

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Charity Registration No 270036

Executive

Notes of the meeting held on Wednesday 28 April 2021 at 7.00pm by video conference.

Present: Simon Linford (President), David Kirkcaldy (Deputy President), Mary Bone (Secretary), Fergus Stracey (Treasurer), Phillip Barnes, Alison Everett and Clyde Whittaker. Apologies for absence were received from David Smith. The Public Relations Officer, Vicki Chapman, also attended.

1. The Treasurer circulated the accounts for January to March 2021.
2. The Executive **approved** the recommendations of the Bell Restoration Panel for grants from the Council's Bell Restoration Fund. Details will be published in *The Ringing World* once all recipients have been notified.
3. The President and Deputy President presented further work on risk assessment by the Council. The Treasurer will circulate an initial asset register in order to ensure that all the Council's property is correctly listed and assessed.
4. The Executive were joined by Chris Sharp for discussion of a draft Equality and Diversity policy. A revised version will be prepared for a future meeting.
5. The President updated members on Mobile Belfry 2.0; the Churches Conservation Trust's plans for the Old Black Lion site in Northampton (*see* the President's blog here: <https://cccbr.org.uk/2021/05/04/presidents-blog-33/>); the annual meeting with Ecclesiastical Insurance Group and discussion of the amounts spent by ringing societies on insurance (which appeared to be excessive); and young ringers plans to launch their own society at the RWNYC in September.
6. The Public Relations Officer confirmed proposals for the 2021 competition for high-quality photographs of ringing to form an image library.
7. The Executive considered initial suggestions for a code of conduct for ringing social media.
8. The Deputy President suggested that proposals to reduce the number of representatives to the Council, as discussed briefly at the 24 March meeting, should be put to the 2021 annual meeting. A number of detailed options would be prepared for advance discussion.
7. The next meeting of the Executive with the workgroup leaders will be held by video conference on Saturday 15 May 2021.

Mary Bone
Secretary
08.05.2021

