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This month our focus is:

Green Energy

What are the issues?

Carbon dioxide emissions are a major cause of climate change, contributing to global warming and ocean acidification.

Coal, oil, and natural gas release carbon dioxide when burned.

These 'fossil fuels' are often used to provide electricity and heating.

The alternative is to produce energy from renewable sources such as wind, solar power, hydroelectric power, or biomass.

In the UK, progress is being made towards relying less on fossil fuels and meeting more of our energy needs through renewable sources.

Between 2010 and 2020, renewable energy output in the UK increased tenfold thanks to significant investment in this sector.



What can I do?

Consider switching to an energy provider or tariff that uses renewable energy production or offsets the carbon it releases by investing in carbon reduction projects.

If you own a property, look into options for generating heating or electricity on-site, such as air-source heat pumps or solar panels.

Lobby your employer, local council, or MP to make renewable energy production a priority, or join protests against fossil fuels.

Look into whether your bank or pension fund invests your money in fossil fuels and if you can opt for a different set of investments.

Where can I learn more?

These posters will be available at standrewsn19.org/ecochurch

<https://www.goodenergy.co.uk>

<https://www.greenenergyuk.com>

<https://www.hftf.org.uk>

<https://www.theclimatecoalition.org>



<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/campaigns/climate-change-campaign>

<https://theswitch.co.uk/blog/energy/how-green-uk-renewable>

<https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/advice/switching-your-energy-supplier>

<https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/energy-at-home/generating-renewable-energy>