

## Provincial Grand Lodge of Somerset Provincial Grand Chapter of Somerset



2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020

Dear Brethren, and Companions of Somerset

We have considered the current situation, and how it should be interpreted with regards to our own situation, and it is with great sadness that we have concluded:

For the avoidance of any doubt, and to prevent any inadvertent breaches of the law, I, as Provincial Grand Master together with the Grand Superintendent, under the implied power vested in us to ensure the safety of the members of the Craft, and the Royal Arch within our jurisdiction, as well as that of members of the public, hereby suspend regular, and other face to face Masonic or Masonic-related meetings within the Province for so long as the Province is designated as being subject to Tier 2 or Tier 3 restrictions.

During the period of suspension, it will not be necessary to issue summonses for regular meetings, but an entry should be recorded in the minute book against the regular meeting date, noting the circumstances of the suspension of Masonic meetings within the area of the regular meeting place of the Lodge, or Chapter.

It is to be hoped that the recent announcements of apparently successful vaccine trials against this dreadful disease will result in us reaching the light at the end of the tunnel, and returning to more usual Masonic activity during early 2021.

In the meantime, Brethren and Companions, please stay safe and well until we are able to meet again.

Yours sincerely and fraternally

David Medlock

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