

Deanery	
Benefice/Team	
Parishes included in this response	

Diocese of Gloucester Environmental Policy

In the Environmental Policy adopted and updated at the Diocesan Synod in March 2019, the Diocese of Gloucester affirmed that:

- caring for God’s creation is a Biblical requirement, a gospel imperative, and central to Christian mission
- the Anglican Communion’s Fifth Mark of Mission commits us: ‘to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the Earth’
- our diocesan LIFE vision commits us to ‘being advocates for human flourishing, through initiatives which combat injustice, environmental destruction, exclusion and isolation’.
- the Diocese of Gloucester has been registered with A Rocha since February 2018 and we are committed to working towards becoming an “Eco Diocese” by 2020

Has your PCC discussed the New Environmental Policy adopted in March 2019?	YES / NO
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Please indicate below what action you are taking as a result of the policy.

Please note below anything you are doing towards the Eco Church Award

LIFE VISION

The Diocesan Life Vision is centred on Jesus’ words “I have come that they may have LIFE and have it to the full” (John 10:10). What in your Parishes are you noticing that chimes with this Vision and gives you hope?

ENCOURAGING NEW WORSHIPPERS

We seek to open new (as well as existing) paths to faith – helping people of all ages to start an exploration of the life to the full that Jesus offers to all.

What do you do regularly and intentionally, to encourage people who are not part of your worshipping community to start exploring the Christian Faith?

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

What level of Administrative Support, if any, do you have?

	Full time	Part time	Number of hours	None
Incumbent or Ministry Team - paid				
Incumbent or Ministry Team - volunteer				
Parish Administration - paid				
Parish Administration - volunteer				
Benefice - paid				
Benefice - volunteer				
Shared with Deanery -paid				
Shared with Deanery - volunteer				

If paid, are you receiving any 'external' financial support outside PCC General Funds towards the cost of administrative support? (e.g. Grants)	YES / NO
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If yes, please indicate source(s) of funding

If you have no administrative support, is this a need identified by your PCC / Benefice?	YES / NO
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SAFEGUARDING AND GDPR

Are you aware of the National Safeguarding Parish Handbook?	YES / NO
Has your PCC confirmed acceptance of the National Safeguarding Parish Handbook?	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN
If yes, please give the date of the meeting that this acceptance was minuted:	

To the best of your knowledge is your parish GDPR compliant?	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN
Have you made use of the information on the Diocesan Website in respect of GDPR?	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN

Thank you for completing the Articles of Enquiry for 2020

To submit this online, please visit <http://parishreturns.churchofengland.org>

If you do not have a user account for the parish returns website, please contact Church House Reception on 01452 410022.

Completed forms should be returned to your Area Dean or the Archdeacons' Office by 10 May 2020.