

# Youth council rolls out on-street recycling bins

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Following the success of the on-street recycling bins, launched by Stroud District Youth Council (SDYC) back in June 2009, a further five bins have been installed across the district.

The brainchild of SDYC, the litter recycling bins were created after many discussions on how they could change things for Stroud district residents. Recognised as the active voice for 11 - 18 year olds for the district, the youth council formed a litter recycling pilot project team. They decided to introduce recycling bins around Stroud, concentrating on routes most commonly used by young people such as the paths to and from school.

After trialling the bins in the Stroud area and monitoring their use, the youth council secured funding from Stroud District Council to install further recycling bins at the following locations:

- Near the entrance to Archway School, Paganhill
- Woodfield Road, Cam - footpath adjacent to Co-op Care Nursery
- Near the Nippy Chippy, Stonehouse
- On corner of Woodcock Lane and Osprey Drive, Stonehouse
- Between Dursley Fire Station and Rednock School, Dursley

Izzy Holley, SDYC Youth Cabinet member for Environment, said:

"We are really pleased to install five more recycling bins in the district and hope they make a difference in the respective communities. Our main aim is to encourage young people to have a more active role in looking after their environment".

The multi-compartment bins, which feature unique artwork, aim to encourage young people of all ages to recycle and separate their litter when disposing of it.

The group originally received funding from the Local Strategic Partnership to implement the project and carried out research as part of the work.

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