

Finance and investments

Further Information for Eco Diocese award criteria

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Here are some organisations and resources that may be helpful when individuals, churches and dioceses are seeking to manage their money using ethical principles.

The Green Investment

[The Green Investment Declaration](#) is a collaboration between [Operation Noah](#) and [JustMoney Movement](#) to support Churches and other faith institutions to increase their investments in climate solutions to build a greener future. Depending on where you are on your green investment journey, your organisation will start on one of three levels of this Declaration. As your green investments grow, so too will your Green Declaration, moving from an acorn, to a thriving sapling, to a mighty oak tree.



As well as taking action toward ethical finances, The Green Investment Declaration will offer dioceses an opportunity to provide evidence of fulfilling the criteria for silver Eco Diocese; The sapling level of the Green Investment Declaration, demonstrates the start of a journey of investing for positive environmental impact, an intention to invest further in this area, and have shared this publicly to encourage others to do likewise.

Just Money Movement

The Just Money Movement's article [here](#) is a great place to start learning about ethical finances. They have a host of resources and campaigns including their [Greener, Fairer Banking Guide](#). If your church

or diocese is seeking to switch banks, please contact them for support. [Big Bank Switch](#) is a campaign from [Just Money Movement](#) to encourage individuals to move their bank accounts. The Big Bank Switch campaign calls on you to take three simple steps: Make a Big Bank Switch Pledge; Share the Campaign with your church, network, family and friends; Make the Switch!



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Operation Noah

[Operation Noah](#) works with churches of all denominations to address the climate crisis, particularly through their divestment campaign, Bright Now, and a new initiative to promote green investment. They are also working with churches on large-scale, nature-based solutions, from increasing tree cover to other environmentally sensitive ways of managing church land.



Christian Climate Action

Ethical Banking is a current issue for [Christian Climate Action](#) and actioned via their 'Drop Barclays' campaign as Barclays has been the biggest funder of fossil fuels in Europe since 2016. Their action includes holding vigils outside charities and dioceses that bank with Barclays. The ethical banking working group has a WhatsApp chat. If you wish to join this working group, send your request to christianclimateaction@gmail.com



Green Christian

[Joy in Enough](#) is a project to challenge Christians, and an invitation to all people of goodwill, to join in building a just economy within the ecological limits of the Earth. There are regular webinars about this project, and many other excellent topics, [here](#).



Make My money Matter

[Make My Money Matter](#) offers resources and support for individuals and organisations to green their money including pensions and banking.



Banking on Climate Chaos

Visit [Banking on Climate Chaos](#) to read the latest report about fossil fuel finance and explore data relating to patterns of investment and funding of fossil fuels over time.

