, numbers were down significantly compared with previous years, which does not bode well for continuing use. The Guild were pleased to welcome Freemen from London, Leicester, Chester and York Gilds The next day saw a robed procession behind the Guild banner to the Church of Holy Trinity for a service, with our President the Lord Mayor Cllr Kevin Maton leading the Civic Party of councillors and a Deputy Lieutenant of the West Midlands. Lessons were read by the Lord Mayor and our Guild Master Ron Robinson. Afterwards a return procession to the Council house enjoyed a buffet courtesy of the Council. We hope to welcome Leicester Freemen to the return skittles match at Barnacle village hall on Friday 11th August – booking details were in the May issue of the Gildhall News.

Northampton Freemen's Guild

Freemen Trustees represented the Guild at the annual Oak Apple day celebration on May 29. This commemorates that after the Great Fire of Northampton in 1675, King Charles II donated seven tons of Oak trees to rebuild the town. Shots could be heard across the town, as the Company of Pikemen and Musketiers saluted the Lord-Lieutenant of Northamptonshire Mr James Saunders-Watson.



Derek Austin

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Sudoku

Test your mental agility with our three puzzles.

Each row, column and 3x3 box must contain all the numbers from 1 to 9

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Solutions

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GILD VACANCIES

One of our Gild members has recently stepped down from her position: **Hazel Lake** has been the Gild's Clerk since 2017. We thank her so much for her important contributions and we wish her well for the future.

The Gild now has the following vacancy:

URGENTLY WANTED:

Clerk for the Leicester Gild of Freeman

In the first instance, please contact Malcolm Ballard
on **0116 286 1507** or email **romalc@btinternet.com**

He will arrange for someone to contact you to
discuss the requirements.

*If you have any suggestions for what you would like to see in
future editions of the Gildhall News, or a story you would like
to contribute, please write to the Editor*

Have you changed your address?

In the event that is necessary to inform the Gild or the Board of any change in circumstances, the information should be sent to:

**Leicester Freeman's Deputies
32 Freeman's Holt
Old Church Street
Aylestone
Leicester LE2 8NH**

Telephone: **0116 283 4017**

E-mail: office@leicesterfreemen.com

Leicester Freeman website: www.leicesterfreemen.com

***Copy for the next issue should reach the Editor
by Friday 13th October 2023***

Write with your suggestions and contributions to:

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Leicester
LE2 8NH**

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Leicester Freeman website: www.leicesterfreemen.com

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Facebook: search for "Leicester Gild"



Gild members attending Armed Forces Day, 24th June



The New Lord Mayor, Councillor Dr Susan Barton, pictured with Jeff Lewitt prior to the Damask Rose Ceremony



The Damask Rose ceremony outside O'Neills pub, Loseby Lane

BOOKING FORMS

**Visit to the Little Theatre,
Dover Street, Leicester, to see**

“Puss in Boots”

Friday 15th December 2023, starting at 7pm

Please reserve adult seats at **£16.65** each

..... children’s seats (under 16) at **£14.40** each

Name
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Address
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Postcode Telephone

Email address

I enclose a cheque/postal order for £.....

Made payable to **“Gild of Leicester Freeman”**

Please send to

Malcolm Ballard, 5 Snowdrop Close, Narborough, Leics LE19 3YB

Please print your address in capital letters - we don’t want to send your tickets
to the wrong address!

Applications will be dealt with strictly on a first come, first served basis

Fish & Chip Supper
Saturday 16th September 6.30 pm
In the Community Centre, Freeman's Holt

Tea & Coffee included.
If you would prefer a different drink please feel free to bring your own

Please reserve for me places at **£12** each

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Please send to:

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5 Snowdrop Close,
Narborough, LE19 3YB

Or send email to Malcolm on: **romalc@btinternet.com**

Any queries: Tel: **0777 579 1144** or **0116 286 1507**

Applicants are dealt with on a first-come, first-served basis

The Gild of Freemen of the City of Leicester
GILD PRODUCTS ORDER FORM

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|----|--|--------------------------|----------|
| 1. | Tie - navy | at £10.00 each | = £..... |
| | - green | at £10.00 each | = £..... |
| 2. | Gild Scarf | at £15.00 each | = £..... |
| 3. | Lapel Badge | at £2.50 each | = £..... |
| 4. | Cufflinks | at £16.00 per pair | = £..... |
| 5. | Gild Pens | at £3.00 each | = £..... |
| 6. | Gown, made to measure,
(includes delivery) | price on request | = £..... |
| 7. | Register of the Freemen of Leicester 1986–1996 | £2.50 each | = £..... |
| 8. | Register of the Freemen of Leicester 1931–1985 | £3.50 each | = £..... |

plus postage* @ £2.90 second class
@ £3.40 first class

TOTAL = £.....

I enclose cheque for the above total, made payable to:
“Gild of Leicester Freemen”

NAME

ADDRESS

..... POST CODE

EMAIL ADDRESS

Signed

Please post to:

Sue Freeman, 5 Little Mill Close, BARLESTONE, LEICS. CV13 0HW

Tel: 01455 291771

e-mail: suefreeman10@gmail.com

*Please note that any orders at and above £20 will need to be sent by recorded delivery at £7.25 (contact Sue for further details)

GILD OF FREEMEN OF THE CITY OF LEICESTER
Application for Full Membership

Full Name
(BLOCK LETTERS)

Address

..... Post Code

Tel No.: email address

I am a duly sworn Freeman of the City of Leicester and apply to be enrolled as a Member of the Gild of Freeman, for which I enclose the sum of £10.00 (Enrolment fee of £1.00 plus the first annual subscription of £9.00).

Signature.....Date

Application for Associate Membership

Full Name
(BLOCK LETTERS)

Address

..... Post Code

Tel No.e-mail address

I certify that I am the (please delete where applicable) SPOUSE / WIDOW / WIDOWER / SON / DAUGHTER / GRANDCHILD, aged 18 years or over of

Mr / Mrs / Ms(Freeman of Leicester)

Or

I am a full member of the Guild of Freeman of.....(City or Town)

I apply to be enrolled as an Associate Member of the Gild, for which I enclose the sum of £7.00 (Enrolment Fee of £1.00 plus the first Annual Subscription of £6.00)

Signature.....Date

Please make cheques payable to 'Gild of Leicester Freeman'
and send with this application to:

Malcolm Ballard, 5 Snowdrop Close, Narborough, Leics LE19 3YB

RENEWAL OF GILD MEMBERSHIP
(Payment by Cheque)
FOR THE YEAR 1st APRIL 2023 – 31st MARCH 2024

I would like to pay the annual subscription for my membership/associate membership of the Gild for the year commencing 1st April 2023

Membershipat £9.00 = £.....

Associate Membershipat £6.00 = £.....

My name is (BLOCK CAPITALS).....

My address is (BLOCK CAPITALS).....

.....

Post code.....Telephone.....

e-mail address.....

I enclose a cheque/postal order for £.....

made payable to “**Gild of Leicester Freeman**”

Please post to:

**Malcolm Ballard,
5, Snowdrop Close,
Narborough,
Leics LE19 3YB**

Any queries, please phone Malcolm on **0116 286 1507**

RENEWAL OF GILD MEMBERSHIP

(Payment by Standing Order)

(Kindly complete where marked by all dotted lines)

To: **Malcolm Ballard,
5, Snowdrop Close,
Narborough,
Leics LE19 3YB**

Date.....20.....

I,

agree to pay my Annual Subscription to the Gild of Leicester Freemen on 1st April each year by means of the signed Standing Order that I have sent to my bank.

I understand that the annual subscriptions at present are £9.00 for a full member and £6.00 for an associate member, and that I can stop or amend this Standing Order simply by giving instructions to my bank.

Signature.....

Address.....

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..... Post code

Tel. No.....

email

**Please complete the Standing Order form below,
and send it to your Bank Manager**

STANDING ORDER – PLEASE SEND TO YOUR BANK MANAGER

To: The Manager.....Bank Plc

Address

..... Postcode

Please pay to:- Lloyds Bank Plc,
Old Market Square Branch,
Nottingham NG1 6FD
(Bank Sort Code 30-96-18)

For the account of the **Gild of Leicester Freemen** (Account No. 01409164)

the sum of £.....,

commencing 1st April 20....., and yearly thereafter until further notice.

.....(my surname and initial/s)

Name of account to be debited.....

Account No.....

Signature.....Date..... 20.....

Address.....

.....

Postcode

