

# THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Charity Registration No 270036

## Executive

Notes of the meeting held on Sunday 25 July 2021 at 8pm by video conference.

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

1. The Treasurer had circulated the accounts for January to June 2021 and updated members on the financial position. Only one affiliation fee was still outstanding. [Post-meeting note: this affiliation fee has since been paid.] The Executive **noted** that there had been further expenditure on safeguarding. The Executive **approved** a loan of £3,000 to the Young Change Ringers Association; the Treasurer had previously examined the YCRA proposed expenditure and financial plan, including the repayment schedule, and was satisfied that these were achievable. The YCRA will be launched at the RWNYC in Worcester in September.
2. The Executive **noted** further progress on examining and improving the Council's guidance and advice on safeguarding. Ann White and others intended to attend a SCIE workshop in August. A meeting had recently been held with Deborah McGovern (CofE). Clyde Whittaker had declared a conflict of interest on this agenda item.
3. The Deputy President confirmed that the risk assessment document will be placed on the website. There will be regular reviews of the different sections. The Executive formally **confirmed** that all such policies and documents will be subject to regular review. Alison Everett kindly agreed to produce a master list and schedule.
4. The Deputy President stated that the Equality & Diversity policy will also be placed on the website. Further work to enhance this would take place when the author was available. The Executive **noted** that such policies were essential for major funding bids.
5. The Executive **noted** that an application to register as a Small Society had been received from the Guild of Railway Ringers. Formal notice will be given to Council members when the documentation has been checked. The deadline for comments on the current application by Derby City Centre ringers was on 28 July.
6. The Executive **noted** information on nominations and motions for the annual meeting at the deadline of 24 July. A report would be given on plans for the next stages of Council reform.
7. The next meeting of the Executive and workgroup leaders will be held by video conference on Saturday 28 August. The main item of business will be preparation for the annual meeting.

Mary Bone  
Secretary  
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