

Hengist Chapter, C195 Profile

Address: Freemasons Hall, Knole Road, Bournemouth BH1 4DH

Date of Charter: 1st January 1886

Date of Consecration: 17th June 1886

Mother Chapter: Unity Chapt

Interesting events from the past: The primus First Principal was Hy J. Atkins who served as Zerubbabel in 1886/7 and in 1887/8. He was one of 11 Founders and the full membership of 17 companions was boosted by a further 13 companions the following year.

Amongst the founders are names that would be familiar to many residents of Bournemouth today - Atkins, Sydenham, Rebbeck, Jolliffe etc.

Meeting dates: Second Wednesday in February, May, September & November (Installation).

Membership open to: Freemasons with at least four weeks as a Master Mason.

Current Officers (without ceremonial names): Scribe Ezra (Secretary) – Huw Evans

Membership Officer – Russell Bowyer

Telephone numbers: Secretary – XXX

Membership Officer – XXX

Email addresses: Secretary – XXX

Membership Officer – XXX

Hengist Chapter is the oldest chapter that meets at Freemasons' Hall, Bournemouth.

Originally formed from the Lodge of Hengist, members are drawn from across a wide variety of lodges in Bournemouth and surrounding buildings.

The 4 meetings a year are held on the 2nd Wednesday of February, May, September and November (the installation meeting) with a committee and rehearsal held on the Wednesday of the week before. After the ceremony, the companions dine at The Knole with a friendly and convivial atmosphere, normally there is no raffle – alms/benevolent funds are raised via temple collections.

The Chapter were pioneers in splitting ritual amongst its members and we offer opportunities to all to take part in the ritual if they would like. Ritual at Hengist Chapter is performed to a very high standard and attendance at rehearsals is encouraged for all its members.

Hengist Chapter are warm, friendly and welcoming to new members and guests alike. If you are already a member of the Royal Arch, we would love to see you join us for one of our meetings - please contact the Scribe E for more details.

If you have not yet taken your final step in Pure Ancient Masonry and would like to discover more, please contact our Membership Officer and we should be delighted to answer any questions you may have.