



THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH
BELL RINGERS

Registered Charity No 270036

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Guidance for Central Council members and others in managing actual, potential or perceptions of conflicts of interest

Conflicts of interest can arise, or be perceived to exist, where anyone engaged on Council-related activities, or any of their close family members, has a financial or other business interest in an organisation that operates within the arena of bellringing, hanging, manufacturing, restoration or maintenance of towers and bells, as well as other areas such as publishing or IT, referred to here as bell-related trades.

A business interest of this sort does not preclude societies/guilds/associations or the Council from electing such persons to represent them or to hold office and undertake activities within the Council. However, for the avoidance of any possible misunderstanding, anyone engaged on Council-related activities is required to follow this guidance:

1. The Council shall maintain a Register of Interests. All Council members, volunteers and other persons engaged on Council-related activities shall advise the Secretary of any financial or other business interest they or a close family member have in any bell-related trades. In the event of uncertainty as to whether disclosure is needed, disclosure shall be made.
2. The Secretary shall circulate the Register of Interests to the Council Executive and Workgroup Leads.
3. During the conduct of Council business, such as (but not limited to) the Council's annual meeting or workgroup meetings and events, persons with such interests shall always declare any relevant interest in any proceedings.
4. Any concern arising from an interest not being declared shall be referred to either the President or the Deputy President who shall resolve the matter taking such advice as they consider necessary.

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approved by the Council Executive on 1 July 2018

I declare the following interest(s) in a bell-related trade:

Name (*please print*):

Date:

Signature:

Return to the Council Secretary, 11 Bullfields, Sawbridgeworth, CM21 9DB
secretary@cccbr.org.uk