



Horsham Churches Together AGM 9.7.26

Horsham Eco Churches - Karen Park

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horshamct.org.uk/eco-churches

Eco Church

- ❖ Free survey and resources
- ❖ Updated for the most impact on climate and nature
- ❖ Bronze, Silver and Gold Eco Church Awards

ecochurch.arocha.org.uk



5 areas of church life

- Worship and Teaching
- Buildings and Energy
- Land and Nature
- Community and Global Engagement
- Lifestyle

ECO  **CHURCH**
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ECO CHURCH RESOURCES

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- Correspond to survey questions
 - Quickly explore why and how
 - Longer reads and case studies
- ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/resources

PLUS: promotional material, kids and youth resources and Welsh language resources

Brighton Road Baptist Church

Holy Innocents Parish Church, Southwater

Holy Trinity Church, Horsham

Holy Trinity Church, Lower Beeding

Horsham United Reformed Church

Life Community Baptist Church

Cornerstone Methodist Church London Road, Horsham

Cornerstone Methodist Church St Andrew's, Roffey

Cornerstone Methodist Church, Partridge Green

St. John's Church, Broadbridge Heath

St. Margaret's Church, Warnham

St. Mark's, Holbrook

St. Mary's Church, Horsham

St. Nicolas' Church, Itchingfield

Trafalgar Road Baptist Church, Horsham

St. Andrew's Church, Nuthurst



Key

*Registered

*Bronze Award

*Silver Award



St Mark's

Eco Church Survey

Worship and Teaching



Silver

You've answered 13 of 16 questions.

[Fill in this section](#)

Buildings and Energy



Silver

You've answered 29 of 32 questions.

[Fill in this section](#)

Land and Nature



Gold

You've answered 16 of 16 questions.

[Fill in this section](#)

Community and Global Engagement



Gold

You've answered 16 of 16 questions.

[Fill in this section](#)

Lifestyle



Silver

You've answered 13 of 13 questions.

[Fill in this section](#)



SUSSEX GreenHub

Last Saturday of each month ♥ 10am–2.30pm

United Reformed Church, Springfield Road, Horsham, RH12 2RG

- Last Saturday month
- 10am – 2.30pm
- Horsham Eco Churches stall most months

sussexgreenliving.org.uk/sussex-green-hub



Horsham Eco Churches

Represented at meetings of:

- Fairtrade Horsham
- Horsham Green Spaces
- South East Climate Alliance
- Sussex Resilience Forum



Promoting sustainable floristry:

- Arrangement for festival of flowers and music, at St Nicholas' in Worth and a talk for Roffey WI



Westminster Mass Lobby 9.7.25

Over 5,000 gathered for meaningful conversations with MPs on climate and nature crisis.

Our discussions included how unbearable it is in hot weather for many in Horsham living in flats.

How churches are a lifeline, offering their buildings as cool and warm spaces.

[Press article](#)



John Milne, MP, with Horsham residents and representatives of local groups

Community Engagement

- [Support foodbank](#)
- Community Café
- [Chatty Café](#)
- [Warm Welcome Space](#)
- [Horsham Community Fridge](#)
- Clothing or toy swaps
- [Repair Café](#) – sewing / electrical
- Cycle repair sessions
- Community Litter Picks



2026

**HORSHAM
COMMUNITY
FRIDGE**



**TUESDAY 10am-11am
THURSDAY 1pm-2pm**

**CORNERSTONE METHODIST CHURCH
LONDON ROAD, HORSHAM, RH12 1AN**



Pops @ Up

**OPEN SATURDAYS
10AM - 11AM**

1ST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH	ROFFEY	ST ANDREW'S CHURCH CRAWLEY ROAD-ROFFEY RH12 4DX
2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH	SOUTHWATER	HOLY INNOCENTS CHURCH CHURCH LANE-SOUTHWATER RH13 9BT
3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH	ST JOHN'S	ST JOHN'S CHURCH HALL SPRINGFIELD RD-HORSHAM RH12 2PJ
LAST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH	GREEN HUB	UNITED REFORMED CHURCH SPRINGFIELD RD-HORSHAM RH12 2RG
24 JANUARY 23 MAY 22 AUGUST 24 OCTOBER	HOLBROOK	ST MARK'S CHURCH ST MARK'S LANE-HORSHAM RH12 5PU

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FAREDIVIDE COMMUNITY FRIDGE NETWORK

**With fairer prices
for what they grow,
farmers **can take on**
the climate crisis.**

Choose Fairtrade

**‘We are the first generation
to feel the change and the
last generation to be able
to change it... We have
a commitment to leave
something better for
our children...’**

Jaime Alberto García Flórez,
Fairtrade coffee farmer, Colombia



Global Engagement

- Climate change hits those in low-income countries the hardest
- Increasingly extreme, unpredictable weather destroying bananas, coffee & cocoa crops
- Even less for essentials such as education, medical treatment and even food
- Sign the [petition](#) to UK Government

Fairtrade Place of Worship

- Currently only 3 churches listed:
Trafalgar Road Baptist, St John the Evangelist and St Mark's
- Re-commit online every 2 years
- [Fairtrade Horsham](https://www.fairtrade.org.uk)



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Climate Resilience

To respond to more extreme weather with increasing extreme heat, drought, wildfire risk, storms, torrential rain, flash floods, rising sea level and in future extreme cold.

Eco Church Survey now includes

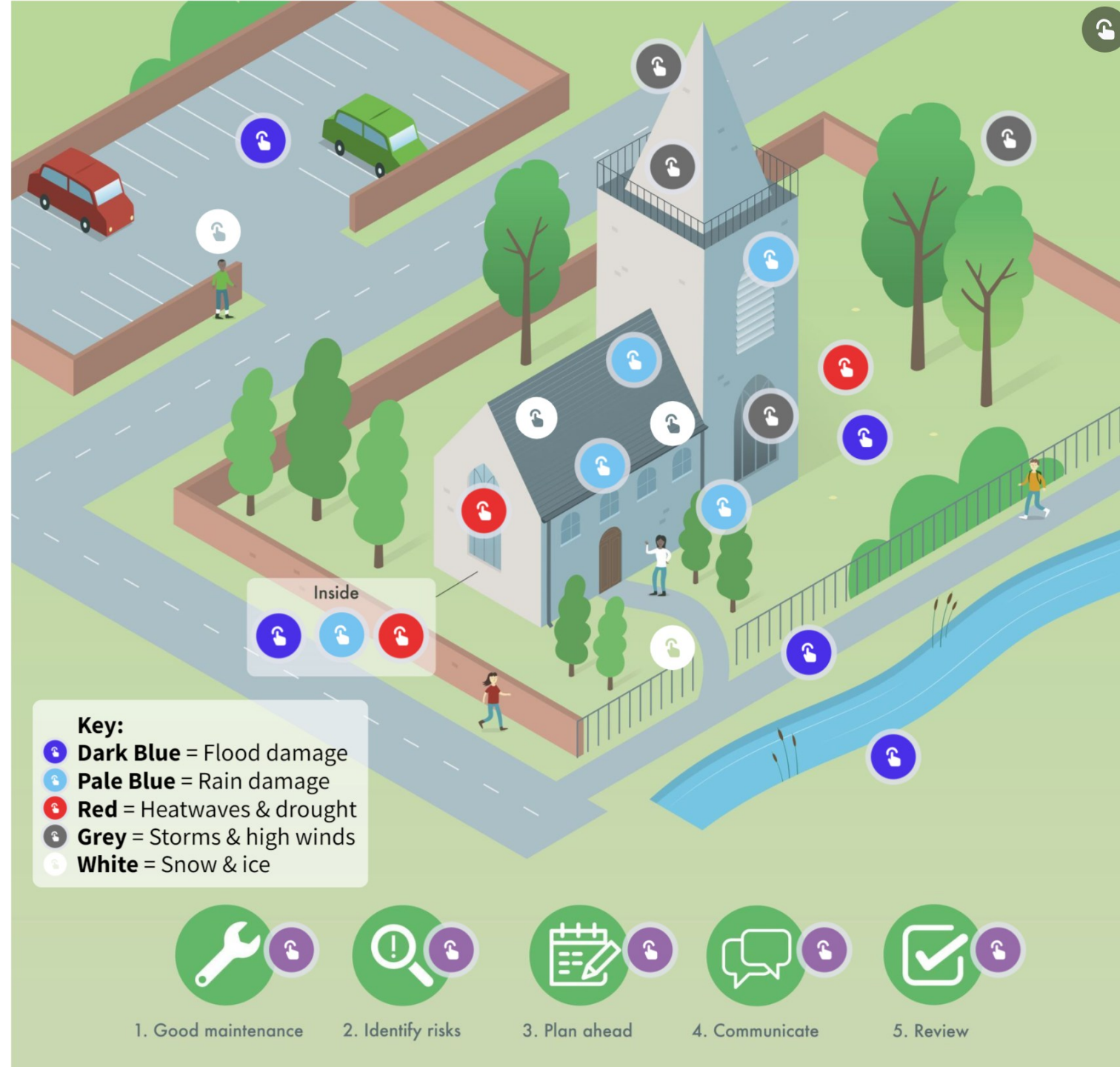
- ✓ Our church has a climate resilience action plan.
- ✓ Our church plans for future climate resilience and has a 'safe spaces' policy.
- ✓ Our church is planning and acting for land based climate resilience.



Climate Resilient Church

1. Good maintenance
2. Identify risks
3. Plan ahead
4. Communicate
5. Review

churchofengland.org/about/environment-and-climate-change/climate-resilient-church



Climate Resilient Community

Open buildings as Cool Spaces & use shady spaces

Sussex Resilience Forum [Preparing for an emergency](#)



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People's Emergency Briefing

- Together with Transition Horsham and others we helped to organise Horsham Green Film Festival.
- This collaboration continues as we support those hosting screenings of the People's Emergency Briefing.
- Could your church host a free screening? [Email](#) Horsham Eco Churches.

People's Emergency Briefing

Horsham



An eye-opening film, nine leading UK scientists and experts updating us on the latest in the climate and nature crisis and impacts on everyday life including:

- extreme weather
- food security
- health
- cost of living

Followed by a short discussion about what we can do and what it means locally.

Date

Time

Venue

Book your free seat asap.
Bring a friend age 16+.
BYO soft drinks.



[tickettailor.com](https://www.tickettailor.com)

Community Climate Fund Grants

- St Mark's - £1,000 Holbrook Community Orchard rare Sussex apple trees and water butts
- St Mary's £1,095 - intelligent thermostats
- Other churches - bicycle rack, ceiling insulation, LED lighting, solar panels, recycling hub, green roof



<https://tinyurl.com/ccwhp6p8>



Together We Can



Climate change can seem overwhelming but together we can do simple things to help our planet & reduce our bills

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