



## KELTEK TRUST

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redundant bells to be hung  
for English-style full-circle bell-ringing.

### KELTEK TRUST – Projects in the City of Bristol

Place	Dedication	
Bristol	St Paul	Relocation of three redundant bells.
Bristol, Horfield	Holy Trinity	Replacement 4 <sup>th</sup> bell.
Bristol, Southminster	St Paul	Replacement 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> bells.

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### Bristol, Portland Square, Former church of St Paul



The church was opened in 1794 and its fine tower was designed to hold a ring of ten bells. However only four bells were purchased, all cast by John Rudhall of Gloucester, two in 1792 and the 6th and tenor bells of the proposed ring in 1795. At the time the church was declared redundant in 1993 only the two 1795 bells were hung; the 1792 bells resting on the frame. Interestingly only one of the 1792 bells would have been suitable as part of the ring of ten bells, the other bell being too small, too light and the wrong note! The three lighter bells were removed from the church after it was made redundant leaving the 26 cwt tenor as the clock bell. One of the 1795 bells is now the tenor of the new ring of 8 bells at Sydney, St James. The two 1792 bells are now installed for ringing at Buckland Dinham, Somerset and Wagga Wagga, NSW, Australia.



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The fourth bell cracked in 1997 and the Trust was asked to locate a replacement. The cracked bell was replaced by the pre-millennium 2<sup>nd</sup> from South Petherton and ringing resumed once again in 1998.

Youtube video of the bells ringing.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j\\_THftSf1XY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j_THftSf1XY)



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Subject to faculty and fund-raising it is hoped to replaced the poor-sounding ring of six bells with a ring comprising of True Harmonic cast bells. The Keltek Trust has offered two bells which are expected to become the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of the replacement ring of six.