

## CARING FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR WORLD

Last month we gave you an overview of what the PCC is doing for St John's in terms of developing our environmental awareness.

Starting this month, we intend to focus magazine articles on different aspects of our work – where we are, what questions we are asking, what plans we are making and how you might help.

We're going to start with worship and teaching, where, relatively speaking, St John's seems to be doing well. Caring for God's earth and environmental issues do feature in our services, in our prayer, our singing and in our preaching. Leadership of St John's, through the PCC, have made a formal commitment to improving the environmental credentials of our church and through these articles we intend to share this work with you.

Over the coming months, we will see that there is much more that we can achieve in other areas of our church's being, but even here, we should not rest on our laurels. Do we do enough in our worship and teaching? Could caring for God's earth have greater prominence in our work with children and young people? Does it feature in small group study and are there others willing to volunteer in promoting and developing this aspect of our church life? Could we host guest speakers from Christian environmental organisations to talk about environmental issues either in our worship or elsewhere?

If you have a view or suggestions about any of these questions, please share them with us. Your feedback is important and will be discussed at the PCC.

**For your diary:** A Rocha, in conjunction with the Diocese, is running a roadshow about the project, which is due to visit St James' on Thursday 23 February at 7.30pm. All welcome.

If anyone is interested in assisting with this work, or would like to comment or make suggestions, please email: [mccllland753@icloud.com](mailto:mccllland753@icloud.com)