

THIS WEEK IN "LITTERLAND"

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HOPPING TO IT IN GREENVILLE. This rabbit is a trash-filled mesh bunny, an art installation funded by Keep Greenville Beautiful, strategically placed to remind passersby to contain their litter.

[Canada and China pen pact](#)

The governments of the People's Republic of China and Canada have inked a pledge to work together on solving plastic pollution. The countries will adopt a "sustainable lifecycle approach" to managing plastics, says a joint statement from the office of Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. It states that both countries will "endeavor" to reduce the unnecessary use of single use plastics, will look to share research and best practices, engage fully in international efforts and cooperate on marine monitoring technology.

[Three-foot beaver unveiled in park](#)

State-created agency Palmetto Pride uses art to shape attitudes in Greenville, SC. A second litter-filled animal statue - a 3-foot beaver - debuted at the 2018 Get Out! Greenville event in Lake Conestee Nature Park, joining the rabbit, right, purchased three years ago. The artist is Jim Swaim of Myrtle Beach.

[A bin experiment for Philadelphia](#)

A trial program designed to help the people of Philadelphia clean up their act is heading to the doorsteps of select neighbourhoods. Over the next six months, residents in 2,090 row houses in the city's north end can apply to get their own 35-gallon trash receptacle through [PhilaCan](#) and ditch their use of communal disposal containers. They must promise to maintain their personal bin and follow simple rules - bagged trash only, keep lid on, keep outside, no overflow or marking up. Officials will be watching to see if the litter situation improves under the program. "Filthadelphia" is a derogatory nickname that dogs the city. A state grant of \$150,000 is paying for the pilot.

[Clampdown at railway station stalls](#)

After a brisk start and 1,253 fines issued in May for littering at India's 30 Western Railway stations, the crackdown seems to have run out of steam. Only 127 tickets were issued in October.

DID YOU KNOW?

UK experts this week began six months of scientific work with South Pacific partners in Vanuatu and the Solomon Islands mapping out actions that can be taken to stop plastic entering the marine environment. Read more about that [here](#).

HEADLINE LITTER GRABBERS (NOV 11 - 18)

Some of what made our News Reel this week

Saving World Heritage Sites on agenda [\(11/14\)](#)

In Germany from November 14 -16 for the first time an international workshop convened to examine the problems litter is causing designated UNESCO world heritage marine sites. Find more information [here](#).

Private litter company given the boot [\(11/16\)](#)

Liverpool is cutting bait with Kingdom Security, the private litter policing firm whose relentless tactics had drawn criticism. Council canceled the deal despite the company's success -- £1.4m in fines handed out in just eight months. Council received half of the revenue.

Litter cops who bounce back wanted [\(11/12\)](#)

"A resilient character" is one of the traits sought in applicants who want to work for Kingdom as litter enforcers. An ability to "defuse hostile situations" is another, says the ad. The job pays £9.61 an hour.

State holds open regional Litter Summit [\(11/14\)](#)

Southeast Ohio held a Litter Summit on Wednesday hosted by the state department of transportation and Keep Ohio Beautiful to share litter research, resources and programs, identify issues and hotspots.

Welsh town committed to the task at hand [\(11/13\)](#)

Monmouthshire council aims to lead Wales in tackling litter with a three-year £30,000 Keep Wales Tidy grant and a five-point strategy for education, enforcement, infrastructure, service design and partnership working.