

Net Zero Carbon Report Canterbury Diocesan Synod

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Net Zero Carbon

Significant concerns

Our plan to reach net zero carbon by 2030.

Highlights

- National church has published [first NZC 2030 Impact Report](#).
- Unable to appoint shared Programme Manager with Rochester in July.
- Application process has been designed for grant applications to a local diocesan £30k NZC scheme which has been funded by the national programme.
- St. Luke’s Maidstone successfully confirmed on the national programme as a “demonstrator” project!
- Successful “Growing Greener” conference [Sep-24]

Concerns

- Only 30% of churches completed the Energy Footprint Tool.
- Delays in getting NZC resource in place.
- Insufficient Government funding for schools
- Significant fundraising will be necessary for parishes to deliver net zero projects.

Next Steps

- Re-advertise NZC posts with Rochester with a broader campaign [Live. Interviews in December]
- Publish diocesan £30k NZC funding application process.
- Funded energy audits for our largest emitters.
- Expand support for churches in grant funding applications.
- Await delayed annual report from national church on carbon emissions for the diocese and report to next Diocesan Synod.

Future

- Progress diocesan net zero carbon action plan

