

Case Study

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Meridian Envirobin starts Kingston College on a money-saving environmental journey

Situated in South West London, Kingston College is a successful provider of full time, part time and undergraduate courses in Kingston upon Thames and operates in four campuses.

Although recycling schemes had been implemented previously at the College's smaller sites, at the main Kingston Hall Road campus, waste was being collected and used as an energy source in an EFW (Energy from Waste) programme, operated by Grundon. Student Representatives had flagged lack of a recycling programme to the College some time earlier and as soon as moneys became available, college staff began the search for suitable recycling bins.

The decision was taken to opt initially for separating dry mixed recycle from the waste stream and bins were sought to do just this.

"I was already aware of Leafield Environmental and their product range from previous experience," said Maroulla Gibbs, Head of Facilities (Services & Health & Safety). "I felt that their Envirobins, particularly Meridians, would be a good robust option and they were worthy of consideration."

Justin Salmon, Leafield's Business Development Manager for London and the South, was invited to undertake a site survey and subsequently produced a comprehensive plan that incorporated both 110 litre Meridian Envirobins for internal recycling and TwinBins for external use. The plan detailed bin type and location recommendations throughout the eleven floors (and a mezzanine) of the building and also covered the Motor Vehicle Engineering facility and the Deli.





The proposal recommended Meridian Envirobins that could accommodate two individual waste streams in a single slim unit, using a 70/30 split in favour of mixed recycling over general waste. This combination has proven successful in the past in encouraging users to engage in the programme and segregate the waste effectively.

The Meridian bin has the flexibility to go from a single waste stream collection to double then triple, simply by changing the lids, giving it the ability to adapt to the college's future waste stream requirements.

Meridian bins with 100% open apertures for collecting mixed recycling were considered more appropriate for use in the Deli. Justin also recommended A3 signage kits for the bins, to detail the correct use of the two waste channels, and high impact posters to draw attention to the new scheme.

After a competitive and successful quotation, orders were received and delivery was completed successfully before the four-week deadline in order that the bins could be sited at a convenient time for all concerned. Justin was present on the delivery day to ensure that all the bins were installed in their correct positions in accordance to the agreed plan layout.

Customer Evaluation:

"This project was the first full recycling scheme to be initiated at the main Kingston Hall Road Site and it represented the College's commitment to, and investment in sustainability," continued Maroulla. "But we are also optimistic that it will be a cost saving to the college as recyclable waste is approximately half the price of general waste to lift."

**Wide range of aperture options;
100, 70/30, 30/40/30%**
**Flexible and adaptable format allowing
the bin to meet your recycling objectives.**

**Interchange lids allow bespoke waste
streams to suit your needs.**

100%

Open



70/30%

Open/Open

Open/Lift lid

Open/Liquid reservoir



(110 litre only)

30/40/30%

Hole/Open/Open

Hole/Open/Lift lid

Open/Open/Lift lid



**Hole/Open/
Liquid reservoir**

**Hole/Lift lid/
Liquid reservoir**

Open/Lift lid/Lift lid



(liquid reservoir only available on 110 litre range)



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