

St Andrew's Chedworth (Diocese of Gloucester) have installed a combination of electric pew, panel and overhead heating, allowing them to move away from oil-fired heating to fully electric heating. In combination with a switch to 100% renewable electricity, the church is now "net zero carbon".

Three phase power needed to be installed, but this did not prove to be a barrier. Operating costs are now lower, and church users are more comfortable.

Read the Case Study below.

• Case study St Andrew's move away from oil heating to electric heating | The Church of England

What was done?

Why we acted

Discussion Questions for "Why we acted"

Psalm 19:1 The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

In this video, people are sharing the motivation which led them to get involved with this environmental project. They share lots of ideas, prayers and hopes which you might like to discuss. Here are a few questions to help you think, but you might like to start your discussions by talking about the parts of the video that stood out most to you. This video is part of a set of videos, and there are some common themes across them all, particularly around 'stewardship' and caring for creation, and around justice for people in poor countries or for future generations. So other videos might include some interesting questions which relate to this video too. Feel free to explore them all!

- 1. Matt's prayer is that everyone will have courage to take action to do something about the environmental challenges we face. Why do you think people need courage? What do you think the barriers are for people to act?
- 2. "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands." How do you relate to the idea that we see something of God reflected in God's creation? How might you introduce the wonder of creation into worship in your own life or in the life of your church?

Learn more about St Andrew's Chedworth

Church Heritage Record

Chedworth: St Andrew - CHR Church (churchofengland.org)

A Church Near You

St Andrew - A Church Near You

Gloucester Diocese Environment Page

Environment – Diocese of Gloucester (anglican.org)

Listed Places of Worship grant scheme

Listed Places of Worship - Home page (lpwscheme.org.uk)

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