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Broseley Bell Ringers

Bell Restoration Project



Broseley bells



All Saints Broseley originally had a peal of six bells which were cast in 1844 and hung in an oak frame. Two additional smaller bells were cast in 1949 and hung in a steel frame, making a peal of eight.

The heaviest bell, the tenor, weighs 12-2-19 cwt (1419 lb or 644 Kg).

In the tower there is also a much smaller sanctus bell which was cast in Wellington, Shropshire, in 1642. This is sadly not in usable condition.



Problems with the bells

Our bells are regularly maintained, but are in need of some more substantial work. The issues include:

- Worn pulleys need replacement
- Some of the wooden sliders have been repaired with metal and require replacement.
- The layout of the bells on the frame is not ideal. Ropes don't fall vertically from the bell to the ringer. There is also some 'pinching' of the bell fittings as the frame flexes.



- Bearings and gudgeons have not been refurbished for some time, increasing the risk of them failing.
- Bells 3 to 8 originally had iron crown staples welded to the bell metal which held the bell to the original wooden headstocks. The remnants of these could cause stress in the metal, possibly causing the bells to crack in the future.

Our project

We intend to send the bells to the bell foundry to remove the crown staples. The bells will also be retuned to make them sound more harmonious as a peal of eight.

In the meanwhile, the frame will be replaced with one that provides a better layout. It will also have capacity for an additional two bells, giving someone the opportunity to donate a bell either now or in the future.

The bells will then be hung in the new frame with new fittings.

The cost of the project, including restoration of our sanctus bell, will be £79,107 plus extras, such as installing a hatch in the ringing room floor.

There is also the opportunity to install an additional two bells for the cost of £21,544.

