

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Charity Registration No 270036

Executive

Notes of the meeting held on 26th April 2023, by Zoom.

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

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

1. Financial. A review of the 1st quarter 2023 finances was held. The treasurer reported that income from affiliation fees was holding up well. It was noted that £1800 of workgroup expenditure is for filming. It was also noted that the expenditure of the AGM in Ipswich is expected to be a saving over recent years

An email from Caroline Stockman, tendering her resignation as one of the Council's Independent Examiners was noted. The Executive wish to record their thanks for the work Caroline has done for the Council in recent years. Duncan Walker remains in post as Independent Examiner.

A request for a grant of £1000.00 towards the installation of a ring of bells at Palmerston, Northern Territories, Australia from the Fred Dukes fund was approved.

The President requested a budget for the National Call Change competition for the purchase of a trophy and certificates of £250.00. This was approved.

Publications requested finance to print a further 100 copies of the Manual for Belfry Maintenance. This was approved.

2. Ringing 2030 Strategy Update. After receiving comments on the developing strategy, it was decided that it would be beneficial for the Executive to consult with various parties before proceeding further. Consultation meetings are to be set up with Society Reps, young ringers, and new learners. A number of consultation meetings, via Zoom, have now been set up, and all CC members have received an invitation to register with one of these meeting.
3. Succession Planning. The notice for the 2023 AGM will be published on 10th May. This will include an invitation for nominations for the post of President and Deputy President. The President and Deputy President will then take part in video interviews, to explain their roles.

It is proposed to “wind up” the Senior Stakeholders Workgroup. An amendment to the Standing Orders will be published shortly.

4. Annual Meeting 2023, Ipswich. Details of the forthcoming annual meeting were discussed. Latest details of the weekend can be found on the CCCBR website. The formal notice for the annual meeting will be issued to representatives and affiliated society secretaries in May 2023.
5. Annual Meeting 2024. Initial discussions with the Guild of Devonshire Ringers regarding the 2024 Annual Meeting have been held.

Ernie de Legh-Runciman
3rd May 2023