

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Charity Registration No 270036

Executive

Notes of the meeting held on 27th September 2023, by Zoom.

Present: Tina Stoecklin (President), Vicki Chapman (Deputy President), Fergus Stracey (Treasurer), Ernie de Legh-Runciman (Secretary), Clyde Whittaker, Catherine Lane, Ian Roulestone, Beverly Faber

In attendance: Alli Devine

1. Previous meeting notes. The notes of the Executive meeting, held on 26th August 2023, were approved.

2. Money

- a. The President reported that all websites have been transferred to the new hosting server, and that all systems are working well. The old system has now been closed. The new server has a cost of £1551 for two years.
- b. YellowYoYo. The estimate for the branding project has been received from the consultants YellowYoYo. The proposed estimate of £24K (inc VAT) was discussed. Concern was expressed as to what the Council was to receive for the money. It was felt that a review of what items of the proposal were actually required, and what the working party felt we needed. Questions asked as to how it fitted in with our forward plan.

We have accepted a budget that focuses on the desired marketing collateral only, leaving out 'nice to have' features in the estimate. It was proposed that we set an outline budget of £15k for this.

The President is to liaise with the working party before the next Executive meeting.

- c. Mobile Belfry. A request has been received from The Mobile Belfry Trust for release from funds held for £2940 for the deposit to be paid to the trailer manufacturer. This was agreed.

3. Housekeeping

- a. Independent Examiners Report. Comments from the Independent Examiners report were noted. It was agreed that notes from the previous Executive meeting would be approved at the next available meeting, and that expenditure above £500 would be approved at an Executive meeting and recorded in such minutes.
- b. The Treasurer proposed that the account signatories be the Deputy President, The Treasurer and Catherine Lane. This was agreed.
- c. The following CCCBR policies were approved by The Executive, and will be issued under rule 10.4
 - i. Code for Ringing
 - ii. Ethics Code
 - iii. Problem Solving
 - iv. Ethics Control

These policies will be notified to all members and will come into force on 1st January 2024

- d. Standing Orders Issue 12 was noted as being approved by the Council at the September AGM. The change concerned the reduction of the Small Societies subscription to £10/year.
- e. The appointment of Alison Devine as Council's Public Relations Officer and leader of the PR Workgroup was approved.
- f. Conflict of Interest Forms. It was noted that all Trustee conflict of interest forms have been supplied and are available on the Council's website.
- g. Expressing attendance figures. At the request of several societies, The Secretary proposed an amended way of reporting attendance figures that do not separate out societies that are only partially represented (at their own decision). This will be implemented in the minutes of the 2023 AGM.

4. Updates

- a. The results of the election of Offices and Trustees at the 2023 AGM were noted. Tina Stocklin (President), Vicki Chapman (Deputy President) and Ian Roulestone (Trustee) were welcomed to the meeting.
- b. DAC Conference. It was noted that this will now be held on 27th March 2024 in Liverpool, organised by The Church Building Council.
- c. Jule McDonald update and feedback. The President is looking for feedback from ringers before referring the matter to the methods committee for a decision.

Ringling2030. Several of the Ringing2030 projects are now up and running. There will be an update at the next Executive meeting.

5. Major Business

- a. Reorganisation of workgroups/appointment of workgroup leaders The President tabled a proposal document. A small group to be set up to consider Workgroup organisation and how it would meet the forward plan. The group to consist of the President, Deputy President, Secretary, and Ian Roulestone.
- b. Allocation of Workgroup sponsors. The Executive sponsors of the present workgroups were agreed as:

Technical and Taxonomy	Tina Stocklin
Public Relations	Vicki Chapman
Volunteer & Leadership	Fergus Stracey
Schools and Youth	Catherine Lane
Universities	Catherine Lane
Stewardship and Management	Ernie de Legh-Runciman
Historic and Archive	Beverly Faber

- c. Lessons learned from the AGM The Deputy President circulated a paper summarising feedback received. It was noted that the first meeting of the 2024 AGM working party would be held in the next few days.

6. Any Other Business

- a. AGM Minutes. Draft AGM minutes will be circulated to all members in the next few days.

- b. Executive meeting dates. A proposal was circulated, to be agreed at the next meeting.
- c. Budget 2024. The Treasurer requested budgetary information to be submitted before the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.50pm.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 25th October, commencing at 8.00pm

Ernie de Legh-Runciman
Secretary, CCCBR
9th October 2023.