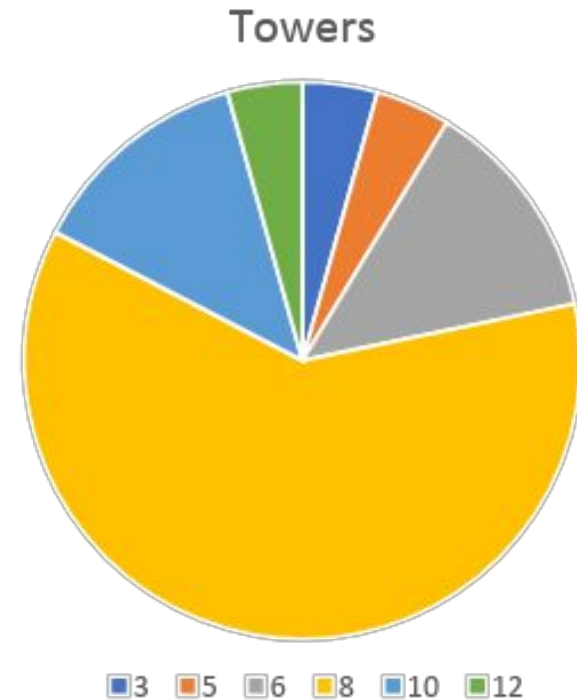


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GUILD   
OF CHURCH  
BELL RINGERS  
EST. BIRMINGHAM 1755

Tower Survey 2020

# Q1 Number of bells

Bells	Towers	
3	1	4.35%
5	1	4.35%
6	3	13.04%
8	14	60.87%
10	3	13.04%
12	1	4.35%
	<b>23</b>	



Q2 Do you, as a band, ring across multiple churches?

9 bands ring at or support more than one tower.  
Range – from 1 to 3 other towers.

Q3 Do you have any proposals or desired bell restoration projects which have been shaped or are in early development with your church?

4 towers have plans:

- Possible rehang
- Bell frame painting
- Rope guides
- Ongoing essential work to spire

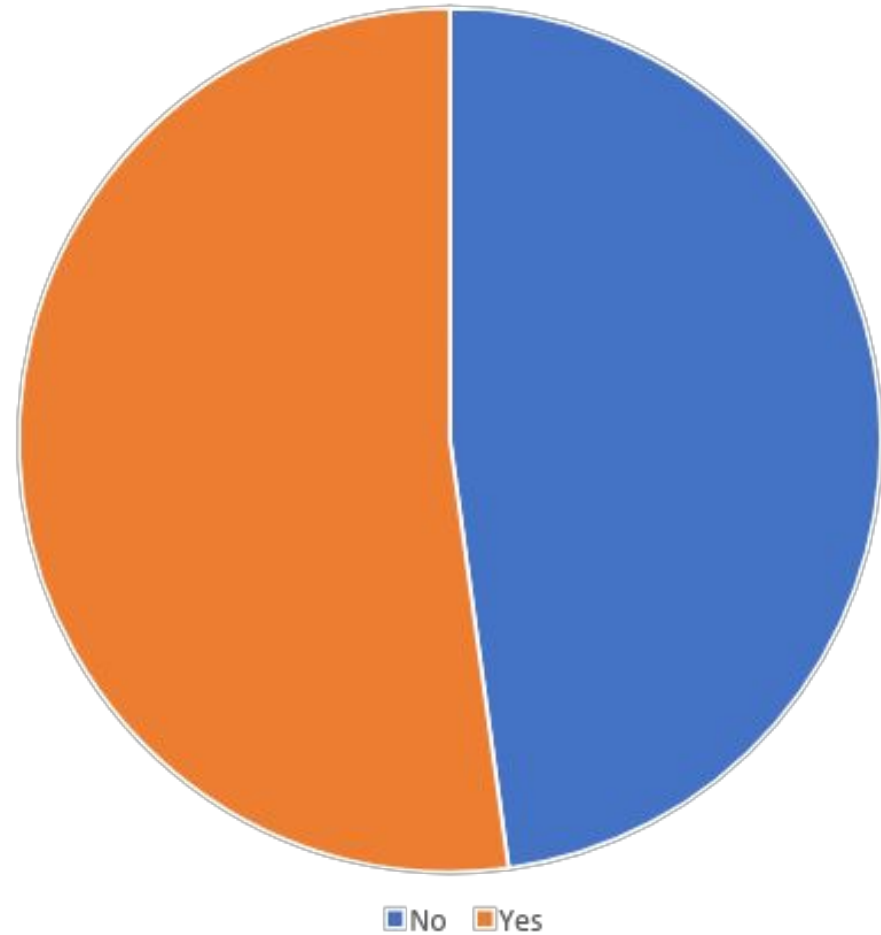
Are you aware of any discussions on the future of your church that may have a bearing on the band's position and future access to the bells and / or any merger or benefice plans that would affect your band?

2 towers

- Merger of parishes
- Plans without detail

**Q5 Is your tower back ringing yet?**

11	47.83	No
12	52.17	Yes
<b>23</b>		



**Q6 If no, is your tower intending to go back ringing in the near future / do you have any indication that your tower might not be going back ringing at all? If so, why not?**

11 towers:

- Essential repair work ongoing
- No services
- Interpretation of guidelines
- Band limitations

**Q7 Has your tower carried out, or intending to carry out in the near future, risk assessments to support ringing in the near future?**

- 16 risk assessment carried out
- 3 No risk assessment carried out yet, but we are confident we know how to do this
- No risk assessment carried out and we are unsure how to do so
- N/A: our tower is not intending to return to ringing in the near future



Q8 On average, how many ringers did you have ringing for Sunday service in the 4 months before lockdown began in late March? Thinking ahead, how many ringers do you think you are likely to see returning to ringing once we return fully without any restrictions? (i.e. thinking over the short-term next year or two) Taking account of the age profile of your band. Without any recruitment, over the next five years or so, how many band members do you consider will be lost from regular ringing?

