

**St Leonard's Church Southoe
Interior Tower and Bell Project
September 2023 to January 2024.**

Structural Engineer Kevin White
Architects Arch:Angel Architects
Main Contractor Herringbone Restoration.

The projected total costs were £31,200.00 plus vat
Final costs plus vat were £32,413.20

Grant making bodies:

The Wolfson Foundation
An anonymous donor
National Churches Trust
Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust
The Jack Patston Trust
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Exterior scaffolding is erected on September 12th 2023 to allow for transportation of materials through the louvre windows. The start date was delayed on the advice of English Nature and the presence of bats in the belfry.



The current precarious ladder up to the clock floor and bottom right the brick wall structure housing the old oil boiler.



Belfry prior to cleaning



Cracks in the interior belfry masonry walls.



Cracks around belfry opening east prior to works commencing.



Repointing belfry opening



Repointing above belfry opening.



**New steel beams in situ in the belfry.
2nd November 2023**



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Thorough clean of the belfry - bags of rubbish (guano) ready to leave the tower



The garden centre on the tower roof plus an old ladder



Tower gutters prior to cleaning out.



All tower gutters cleared accessed by steeple jacks.

The Tenor Headstock Project.



The old tenor headstock



November 24th 2023 removing the old tenor headstock



Securing the 4th bell without its headstock.

The new tenor headstock manufactured by Whites of Appleton, Oxfordshire.



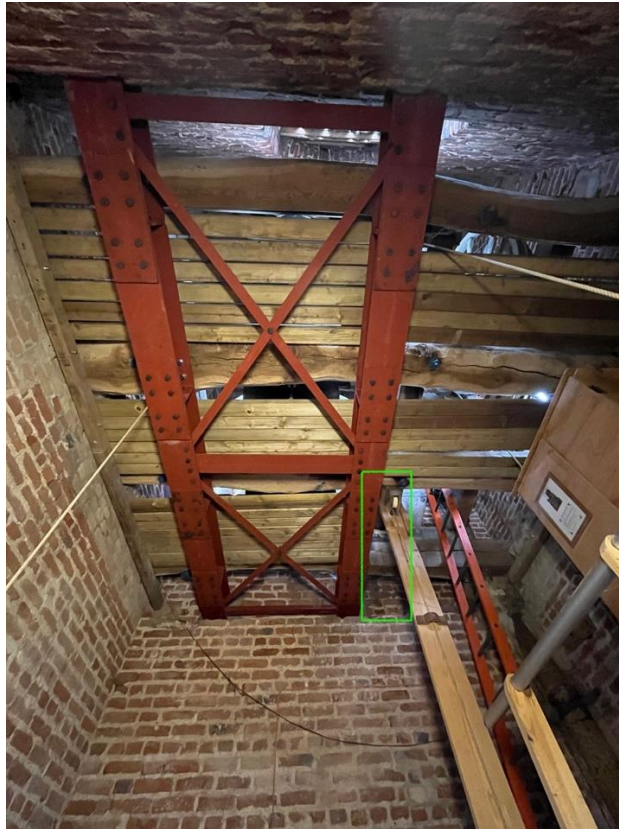
The new tenor headstock arriving



Lifting the headstock up into the belfry.



The new headstock.



The new ringer's safety platform above the new beams.
This will ensure safe ongoing maintenance work.



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