

# SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

## SEPTEMBER 2020

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## SRO DIARY DATES

### SEPTEMBER

- 1 Poverty Matters meeting**, contact Rosey Sanders for zoom details (rosey.sanders@truro.anglican.org), 2pm.  
**3 Churches Homeless Network meeting**, contact Rosey Sanders for zoom details (rosey.sanders@truro.anglican.org), 9.30am.  
**25 Modern Slavery: hidden in plain sight in our communities online event**, 2pm - 3pm, email caritas@pcdtr.org.uk for details. See page 4.



## FUEL POVERTY

Cornwall Winter Wellbeing Partnership say 31,000 live in fuel poverty in Cornwall today.

The partnership has produced a toolkit to help people spot fuel poverty and provides solutions.

In January 2018, Cornwall Council and Citizens Advice, with funding from the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, produced the **'Local Authority Toolkit: Supporting Fuel Poor and Vulnerable Households'** to help local authorities, health and third sector partners to work together to reduce fuel poverty in their localities.

## SPOTLIGHT ON .....

# RACISM & BLACK LIVES MATTER

“ Peace is not the absence of tension but the presence of justice. ”

*Martin Luther King Jr*

Patrick Gilbert, soon to be ordained as a deacon, was named as the Diocese of Truro's BAME champion earlier this year.

In this role, Patrick will be aiming to encourage vocations and help develop BAME clergy and laity, as well as working alongside other organisations seeking to build better relations with the BAME community.

Patrick says: "Having grown up in Cornwall and experienced extreme racism, I've always had a heart to want to help those that may have had similar experiences.

"The BAME champion role is simply about raising the profile of black and minority ethnic issues within the diocese and help give voice to those who have felt marginalised and neglected because of the colour of their skin or racial heritage.

"Above all, I would like to see the church be a space that encourages people of all BAME backgrounds feel a sense of belonging and acceptance."



*Photo credit: Thomas Allsop*

## RACIAL INJUSTICE: TOOLS TO HELP PEOPLE UNDERSTAND

The latest Cinnamon Connect Webinar provides tools to help your church understand racial injustice, reflect on your own situation, and take action to create a more equal society.

Guests on this webinar share wisdom and advice that is applicable in every church, regardless of denomination,

size or demographic. As the issue remains in the public consciousness, now is the time to act.

Access the tools you need to make a positive change now, by **watching** the latest webinar or **downloading** the notes.

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# SPOTLIGHT ON ..... SEASON OF CREATION 2020

Care for creation is one of those aspects of life that deserves in post-corona times undiminished attention. This year, in the same way as it has been in previous years, Christians of all backgrounds and traditions all around the globe will be invited to celebrate from September 1 to October 4, the Season of Creation.

This year the ecumenical steering committee of Season of Creation, to which belongs as well ECEN, was able to prepare the **liturgical guide**, which is now offered for wide use. The theme for this year is "Jubilee for the Earth". We invite you to prepare celebration of Season of Creation in your parishes, churches and communities wherever you live.

This guide will help you to learn about the Season of Creation and plan to celebrate it. More resources, including webinars and prayer services, a Facebook group, and photos, are available online. To access all the materials, please visit [SeasonOfCreation.org](http://SeasonOfCreation.org).

Two of the four online services from the national church are environment themed in September to fit with this;

1st Sunday (6th) being 'field to fork' focus on supermarket supply chains and keyworkers, and 4th Sunday (27th) with Harvest reflection from +Ripon.

## CHURCH OF ENGLAND ENERGY FOOTPRINT TOOL

The Church of England has just launched a tool to help us all lower our impact on the environment. The new Energy Footprint Tool (EFT) calculates the amount of carbon your church and other buildings you run are using. You can find out more about it [here](#) or on the diocesan website [here](#), where you will also find information about who can help you complete the details. You'll need your heating and lighting bills **from last year** to hand when you fill it in - and it might even save you money by lowering your bills.

**Please be aware that the deadline for adding your figures is the end of September.**

## ONLINE ENVIRONMENT FORUM

If you are an environmental advocate you might like to find out more about how your church community can make changes to benefit creation.

The diocesan environmental officer, Luci Isaacson, holds an online forum bi-monthly on Zoom.

Everyone is welcome, whether you're already doing lots in this area, or just want to find out the basics.

Email [luci@climatevision.co.uk](mailto:luci@climatevision.co.uk) for details of how to join.

# FAITH COMMUNITIES ASKED TO SIGN UP TO NEW ALLIANCE

During lockdown there has been significant joint working within the sector, pioneered by Cornwall Voluntary Sector Forum.

These new approaches to collaboration, and plans to strengthen the sector and better serve the people of Cornwall are well developed and starting to roll out.

The full details of the Alliance agreements can be found on the VSF website [here](#), but the highlights are:

- VERA, the VCSE Emergency Response Alliance, will continue to meet as a strategic alliance for the VCSE. VERA is comprised of VCSE chief executive officers representing a wide range of services to residents and visitors.
- Thematic Alliances, with four up and running (Infrastructure, Mental Health, Disability and Carers) and plans for 13 more, with membership from organisations which deliver applicable services, to focus on specific beneficiary groups or single issue causes.
- Local Alliances, building from the community response hubs, commencing in September. Local alliances will help more organisations to get involved, and collaborate to improve their local offerings.

If you are interested in being part of this, please visit the [VSF website](#), **join as a member** (it's free) and let us know what areas you are interested in.

## DIVERSITY SUNDAY

In a year of pandemic and lockdown, we are aware of the journeys not made - commutes to work, visits to family or summer holidays. This year Ability Sunday takes the theme of pilgrimage. The tradition of pilgrimage offers us a different kind of journey, a soul-journey. We will explore important features of pilgrimage; from packing light through to stepping out into a new journey with God. Find out more [here](#).



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## FUNDING

### SCREWFIX FOUNDATION

Grants up to £5,000 for UK registered charities and not-for-profit organisations, including Community Interest Companies, for projects that fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and community facilities are available from the Screwfix Foundation.

Applications may be made at any time and are reviewed every three months by the foundation. There is no requirement for match funding.

Building can be homes or community buildings and other buildings in deprived areas or for those in need, and can include repairing run-down buildings and decorating the homes of people living with illness and disability. All building projects must show that they are environmentally friendly.

Further information and an online application form can be found on the [Screwfix Foundation website](#).

Contact details for the foundation are: Matthew Smith, The Screwfix Foundation, Trade House, Mead Avenue, Houndstone Business Park, Yeovil, BA22 8RT  
T 01935 414100  
E [foundation@screwfix.com](mailto:foundation@screwfix.com)

### COMMUNITY ACTION BOOST

Cornwall Council's Community Chest Crisis Scheme gives grants up to £1,000 to unconstituted community groups to help them provide Covid-19 support to residents in need. The programme operates across Cornwall's 19 community network areas, and groups can apply for grants from individual Cornwall councillors.

Now the Ocean Housing Hardship Fund will match their grants in four areas of Cornwall: China Clay, Newquay & St Columb, St Austell & Mevagissey and St Blazey, Fowey & Lostwithiel.

This means groups in those areas successfully bidding for Community Chest funding could see their grant increased thanks to the housing association's contribution.

### GRANTS FOR PROJECTS WORKING WITH CHILDREN

The Daniell Trust provides small grants to locally based charitable organisations working with children with special needs and projects that benefit the natural environment.

Grant recipients are from all sectors of society and the Trust will consider all applications where they fit with its objectives. Grants have previously been awarded to community trusts, wildlife charities, children's centres and organisations that assist young people with disabilities.

The trust meets once a year, in November, to consider applications. Applications should be submitted by September 30 in order to be considered for grant support in the year ahead.

#### MORE INFORMATION

Visit [The Daniell Trust's website](#) or contact The Daniell Trust, C/o Dyke Yaxley, Old Potts Way, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY3 7FA  
E [info@thedanielltrust.org.uk](mailto:info@thedanielltrust.org.uk)

### UP TO £3,500 AVAILABLE FOR REGISTERED CHARITIES

The **Froggnal Trust** offers grants to UK registered charities that are working with older people, children, the blind or otherwise handicapped or in the areas of medical research or environmental heritage.

Awards tend to be for between £200

and £3,500. There is no matched funding requirement. Applications may be made in writing at any time addressed to The Froggnal Trust, Alexandra House, St John's Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2SB  
T 01722 412412  
E [joyce.salkeld@wilsonslip.com](mailto:joyce.salkeld@wilsonslip.com)

### £1,500 PER HOUSE TO UPGRADE RURAL BROADBAND

People in Cornwall whose home or business is not covered by the current Superfast Cornwall programme plans for receiving fibre broadband could be eligible for up to £1,500 towards reliable superfast broadband in the next year, as part of the Government's Broadband Upgrade Fund.

People can find out if they're eligible for funds by entering their details on the [Broadband Upgrade Fund](#)

website and registering their interest. Registration for funding closes on September 30, 2020.

The Government is urging as many local households and businesses as possible to sign up for Government help in installing superfast broadband. Please share this information with people and businesses in your area so they can register for funding.

### HELP FOR CHARITIES WORKING TO IMPROVE LIVES

Grants for charities working to improve the lives of people living with a disability are available from the Clare Milne Trust. The application deadline is Monday, September 21, 2020.

For further information and to access the application form, visit the [Clare Milne Trust website](#).

### SUPPORT FOR FOODBANKS & SOCIAL ACTION WORK

- [Weekly Update on Cornish Foodbanks](#)
- [Grants for Cornish Foodbanks, Grassroot Organisations & Faith Based Social Action](#)
- [Charities Aid Foundation's covid funding round-up](#)
- [Funding database plus fundraising support and advice](#)
- [Grant's online grants database](#)

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## FREE WEBINAR AIMED AT RAISING GAMING AND GAMBLING AWARENESS

Young Gamers and Gamblers Education Trust is (GYAM) is a national education charity with a social purpose to inform, educate, safeguard and build digital resilience amongst young and vulnerable people, helping them to make informed decisions and understand the consequences around gambling and gaming.

GYAM have a free 90 minute webinar aimed at practitioners working directly with young people. Watch it [here](#).

## RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR CHURCHES

YourNeighbour.org is a network of over 1,000 churches from over 40 denominations in the UK. We are coordinating a UK church response to the Covid-19 crisis working with churches, the Government and the NHS. We are running a national call centre and email support line, Monday - Friday, 9am - 5pm. 0300 323 9952.

You can also email us at [welcome@yourneighbour.org](mailto:welcome@yourneighbour.org)  
YourNeighbour.org has created a very thorough toolkit and resource called Engaging Locally available to [download](#). With lots of local examples of partnership with local authorities and other local agencies.

## SPOTLIGHT ON ..... MODERN SLAVERY

Caritas Plymouth are hosting an online event on September 25 to discuss the challenge of modern slavery and to share resources and ideas about how parishes and individuals can tackle this issue.

Presenters will include Caroline Virgo from the Clewer Initiative, Ann Donnelly from The Apostleship of the Sea/ Stella Maris and Deborah Fisher OBE from Caritas Plymouth.

Email Caritas at [caritas@pcdtr.org.uk](mailto:caritas@pcdtr.org.uk) to book a place.

The Clewer Initiative have also developed a Farm Welfare App. You can find out more about it [here](#).

Transformation Cornwall are working with **The Clewer Initiative** to develop some 'Hidden Voices' training in Modern Slavery in Cornwall later this year. Please join Transformation Cornwall mailing list to stay updated.



**MODERN SLAVERY**  
HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT  
IN OUR COMMUNITIES



Caritas Plymouth would like to invite you to join a one hour on-line event to find out more about modern slavery in rural areas and in the shipping industry.

**The event will take place from 2-3pm on Friday 25 September.**

Speakers will include Caroline Virgo from the Clewer initiative, Ann Donnelly from Stella Maris and Deborah Fisher OBE from Caritas Plymouth.

The event will offer the chance to discuss the challenge of modern slavery and to share resources and ideas about how parishes and individuals can tackle this issue.

Please email [caritas@pcdtr.org.uk](mailto:caritas@pcdtr.org.uk) to receive joining details.



# TRANSFORMATION CORNWALL<sup>+</sup>

Strengthening Faith Based Social Action in Cornwall

## MEET THE FUNDERS COMMUNITY WEBINAR DATES

### MEET THE FUNDERS WORKSHOP 1

Wednesday, September 2, 11am - 12noon: Developing your project.  
To register click [here](#).

### MEET THE FUNDERS SURGERY 1

Wednesday, September 16, 11am - 12noon: Developing your project.  
To register click [here](#).

### MEET THE FUNDERS WORKSHOP 2

Thursday, October 1, 11am - 12noon: Using data to demonstrate need & top tips for making a strong funding application.  
To register click [here](#).

### MEET THE FUNDERS SURGERY 2

Thursday, October 15, 11am - 12noon:

Using data to demonstrate need & top tips for making a strong funding application.  
To register click [here](#).

### MEET THE FUNDERS WORKSHOP 3

Wednesday, November 11, 11am - 12noon: Understanding key questions in a funding application and where to look for potential funders.  
To register click [here](#).

### MEET THE FUNDERS SURGERY 3

Wednesday, November 25, 11am - 12noon: Understanding key questions in a funding application and where to look for potential funders.  
To register click [here](#).

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