



THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH

**BELL RINGERS**

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## **Central Council of Church Bell Ringers**

**Standing Orders of the Council ('Standing Orders')  
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<b>FINANCIAL AND AUDIT</b>			
F1	Annual Subscription	28/5/2018	None
F2	Register of Significant Assets	28/5/2018	None
F3	Maximum Contract Value	28/5/2018	None
F4	Independent Examiners	28/5/2018	None
<b>GOVERNANCE</b>			
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<b>GENERAL PROVISIONS</b>			
N1	Personal Benefit	28/5/2018	None
<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>			
M1	Ex-officio Members	28/5/2018	None
M2	Fellows	28/5/2018	None
<b>TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR STEWARDS</b>			
Tba		28/5/2018	None
<b>TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR WORKGROUPS</b>			
Tba		28/5/2018	None

## **INTRODUCTION**

### **I1 Interpretation and definitions**

- I1.1 In these Standing Orders those terms which are capitalised have the same meanings as shown in the Rules of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers adopted on 28th May 2018.
- I1.2 In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this document and the Council's Rules, the Council's Rules shall prevail.

## **FINANCIAL AND AUDIT**

### **F1 Annual Subscription**

- F1.1 The Annual Subscription for Affiliated Societies shall be £40 for each Representative Member to which that Society is entitled under the Rules.

### **F2 Register of Significant Assets**

- F2.1 The Council's Significant Assets are :-
- a) The Rolls of Honour
  - b) The Carter Ringing Machine Collection
  - c) The Dove directory of towers and its associated electronic database
  - d) The Council's Library

### **F3 Maximum Contract Value**

- F3.1 The Maximum Contract Value is £1,000 sterling.

### **F4 Independent Examiners**

- F4.1 The Independent Examiners shall at each Annual Council Meeting be elected from amongst the Council's Representative Members.
- F4.2 An Independent Examiner may not simultaneously be an Officer Holder of the Council and shall be deemed to have retired as an Independent Examiner on becoming such an Office Holder.
- F4.3 The Independent Examiners acting together shall have power to employ the services of a professional accountant at the expense of the Council in pursuit of their duties.
- F4.4 If an Independent Examiner vacates their office before expiry of their term, the Executive shall have the power to make a temporary appointment to fill the vacancy, which shall be valid until the start of the next Council Meeting.

## GOVERNANCE

### G1 Governance Review

- G1.1 Every three years commencing May 2019, the Executive shall review the Council's Rules, Standing Orders and governance to assess whether they continue to be effective and aligned with best practice.
- G1.2 If eligibility to vote at Council Meetings remains vested wholly or in part with Representative Members, each such review shall explicitly include an assessment and recommendation as to whether it would be appropriate to transfer some or all of the powers of Representative Members to Individual Members.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

### N1 Personal Benefit

- N1.1 Any person authorised by the Executive is entitled to be compensated from the property of the Council such reasonable expenses properly incurred by them when acting on the Council's behalf.
- N1.2 An Executive Member may benefit from trustee indemnity insurance cover purchased at the Council's expense.
- N1.3 Unless specifically stated otherwise by the Rules or Standing Orders, no Executive Member or any Connected Person may:
- a) buy or receive goods or services from the Council on terms preferential to those applicable to members of the Council;
  - b) sell goods, services or any interest in land to the Council;
  - c) be employed by, or receive any remuneration from the Council; or
  - d) receive any other financial benefit from the Council.

## MEMBERSHIP

### M1 Ex-officio Members

- M1.1 The Council shall have a class of Individual Member named "Ex-Officio Member" reserved for officers of partner or supporter organisations.
- M1.2 The Ex-Officio Members shall be :
- a) The Chairman of The Ringing World Limited, company number 01722963.
- M1.3 There is no membership subscription for an Ex-Officio Member.
- M1.4 Ex-officio Members shall be appointed for the term of their office, except in the event that such membership is rescinded by an Executive Decision.

## M2 Fellows

- M2.1 The Council shall have a class of Individual Member, named “Fellow” reserved for those who have given distinguished service to the Council or the ringing community, which the Council wishes to recognise.
- M2.2 Each Fellow shall be appointed by Resolution agreed at a Council Meeting, except that the first Fellows shall be those life members of the Council at the close of the meeting at which this Standing Order was agreed.
- M2.3 There is no membership subscription for a Fellow.
- M2.4 Fellows shall be appointed for life, except in the event that their fellowship is rescinded by a Decision of the Executive.
- M2.5 The Secretary or their delegate shall maintain a register of all Fellows.

## STEWARDS

*The Standing Orders in this section will contain the Terms of Reference for each role of Steward which the Council proposes to appoint or elect with effect from 28th May 2018.*

*The Terms of Reference for each Steward are currently being prepared by the Council’s officers and will be included in the final edition of this document, due to be published in February 2018.*

## WORKGROUPS

*The Standing Orders in this section will contain the Terms of Reference for each Workgroup which the Council proposes to appoint or elect with effect from 28th May 2018.*

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