Toll Gavel United Church

Eco survey: please return by the end of February. There is a box in the TG Centre, or you can return it by post to the church address or ask John Turner to collect it.

We hope you are aware of the following:

- a) The Methodist Church is committed to becoming carbon neutral by 2030
- b) Toll Gavel received the bronze eco award from A Rocha in March 2020 and we are now engaged in an effort to apply for the silver award
- c) Our focus is now to reignite our interest and commitment in improving our eco credentials after the covid hiatus.
- d) We have recently organised an eco-month to help relaunch our commitment and we have set up an eco-group.

We hope to make an application for the silver award within the next 3-6 months. As part of this process, we need some reassurance that you will support our efforts as a church community and as an individual member of society. Please answer the following questions as honestly as possible.

- 1. What have you supported that Toll Gavel has already done to help improve the environment and address the climate crisis? (e.g. regular purchases from the Fairtrade stall, attended a TG eco event, use TG's recycling bins)
- 2. Have you another suggestion to make we could consider? (What have you seen elsewhere that Toll Gavel might consider trying)
- 3. Share with us one way you have reduced your home's environmental impact. (e.g. changing to a green energy supplier, recycling as much as possible etc....)
- 4. Share with us one way of reducing your carbon footprint for travel. (e.g. walking or cycling as much as possible, using public transport whenever possible....)
- 5. Share with us any way you have changed your diet (e.g. eating more locally sourced food, eating less meat....)

6. Share with us any ways you have tried to make an eco-friendly garden (encouraging birds by installing a bird feeder, using peat free compost....) 7. Share with us how you have tried to reduce the impact of your wardrobe choices. e.g.(wearing clothes made from sustainable fabrics, choosing clothes from companies who pay fair wages....) 8. Share with us how you invest in a fairer more sustainable world (checking the ethical policy of your bank, supporting an environmental charity....) 9. Share with us how you have tried to make an impact on decision makers (writing to your M.P. encouraging them to support green policies, contacting your local supermarket about their contribution to green initiatives or lack of them....) Please answer the following questions as honestly as possible: Are you an active member of any of the following groups? Please tick

- a) Yorkshire Wildlife Trust
- b) RSPB Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
- c) Beverley Wombles
- d) Christian Aid
- e) Fairtrade Foundation
- f) Greenpeace
- g) A Rocha
- h) Green Christian
- i) Other environmental groups

If you need a second copy, please ask John Turner Tel 867573 or e-mail jetbev2@gmail.com

Thank you -Social Responsibility Team and our new Eco-group.