## S2 Registered Small Societies

- S2.1 The Executive may approve an application from a bell ringing society to become a Registered Small Society where such a society satisfies the following conditions to the Executive's reasonable satisfaction:
  - a) it has a written constitution and duly appointed officers;
  - b) it has implemented a policy dealing with the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults which complies with such requirements for safeguarding policy as the Central Council may publish from time to time;
  - c) it has supplied details to the Secretary of its objects, membership and activities together with contact details for at least two of its officers;
  - d) its actions will not unreasonably frustrate the activities of any Affiliated Society or Registered Small Society; and
  - e) it satisfies such other conditions as may be stated in the Council's Standing Orders and Policies.
- S2.2 The Executive may only approve an application from a society to become a Registered Small Society in accordance with Standing Order S2.1 by decision at an Executive Meeting provided that:
  - a) notice of the application including details of the society's objects, membership and activities has been given to Representative Members no later than two months before such a decision is made; and
  - b) the decision shall not take effect until such time as it has been approved by Resolution at a Council Meeting if, within one month of such notice, the Secretary, President and Deputy President receive a request (or requests) from 10 or more Representative Members for such a Resolution.
- S2.3 Subject to Standing Order S2.4, the Executive at its absolute discretion may determine that a bell ringing society shall be removed from the Register of Small Societies where (in the Executive's opinion) such a society:
  - a) no longer meets the conditions set out in Standing Order S2.1; or
  - b) by virtue of its actions, or the actions of its members or its officers, could directly or indirectly bring the Council into disrepute.
- S2.4 In exercising its powers under Standing Order S2.3, the Executive shall ensure that a bell ringing society shall be removed from the Register of Small Societies only when:
  - a) that society has been given notice of the reasons for its removal; and
  - b) one or more of that society's representatives have had reasonable opportunity to state its case in writing to the Executive.