Bells beyond belief Friday, 21st February to Sunday,23rd February, 2025 Worcester Whitehouse Hotel, Worcester, WR1 1EA

Work intensively for an extended period on challenging music for five octaves of handbells with possibly, optional hand chimes. This is a chance for players to immerse themselves in rehearsal and to raise their own standards yet, at the same time, be rewarded by making quality music, with like-minded folk. At the end of the weekend a short concert of this music, for the general public, will be given in the hotel.

You should be familiar with handbell music written in conventional staff notation; you will be expected to spend time beforehand working on your bell part.

We will study six pieces written for five octaves of bells. Rehearsal sessions will begin on Friday evening at 8pm and run through Saturday and Sunday. The concert will take place on Sunday afternoon, starting at 3.30pm.

The Worcester Whitehouse Hotel is in the heart of Worcester – free parking for guests – and offers a mixture of high-class single, double, and twin *en suite* rooms, all with TV and internet access.

The cost of this event is £330 per person, sharing a double or twin room, £390 for a double room as a single occupant, or £280 if not playing. This covers full bed and board from Friday evening to Sunday lunchtime, tea/coffee breaks and all music. A £50 non-refundable deposit is required by Saturday, 30th November, with the final non-refundable payment of £280 (£340 for single occupancy) by the end of December. BACS payment: West Midland Region HRGB, sort code 30-94-99, account no. 00823979.

Complete and return the application form, if you would like to attend, to me, along with the deposit(s).