The newsletter of Zetland Hall

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Brethren



Lodge and order meetings

Meetings at Zetland Hall have been suspended for the time being due to the virus situation.

However, dining may still occur – albeit according to the regulations in force. Please avail yourself for lunch, or for a casual dinner with the brethren of your lodge. The Friday Curry Lunch is not being served for this duration.

Chairman's message - 23 December

The Government has extended the current social distancing regulations for a further 14 days until 6 January 2021.

Catering establishments must cease the sale of F&B at 6.00 p.m. The seating capacity remains at 50% of the catering space, the minimum distance between tables continues with only 2 people to a table permitted. These are the restrictions for any meals which are not formal banquets.

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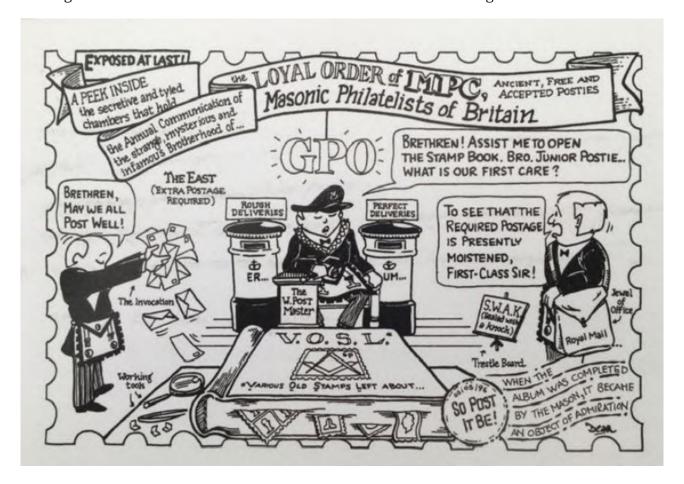
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Banquets are restricted to 20 persons, which is 10 tables of 2 people.

If you dispense with formal banquet activities (toasts etc) the standard dining rules apply.

All F&B is to be consumed at a table. The rule that masks must be worn other than when dining in all areas of the building continues.

The Hall remains open for lunch and early evening club activities, such as committee meetings. The meals do not have to be linked with a masonic meeting.



We all have to comply with the Government's social distancing rules and the staff at the Hall can advise and guide you on this.

Our staff work hard to ensure the Hall remains compliant with the ever-changing restrictions and we seek the cooperation of all users to maintain this excellent standard.

Everyone must use their membership card on entering so that we have a full and accurate record of members present to assist in any future "track & trace" process should a virus infection be detected. All guests must be signed in.

The next regular review will be conducted on 6 January 2021.

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During the past week the Hall has used the time to clean all the portraits and pictures that have been hidden around the building for many years. These are now in the banquet hall and we would ask members to view them and consider which ones should be displayed and which should be disposed of. The older canvas portraits will be hung on the staircases. The remainder may be hung in the banquet hall as a reminder of our rich history.

On behalf of all the ZH Trustees I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year; and please stay safe.

COVID-19 and hygiene

If anyone has been overseas, including those on the Government's exemption list or in close contact with anyone who has been overseas within the last 14 days, they should refrain from entering Zetland Hall, and follow the Government's and any associated medical advice.

Relevant Hong Kong Government websites with advice and news about Covid-19:

• CHP: https://www.chp.gov.hk/en/index.html

• Dashboard: https://www.coronavirus.gov.hk/eng/index.html

• News: https://www.news.gov.hk/eng/categories/covid19/index.html

The enhanced hygiene measures undertaken at Zetland Hall will continue, and temperature checks of all staff are conducted daily.

All members, and visitors, are required to have their temperature taken upon entry to Zetland Hall. Members, visitors and guests will have their name registered in a log book.

Members will note that there is now an automated temperature reader placed in the entranceway of the Hall. To obtain a reading, please place your hand or forehead near the device.

All users of the Hall are requested to continue to maintain a high standard of personal hygiene, and to be cognizant of the health of others and oneself. Members are reminded that they are to wear masks unless eating or drinking.



Please use your own discretion as to whether to enter the Hall or not.

Virtual tours

While we cannot travel, the following tours may be of interest (click on the link to visit the relevant websites):

- United Grand Lodge of England tour
- Grand Lodge of Ireland tour

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Calendar



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Function booking form



Banquet & cocktail menus



Lunch menu



Wine menu

Bookings for rehearsals & meetings All such bookings are to be made via the administrative office only by phone to 2522 4404 or e-mail to admin@zetlandhall.com

Business & printing services
Summonses and menus may be
printed at Zetland Hall on coloured
or white paper – charged to the
masonic unit.

Please e-mail a PDF to the office at least 2 working days before your meeting.

Mobile device charging

A mobile device charger is available in the bar for use. Please note that the owner of the device being charged is responsible for its safety and security.

Towels

Towels are available in the basement changing room for members who wish to avail themselves of a shower (stopped until Covid-19 over).

Behaviour at Zetland Hall

- 1. Masonic and gentlemanly behaviour must be practised at all times in Zetland Hall.
- 2. The staff are employees, and should be treated accordingly, and with respect.
- 3. Please forward any complaints or constructive suggestions in writing to the General Manager or to the Chairman of the Zetland Hall Trustees.

Entry restrictions

No children under the age of 18 are allowed entry.

Dress code

Please be reminded that the minimum dress code for members and visitors at Zetland Hall is per the following: Collared and sleeved shirts and casual trousers. Sleeveless T-shirts, singlets, tank tops, shorts, and flip-flops are not acceptable. Hats are not to be worn inside.

Smoking

Zetland Hall is a non-smoking building. Cigarette, cigar, pipe, and e-cigarette smoking is not permitted anywhere on Zetland Hall premises. Smokers are requested to smoke on Tramway Path, and not within the main entrance of the Hall.

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