## Lincolnshire Methodist District Environmental Newsletter April 2025

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### **Counting the cost**

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At the recent Synod, held on 5<sup>th</sup> April, members were asked to submit details of how they travelled and if they had arrived by car how many miles would be driven. It was calculated that 0.4 tonnes of carbon had been used.

The challenge of a meeting like Synod or other District gatherings is how to reduce our carbon emissions whilst still enjoying the benefits of meeting face to face.

### **Church news**

The Asda Foundation has recently generously granted  $\pounds$ 2,685 to Brigg Methodist Church to help with the development of an eco/community garden.

The garden development will enable the provision of some raised beds and pathways, and subject to other funding applications the inclusion of a garden and eco elements. The sensory development of the garden is being overseen by paid Youth Worker, Grace, with involvement from youth groups, including those on the New Places for New People initiative 'Sustain', and community members. It is also planned that the garden will subsequently provide outside space for Community Meals in the summer, organised by Oikos, Brigg.



A grand total of 25 churches in the Lincolnshire District have now registered with Eco-Church and of these 8 have gained their bronze award and 4 have gained their silver award. Very well done everyone!

Richard Britton-Voss of Sleaford Circuit and Rev John Boardman of Grimsby and Cleethorpes Circuit are your District Eco-Champions on hand to help you register with Eco-Church. Get in touch with them directly or via the District Office pa@lincolnshiremethodist.org.uk

#### Which church will be the next to go for bronze?



Presentation of the Silver Eco-Award at St Christopher's in Grimsby

#### **Eco-District**

Now that an impressive 25 churches are registered with Eco-Church and as soon as a few other criteria are met the District can apply for its Bronze award. Watch this space.

