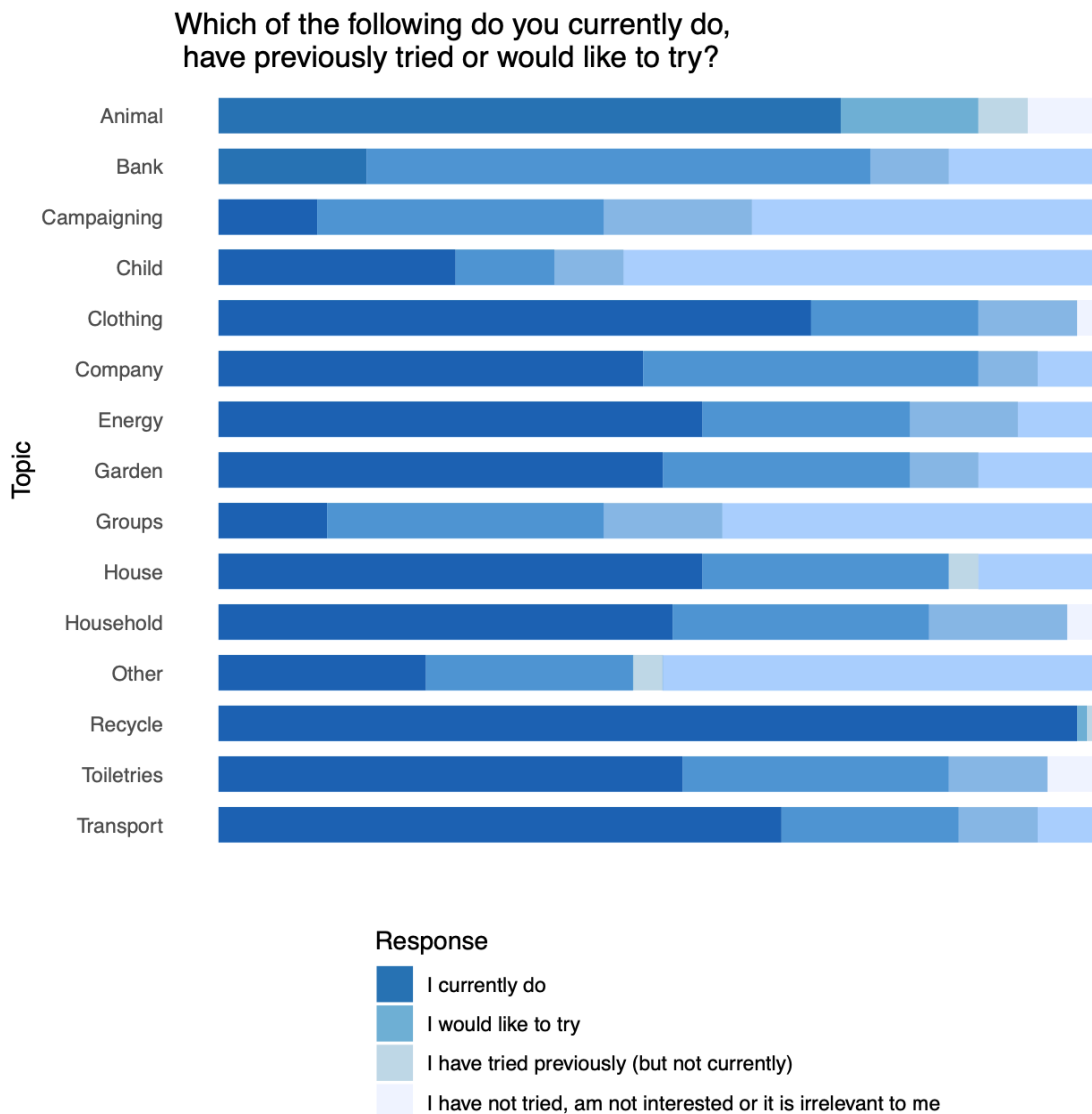


STC eco survey 2022

The STC Eco group survey was produced to better understand how our church feels about the environment and climate change, what lifestyle changes our church has already made, and how STC can best support our church family.

Overall it seems the responders feel negative about the state of the environment, worried about climate change and anxious about the future of the environment. This is a common theme across the different age groups. From the responses, most have made changes to their lifestyle already to try and tackle climate change, with recycling being a change that most engage with and reduction in animal products, changes to choices around clothing and transport also being very popular changes. The graph below shows how responders engage with different lifestyle changes.



Many things bring people joy in trying to be more environmentally conscious, the word cloud below shows the topics of lifestyle changes with size and darkness of the word representing how many responders mentioned the topic. Gardening, composting or growing vegetables was the most mentioned followed by buying second hand rather than new or upcycling or re-using and cycling and walking rather than taking the car.



Common topics appeared in suggestions for how STC can support the church family including ideas in the word cloud below. The most commonly mentioned were church family having a platform to share their stories of what they already do, more teaching and theology on climate and environment, events, more space given in person and on social media and re-usable mugs for refreshments at church rather than disposables.

