

Standing Committee Updates Sunday 19th May 2024

Standing Committee Members

- Eleanor Linford – Guild Master
- Kirsty Gifford – Public Relations Officer
- Malcolm Paulson- Treasurer
- Sand Cooper – Secretary
- Trish Everett - Safeguarding Officer
- Mark Eccleston – Archivist and Webmaster
- Rachel Mitchell – Ringing Master

Item	Issue	Owner
	<p>Guild Insurance Policy <i>ACTION 54/23 Obtain competitive quotes Summer 2024</i> Action not yet due. <i>ACTION 55/23 Explore a CCCBR solution</i> Awaiting CCCBR update following meeting with Ecclesiastical</p>	<p>Malcolm</p> <p>Eleanor</p>
	<p>Other upcoming events <i>ACTION 11/24 Rachel and Kirsty to discuss approach re weekend emails and trf of info to Social Media.</i> For every event Kirsty is making a story on Instagram and posting a tweet either at the start of the week or at least 24hrs before it begins. This includes Higher Numbers, Surprise Practices, Midweek Moseley, etc. Instagram stories do well with a good number of views and some interaction. Facebook - Kirsty will make a post at the start of the week for things happening where posts not made by Rachel/Eleanor.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Moseley St Mary practices - third Thursday monthly <i>ACTION 22/24 Monitor, though Steve, how well supported the practices are.</i> Action to be carried forward. ● Guild Challenge Day inc general meeting - 11th May 2024 Update at next meeting. ● Bell Sunday - 12th May <i>ACTION 23/24 Include on social media and monthly update</i> Social media updates were made and it was included in the monthly update <i>ACTION 24/24 Chase city centre towers</i> Aston (and Solihull) will have articles in the next Newsletter ● Walking Tour - 29th June Sand has discussed with Mike Dodson comms for those attending, Mike prefers email to Google Form which will include car share requests. Expected numbers are high so whilst anyone still interested wouldn't be declined, we don't need further attendees. 	<p>Kirsty</p> <p>Eleanor</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Online General Meeting - 15th Sept ● Guild Outing Wellington and Shrewsbury - 12th October ● Henry Johnson Dinner 2025 <p><i>ACTION 21/24 Check the signed contract for 2025 has been returned.</i> Update at next meeting</p>	Eleanor
	<p>Treasurer's Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● BRF <p>Current balance £34,896.17</p> <p>All Subs have been received with three notable exceptions.</p> <p><i>ACTION 26/24 Eleanor will ask for an update when she is next at St Chad's and ask if they would consider writing a Newsletter article.</i> The work is completed and Eleanor has asked for an article and will chase.</p> <p>Kings Norton</p> <p><i>ACTION 31/24 Share emails with Malcolm.</i> Emails are in the BRF gmail SMG folder</p> <p>Wishaw - Brenda Thomson</p> <p>Contribution towards 3 new ropes cost £644. This request has been referred to Tony Daw.</p> <p>Aston - Margaret Griffin</p> <p>Email received re proposed request re scraping and painting rust-proofing to bell frame.</p> <p>Harborne</p> <p>Rebuild, anneal and rebushing 7th Clapper £170.40 inc VAT. Issue being followed up via email.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mojo - membership renewals <p><i>ACTION 27/24 Malcolm will re-send the outstanding renewals list to StandCo members and will then look to send a final email where appropriate using a 'waved' approach.</i> Complete</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Merchandise <p><i>Action 65/23 Investigate merchandise.</i> Carried Forward</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Young Ringers challenge <p><i>ACTION 66/23 Young Ringers challenge - share a proposal for a SMG scheme.</i> Action to be carried forward.</p>	<p>Eleanor</p> <p>Eleanor</p> <p>Malcolm</p> <p>Rachel</p>
	<p>Safeguarding Update</p> <p><i>ACTION 28/24 Domestic Abuse training - Send an email to be shared with our tower contacts once CofE decision received.</i></p> <p>No updates re domestic violence training from the diocese as yet The position remains that all ringers must do basic on line safeguarding training Link to portal is https://safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org/ The guide to using the portal is</p>	Trish

	https://www.cofebirmingham.com/content/pages/documents/guide-to-using-the-training-portal-and-creating-a-profile-edited-june-2023.pdf	
	<p>Membership Proposals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Associates William Skerrett (11 years) Allie Lyo These members were elected following a WhatsApp poll. Welcome letters will be sent as email addresses received. ● Full members from Associate <i>ACTION 29/24 Consider BUSCR members to see if there are more to join. and share the Mojo link on the BUSCR WhatsApp group</i> We believe the majority of BUSCR who are active in the Guild are now members. 	Kirsty
	<p>Communications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● WhatsApp Group <i>ACTION 86/23 Add links to social media into the footer of Guild Mojo emails.</i> Further discussion required re ownership to the gmail account so that the footer there can also be updated and aligned 	Sand
	<p>Guild Yearbook 21 of 42 Yearbooks to our towers distributed. Further Guild events to be used before resorting to post. Update to be included in the Monthly update. The picture of Shirley St James the Great has been updated for the online version and Sand will acknowledge the change in the next monthly update</p>	Sand
	<p>100 Club Bursaries Everyone who applied has been awarded a bursary and contact will be made.</p>	Eleanor
	<p>Bell Maintenance skills <i>ACTION 30/24 Write to tower contacts to ask if they have a Tower Keeper and enquire about support/skill levels/sharing of knowledge and interest in training/facilitating training.</i> Update available here - further discussion required. Tower Keepers - Google Docs</p>	Sand
	<p>Solihull Borough Anniversaries <i>ACTION 32/24 Kirsty will put something on social media and Sand to send an article to the Ringing World.</i> Completed</p>	Kirsty/Sand
	<p>Binding A history of Birmingham bellringing compiled by Liz Bowsher <i>ACTION 34/24 Progress funding for binding</i> Richard Jones is dealing with the binding. Once invoice is shared we can agree how much to fund.</p>	Mark
	<p>Newsletter <i>ACTION 35/24 Monitor for firsts on Bellboard</i> Some firsts have been made this month, Kirsty will put something together for the newsletter. She will check with Andrew how many articles he has for the next newsletter & encourage others to write articles if needed. <i>ACTION 36/24 Include in the monthly update that we're interested in QPs -</i> Completed <i>ACTION 37/24 Request School updates from Clare McArdle</i> Completed <i>ACTION 38/24 Update Andrew Brown</i> Completed</p>	Kirsty Sand Eleanor Sand

	<p>George Fearn peals attributed to SMG The Standing Committee has agreed that these peals be attributed to SMG and an article being written for the RW will be re-edited for our Newsletter.</p>	Eleanor
	<p>Bellringing Public Relations Nuggets of Learning - CCCBR Webinars 7:30 pm Wed 19th June and Sunday 23rd June Kirsty will do her best to attend one of these sessions.</p>	Kirsty
	<p>Upcoming meetings 2023/2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date of next StandCo to be agreed 	Eleanor