

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Charity Registration No 270036

Executive

Notes of the meeting held on 28th September 2022, by Zoom.

Present: Simon Linford (President), David Kirkcaldy (Deputy President), Ernie de Legh-Runciman (Secretary), Fergus Stracey (Treasurer), Phillip Barnes, Clyde Whittaker, Beverly Faber and Catherine Lane.

The Public Relations Officer, Vicki Chapman, was also present.

1. The three new members of the Executive (Beverly Faber, Catherine Lane and Ernie de Legh-Runciman) were welcomed.
2. A deficit of approx. £900 on the recent Council weekend in Nottingham was noted, mostly stemming from restrictions from the venue leading to increased costs. A number of points would be fed into the 'washup' meeting to help guide future events. Thanks were recorded for the efforts of David Kirkcaldy, Simon Linford and the local organising teams led by Jim Crabtree.
3. Rules and Standing Orders
 - a. The Council's Rule changes, as set out in Motion B agreed at the Nottingham meeting and coming into effect at the end of that meeting, were noted. The Executive also agreed to implement the Standing Order changes, set out in Motion A (as amended) and Motion B, both agreed at the Nottingham meeting, to have effect from the end of that meeting. The revised Rules and Standing Orders are published on the Council's website and can be viewed or downloaded [at https://cccbr.org.uk/about/governance/](https://cccbr.org.uk/about/governance/)
 - b. To meet a request agreed at the Nottingham meeting that special arrangements should be made to determine the membership of the Veronese Association for the purposes of calculating its Annual Subscription, the Executive agreed the following addition to Standing Order S1.1 (Society Membership), to take effect on **1st February 2023**:
 - c) *in the case of the Veronese Association its Society Membership shall be such number as shall have been proposed by that society and approved by the Secretary.*
4. Reducing the Size of the Council. This topic was discussed, and it was agreed that David Kirkcaldy will work with Beverly Faber and Katie Lane to prepare a paper setting out this proposal more fully; covering an assessment of its benefits and recommendations (if needed) to overcome any perceived risks.

5. Workgroup Sponsors. Following the change in the membership of the Executive, the following changes were made to the workgroup sponsors:

Volunteering & Leadership	David Kirkcaldy, supported by Fergus Stracey
Technical & Taxonomy	Phil Barnes
Stewardship & Management	Ernie de Legh-Runciman
Historical & Archive	Beverly Faber
Schools & Youth	Katie Lane
Universities	Katie Lane
PR	Simon Linford
Senior Stakeholder Liaison	Clyde Whittaker

6. Retention Policy. Correspondence from John Harrison was noted. It was agreed to ask the H&A Workgroup to propose any additions to the proposed policy which it considers necessary (if any) to ensure that material with historical value is recognised and retained.
7. Ringing 2030. This is to be formally adopted as a project. The President to prepare an article for the Ringing World.
8. Mobile Belfry Trust. It was noted that the Charmborough Trust was to be renamed the Mobile Belfries Trust in order to acquire and operate a number of mobile belfries across the UK, including the new mobile belfry (MB2). To assist with this work, funds received by the Council via donation and crowdfunding would be given to the renamed trust by way of a grant towards the acquisition cost of the new MB2 mobile belfry.
9. Specification of the Old Black Lion (National Ringing Centre) bells. The President reported that that further work was required on the specification of the training bells to be installed to ensure these can be supported by the fabric of the building. Other ringing centres will be consulted as to what types and weight of installation works best.
10. Executive and WG Leader meeting calendar. It was agreed that face to face meetings with Workgroup Leaders will take place every six months (May and November.), with all other meetings to be held online. The February 2023 Executive meeting now to be held on Sunday 19th February at 2pm. The calendar to be extended and published on the website.
11. Format for the November face to face meeting. This should include a review of the strategic plan and a plan for Ringing 2030. This meeting to be held in Oxford on Saturday 12th November.

Ernie de Legh-Runciman, Secretary
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