

Turnastone Church – Appeal for the Restoration of the Historic Tenor Bell

The historic tenor bell in the belfry is resting on a beam, is cracked and has not been rung in living memory. It is believed to have been cast in about 1520, and so is now **500 years old**. The Parochial Church Council is seeking grants from several grant funding charities to repair and restore the bell to celebrate its half millennium. Funders usually insist on matching funds from local sources as a condition for offering grants towards projects of this type. For this reason the PCC is seeking pledges from local people and organisations to achieve the matching funding.

If you would like the sound of the historic bell to ring out again across The Golden Valley, perhaps for the first time in a century, it would be very much appreciated if you would contribute to the appeal. Up to £4,000 needs to be raised. Your donation can be enhanced by Gift Aid if you pay income tax.

If the bell restoration is to go ahead it will need to be carried out prior to the construction of the holiday unit in Turnastone, because once the unit is installed it will not be possible for the bell to be easily removed from the belfry for the repairs to be carried out.

If you would like to see the historic bell restored and rehung for ongoing and future use, please use the "[contact us](#)" button on our website to make your pledge or to donate. There is also an online donation facility at <http://www.wyedoreparishes.org.uk/Turnastone.htm>