

**PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS OF ESSEX**  
**ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2023**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

It is with pleasure that I present the Accounts for the Province for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2023

The Provincial Grand Charity Steward has reported separately on the performance of both the Essex Mark Benevolent Fund and the Essex Mark Welfare Fund. Once again, I would like to add my thanks to those involved in organising the 2030 Festival activities, Mark shop and the Bonus Ball Lottery, all of which raised significant sums of money.

The Item under Special Reserve, this has been increased to cover the additional expected costs of the 2024 AGM and investiture of our new Provincial Grand Master, this reserve was put in place for this purpose.

The significant increase in Sundry Expenses arose from printing of Mark Promotional Material.

The £1,000 we pay annually to the 5 provinces for their forthcoming festivals was this year included in the transfer to the MBF.

The decrease in Bank charges was due to switching Banks from HSBC to the Coop where we now enjoy free banking.

I believe the province has sufficient funds to meet any contingencies that may arise, and that no increase in Annual Dues this year is required.

Finally, I would like to express my thanks to the Provincial Grand Secretary Designate and the Provincial Charity Steward for their assistance in maintaining the financial records, and their continued support.

Clive Snell  
Provincial Grand Treasurer.

**EXAMINERS REPORT**

**We, having been appointed as Examiners report that we have examined the books and other records of the Essex Mark Benevolent Fund, the Essex Mark Welfare Fund and the General Accounts of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Essex and confirm that the accounts as presented agree therewith.**

**Hon. Examiner W.Bro R Sandy**

**Hon. Examiner W.Bro D Wilson**