

We believe that responding to climate change is an essential part of our responsibility to safeguard God's creation. Our environmental campaign exists to enable the whole church to address — in faith, practice and mission — the issue of climate change.

We are here to help you take action on the environment. Amazing work is already taking place in churches across the country and we are well placed to share news, tips and resources.

[See our latest infographic outlining our most recent work.](#)

"Reducing the causes of climate change is essential to the life of faith. It is a way to love our neighbour and to steward the gift of creation."

Archbishop Justin Welby

Sign up to our [newsletter](#) for quarterly updates and take a look at our most recent issue to see what we're up to.

Net Zero Carbon declaration by General Synod

The Church of England's General Synod in February 2020 set new targets for all parts of the church to work to become carbon 'net zero' by 2030.

Members voted for all parts of the Church of England to take action and ramp-up efforts to reduce emissions, and called for urgent steps to examine requirements to reach the new target, and draw up an action plan.

[Read more about it, and the full wording of the motion, here.](#)

Support and guidance on getting to Net Zero Carbon

A range of useful support has been issued since February:

- Read the proposed [national definition of Net Zero Carbon](#) and how to measure it.
- Book onto our series of [Net Zero Carbon webinars](#).
- Use the [Energy Footprint Tool](#) to help you work out the carbon footprint of your church.

- Read the "[Practical Path to Net Zero for Church Buildings](#)", guidance on [heating principles](#), and on [energy efficiency](#).
- Read these [case studies](#) to get inspired by what others have done.
- Read the [joint statement by the Church Buildings Council and Cathedral Fabric Commission of England](#) on how these issues will inform its decisions and guidance.
- Find your local [Diocesan Environment Officer](#).

Climate Sunday

Could your church take part in Climate Sunday during Creationtide, leading worship and committing to action on the climate? [Find out more](#).

We want to help



Take action

Take real steps to reduce your carbon footprint



Celebrate creation

Find prayers, hymns and songs that celebrate the environment

Gloucester church exterior on cloudy day

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Advice and guidance

Everything from new technology to greening your churchyard



Case studies

See what others are doing



Why you should act

Learn the facts about climate change and our duty to God's Earth

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About the environment programme

Addressing climate change through faith, mission, and practice.

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