

If you would like to donate a sum, of money for a piece of equipment, this can be anything from an entire bell to a bell rope. Costs for these items vary enormously and for further information, if you would like to consider such a donation, please contact Dr B A C Smith (details below), or visit the web site at <http://stoneringers.co.uk>

There is also a donation form below, should you want to use it. If you are a UK taxpayer and would like to Gift Aid your donation, please do complete the form, sign it and return it with your donation.

Please send donations to:

Dr B A C Smith, 4 Foxwood Close, Walton, Stone, Staffordshire, ST15 0LN.  
Tel 01785 815767

I would like to donate £ .....to the Stone Bells Appeal.

I enclose cash/a cheque made payable to:

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Name: .....

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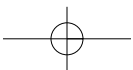
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# Stone Bells Appeal



## Church Community Heritage





*One of the current bells*

For many centuries, church bells have rung out over Stone from the tower of St Michael and St Wulfads' church. Six of the bells date back to 1710 and the wooden frame on which they hang is probably much older. Although they are old, the bells were never made to be together as a "ring" and are now, because of wear, needing to be replaced.

The Stone Bells Project is to have the bells recast as a new ring of eight and hang them in a new metal frame.

Because the old wooden frame is of such historic interest, it will be left where it is and access will be provided for anyone wanting to see, or study, it.



*A new "ring" in a metal frame*

All donations will be put towards replacing the bells and the frame. We will be grateful for any amount of money, but names of people who give donations for a particular piece of equipment will be recorded for posterity. If anyone, or a group, would like to donate enough for a bell, a suitable inscription will be

added to that bell and it will be named in their memory, or for whoever they wish.

For more information, names of who you can contact and a donation slip, please look on the back page of this leaflet.

If you are a tax payer, your donation can be gift aided.

All gifts are much appreciated.



*View over Stone from the bell tower*

The bells traditionally call churchgoers to prayer and ring out at other joyful times, such as weddings. They make every occasion even more special.

They also play an important part in the life of the community together, ringing for Remembrance Day, the annual Civic Church Service and at every Farmers' Market. They were also rung to mark the 450th anniversary of Alleyne's School.

Over the years they have rung for national occasions such as the end of wars, the Millennium and Royal Weddings.



Our aim is to ensure that the bells will ring out in celebration over Stone, now and for future generations



*Some of the Stone Ringers at their regular Thursday practise*