

JOHN TAYLOR & Co.

(E-BENSON-FAMPER)

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RESTORING OLD OAK BELL FRAMES A SPECIALITY

THE BELL FOUNDRY,

LOUGHBOROUGH,

ENG.

12 April 1954

The Rev. K.M. Bishop, M.A.,
Deane Vicarage,
Bolton,
Lancs.

Rev. Sir,

Deane Church - Bells.

We thank you for the courtesy of the interview accorded to our representative, Mr. J.P. Fidler, on the 10th inst., as arranged with Mr. Crook.

As explained by Mr. Fidler, since the date of our estimate in December 1952 costs of materials, wages, transport charges, and indeed all expenses, have increased and only on Monday, 5 April, quite a large Wages Award came into operation which will affect all our employees. Iron and steelwork has gone up by over 10%, as have transport charges, and wages with this last addition have gone up even more still.

However, we understand from Mr. Fidler that you have been working on the basis of our estimate of £1,400. and appreciate that a greatly increased estimate may cause difficulties and possibly delay in getting the scheme in hand.

We beg therefore to confirm the suggestion made by Mr. Fidler, viz., that our estimate of 4 December 1952 should be increased by 6% and if this is accepted within one month this is to remain a definite and final figure irrespective of any further advances in costs which may take place.

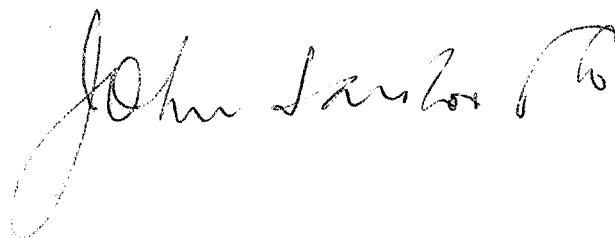
In view of the level which manufacturing costs have reached this is a very low figure but in view of Mr. Fidler's representations to us of the circumstances we feel we have no option but to agree to these terms.

*Done by
13.4.54
V.M.B.
P.T.O.*

The Rev. K.M. Bishop, M.A.Deane Church - Bells.

We agree that the existing inscriptions on the bells shall be repeated without charge and that those upon the four older bells shall be an exact reproduction of the existing lettering. Any additional, new, inscriptions which may be desired to be cast upon the bells to be charged for at 1/- (one shilling) per letter.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John Taylor". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "John Taylor".