

SALIENT POINTS FROM KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING ON 27th NOVEMBER 2021

- DRAFT GENERAL COMMITTEE MINUTES NOVEMBER 2021 – available at <https://kcacr.org.uk/association/resources/>
- KCACR GOVERNANCE & STRUCTURE REVIEW – A Webpage and Survey is to be launched shortly to find out members' views on ringing, the association and state of towers or whether covid-anxiety remained an issue. In addition the 2017 survey of towers may be repeated early in 2022.
- AGM 18th APRIL 2022 – A number of officers have given notice that they will stand down at the 2022 AGM. Vacancies will then exist for Chairman, Treasurer, Training Officer, Central Council Representatives, Public Relations Officer, Health & Safety Officer and Librarian. Members are encouraged to put themselves forward, or encourage others, to stand and fill these positions. Existing post-holders are willing to answer questions about the role, so do please give this your attention and let the General Secretary know if you wish to be nominated.
- NOTICE OF RULE CHANGES – In addition to the two rule changes previously advised, the General Committee has recommended rule additions for consideration at the AGM 2022. Reasons for this urgent action have been circulated to members.
- FESTIVAL OF RINGING – Due to continuing uncertainties with the pandemic, several alternative ideas are being explored and will be considered at the 26th February 2022 General Committee meeting.
- RINGING RECRUITMENT EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE ON LOAN TO TOWERS – Cameras, television monitor and other equipment to enable ringers and the bells to be viewed live inside the church are now available to loan from KCACR. Contact Doug Davis (Boxley Tower Captain) for details.
- TOM BARLOW MEMORIAL HANDBELLS – An inaugural peal on the new handbells and dedication service at St. Michael's Maidstone will be organised early in 2022. Details will be advertised in the usual places.
- EBELLS LOAN SCHEME – 10 pairs of eBell Handbells are available for loan to members. Contact the Association Chairman for details. Full details will be posted on the KCACR Website shortly.
- TOLLING FOR HRH DUKE OF EDINBURGH – The idea to produce KCACR Certificates has now been abandoned but Districts or individual towers are encouraged to produce their own certificates if they wish.
- BELL RESTORATION FUND – A grant of £1,600 towards work on the louvres at Meopham was agreed. The BRF grant-aided sound-control system at Maidstone All Saints has now been completed.
- YOUNG CHANGE RINGERS ASSOCIATION – Any Kent Young Ringer who wishes to join the YCRA can apply to have their annual subscription paid by KCACR. This policy is to be reviewed in 18 months.
- MEMORIAL SERVICE – The Dean of Rochester Cathedral has extended an invitation to KCACR for the service to become an annual event. The General Committee agreed to accept this kind offer.