



Eco Church story at St Paul's URC Bracknell

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Eco Church Domains



- Worship and Teaching

- Buildings



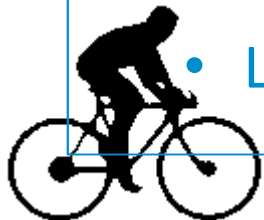
- Land



- Community and Global Engagement



- Lifestyle



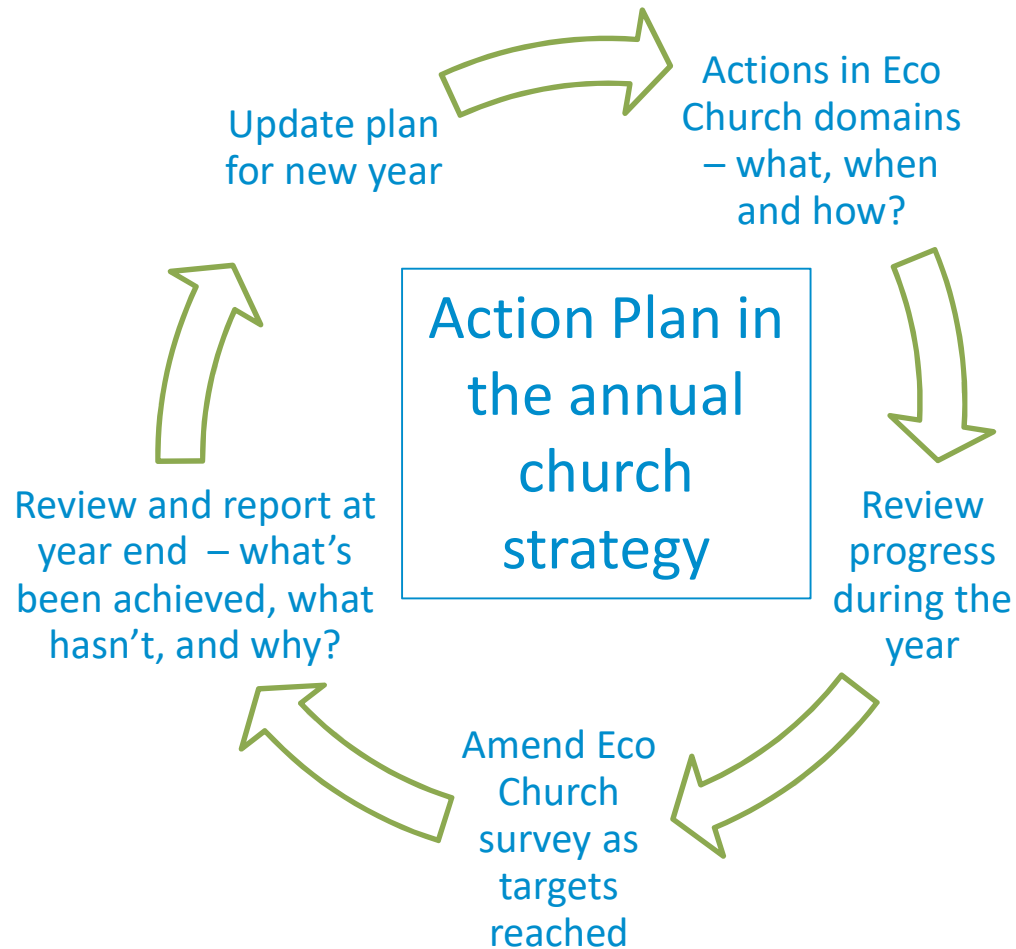
- Online survey with instant dashboard



- Save the survey, then improve and update

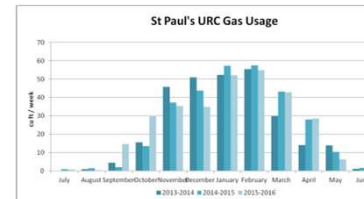
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- Eco Group – champions



Examples of what we do

- Monthly monitoring of energy and water use against reduction target
- Members donated money to twin toilets in Nepal and Zambia
- Brigades include environmental topics in activities
- Article in each church magazine to encourage and raise awareness
- Eco Group lead church services: Earth Hour, Earth Day, Commitment for Life
- Use electricity from renewable sources: our solar panels and via Big Church Switch
- Survey of members' eco behaviour



Improving our score on the Eco Church Dashboard

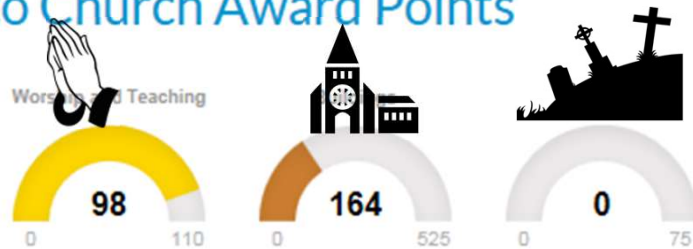
May 2017:

1 gold, 2 bronze domains

September 2018:

1 gold, 1 silver, 2 bronze domains

Eco Church Award Points



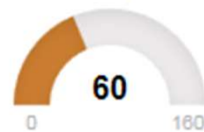
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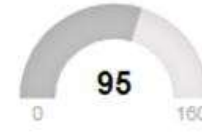
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What is the result?

- Bronze Eco Church Award in April 2018
- Church members say they are now more aware and more careful about saving energy and thinking about the environmental impact of what they do
- Now working towards Silver Eco Church



Do you think that St Paul's being an Eco Congregation has influenced what you do to help the environment?

