

## Action For Hope – Net Zero 2023 – Grant Funding

- The Methodist Council (January 2024) approved £3 million of grant funding for net zero modifications to church buildings.
- Funding will be supplied to districts, who are in the best position to understand the local context and particular areas of need.
- To ensure good stewardship of resources, the Strategy and Resources Committee agreed criteria for the grants.

### District Criteria

The district will be eligible to receive a share of the money if:

- The district has an up-to-date environment policy.
- The district measures carbon emissions from district-owned buildings and district-funded travel (or has a plan to by the end of 2024) .
- The district is registered as an eco district (where possible).
- The district has a nominated eco-lead/contact.

### Church Criteria

A church will be eligible to receive a grant if:

- The church has a Mission Plan which includes creation care and climate justice.
- The proposal is consistent with the Circuit Mission Plan
- The church is registered with Eco Church or Eco Congregation Scotland.
- The church agrees to share their story with the district (and broader Connexion as appropriate).
- AND The church wishes to undertake a feasibility study  
OR The church has a project plan and feasibility assessment.

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