

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Charity Registration No 270036

Executive

Notes of the meeting held on Sunday 17 May 2020 at 8.30am by video conference.

Present: Simon Linford (President), David Kirkcaldy (Deputy President), Mary Bone (Secretary), Andy Smith (Treasurer), Phillip Barnes, Alison Everett, David Smith and Clyde Whittaker.

1. The Trustees **approved** the Council's accounts for 2019 and **noted** that the Independent Examiners had issued an unqualified report.
2. The Trustees **confirmed** (1) that the Council is a going concern; (2) the reserves policy; (3) their understanding of the restricted and unrestricted designated funds; (4) the process for BRF grant authorisations; (5) that bank and signatory controls are appropriate.
3. The Trustees **approved** the Trustees' report to the Charity Commission for 2019.
4. The Executive **appointed** two Safeguarding Officers; David Bassford and Ann White, who will report to the Executive. Chris Mew was thanked for his work on safeguarding over many years.
5. The Executive **noted** that nominations will be required for President, Deputy President, Treasurer and up to two Independent Examiners, for election at the annual meeting. A preliminary notice for the 5 September meeting, together with a note from the President, will appear in *The Ringing World* of 29 May and will be distributed to members and societies.
6. The Executive **approved** an amendment to Standing Order XS2 Terms of Reference – Dove Stewards to increase the number of Stewards to four and to take effect on **1 September 2020**:

3. Up to 4 positions of Steward.

The Executive **appointed** Dickon Love to this position. Dickon will take primary responsibility for the transfer of the Dove database to a new system.

7. The Executive **approved** amendment of Standing Order XW1 Terms of Reference – Workgroups and the addition of three new workgroups with effect from **1 September 2020** with the following Terms of Reference:

XW 1.6 Young Ringers – Schools and Youth Groups

(a) To establish new long-term sustainable sources of recruits from schools and youth groups, preparing them for transition through higher education and beyond.

XW1.7 Young Ringers – Universities and Colleges

a) To establish new long-term sustainable sources of recruits from schools and youth groups, focusing on their transition through higher education and beyond.

XW 1.8 Senior Stakeholder Liaison

(a) To maintain and develop the Council's high-level relationships with all relevant Church, heritage and funding bodies.

The Executive **appointed** (1) Colin Newman as leader for the Young Ringers – Schools and Youth Groups Workgroup and (2) Ian Roulstone as leader for the Young Ringers – Universities and Colleges Workgroup; Alison Everett will be the Executive Sponsor for these groups.

The Executive **appointed** Mark Regan as leader for the Senior Stakeholder Liaison Workgroup; the President will act as Executive Sponsor pro tem.

8. The next meeting of the Executive will be held by Skype on Wednesday 24 June.

Discussions continued later in the morning and in the afternoon when Executive members were joined by the workgroup leaders (Alison Hodge, Graham John, Louise Nightingale, Doug Hird and Tim Hine), Public Relations Officer (Vicki Chapman) and Mark Regan, Colin Newman, Ian Roulstone and Dickon Love. The Executive and Workgroups discussed the following topics:

- * Arrangements for the 2020 AGM
- * Proposed 'Smaller Societies' rule change
- * Need for a formal Council risk assessment
- * Mobile Belfry 2.0 progress
- * Major fundraising potential
- * Ringing branding and marketing (Resound)
- * Band of the Year competition
- * Proposed new residential courses
- * 'Cast of 1000' initiative
- * Lapsed ringer reactivation
- * Unification of performance databases.

Mary Bone
Secretary
25.05.2020