

Further information...

There is a lot of information available on the internet. Here are some sites which we have found useful:

Church of England online resource pages:

- net carbon zero case studies
- net zero carbon church
- electric car charging
- renewable energy
- heating for churches
- webinars on getting to net carbon zero

Diocese of Leeds Six Steps to Carbon Zero Toolkit

Eco Church resources: buildings category

Towards Carbon Neutral Churches in Craven

We have shared our project story here:

- webpage: <https://www.stmaryembsay.org.uk/churches-in-craven-carbon-neutral/>
- video: <https://youtu.be/NIUvGEzBULK>
- This leaflet is available to download from our website
- The links to all of these websites can be found on our 'Useful links' webpage

'In February 2020, the General Synod of the Church of England... passed a motion calling on all parts of the Church of England to act swiftly to decarbonise and to aim to have net zero carbon emission by 2030. This is... an important prophetic ambition which every church will need to respond to.'

Diocese of Leeds website

Zero Carbon Church: notes from a group of Yorkshire churches which have started the net carbon zero journey

'It becomes ever clearer that climate change is the greatest challenge that we and future generations face. It's our sacred duty to protect the natural world we've so generously been given, as well as our neighbours around the world who will be first and worst affected. Without swift decisive action the consequences of climate change will be devastating.'

Archbishop Justin Welby



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Burton in Lonsdale, Carleton, Draughton, Embsay with Eastby and Skipton

The journey to carbon net zero by 2030...

What do we need to do?

- * Switch to a green electricity supplier
- * Carry out an analysis of our current energy use and cost
- * Reduce heat loss by keeping on top of basic building maintenance
- * Find out about the issues (links to useful information sources are in this leaflet)
- * Have a plan for decarbonising heating, as heating is the main source of carbon emissions for many churches
- * Consider installing solar panels (either roof or ground mounted) to provide renewable electricity
- * Get professional advice on what is appropriate for our situation and needs
- * Consult our Diocesan Advisory Committee
- * Obtain necessary permissions

How can we achieve this?

- * Take small achievable steps
- * Build a team in our church
- * Make an action plan through to 2030
- * Link with other local churches to spread the load
- * Keep our local community involved and informed
- * Investigate all funding sources to put our plan into practice
- * Start now!

We have made a start - you can too!

We need to rewrite our story to turn this tragedy into a triumph..." "We are after all the greatest problem solvers to have ever existed on earth. We now understand this problem. We know how to stop the number rising and put it in reverse. We must halt carbon emissions this decade."

Sir David Attenborough, COP26 Speech,
Glasgow November 2021