



LED 2023 FAQ's

What is LED 2023?

LED 2023 is all about getting as many bulbs switched to LED's as possible- it's as simple as that! There's funding for churches, church halls and clergy housing to do this.

Why do we need to switch our bulbs?

Switching bulbs can feel like a very small action in the scale of what's needed to reach Net Zero by 2030, but it's an important one. In domestic settings, an average of 5kg of CO_2 emissions is saved for every bulb switched to an LED. The Energy Saving Trust estimates 1.7 million tonnes of CO_2 emissions could be saved annually if all 28 million homes in Britain switched to 100% LED bulbs! There's also the additional benefit of cost savings. As LED's use less energy, they cost less to run. They also last longer, so you don't need to buy replacements as often.

What funding is available from the Diocese?

The Diocese will cover the cost of LED bulbs for your church (and hall if you have one), up to £1,000. If you think the total cost of bulbs will be above £1,000, please speak to <u>Anna Newlove</u> before purchasing. When you have purchased your bulbs, please complete the <u>Reclaim Form</u> and submit it, along with a copy of the receipt, to <u>James Brunskill</u>.

If you need to change fittings as well as bulbs, the Diocese is not able to cover the total cost of this. Please apply to the <u>Parish Property Fund</u> for up to £3,000, or one third of the total cost of works- whichever is the less.

For clergy- as with churches, please buy the bulbs and switch them yourself and then submit a completed Reclaim Form and copy of the receipt to James Brunskill. If you have any fittings in your house which would need to be changed to switch to LED's, this will be considered as part of future quinquennial works.

How often are Parish Property Fund applications reviewed?

We are meeting quarterly to review applications- the remaining review dates for 2023 are 5 June, 21 September and 4 December. As we're accepting claims through to 31 January 2024, we'll be reviewing any final applications on 5 February 2024. We would recommend applying sooner rather than later, as there is not an unlimited budget for this work.