

18. RESOURCES: ADVICE

SPECIFIC TO CHURCHES

Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC)

The priority for DAC advice is the mission and ministry of the church, not the maintenance of old buildings. It exists principally to advise the Chancellor of the Diocese regarding the issuing of faculties for work to be undertaken on churches. Its second role is to offer advice to parishes.

The DAC's heating adviser is informed on environmental matters. Together the DAC's architects and advisers have a wealth of expertise and years of experience in building and environmental matters.

However, the DAC responds to parish requests for advice and parish proposals. By constitution, it is not a proactive body. Requests for informal advice should be addressed to the Secretary of the DAC:

Mrs Gill Hawkings, Diocesan Registry, Market Place, Wells, BA5 2UG
01749 674747

Church Architects

PCCs can only employ architects recommended by the DAC for their kind of building.

The following architects have a particular interest in environmental and conservation matters:

Chedburn Design and Conservation

Bath Brewery, Toll Bridge Road, Bath, BA1 7DE.

01225 859999.

chedburn@chedburn.com

www.chedburn.com

Hetreed Ross

Bath Brewery, Toll Bridge Road, Bath, BA1 7DE.

01225 851860

www.hetreedross.com

Energy Advice

Keith Moss, a retired energy consultant, will carry out a detailed energy audit on churches and offer advice
E-mail: keithhelen@tiscali.co.uk

E3 Energy can give advice on alternative energy systems, with a particular interest in bio-mass burning - wood, not bio-fuels. Contact Mark Strutt 01225 859034

GENERAL

The **Carbon Trust** helps business and the public sector cut carbon emissions, and supports the development of low carbon technologies.
www.carbontrust.co.uk

Centre for Sustainable Energy

provides energy advice, energy awareness training, support for community based projects, education resources and programmes, research and consultancy services to promote sustainable energy policy and practices.

The CREATE Centre

0117 929 9950

info@cse.org.uk

www.cse.org.uk

Cranborne Chase and West Wiltshire Downs

AONB is developing its woodland management to supply biomass fuel. To see a wood fuel system in action, to learn more about installing such a system or if interested in becoming a supplier or service engineer for wood fuel systems contact

Dave Blake, AONB Project Officer, AONB Office, Castle Street, Cranborne, BH21 5PZ

01725 517417

davidblake@cranbornechase.org.uk

Department for Trade and Industry

Low Carbon Buildings Programme gives grants and information, resources and contacts.

0800 915 0990

www.lowcarbonbuildings.org.uk

The **Ecos Trust** (formerly STSD) offers advice on sustainable building design and construction.

Great Bow Wharf, Bow Street, Langport, Somerset, TA10 9PN

01458 259400

www.ecostrust.org.uk

Energy Saving Trust provides information and encourages a commitment to saving energy.

Efficiency helpline 0800 512 012

www.est.org.uk

Eco-Exmoor aims to raise the profile of ecological products, promote the conservation of resources and implement the use of renewable energy. Covering the South West

Eco-Exmoor Ltd, The Old Post Office, Parracombe, Barnstaple, Devon, EX31 4QG

01598 763595

www.eco-exmoor.co.uk/

The Environment Agency is the leading public organisation for protecting and improving the environment in England and Wales.
www.environment-agency.gov.uk/

The **Government Office of the South West** gives information & guidance towards a sustainable future for SW England.
www.oursouthwest.com

Green Electricity gives information on renewable energy, the various suppliers available and their tariffs.
www.greenelectricity.org

Green Register of Construction Professionals
Training and Networking organisation that brings together professionals in construction industry with a commitment to sustainability, providing information and courses. Useful for householders and businesses who want an architect, engineer or other professional who has demonstrated a commitment to sustainable construction or is looking for advice on energy sources.
www.greenregister.org
mail@greenregister.org.uk
0117 377 3490

The **Genesis Project**
Somerset CAT is the first college in UK to offer a foundation degree in sustainable construction. The Genesis Centre is a sustainable construction resource and learning centre for the South West running short courses, events and providing information.
Somerset College of Arts and Technology
Wellington Road
Taunton
TA1 5AX
01823 366 416
genesis@somerset.ac.uk

Recycle-more is a busy website giving information of where locally you can deposit materials for recycling.
www.recycle-more.co.uk

Sustainable Development Commission (SDC)
The UK Government's independent watchdog on sustainable development.
www.sd-commission.org.uk

Traveline is an invaluable source of impartial information for planning journeys by bus, coach or train.
www.traveline.org.uk
0870 608 2 608