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Dear Ms Wells

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Thank you for your information request dated 15 April 2016.

Please find below the information you have requested:

A public consultation regarding waste/recycling was undertaken between 26 September 2014 and 7 November 2014, both on and offline. The results of this consultation were then used to inform the tender process for the waste and recycling contract procurement, later that same year.

Communications state that the 140 litre black wheeled bins will hold up to four standard kitchen bin liners. These are an average of 30 to 40 litres. The 80 litre black bin bags are for outdoor use in dustbins and will hold up to two standard kitchen bin liners.

Following the consultation with local residents in 2014, feedback showed that the majority (61 per cent) of households put out 1 or 2 black bags and 19 per cent put out 3 or 4, meaning that 80 per cent of households put out 4 or less bags of waste.

Waste and recycling tonnage data the council collects on a monthly basis shows the average household on the Island produces around 125.92 litres of black bag waste on a fortnightly basis, collected at the kerbside. The black wheeled bins and gull-proof sacks currently being delivered to over 70,000 households across the Island are 140 litres.

The council also recognises there are many households with specific reasons why they must create larger amounts of non-recyclable waste and as such have three criteria for requesting a larger bin or second gull sack. For bigger households (6 or more persons), or those with additional needs such as 2 or more children in nappies or those who produce large amounts of sanitary waste or non-infectious medical waste, bigger bins are available and requests are being processed.

Please see attached document containing the consultation questions as requested.

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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. McLaughlin', with a small flourish at the end.

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