St Peter & St Paul's Church **Bell Restoration Appeal TARGET: £50,000**

FROM:		
name:		
address:		
postcode:		
I wish to make a donation towards the restoration of the		
church bells in the amount of: £ by means of:		
cash / cheque / bank transfer [delete as appropriate]		
Please treat as Gift Aid	d donations all qualifying gifts of money	
made from the date of this declaration and in the past four years.		
I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my		
donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.		
Signature:		
Date:		
NOTES: 1. Please notify the church/PCC if you: • Want to cancel this		
declaration • Change your name or home address • No longer pay		
sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains. Gift Aid is linked to		

basic rate tax, currently 20%, which allows charities to reclaim 25p for every £1 donated.

2. If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.

Please give this form together with cash or cheques payable to "Ewhurst PCC" to

Jan Jesson, 3 Mascalls Cottages, The Street, Ewhurst, Cranleigh, GU6 7RA. Phone: 01483 276655

or make BACS payments as follows:

REF: **Bell Tower Fund**

Account name: **Ewhurst Parochial Church Council**

Account Number: 16342606 Bank Sort Code: 09-01-55 Bank Name: Santander BIC: ABBYGB2LXXX

IBAN: GB30ABBY09015516342606

Application for A special event bell ringing

In return for a donation of £ [minimum of £80] please ring the church bells for 15 minutes on:	
Preferred Date:	
Preferred Time:	
Alternative Date:	
Alternative Time:	
Details of the event:	

A ringing notice with these details will be posted on the village notice boards unless requested otherwise.



Please send a completed copy of this form to: bells@ward.global

St Peter & St Paul's Church **Ewhurst**

Special Event Ringing for residents as part of the **Bell Restoration Project**



The church has eight bells that date back to 1450 and they have been rung for thousands of events over the years. The two oldest bells need replacing and the whole mechanism needs overhauling. An appeal is being launched to raise money to restore them so they can safely continue for many years to come.

To help raise money and awareness of the restoration appeal, the bell ringers have offered to ring the church bells for the special occasions of residents, such as birthdays and anniversaries. Notices will be posted on the village notice boards announcing the ringing event. The event sponsor is welcome to bring their friends and family to the bell tower to watch the ringing if they wish.

Ewhurst Church Bell Restoration

The two oldest of the eight bells of St Peter & St Paul's Church date back to the reign of Henry VI. They have been ringing for over 550 years and now need replacing. The last overhaul of the bells was in 1938 and the mechanisms are in need of attention as some parts have become worn.

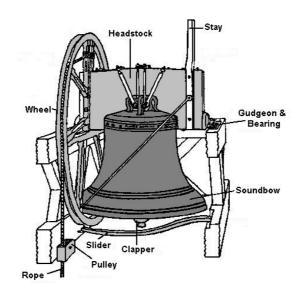


The whole restoration project involves removing the two oldest bells through the roof of the nave, casting two new bells and hanging them. Other necessary work includes replacing the headstocks on the two largest bells, cleaning out and possibly replacing the main bearings, regrinding the clapper balls to restore their shape, repairing and rustproofing the metal bell frame, replacing the pulleys, repairing the stays and hanging the two old bells separately beside the bell frame.

A considerable amount of the cost is building work, professional expertise and transport. Local volunteer labour will assist to reduce costs.

The church clock currently chimes on the 8th bell and has to be disengaged before bell ringing commences. One of the old bells will be used as a dedicated bell for the clock.

We need to raise £50,000 to cover the cost of the project and are planning a number of events to raise this money. Grants are being applied for from local and national organisations, but we will have to raise at least half of the cost ourselves. We have the full support of the Parochial Church Council and the Parish Council in this conservation project to preserve our heritage and ensure the ancient tradition of bell ringing continues in Ewhurst for many years to come.



Before bells were used to summon people to prayer, they were rung as a means of communication within a community, as announcements (births, marriages, deaths etc.) and as alarms. To help raise money for their restoration, we are invoking this ancient tradition by offering to ring the bells for resident's special events.

The Ringers



The bell ringing team welcomes you to come and watch our practices on Wednesday evenings from 7.30 – 9.00 pm and we would be pleased if you would like to get involved in ringing the bells. It provides gentle exercise and the concentration is mentally stimulating. For more information please contact our bell captain Jan Jesson: 01483 276655 jan@mascalls.fslife.co.uk.

If you are able to sponsor any part of the restoration or can assist in fund raising, please contact Clive Ward: 07769 349 525

c_ward@netcomuk.co.uk

The 6th bell – one of the two bells in need of replacement.

