

## THE PROCESSION TO TYNWALD HILL

The Superintendent of Police calls out members of the procession to Tynwald Hill which departs from the West Door in the following order:

- Two Sergeants of the Isle of Man Constabulary (from the West Door)
- The Coroners
- The Senior Salvation Army Officer
- The Ministers of the Free Churches
- The Chairman of the Isle of Man District of the Methodist Church
- The Roman Catholic Dean
- The Beneficed Clergy
- The Dean of Cathedral Isle of Man
- The Vicar-General
- The Chairmen of the Town and Village Commissioners
- The Mayor of Douglas
- The Chief Registrar
- A Representative of the Commission of the Peace
- The Captains of the Parishes
- Yn Lhaihder
- The High Bailiff
- The Chief Secretary
- The Chief Constable
- Two Messengers of the House of Keys
- The Chaplain of the House of Keys
- The Clerk of Tynwald, Secretary of the House of Keys and Counsel to the Speaker
- The Members of the House of Keys
- The Chief Minister
- The Speaker of the House of Keys
- One Messenger of the Legislative Council
- The Clerk of the Legislative Council
- The Members of the Legislative Council
- HM Attorney General
- The Deemster
- The Second Deemster
- The First Deemster and Clerk of the Rolls
- Two Gardyn Coadee
- The Tynwald Seneschal
- The President of Tynwald
- Fanfare Team (from the West Door)
- Two Sergeants of the Isle of Man Constabulary (from the West Door)
- The Sword of State
- His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor
- The Private Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor
- The Surgeon to the Household
- The Manx Flag (joins at the West Door, after the Surgeon to the Household, and precedes the President of Tynwald to the foot of the Hill)

Before the procession reaches the War Memorial, it halts and takes up an alignment on either side of the path facing inwards so as to enable His Excellency to pass through and be the first to step on to Tynwald Hill.



The Fanfare Team plays as His Excellency leaves the Royal Chapel and then it precedes the Sword Bearer on the Processional Way. On the approach of His Excellency the Guard of Honour present arms. The procession reforms behind His Excellency in reverse order. The Military Liaison Officer and the Superintendent of Police bring up the rear.

Persons sitting at the foot of the Hill stand when His Excellency arrives and sit when he sits down on the Hill.

Any petitioners assemble by the War Memorial.

## ON TYNWALD HILL

His Excellency, the President of Tynwald, HM Attorney General and other Members of the Legislative Council, the Clerk of the Legislative Council, the Seneschal, the Sword Bearer, the Private Secretary to His Excellency and the Surgeon to the Household occupy the top tier.

The Speaker, the Chief Minister, Members and Secretary of the House of Keys together with their Chaplain are accommodated on the next tier.

The High Bailiff, the Representative of the Commission of the Peace, the Chief Registrar, the Mayor of Douglas, the Chairmen of the Town and Village Commissioners, the Vicar-General, the Clergy, the Roman Catholic Dean, the representatives of the Free Churches, the Salvation Army and the Chief Constable occupy the tier below.

The First Deemster sits at the place appointed on the south side of the Hill for the promulgation of the laws in English and the Second Deemster sits in the corresponding position on the north side of the Hill for the reading in Manx. The Deemster, Yn Lhaidher, the Captains of the Parishes, the Coroners and the Superintendent of Police sit on the lowest tier.

When His Excellency is ready and the officials have taken up their positions on the Hill:

*Please stand*

## GENERAL SALUTE (ROYAL ANTHEM)

*Please sit*

His Excellency says:

*Learned First Deemster, direct the Court to be fenced.*

The First Deemster then says:

*Coroner of Glenfaba Sheading and Yn Lhaidher, fence the Court.*



The Coroner of Glenfaba Sheading fences the Court saying:

*I fence this Court in the name of our Most Gracious Sovereign Lady The Queen. I charge that no person do quarrel, brawl or make any disturbance and that all persons do answer their names when called. I charge this audience to witness this Court is fenced. I charge this audience to witness this Court is fenced. I charge this whole audience to bear witness this Court is now fenced.*

Yn Lhaidder immediately thereafter fences the Court in the Manx language:

*Ta mee cur yn Whaiyl shoh fo harey ayns ennym Chiarn Vannin, nagh jean peiagh erbee troiddey, baghyrt ny jannoo boiranyys erbee, as dy jean dy chooilley pheiaagh freggyrt tra vees eh er ny eam. Ta mee cur recortys er yn eanish shoh dy vel yn Whaiyl shoh fo harey. Ta mee cur recortys er yn eanish shoh dy vel yn Whaiyl shoh fo harey. Ta mee cur recortys er y clane eanish shoh dy vel yn Whaiyl shoh nishtagh fo harey.*

The First Deemster then says:

*Incoming Coroners, take the oath in ancient form to execute your offices for the ensuing year, and receive your staves of office from the hands of His Excellency.*

The Coroners elect then proceed up the Hill in the following order:

- Coroner of Glenfaba and Michael
- Coroner of Ayre and Garff
- Coroner of Middle
- Coroner of Rushen



They occupy the step below the top step and, when all four are in position on bended knee, take the following oath, administered by the First Deemster:

*By that Book and by the holy contents thereof and by the wonderful works that God hath miraculously wrought in heaven above and in the earth beneath in six days and seven nights, you shall, without respect of favour or friendship, love or gain, consanguinity or affinity, envy or malice, well and truly execute the office of Coroner for each Sheading to which you have been appointed for the ensuing year. So help you God.*

The Coroners receive their staves of office from His Excellency and then return to their places at the foot of the Hill.

His Excellency then says:

*Learned Deemsters, I exhort you to proclaim to the people in ancient form such laws as have been enacted during the past year and which have received the Royal Assent.*

An abstract of the laws is set out at the end of this booklet.

The First Deemster says:

*Has Your Excellency any further commands?*

His Excellency says:

*If any persons wish to present a Petition let them now come forward.*

If there are any Petitions for Redress they are presented to the Clerk of Tynwald at the foot of the Hill. The Clerk of Tynwald conveys any Petitions for Redress to His Excellency.

His Excellency, having been handed the Petitions, says:

*I shall refer these Petitions to the Standing Orders Committee of Tynwald who will report thereon at their earliest convenience.*

After the Petitioners have withdrawn to the north of the Hill, a fanfare is sounded and the troops are called to attention.



*Please stand and sing*

## THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

**O land of our birth,  
O gem of God's earth,  
O Island so strong and so fair;  
Built firm as Barrool,  
Thy throne of Home Rule,  
Makes us free as thy sweet  
mountain air.**

His Excellency then says: *This concludes the proceedings on Tynwald Hill. There will now be a sitting of Tynwald Court in the Royal Chapel. With the Learned Deemsters, the Captains of the Parishes and others here assembled, I am pleased to accept the invitation of the President of Tynwald to be present at the sitting of Tynwald Court and to witness the Captioning of the Acts just promulgated.*



## PROCESSION FROM TYNWALD HILL

The Superintendent of Police calls the procession from the Hill which, on clearing the detachments, halts and aligns on either side of the path to enable His Excellency, preceded by the Sword of State, to pass. The Superintendent of Police is the last person to leave the Hill and brings up the rear of the procession, accompanied by the Military Liaison Officer.

- Two Sergeants of the Isle of Man Constabulary
- The Coroners
- The Senior Salvation Army Officer
- The Ministers of the Free Churches
- The Chairman of the Isle of Man District of the Methodist Church
- The Roman Catholic Dean
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- The Chaplain of the House of Keys
- The Clerk of Tynwald, Secretary of the House of Keys and Counsel to the Speaker
- The Members of the House of Keys
- The Chief Minister
- The Speaker of the House of Keys

- One Messenger of the Legislative Council
- The Deemster
- The Second Deemster
- The First Deemster and Clerk of the Rolls
- The Clerk of the Legislative Council
- Two Gardyn Coadee
- The Tynwald Seneschal
- The President of Tynwald
- Fanfare Team (from the foot of the Hill)
- Two Sergeants of the Isle of Man Constabulary (from the foot of the Hill)
- The Sword of State
- His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor
- The Private Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor
- The Surgeon to the Household
- The Manx Flag

The first part of the procession moves to the Robing Room. The Speaker of the House of Keys, preceded by a Messenger of the Legislative Council, leads the rest of the procession into the Chapel through the West Door.



Persons holding tickets for the Royal Chapel proceed from their places at the foot of Tynwald Hill to their seats in the Royal Chapel, as directed by the Ushers.

The Guard of Honour, Band and Standard Bearers move from the Processional Way, across the Tynwald Green to the road opposite the Lychgate to await the departure of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor. The Manx units withdraw from the Processional Way across the Tynwald Green to their assembly area.

Spectators are asked to remain seated until the procession has re-entered the Royal Chapel.

# SITTING OF THE COURT OF TYNWALD

## The Captioning of the Acts

When Tynwald Court has assembled in the Royal Chapel and the invited guests are in their places, the following procession moves from the Robing Room into the Royal Chapel:

- Two Sergeants of the Isle of Man Constabulary (to the South Door)
- Two Gardyn Coadee (who will stand either side of the communion rail)
- The Tynwald Seneschal
- The Manx Flag (to the South Door)
- The President of Tynwald
- The Clerk of the Legislative Council

*Please stand as the President of Tynwald enters the Royal Chapel*

## The President of Tynwald says:

*Honourable Members, I have invited His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, His Honour the Deputy Governor, First Deemster and Clerk of the Rolls, His Honour the Second Deemster and His Honour the Deemster to be present to witness this sitting of the Court, and I call upon the Clerk of Tynwald to escort them to their places.*



*Please remain standing as His Excellency enters the Royal Chapel accompanied by the Deemsters*

- Two Sergeants of the Isle of Man Constabulary (to the South Door)
- Fanfare Team (to the South Door)
- The Deemster
- The Second Deemster
- The First Deemster and Clerk of the Rolls
- The Sword of State
- His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor
- The Private Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor
- The Surgeon to the Household

His Excellency and the Deemsters take their seats behind the Bar of the Court: once they are seated, the Gardyn Coadee close the Bar of the Court and the Sword of State is placed before the President.

*Please sit*

## The President of Tynwald says:

*Members of the Council, Mr Speaker and Members of the House of Keys, we shall now caption the Acts just promulgated on Tynwald Hill.*

The Seneschal hands the promulgated Acts to the President of Tynwald to be certified. Once the President of Tynwald has signed them, each Act is taken by a Messenger to the Speaker of the House of Keys for his signature and then returned to the Seneschal's red case.

## The President of Tynwald says:

*Members of the Council, Mr Speaker and Members of the House of Keys, that concludes the business of the Court. Tynwald Court will now stand adjourned to Tuesday 18th July 2017 at 10.30am in Douglas. I now call upon Hon Members to stand for the departure of His Excellency and his party.*

*Please stand*

The Gardyn Coadee open the Bar of the Court. His Excellency, accompanied by the Deemsters, leaves the Royal Chapel proceeding to the Robing Room through the South Door:

- Fanfare Team (from the South Door)
- Two Sergeants of the Isle of Man Constabulary (from the South Door)
- The Sword of State
- His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor
- The Private Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor
- The Surgeon to the Household
- The First Deemster and Clerk of the Rolls
- The Second Deemster
- The Deemster

**The President of Tynwald says:**

*The Council will now retire and Members of the House of Keys will remain to transact such business as Mr Speaker may put before it.*

The President of Tynwald and the Members of the Legislative Council leave the Royal Chapel and proceed to the Robing Room through the South Door in the following order:

- Two Sergeants of the Isle of Man Constabulary (from the South Door)
- The Manx Flag (from the South Door)
- The President of Tynwald
- The Tynwald Seneschal
- Two Gardyn Coadee
- The Clerk of the Legislative Council
- HM Attorney General
- The other Members of the Legislative Council
- One Messenger of the Legislative Council

*Please sit*



## SITTING OF THE HOUSE OF KEYS

**The Deputy Speaker moves:**

*That all Bills and other business before the House remaining unfinished at this date be suspended and continued at the same stage to the first meeting of the House in the next legislative year.*

The Speaker asks for a Seconder (traditionally a long-serving Member).

A vote is taken and the business is concluded.

**The Speaker says:**

*Hon Members, that concludes the business before the House. The House will now stand adjourned to 10.30am in Tynwald Court in Douglas on 18th July 2017.*

*Please stand*

At the conclusion of the sitting of the House of Keys the following leave the Royal Chapel through the South Door:

- Two Messengers of the House of Keys
- The Chaplain of the House of Keys
- The Clerk of Tynwald, Secretary of the House of Keys and Counsel to the Speaker
- The Members of the House of Keys
- The Chief Minister
- The Speaker of the House of Keys

They line each side of the path to enable the Speaker to proceed through their ranks to the Robing Room.

*Please sit until directed by an Usher to leave*

The official guests leave the Royal Chapel via the South Door.

Those persons remaining in the Royal Chapel leave through the West Door, as directed by the Ushers.

An official photograph is taken.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor returns to the Robing Room with the President of Tynwald and the Speaker of the House of Keys.

Members of Tynwald and the official guests move towards the Lychgate for the departure of His Excellency. The following procession then moves from the Robing Room to the road side of the Lychgate and halts:

- The Sword Bearer
- His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor
- The Manx Flag
- The President of Tynwald
- The Speaker of the House of Keys

The route will be lined by the Ushers and police.

The Guard of Honour Present Arms for a General Salute and National Anthem.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor bids farewell to the President of Tynwald and the Speaker of the House of Keys. His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor and his party depart.

The Fanfare Team, the Sword Bearer, the Manx Flag, the President of Tynwald, the Speaker of the House of Keys and the Military Liaison Officer retire through the Lychgate to the Robing Room.

**Roger Phillips**  
Clerk of Tynwald

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