I thought last year was quiet; this year has been quieter! I've had a few email enquiries during the last year, but haven't needed to make a visit to see anything for myself. Advice given has generally been to try something, or look at something in more detail and then let me know. It would seem that this approach has, so far, resolved the situation, because I've not heard anything further.

Earlier this month Kye Leaver at Balcombe mentioned in passing to Richard Pendlebury that they had some wobbly stays. Richard has investigated and found that some coach bolts have been fitted back to front, and will return to resolve the issue soon. Thank you, Richard!

I have one outstanding item – to help adjust the ropes at Slaugham. I wasn't able to fit this in during the busy pre-Christmas period, and had to recover from Covid-19 earlier this month. I'm currently in contact with the ringers there to arrange a mutually convenient meeting, so this should also be resolved soon.

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