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Recycling and Waste Collection	Residual Waste Bins / Larger Bin	1
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## **Purpose of Policy**

This policy sets out the Council's policy on residual waste bins and under what circumstances residents may qualify for a larger bin.

## Background

The Council is moving from a standard residual waste bin of 240 litres to 180 litres for residents living in an individual property. This standard size will apply to all requests for a new or replacement wheeled bin.

All waste must be contained within the bin with the lid closed flat. Waste left on top or at the side of the bin will not be removed.

Alternative methods of collection may be provided to flats, communal properties or properties on a rural / remote collection.

## Smaller / Larger Bins

As the standard residual waste bin size is 180 litres the Council will no longer be supplying smaller, 140 litre residual waste bins.

Residents can request a larger bin if they meet the following criteria:

- The household is recycling as much as possible and present all recycling bins on every collection
- There are 6 or more people living permanently in the property (previously 5 or more). **Proof of residency of all residents must be provided.**

Or

• There are less than 6 people living permanently in the property (previously 5 or more) but they are producing large quantities of non-hazardous medical waste. This does not include nappies.

Any household requesting a larger bin must complete the application form and a decision will be made on the basis of the information supplied. The Council will keep a list of

households with larger bins, which is reviewed on a rolling two year basis to ensure that residents still qualify for the larger bin.

Those households with 5 or more people living in permanent residency who have previously qualified for a larger bin will retain their larger bin until such time as the property is subject to review.