

Bell Restoration Fund Rules
(Rule 6 amended 25th April 1998)

- 1 The Fund shall be known as "The Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association of Church Bell Ringers Bell Restoration Fund".
- 2 The objects of the Fund shall be to advance the Christian religion by providing financial assistance to churches in the Dioceses of Llandaff and Monmouth for the purpose of maintaining and improving their bell installations by making grants or loans to them. Maintenance and improvement of bell installation shall be deemed to include the following:
 - a) taking out an existing ring of bells, supplying and installing a new frame and fittings, recasting the bells and erecting the same;
 - b) taking out, overhauling and re-clapping of existing bells, supplying and installing a new frame and fittings and re-erecting bells;
 - c) taking out existing bells, overhauling existing frame and fittings, recasting or overhauling and re-clapping same and re-erecting;
 - d) augmentation and bringing existing bells, frame and fittings into an adequate state of repair;
 - e) other major repairs to bells, frame, fittings and towers;
 - f) the provision of bells, frame and fittings and erection of the same in churches which previously had none;
 - g) the acquisition of bells from churches within the Dioceses of Llandaff and Monmouth declared redundant, for subsequent redeployment or recasting;
 - h) the provision of new or repairing sound control;
- 3 The Membership of the Fund shall be that of the Llandaff and Monmouth Association of Church Bell Ringers as defined in the rules thereof.
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 - a) the Fund shall be administered by the Management Committee of the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association of Church Bell Ringers, hereafter referred to as "The Committee";
 - b) the Committee shall have the power, after considering an application submitted to it in writing, to approve a grant or offer a loan (attracting such interest as the Committee shall decide) from the Fund;
 - c) the Committee shall have the power to appoint sub-committees which shall report back their actions fully and promptly to the Committee;
 - d) the Committee shall have the power to co-opt such persons as it considers necessary to assist in its deliberations. The number of co-opted persons at anyone meeting of the Committee shall not exceed three;
 - e) the management of the Bell Restoration Fund shall be an item on the agenda of every meeting of the Committee.
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 - a) the General Secretary and Treasurer of the Association shall be ex-officio trustees of the Fund and in addition two other members of the Association shall be elected at the Association's Annual General Meeting to act as trustees of the Fund;
 - b) such bank accounts as may be required shall be opened in the name of the Fund. Any two of the four nominated Trustees shall have the power to sign cheques;
 - c) any outstanding monies in the hands of the Committee not required for the immediate purposes of the Fund shall be invested in any manner authorised by law;
 - d) the Committee and its sub-committees shall have the power to raise funds by any means they see fit as long as permanent trading is not engaged in;
 - e) the Fund shall be set up by the total transfer to it of the balance of those monies collected, made available or earmarked for bell restoration by the Association.
- 6 The Trustees shall prepare an Annual Report upon the activities of the Fund in accordance with the prevailing legislation pertaining to charities. Further, they shall require the Treasurer to prepare a set of Accounts which meet the same requirements. These shall be independently examined by two members of the Association elected for the purpose at each Annual General Meeting. The independent examiners so appointed shall not be members of the Association's

Management Committee.

- 7 In the event of the dissolution of the Fund, the assets of the Fund shall be divided equally between the two responsible diocesan authorities for the purpose of bell maintenance and restoration.
- 8 No alteration, addition or deletion of or to these rules shall be made so as to cause the Fund at any time to cease to be a charity in law. No alteration, addition or deletion shall be made except at the Annual General Meeting of the Association or at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Association especially called for the purpose. Notice of any proposed alteration or addition to or deletion from these rules shall be given, in writing, to the General Secretary of the Association as determined by the General Rules of the Association, subject to a minimum notice of one calendar month prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting.