Positive Environment Kingston

A partnership for sustainable communities

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- Joint project – Royal Borough of Kingston, Kingston University and Students’ Union
- Train student volunteers as environmental mentors to help local SME’s and voluntary organisations
- Mentors go through training programme
- 12 local organisations benefited
- Project now in its second phase and recruiting new volunteers and organisations
Why Did We Get Involved?

- University’s Strategic Policy / Borough’s community plan / eco footprint
- Environmental Policy
- Student Volunteering Opportunities
- Capacity and Resources Available
- Innovation
Just Some of the Benefits …

- Helping us to support our local community in a positive and constructive way – strengthening RBK partnerships.
- Some unexpected benefits: networking, curriculum benefits, student environmental audit of Siddley House.
- Opportunities for the future of the project e.g. with academic colleagues, ‘live projects’
- Three Awards – have helped raise profile and received lots of positive publicity
- Career opportunities for our students – knowledgeable and experienced graduates = sustainable alumni
- Helping us progress towards our goal of becoming a sustainable organisation