

'Cathedral thinking' - why we must reach net zero and how Eco Church can help

Greta Thunberg - 'You did not act in time'

'Our emissions have to **stop** if we are to stay below 1.5-2C of warming. [...]

And by "stop" I mean net zero – and then quickly on to negative figures.'

Eco Church: a community of action



Demonstrating that the gospel is
good news for God's earth

Eco Church - Cathedrals

Church of England	40
Bronze	17
Gold	2
Silver	12
No Award	9

Worship & Teaching

Praying outside is a way of helping us to realise that we are a part of Creation. Creation is not just an environment that we live in or inhabit, it is everything that God made including us and all the animals, we are all Earthlings. It is about encountering the outside with all our senses, as embodied beings, made of the same dust as all creatures, which is utterly material and yet utterly spiritual at the same time. Fundamentally, it is about restoring our sense of the Earth as a sacred place, inhabited by God.



Photo Credit: James Fisher



“Coalescence”

time for deep reflection

This part of the Cathedral is set aside for us to reflect on the place of Coal in our lives. Coal is a gift from the earth, a natural resource, but we are using it in an unsustainable way. And causing long-term damage to the environment.

What can we do (it may only seem a tiny thing) to reduce our dependence on coal?

We invite you to draw around your feet, using a charcoal pencil, and create your own 'carbon footprints'. You may wish to shade them in, or to write a prayer for our world of our hope for the future.

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Buildings

'Coalescence'



'A single 200W light bulb, turned on for a year, would consume over half a tonne of coal - this sculpture represents that same amount'

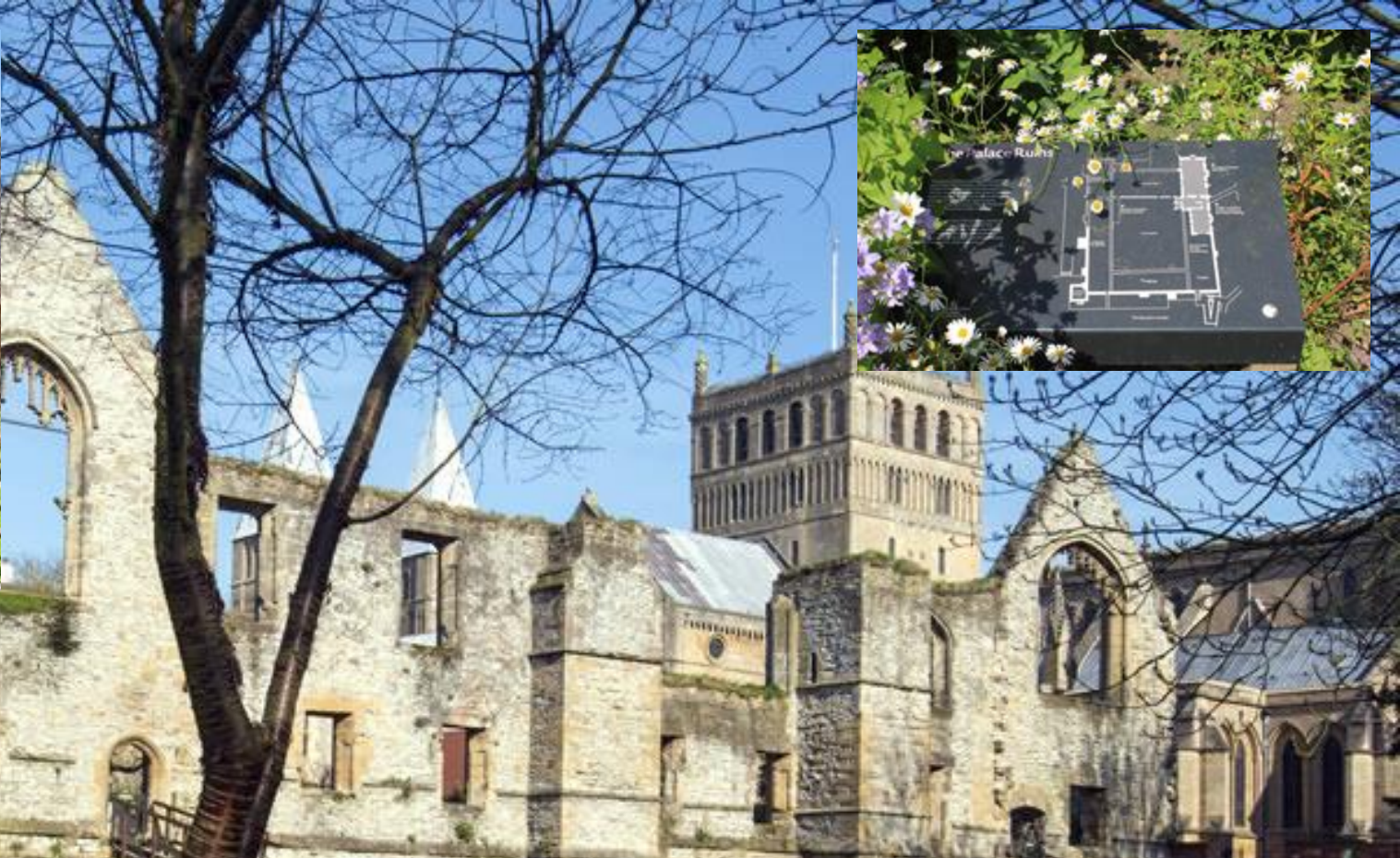
A Rocha UK Land Goal

*At least 75,000 acres of land owned by UK Churches,
Christian organisations and individuals will be
managed for nature.*

Wildflower area
LEFT UNCUT FOR BEES & BUTTERFLIES

Staffordshire Wildlife Trust
LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL SCHOOLS
PARTNERS IN ACTION
LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL RE-WORKS





Community & Global Engagement



3.3 – 3.6 billion people live in hotspots of high vulnerability to climate change.

Overlapping challenges

- Limited access to water, sanitation and health services
- Climate-sensitive livelihoods
- High levels of poverty
- Weak leadership
- Lack of funding
- Lack of accountability and trust in government





Lifestyle - 'Who made your clothes?'



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connecting faith, nature and climate



Redeeming Food webinar

July 3 @ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

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