**Get Involved!**

We will help inspire each other to make little and big changes to reduce our carbon footprint in Bearsted & surrounding area. Everyone is in a different stage in their journey of awareness to taking action on the climate emergency. We can help each other by sharing stories of action local residents have already taken to reduce their household carbon footprint.

We will create a Eco resource platform & develop resources by theme with stories including:

1.**‘Wild about Gardens’ & Tree planting**

2.       **Transport**– less car use more use of public transport & active travel

3.       **Decarbonising energy**– solar panels & heat pumps

4.       **Food & drink** – more plant based food, local produced

5.       **Ethical buying decisions** – use the Ethical consumer rankings on companies & products

6.       **Finances** - Is your money funding fossil fuels?

7.       **Waste & plastic** –refuse, reduce, reuse, recycle

Businesses & organisations including churches also need to review and reduce their Carbon Footprint.Holy Cross Church has recently registered as an Ecochurch and conducted a baseline survey during Spring 22.  Over time Holy Cross Church & New Way will work towards Bronze EcoChurch Award with the help of Arocha who organise the national Ecochurch initiative.