

# ALLSTONE



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# SPEEDY SKIPS

# Spotlight

## Allstone Speedy Skips – ‘The Home of Recycling’

### The future of a circular economy as Allstone Speedy Skips improves its commitment to climate change



In our day-to-day operations at Allstone Speedy Skips, our impact on the environment is at the forefront of what we do. Our processes take in to account the products we receive and primarily how we can reduce our impact on the environment. In doing our utmost to improve our footprint, we strive to provide positive outcomes for all of our futures.

The concept of a circular economy is to reduce the amount of consumption by recycling as much waste as possible and providing the raw materials for reuse. We are proud to announce that we have invested in a new

wash plant system to reprocess incoming hardcore waste and produce new washed recycled aggregates. In a nutshell, this saves quarrying new virgin aggregates and all the environmental damage, pollution, and miles this entails.

The success of this lies in the fact that it is an example of a true circular economy working for everybody's benefit. This shows just one example of the dedication and investment made by Allstone Speedy Skips to make the extra effort to reprocess the many different wastes we receive.



#### Recognised for Recycling

We have expanded our growing number of recyclable waste streams. Allstone Speedy Skips now collect UPVC windows and doors, carpets, batteries, printer cartridges, mobile phones and Heras fencing feet with an aim to recover, reprocess and help create new products from these waste items. This puts us in good stead to increase our circular economy.

In our mission to build towards a greater percentage of wastes being reutilised via the circular economy, Allstone Speedy Skips have been upgraded from an A grade to an AA grade waste processor by the Environment Agency. As a licensed waste transfer station, we are rated by the agency following unannounced inspections and audits with evidence-based checks on our procedures and paperwork. This upgrade is testament to our efforts to ensure compliance to all the regulations in our day-to-day work, as well as going above and beyond the Environment Agencies requirements.



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# Local Representatives

To take the thoughts and views of local people in the Armscroft and Wotton areas, we are pleased to work alongside two new appointed independent local representatives, David Brookes and Jonathan Ingleby. They both sit on the group liaison board with representatives from Gloucestershire County Council, Environment Agency, Gloucester City

Council, Environmental Health and the Community Well Being Officer all present to hear your feedback with the group meeting every quarter. David and Jonathan are fully independent and not aligned to any authority and know the area well as local residents in both Wotton and Armscroft. Comments can be sent to either representative via email at any time.

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## Sound Monitoring

To monitor our impact on noise within the local community, Allstone Speedy Skips undertook two real-life noise studies in the Armscroft and Wotton areas in 2020. Monitoring devices were fitted twice in the neighbouring housing areas over a three-week period. The installation of the devices by Allstone Speedy Skips have

ensured adjustments to our working methods and practices to minimise disruption to our neighbours. Following the surveys, two new quiet loading shovels were purchased to reduce our noise impact. Investing in high quality plant, these machines are the quietest available in the market. One of our biggest considerations is our neighbours, and this illustrates our desire to try and provide solutions to all stakeholders.



## A Tidy Effort

In the nature of our business, we like to keep areas clean and tidy where possible. We have paid and carried out a clean up and tree reduction of the Blinkhorns Bridge area to remove shopping trolleys and over-hanging council trees. Our team have also invested in more time being spent sweeping the yard area with our mobile road sweeper and minimising the dust and litter to make the lives of our neighbours cleaner than ever before.

## Supporting our Local Community

Charities and our neighbouring communities are at the heart of Allstone Speedy Skips. Over the last few years, we are pleased and proud to have fundraised for a large number of initiatives.

As a thank you to all the key workers and staff at Gloucester Royal Hospital, we provided a fireworks display to help lift morale during the first wave of the pandemic.

Allstone Speedy Skips have supported Gloucester Old Boys Rugby Club in their hour of need by providing a new car parking area worth £16,000 to ensure the car parking spaces next to the children's play area remain free for the general public to park safely and close the amenity.

We are also delighted to sponsor the following organisations: U14 – UPL Gloucester Development, Churchdown Panthers Football Club, Gloucester City Football Club, Gloucester Rugby Football Club, Coney Hill Pond Project, Greenwoods Therapeutic Horticulture CIC and Increase the Peace.

Throughout Christmas Advent in 2020 we wanted to make a real difference to those facing challenges during the festive season and donated a total of £12,500 to 24 different local charities throughout Gloucestershire.



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