**NATIONAL TWELVE BELL STRIKING COMPETITION**

**SHREWSBURY ELIMINATOR – LOCAL INFORMATION**

Saturday 28th March 2015

**Timetable**

 11.00 Welcome and draw (in St Chad’s Church)

 11.30 – 15.00 Ringing

 16.30 (approx.) Judges’ remarks and results (in St Chad’s Church)

**Car Parking**

There is limited parking in the church car park. This is a public car park so there will be a charge (£1.20 per hour or £7 for the day). If you want to reserve a space contact Claire on info@stchadschurchshrewsbury.com. First come, first served!

There is further parking elsewhere in the town and more detailed information about the location of car parks, their opening times and charges can be obtained from the Shropshire Council website [www.shropshire.gov.uk](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk).

Please do not park next to the Church Hall.

**Catering**

Light snacks, including bacon sandwiches, cakes, tea, coffee, fruit juices and squash, will be available in St Chad’s Church Hall (across the car park from the church) from 10.00.

We do not have a licence to serve alcohol in the church hall.

The nearest pub is the Coach and Horses in Swan Hill, 5 minutes’ walk from St Chad. The bar is open on Saturdays from 11.00 to 00.30 and the restaurant serves hot meals from 12.00 to 14.30 and from 18.30 to 21.30.

The Boathouse Inn pub, across the park from St Chad’s church, is open from 11.30 and has outdoor seating within earshot of the bells.

There are numerous other places in Shrewsbury for eating and drinking throughout the day.

**Toilets**

There are toilets in the church, the church hall and the Quarry (public park opposite the church).

**The Church and Local Area**

St Chad is a grade 1 listed Georgian church with an unusual round nave. The ruins of the previous church can be seen elsewhere in the town centre.

The church’s postcode is SY1 1JX.

Shrewsbury is a cheerful town with many independent shops. It has a brand new museum and art gallery in the Square, 5 minutes’ walk from the church, and a medieval castle restored by Thomas Telford.

For those with children the local park is opposite the church and has a children’s play area.

The river Severn flows along the park and from the park the bells can be clearly heard.

**St Chad website**

Further information will be available on the St Chad website nearer to the competition date. The website address is [www.stchadschurch.com](http://www.stchadschurch.com).