

# Row over mosaic scheme

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**STROUD:** A HEATED row has broken out at Stroud after town councillors revealed plans to install the famous replica of the Woodchester Roman Mosaic on the Subscription Rooms forecourt.

The town's deputy mayor Mike Williams is calling on the district council to consider bringing the huge mosaic out of storage and laying it down outside the historic town centre venue.

He claims the move would provide the perfect tonic for Stroud's dwindling

economy. He said: "As well as improving the sub rooms themselves and attracting more visitors the move would also be very good for businesses in the town."

But former Wotton-under-Edge man Bob Woodward, who put together the replica with his brother John, claims the move would destroy 10 years of hard work.

He said: "I can't believe Mr Williams has put forward this proposal without speaking to me first."