

The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association of Change Ringers

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The Association Bell Fund and Tower Affiliation Scheme

The Association maintains a Bell Fund, which is used to provide the following services to the churches of the Diocese, as follows:

1. a free inspection of bell installations by the Association's tower adviser or assistant advisor for churches within the geographical area of the Diocese of Bath and Wells. The advisor will also provide a written report on what work needs to be done and how much can be done locally, on a "do-it-yourself" basis. The advisor can also suggest sound control measures should you receive any complaints or have residential buildings near to your church tower. Such inspections are a pre-requisite for any grant application (see below)
2. help with the training of ringers and providing courses of instruction.
3. grants towards the cost of repair, restoration or augmentation of rings of bells. Such grants are **only** available to Affiliated Towers. Applications for any assistance from the Bell Fund should be made to the General Secretary by the Incumbent or a principal PCC officer, before the commencement of any work for which the application is being made.

The main source of income to the Bell Fund is from affiliation fees, currently £20 for each tower with bells. If you have not previously contributed we should be glad to welcome your support. The extent of help depends on the funds and resources available. It would greatly help us and reduce costs if you could see your way to paying annually by means of a standing order.

If you need any other information or help then please contact: The General Secretary or the Treasurer, as appropriate.

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