



Youth Councillors Tara, Jack, Doris, Matt, Connor and Leroy and YouthBankers Mina, Sandrine, Robert, Alison and Perry attended the Young Essex Assembly's Green Pledge Launch at Galleywood Youth Centre.

The photo shows Youth Councillor, Matt, signing the Green Pledge on behalf of Harlow Youth Council. The Green Pledge is an initiative of the Environment subgroup of the YEA and encourages schools / organisations to pledge to:

1. Set up an Environment committee or appoint Eco-Champion(s).  
*The committee/champions would become part of a county wide scheme with a meeting/ training once or twice a year.*
2. Recycle paper / plastics / cans/ food wast
3. Wherever possible re-use items such as waste paper, refilling ink cartridges etc.
4. Make use of natural daylight rather than always using lights.
5. Use of energy saving light bulbs wherever possible.
6. Use central heating, air conditioners only when necessary.
7. Turn off electrical equipment over night, do not leave on stand by.
8. Offer parents etc the option of receiving communications via email rather than letter.
9. Provide encouragement for people to walk / cycle and provide safe storage for bikes.
10. Make use of alternative energy sources.

In addition to the presentation, everyone could take part in an exciting performance with "Weapons of Sound" and be on the catwalk as part of a very creative fashion show!