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

KELTEK TRUST – Projects in Kent

Place	Dedication	
Broomfield	St Margaret	Location/supply of a bell.
Chatham	The Victoria Tower	Relocation of redundant ring of bells.
Chilham	St Mary	Replacement tenor bell.
Lympne	St Stephen	Location/supply of two bells.
Lynsted	St Peter & St Paul	Location/supply of a bell.
Monkton	St Mary Magdalene	Location/supply of a bell.
Newnham	St Peter & St Paul	Location/supply of a bell.
Otham	St Nicholas	Location/supply of two bells.
Seal Chart	St Lawrence	Relocation of a surplus bell.
Stone by Dartford	St Mary the Virgin	Location/supply of a ring of bells.

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Broomfield, Kent, St Margaret



The ring of three has been augmented to five bells by adding a redundant bell from St Bartholomew, Ewood Park, Blackburn and a newly cast treble bell. The Trust donated the ex-Blackburn bell to the parish.

The work was completed during June 2015. A sixth bell was added in 2016 to complete the ring.

Youtube video of the bells ringing. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wWrpAoTqalg>



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Chatham, Kent, The Victoria Tower



The heavy ring of eight bells cast by John Warner & Co. 1897 has been transferred to the parish church of St Goranus, Goran, Cornwall. The church of St Mary the Virgin closed in 1974 and was used as the Medway Heritage Centre up until 2002. Since then the church has remained unused. The clock bell, cast in 1651 by William Hatch was acquired by the Keltek Trust and installed at Eakring, Nottinghamshire during 2011.

Youtube video of the bells ringing.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E6G7vAXdK00>



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Chilham, Kent, St Mary



The cracked tenor bell has been replaced by the former tenor bell from Child Okeford, Dorset. The Kent County Association change gang removed the old bell and installed the new bell.



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Lympne, Kent, St Stephen



The ring of six was augmented to eight during February 2015 by adding two surplus newly cast bells originally destined for Seattle, Washington, USA.

Youtube video of the bells ringing.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vm7tbqkTZcs>



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Lynsted, Kent, St Peter & St Paul



The ring of five have been augmented to six using the smaller of the two bells acquired by the Trust from the now demolished church of St George, Perry Hill, London. The Trust donated the bell to the parish.



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Monkton, Kent, St Mary Magdalene



The minor key ring of three was augmented to four during 2014 by adding a surplus bell from Sandiacre, Derbyshire. The ring has been completed with the addition of two treble bells. The treble of six is a surplus bell from East Budleigh, Devon and the 2nd of six was originally hung nearby at the Holy Cross Convent, Broadstairs.



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Newnham, Kent, St Peter & St Paul



The unringable ring of four bells was restored and augmented to a ring of six during 2009. The Trust donated a second-hand bell which is now the second of six.



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Otham, Kent, St Nicholas



The ring of three was augmented to six during 2012. Two surplus Alfred Howell bells acquired by the Trust are the second and third of six. The bells came from Campton, Bedfordshire when the old ring of five bells was replaced with a newly cast ring of eight in 2006.



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Seal Chart, Kent, St Lawrence



The ring of six bells has been remodelled using the old 4th as the new tenor. The work was completed during July 2013.

The old 5th bell has been re-used as the tenor of the augmentation from three to four at Covington, Cambridgeshire.



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Stone by Dartford, Kent, St Mary the Virgin



The ex-Homerton ring of bells has been installed at Stone by Dartford in time to be rung for the 2011 Easter service. The tenor bell did not respond well to tuning and was recast prior to installation of the ring.