

## Best Recycling Project in the County

Stroud District Youth Council have recently celebrated their Litter Recycling Project after it was crowned the Best Recycling Project in County. The Gloucestershire 10:10 Awards covered a number of other categories as well, including Young Green Champion, Green Business of the Year and Green Community of the Year.

The project detailed via the 'Current Projects' page link involved the positioning of bespoke designed 13 multi compartment bins at known 'grot spots' on routes to and from schools, the aim was to encourage the recycling of litter and to clean up the respective areas. The project launched in the summer of 2009 was designed and implemented by SDYC members with support from SDC Community Safety Service and funding from the Local Strategic Partnership, it has taken 3 years from the initial idea coming from youth council members.

The bins are now emptied as part of the SDC environmental contacts, overseen by the Public Space Service. SDYC members continued to audit the use of the bins during 2010 and claimed the project successful, after the huge impact it has made.

Robin Ellis-Cockcroft (SDYC Chair) said; "We are delighted to win this award as recognition for all the hard work members have put in, this category had some excellent projects in it".



Annie Pickering, SDYC Youth Cabinet member for Environment (far left) and Robin Ellis-Cockcroft, SDYC Chair (far right), receive the Gloucestershire Media 10:10 Best Recycling Project Award in December 2010.