



THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH

BELL RINGERS

UK Registered Charity No. 270036

Central Council of Church Bell Ringers

2022 Governance Review

Technical Review of Rules and Standing Orders

Report and Recommendations of the Technical Reviewer

Motion

**(for agreement
at the Council's Meeting on 3rd September, 2022)**

21st JULY, 2022

Supporting Statement

Standing Order G1.1 requires that each three years the Executive should review the Council's governance to assess whether it continues to be "*effective and aligned with best practice*" and the first of these reviews has taken place this year.

As part of this wider governance review, the Executive invited the Hon. David Bleby QC to conduct a technical assessment of the Council's Rules and Standing Orders to identify any errors, or wording which could be better expressed to achieve its intended purpose, and to recommend improved wording in each case.

The review included consideration of a list of issues raised by Council Members following a call for suggestions made by the President in March.

The Technical Review Report recommended a number of improvements to individual Rules and Standing Orders, which among other things clarify:

- arrangements when Trustees retire early
- the process of notifying society membership numbers to the Secretary
- technology requirements for Council Meetings held online
- meeting rules governing the allocation of time to each business item
- the 'call-in' procedure for small society applications

At its meeting on 22nd June the Executive resolved to implement David Bleby's recommendations in full and this motion gives effect to them.

Motion

- 1 that the Council notes the conclusions and recommendations of the Report to the Executive of the Technical Reviewer dated 19th May, 2022 (the "Technical Review Report"), commissioned as part of the 2022 governance review and thanks David Bleby for his work.
- 2 that with effect from the close of the 125th Annual Meeting of the Council held on 3rd September, 2022 the Council's Rules shall be amended in accordance with the recommendations of the Technical Review Report, by applying the revised wordings set out in Annexures **1** and **3** to that Report.
- 3 that the Council approves the amendments to its Standing Orders recommended by the Technical Review Report as set out in Annexures **1** and **4** to that Report.