

# THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Charity Registration No 270036

## Executive

Notes of the meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> October 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 Treasurer presented the Q3 financial report. A discussion was held regarding work group finances, and the need to be more precise in budgeting. It was noted a request had been made to provide funds for a new volume for the Rolls of Honour. It was suggested a crowd funding approach could be used. The PR officer was tasked with producing a release to go to all members.
2. Four requests for grants from the Council's Bell Restoration Fund were approved.
3. A transfer of £10 000 surplus funds from the Publications Committee was noted. This was placed in the general fund, pending a decision on its use.
4. A cheque from Bruno Peek has been received, with a request that it be used for promoting ringing.
5. An application is to be made to the Charities Commission to change The Fred E Dukes International Bell Fund into a capital fund.
6. Reduction of the size of the Council. The Vice President tabled an internal paper, summarising the position so far. The Vice President to work with BF and CL on the next stage of presenting this to members.
7. November Executive and Work Group Leaders Meeting in Oxford on 12<sup>th</sup> November will include a review of the strategic plan and Ringing 2030
8. Work Group Resourcing. Concern was expressed that too many Workgroups have all the effort concentrated in a small number of individuals. This item to be discussed at the November meeting.
9. National Ringing Centre Business Plan. An initial plan produced by the Peterborough DG was revised. Costs for the capital works will be clearer when a specification of works is complete and an invitation for proposals for the bells themselves is circulated to potential suppliers.

10. Council Meeting 2024. The invitation from the Guild of Devon Ringers to hold the meeting in Devon was formally accepted. This will be on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2024.
11. Safeguarding Officer. Simon Ridley was proposed as a Council Safeguarding Officer. It was noted that the other Council Safeguarding Officers were in favour of the proposal.

Ernie de Legh-Runciman,  
Secretary  
2<sup>nd</sup> November 2022