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Dear Councillor,

My name is Isla and I am a Year Six student at Emerson Valley School. I am writing to you to inform you about our local area. Around Emerson Valley, there is constantly an astonishing amount of litter, especially around Rusland Circus (our school).

We have discovered that there is only one bin in the whole of the area around our school. This is rather large, yet there is only one bin. There is only one bin, but also a lot of dogs waste and no dogs waste disposal bins. There are lots of people using this one bin, since it is the

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only one which means it is always full. Do you want us to be up to our knees in litter? There is litter scattered across the pathways. I have seen people attempting to bin their rubbish, but the bin is so full that you cannot fit anything in it.

Another point is that since that we only have one bin, it is overflowing and tempting animals to use the litter for their homes and to feed their young with. This means the young animals will grow up digesting the wrong things, therefore will live a shorter life. This litter is encouraging animals to visit our school area and may be getting hurt due to sharp cans, plastic bottles and many other harmful items of litter, or damaging themselves on the inside by trying to eat or drink food inside the litter. Generally around Emerson Valley, more creatures are getting injured by the terrible litter.

Also, our appearance as a town in general is not looking the best, and on the whole could be a lot better. Our

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school is becoming more unattractive every day as the wind is blowing litter out of the overflowing bin and across to our school premises. It is also painting our school in a bad light and making it appear that our students litter around school when this is not the case.

In conclusion we would greatly appreciate it if we could have more bins around Emerson Valley School.  
Thank you for your time.

Yours sincerely,

Isla