‘Whatever next?’

Changing cultures, changing us

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Achievements

Capital Vision 2020
Energy-saving Benchmarking – St Paul’s relaunch, 16th September 2014
Wildlife and biodiversity

Motivation and commitment

Climate change: a Call to Action

The national scene
The wider world

Hot topics

The media, Culture and society

Environmental Consultative Forum
Human nature and culture

Behaviour change?
Seat belts and cigarettes
The social brain

Silent or dominant majorities

Truth and trust

Communicating science
UCL/ Chris Rapley

THE ENVIRONMENT IS LIFE!

Enoughness and restraint
The affluent society
Sabbath and Jubilee
Paradigms or pathologies

Economics

Growth

Values
Resources

Capitalism
Globalism
Markets

TOO BIG TO FAIL!!

People
Nature

Faith

Whose creation?

Taboos
Sacred cows

Climate Psychology

Broadgate Babe
The change we want

Personal, local, national, worldwide
Political, industrial, commercial, social

Sharing and equity
instead of
exploitation and inequality

‘No regrets’ policies?
ie better on any scenario

Coalitions
see Synod report 2012
How many lightbulbs …?

Flying and driving

Social pressure
“Where are you going this summer?”

‘Conspicuous consumption’

Preying on the planet!

Exempting ourselves?

Or constructive engagement?

Horses and water?

Salt and light

On the right side of history posterity
A moral and spiritual challenge

Vision, communication

Fairness and justice

Empathy

Compassion

Mindfulness

Faith, Hope and Love
1 Corinthians 13

Agape

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Ingredients for success

Honesty and frankness
Realism and feasibility
Unselfishness
Conducive to social cohesion
Humaneness
Agape
Consultative Forum

To succeed Environmental Steering Group

Informal, ~ 2 hours, afternoon, 2-3 x pa
Floating venues

Larger group, no fixed membership
Wide participation from around the diocese
Prepared topics
Open comments, issues, ideas and suggestions
A conduit for information and ideas
Parishes to the Diocese and vice versa

A channel for communication and inspiration
Talk the talk and walk the walk, in churches and green groups

Source of energy and motivation
‘Whatever next?’

Thanks for listening. 
Over to you!

For your diaries: 
‘Modelling the New Creation’, Climate Action Programme relaunch, Tu 16th September 2014, St Paul’s Cathedral, Wren Suite, 6:00 for 6:30 pm