Called to Action



Small steps to save the planet

Healthy peat bogs absorb CO₂ and are a rich habitat.

95% of UK peat bogs have been damaged or destroyed, giving out CO₂.

Peat bogs are the most efficient store of carbon after the oceans.



In 2011 our government and UK compost industry agreed to ban peat in garden compost by 2020. It is still widely used.



Actions:

• Phone or visit your local garden centres and ask if they stock peat free compost. This link gives ideas for a letter to the manager.

https://www.gardenorganic.org.uk/sites/www.gardenorganic.org.uk/files/Template%20letter% 20t0%20store%20manager_0.pdf (Eco Church ref: Community & Global Engagement 15)

 Make your own compost. 220 litre bins are £13.50 at the moment for Worcestershire residents. <u>https://getcomposting.com/special-offers/</u> (Eco Church refs: Land 14 for composting at church, and Lifestyle 14 for personal lifestyle tips)

References:

https://www.rhs.org.uk/advice/profile?PID=441 RHS advice about peat and peat free compost https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2019/04/19/gardeners-persist-using-peat-despite-environmental-pleas/