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Methodist Central Hall Westminster earns Eco Church Award

Methodist Central Hall Westminster (MCHW) has been awarded the **Bronze Eco Church Award** by A Rocha UK, recognising its commitment to caring for creation and taking practical steps towards greater sustainability.

The award reflects progress made across worship, teaching, buildings, community engagement, and lifestyle. It highlights the church's determination to live out its faith in ways that respond to today's environmental challenges.

The Eco Church programme, run by Christian conservation charity A Rocha UK, provides a framework for churches to act on environmental responsibility. Methodist Central Hall Westminster achieved the Bronze Award by demonstrating progress in the following areas:

- **Worship and teaching** – placing creation care at the heart of services and learning.
- **Buildings and energy** – introducing measures to reduce energy use in a large city-centre church.
- **Land and nature** – supporting biodiversity in its available outdoor space.
- **Community and global engagement** – raising awareness and working with partners locally and globally.
- **Lifestyle** – encouraging sustainable practices across the church community.

Revd Tony Miles, Superintendent Minister of MCHW, said:

"We are pleased to receive the Bronze Eco Church Award. This recognition affirms our commitment to care for God's creation as part of our mission as a church in the heart of London. It is an important initial step, and we are determined to build on it in the years ahead. Central Hall Westminster Ltd, our conference and events business, holds the ECOsmart Platinum Venue Award from Greengage Solutions, recognizing our building's outstanding green standards and our venue's commitment to sustainability in operations and events. As a Church, this inspires MCHW to set our sights on the Platinum Eco Church award!"

MCHW now joins hundreds of other churches across England and Wales that are part of A Rocha UK's Eco Church programme, working together for a more sustainable future.

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