

Masonic Temple, Uddingston 22nd. November 2002.

A Committee Meeting of Adelphi Bluebell Lodge No. 4 was held on this date, Bro. James L. Jack, Worthy Master presiding, also present were Bro. Ronald McCarney, Depute Bro. William Perry, Secretary Bro. Pat Clarke.

Bro. James L. Jack, Master welcomed those present and outlined the Agenda for the meeting. He also stated that, "It is clearly the intention, that the Lodge has been founded as a Preservation Society to ensure that a part of our Scottish History is not lost".

1. Progress so far.

Bro. Jack explained to the Brethren that good organisation was essential especially in this early part of the Lodge's history. He had purchased the necessary books, Roll Book, Attendance Book, Account Book and had printed Application Forms and headed notepaper, all were approved by the Members present. An account had been opened with The Bank of Scotland, 56 Main St., Uddingston.

2. Jewels.

Bro. James L. Jack presented a set of Free Gardeners jewels which were to be used by our Lodge. The jewels were originally Office Bearers jewels from Hawthorn Lodge, Greengairs and Thistle Lodge in Motherwell had been donated by Mrs. Le Blonde of Holytown and had belonged to her Grandfather.

3. Installation.

The Brethren present decided that Bro. Pat Clarke be Installed at the next meeting into the Office of Conductor. At the next meeting the Office of Guarder would be discussed.

4. Meetings. Meetings of the Lodge would be held in Uddingston and Baillieston. The Lodge would hold two meetings per year and additional meetings would be called at the discretion of the Master.

5. Initiates.

The Members unanimously agreed that men only would be Initiated into Adelphi Bluebell No. 4, but if Lady Gardeners visited our Lodge they would be made most welcome. It was also agreed that a maximum of six Candidates would be Initiated at our Meetings at any one time.

Six Application Forms were distributed to Members present. The Initiation Fee was set at £10.00 and the Annual Test Fee at £2.00

6. Ritual. It was agreed that the Ritual would be read in the Lodge and that memorising Ritual would not be required.

7. Regalia.

A Bible was required by the Lodge and this would be purchased. It was not possible to purchase regalia at present and it was agreed that old Gardeners Aprons would be worn by Office-bearers. Initial Lodge Office-bearers would be, Worthy Master Depute
Master Secretary/Treasurer Conductor Assistant Conductor Guarder

8. Bro. Pat Clarke presented a Gardeners Apron which had been donated by Danny Brandon. The Apron was from Adelphi Lodge No. 21, Baillieston and was dated 1920. Other collar decorations were also donated.

9. AOCB The Four Members present paid their £2.00 Annual Fee. The 1st. Meeting of the Lodge was scheduled for Tuesday 11th. February 2003 at 7.30 p.m. and other meetings would be arranged later.