

St. Chad's Pattingham Ringers

Visiting Bell Ringers Application Form

This form is to be completed by the person in charge of the visiting bell ringing team and should be submitted to St. Chad's Bell Ringing Master in advance of the visit or on arrival before ringing starts.

Name			
Address			
Phone no			
Date and time of proposed visit			
Number of ringers			
Purpose	Peal	Quarter	Visit

I confirm that I have been instructed in the Health and Safety policies of St. Chad's Church, Pattingham, that I understand them and agree to comply with them.

Signed:

Name (in capitals):

Date:

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St. Chad's Pattingham Ringers Health and Safety Policy for Visiting Bell Ringers

Visiting Bell Ringers

The resident Ringing Master or Deputy must take reasonable steps to ensure that he/she is satisfied with the competence of visiting ringers and inform them of the Church Health and Safety policies and circumstances attached to the Tower.

The Person in charge of the visiting team should be required to complete an application form at the time of booking the visit. Such form to be retained by the Ringing Master or Deputy for a minimum of three years.

Evacuation of the tower and safety for persons within the tower

It is desirable that if a person/persons is up the Tower they have with them at least one mobile phone to summon help if necessary.

Due to the nature of the limited access and in the event of the necessity to evacuate an injured person the Emergency Services should be called.

In the event of fire blocking the exit from the tower persons should remain in the Ringing Room with the door closed and help summoned by the use of the mobile phone or by ringing the bells to indicate distress.

Emergency lighting is provided in the event of a power failure.

Adult ringers

The Ringing Master, or other person responsible for tower safety, must take reasonable steps to ensure that they are satisfied that all adult ringers (those aged 18 years and over) including visiting ringers are competent, or are in the process of being trained in bell ringing.

Junior ringers

Junior ringers must be suitably experienced or be in the process of being taught to ring. It should be at the discretion of the Ringing Master as to whether or not a child is suitable.

Children in the Ringing Chamber

Other children should not be present in the Ringing Room unless accompanied by a responsible adult and can demonstrate that they understand and can comply with instructions on their Health & Safety. It is the responsibility of the adult supervising them to ensure their compliance as this is a HIGH RISK AREA.