



THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH
BELL RINGERS

Fred E Dukes International Bell Fund Guidance for Applicants

Introduction

These notes provide information for applicants wishing to request financial support from the Fred E Dukes International Bell Fund. A separate application form should be completed for each application.

Administration

1 Fund Administration

The Executive of the CCCBR will appoint Stewards to administer the Fund.

The fund will be managed as follows:

- 1.1 Applications to the fund will be advertised in The Ringing World, the CCCBR website and elsewhere if appropriate.
- 1.2 Applications will be reviewed by the Stewards who may consult with other appropriate parties before forwarding to the CCCBR Executive.
- 1.3 The Stewards will recommend a list of successful applicants to the CCCBR Executive.
- 1.4 The grant recommendations will be reviewed and successful applicants approved by the CCCBR Executive. Applicants will then be advised of the results.
- 1.5 Offers will remain open for three years before lapsing.
- 1.6 Each batch of applications will be assessed on its own merits, having regard to the criteria set out in this document.
- 1.7 Decisions on the allocation of awards are final.
- 1.8 The grant will be offered to the parish with the strict condition that it will be repaid by the parish if the whole project is not completed within three years, and the parish will be asked to accept this condition before the grant can be paid. Grants will be paid by the CCCBR Treasurer **directly to the contractor in the UK** on satisfactory completion of their work in the UK.
- 1.9 The stewards shall provide an annual report including grants applied for, grants approved, grants withdrawn or refused for each calendar year. For each grant refused or withdrawn, the stewards should supply a reason. If possible, a brief description of each bell project that is completed that year and photographs should also be provided. For each entry the total project cost and eligible cost should be provided.

Grant Selection Criteria

2 Grant Eligibility

The following are eligible for a grant:

- 2.1 Installations outside the British Isles.

AND

- 2.2 In support of sterling expenditure in the UK towards the cost of bells and bell ringing equipment manufactured, supplied, repaired or renovated by UK bell founders and bell hangers.

OR

To assist with the manufacture of bell ringing equipment to the design of UK bell founders and bell hangers in the local area.

3 Priorities

Priority will be given to:

- 3.1 Installations within the territory of overseas associations which are affiliated to the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers (CCCBR).
- 3.2 Bell installations in church buildings.
- 3.3 Bells hung for full circle ringing with stays and sliders.
- 3.4 Bells intended to be used in conformity with the British style of ringing (i.e. rounds, call changes and change ringing).
- 3.5 Other items/installations which are eligible for grants under guidelines provided by Mr Dukes. A complete list of all other eligible work is set out in section 5.

4 The Fund

The fund:

- 4.1 The Fund will be a capital fund invested by the CCCBR Treasurer, who will inform the Stewards of the amount available for grants.
- 4.2 Where no grants are made in any one year, the interest will be carried forward to the following year. No more than two years' interest will be accumulated for grant purposes. Amounts in excess of two years' interest will be transferred to capital.

5 Eligible Work

In accordance with Mr Dukes' wishes the following may also be grant aided, subject to the amount of money available for grants. Applications for the following will have lower priority than those outlined in section 3.

- 5.1 Bell installations in secular buildings
- 5.2 The cost of proper bell ropes made by recognised UK rope makers
- 5.3 Requests from bell ringing societies not qualified to apply for affiliation to the CCCBR
- 5.4 In the case of the Veronese Society, where bells and equipment are to be manufactured in Italy, grants totalling not more than 10% of the accrued interest for the year may be made towards projects in their area as long as they remain affiliated to the CCCBR.

Stewards of the Fund

As at December 2020, the Stewards are:

- David Mattingley
- Allen Nunley
- Ian Oram - Fund Administrator
- Fergus Stracey - CCCBR Treasurer

Contact Information

For further information, please contact the Fund Administrator by e-mail at funds@cccbr.org.uk.

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