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## GOOD NEWS

### THE WORLD'S FIRST FLOATING CITY

Construction is underway in the Maldives to build a trailblazing floating city to house 20,000 as a solution to rising sea levels and an overcrowded capital city. This futuristic feat of architecture will be completed by 2027.

### WINNERS OF THE GLOBAL GOOD AWARD

In Dorset drones and Artificial Intelligence were used to identify and map different types of litter on beaches and urban spaces.

Glowing bins, funded by McDonald's, have reduced the amount of litter by 75%. This idea will now be tried in Glasgow.

### EUROPEAN UNION

New builds in EU countries will now have to have solar panels. Due to the war in Ukraine, EU countries have been turning away from Russian gas supplies. Part of this includes a switch to renewable energy, with plans for half of the energy being renewable by 2030. A new solar rooftop initiative has made it mandatory for all new buildings to have solar panels by 2029.

### GREEN LIGHT FOR GAME CHANGES

There will be a GCSE in Natural History for 14 to 16 year olds from 2025. Pupils will develop a vigorous understanding of the natural world from their own local wildlife environment and ecosystems to critical global challenges such as climate change and sustainability.

## FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

### ROUGH IDEA TO HELP THE HOMELESS

Registration is now open and fundraisers are being urged to sign up for this year's annual Sleep Out at the Eden Project. November 10<sup>th</sup> will see people bed down on a cardboard mat with a sleeping bag to raise funds for St Petroc's Charity for the Homeless.

St Petrocs are seeing a rapid rise in referrals especially among younger people facing more complex issues.

Two members of our ecumenical J and P group are intending to sleep out in Falmouth on this date. If you would like to join them or sponsor them, contact Euan on 01326 219 008.

### MODERN DAY SLAVERY HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT

October 18<sup>th</sup> was Anti-Slavery Day. More than 200 years after the abolition of Slavery there are an estimated 40.3 million men, women and children trapped in Modern Slavery.

In 2020 there were 31 Modern Slavery and human Trafficking cases reported in Cornwall.

Do you know what to look for and what to do?

**REPORT IT. IF NOT YOU, WHO? IF NOT NOW, WHEN?**

If you suspect someone is a victim of modern slavery, or if you suspect someone is a victim of modern slavery, contact the following numbers:

If you suspect someone is a victim of modern slavery in Cornwall, please call one of the following numbers:

Gangmasters Labour Abuse  
Authority  
**0800 4320 804**

Salvation Army confidential  
referral helpline  
**0800 808 3733**

Modern Slavery Helpline  
**08000 121 700**

Crimestoppers (anonymous)  
**0800 555 111**

Local police **101**

Emergency **999**

Or visit [crimestoppers-uk.org](http://crimestoppers-uk.org)

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call one of the designated numbers.

Or police on 101 or 999, or Modern Slavery Helpline 08000 121 700

Pick up a card with these numbers at your church.

### HALF TERM

is coming up soon. This is a time when mothers and fathers find it a particular time of financial stress.

Donate to our food banks and community fridges.

## ACTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Choose an action of your choice that will make a positive contribution to someone who is lonely or in need this week. Have a chat with someone living on the street or begging, asking them their name and buy them a coffee or something to eat.

Pray for the government of our country and for Ukraine, and those many other countries in the world where there is violence and conflict