



The Provincial Grand Lodge  
of Mark Master Masons  
of Durham

R.W. Bro. David Nigel Hanson  
Provincial Grand Master



Sunderland,  
29<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Brethren,

It is with the greatest pleasure that I am able to announce that the following Brethren from the Province of Durham have been offered, and have accepted, Grand Rank in the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and its Districts and Lodges Overseas:

**Promotions.**

W. Bro. John Maurice Nye - P.G.J.O.

W. Bro. Martin Rankin - P.G.J.D.

W. Bro. Robert Taylor Watson - P.G.J.D.

These Brethren will be invested at Grand Lodge on 12<sup>th</sup> September, from which date their new rank is effective.

**First Appointments.**

W. Bro. John David Watts - Grand Steward

W. Bro. John Strachan Denham - P.A.G.D.C.

W. Bro. Mark Julian Gilpin – P.A.G.D.C.

W. Bro. William Elliott Hobson – P.G.St.B.

W. Bro. David Battensby – P.A.G.St.B.

These Brethren will be invested at Grand Lodge on 13<sup>th</sup> June, from which date their new rank is effective.

Brethren, I am sure that you will all join with me in congratulating them all on their preferment.

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

*David Nigel Hanson*  
Provincial Grand Master.