

<b>Food recycling consultation</b>	
<p><b>Collection option 1</b> Food waste A weekly food recycling collection. All households will receive a small indoor caddy and liners to collect food waste in the kitchen and a small lockable food waste container for outside. Green bin You will keep your existing bin (which is 240 litres for most people) but it will only be collected every three weeks. Grey bin There will be no change to the fortnightly collection of your grey recycling bin. You will still be able to recycle all plastic bottles, all glass bottles and jars, paper, cardboard, cans and tins. Brown Bin (Garden waste subscription service) You can choose to use the Council's 'Garden Waste Club' for only £40 per year (£35 online) to recycle your garden waste such as grass cuttings, leaves, twigs and branches. Your 240 litre brown bin will be collected every two weeks. Please let us know your thoughts and comments on option 1:</p>	
<b>Answered</b>	<b>6920</b>
<b>Skipped</b>	<b>2135</b>
Responses	
1	<p>Regarding the food waste issue I accessed the website to complete as best I could the options and made appropriate comments. Being a computer dinosaur I was unable to locate any submit button so I don't think my contribution will have been registered. I do think that this exercise is a waste of good Council Tax money. The Council says that this is being done because of Government targets but let us not forget that these targets, as far as I can see, are imposed upon us by the unelected and unaccountable bureaucrats in Brussels. This is one one of the many reasons why the recent referendum vote went the way it did.</p> <p>Having said all that the options available are retain the current green bin to be emptied every 3 weeks, receive a food bin, bin bags and a lockable box to be emptied weekly or have a smaller green bin to be emptied every 2 weeks and all the other paraphernalia. Both options will incur extra expense but the least expensive, which I must reluctantly accept, would appear to be retain the existing bin. Where is all the extra money coming from to pay for this? Is the Government providing the money or will the fallback position be an increase in next years Council Tax?</p>
2	<p>I would like to raise my concerns over the "proposed" new bin collections that the Council are trying to enforce.</p> <p>At the moment the collections work well for my household, although the green and grey bin are usually full to the top after two weeks.</p> <p>I do not want to see this as a three weekly service with smaller green bins and a food waste bin! I cannot see how this is an improvement for Wirral residents but a cost cutting exercise by the Council.</p> <p>I would like to argue the statement that 40% of waste in the green bin is waste food - not in our house!</p> <p>I do not want a separate bin for waste food in the house either! Space and hygiene would be an issue.</p> <p>Also, how can the Council consider removing the current green bin and replace it with a smaller one? At what cost would this incur? Surely leaving the current issued bins whatever the outcome would be prudent as sometime down the road we can expect a change of method!</p> <p>I do not believe the Council has thought this out properly and the consultation with residents has been very poor - we have to glean information from the media, which again is not serving us properly!</p> <p>I have engaged with the Council by paying for my brown bin - not much consultation there either - but feel this is over stepping the mark!</p> <p>On another note - I wish to express my disappointment over the closure of Girtrell House - another cost cutting exercise against the wishes of the people it directly affects! Maybe standing up to Government cuts is the answer instead of punitive measures against Wirral residents?</p>

3	<p>My wife and I are keen on recycling and, provided costs are reasonable, I am supportive of the idea of a separate collection for food waste. This will make virtually no difference to the content of our green bin as we already compost about 95% of our food preparation waste and throw away almost no cooked food.</p> <p>I am however appalled at the suggestion that the size of green bins should be reduced. There are two key reasons for this: first most young families use disposable nappies. The only disposal method for these is to place them in green bins and to reduce the size of the bins for these families will mean a potential health hazard, especially in summer. The second reason is that replacing the existing bins with smaller bins is both wasteful and costly.</p> <p>One rather minor and occasional problem is that although polystyrene is recyclable, Wirral do not do so (as it adds almost nothing to the tonnage recycled) and the only disposal option (other than taking it to a recycling centre) is to place it into the green bins where it can take up masses of room.</p> <p>Rather than use both carrot and stick immediately, I would like to suggest that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Wirral council does a trial of the food waste collection in a couple of areas to see what the problems are and the yield is. This will limit the initial cost and might give helpful information. It may be that the amount going into the green bins could be monitored to see how much smaller bins could be.</li> <li>•Households are given the option of having a smaller green bin but not forced to do so. I see little point in spending money replacing bins that regularly have only small amounts in them: it will do almost nothing to force the use of food collection.</li> <li>•The Council publish more details of what goes into household rubbish and whether other items could also be recycled. For example when brown bins began to be charged for there was advice that some garden rubbish could be placed into green bins - is this happening? And is there any evidence that items that can already be put in black bins are just placed in general rubbish?</li> </ul>
4	<p>I am concerned about reports that the waste collection in my area is to start including a third "food waste" bin, making the collection of each bin move to a 3 week cycle. I have a newborn baby, and the nappies alone fill half of the green bin as it currently is - pushing this to a 3 week collection will mean there is little room for anything else and I daren't think about the odour. We do not have food waste, and we already recycle and our grey bin is full for every collection. We cannot afford to pay for the additional collection of the garden waste bin so we're already struggling to dispose of garden waste. I'm seriously worried that these measures are not being considered on a practical level. I would like some reassurance that the council is going to think about how families with babies and infants in nappies are going to be effected by these idiotic ideas. We pay our council tax in good faith that it will be spent wisely and that includes a sensible approach to waste management.</p>

5	<p>Just read the proposal for food recycling in Wirral and move to 3 weekly green bin emptying (with a smaller bin).</p> <p>A few questions if I may:</p> <p>Where was the resident consultation?  How can all residents be seen to be in the same category?  Has the idea of storing a food filled caddy "indoors" for a week (according to the Wirral Globe) really been thought through?  What happens in very hot weather for instance? How does a large family with babies and old age pensioner living on their own even compare.</p> <p>All I can see is, rather than look at the problem, discuss, consult and come up with a proper solution to a serious issue, Wirral Council see a target for which funding is probably an incentive if a certain % is recycled, and a myopic idea to save money by further reducing services.</p> <p>Are residents able to object, because I believe many will see this hair brained idea for what it is.</p>
6	<p>Dear councillors</p> <p>I believe there is a proposal to reduce the green bin collections from fortnightly to 3 weekly.</p> <p>I am disgusted &amp; totally object to this proposal. Our green bin is full within 2 weeks &amp; we already recycle our food waste as we have a composter. In fact in the warmer weather when the prospect of flies &amp; maggot infestation increases, they should be emptied weekly. Also we have a dog, so although we bag it's poo I don't want 3 weeks worth sat in the bin.</p>
7	<p>I have read in today's Wirral Globe that the council are considering introducing food re-cycling and reducing the number of bin collections to every three weeks. I would be very concerned if this were to happen and I would like you to draw the attention of the appropriate committee to my situation and the situation of carers like me. My husband is terminally ill and is totally incontinent. Carers come four times a day to clean him up and put the incontinence pad and its contents into the green bin. By the end of one week this bin is full with these pads plus all the other clinical waste which the district nurses and carers dispose of each day. You can imagine the smell! If the bins are only to be emptied every three weeks I think it would be essential for the council to introduce a collection for clinical waste.</p> <p>There will be other clinical waste from other ill people which does not bear thinking about - stoma patients, for example.</p>
8	<p>Block of 4 flats. At present we have 3 green bins (1 in use and 2 spare), 2 grey bins (1 in use and 1 spare) and 2 brown bins (both fully used). We have no problem with the bin collection now. I live alone, am severely disabled walking with difficulty. There is no way I could lift one of the lockable food containers full or empty. Any changes will have to be considered carefully and if put into practice depend largely on the help of the bin men if to work satisfactorily.</p>
9	<p>What do I do with hedge cuttings and grass, weeds. Can I put it in my green bin? I can't get to the tip myself and don't know anyone that can take it for me.</p>
10	<p>We do not need nor want an extra bin. We have already refused to pay the increase in Council tax for the garden waste bin, the contents of which, so we were told, is made into compost which is sold. Wirral BC is not recycling all that it could, around one third of that which should be in the grey bin is refused. West Lancashire recycles tetra-paks - why can't Wirral. Aerosols and biscuit tins are metal, books are made of paper. What's wrong with plastics - including those with the recycling triangle which are refused? Come on Wirral - get your act together - it's no wonder that you are among the worst councils in the country.</p>

11	<p>Most of the space in the green bins is taken up with the plastic containers the fruit and vegetables we purchase from the supermarkets are contained in.</p> <p>Not all blocks of flats have the capacity to store extra bins - we have a small enclosure that just houses the 2 x waste, 2 x grey and 2 x brown bins.</p> <p>We do not have 6 x separate green bins for all of our waste and we do place items for recycling in our grey bins.</p> <p>It would be impossible for us to therefore go for three weeks for the 3 x green bins currently shared without it being collected.</p> <p>I do not think the Council has considered how flats especially without adequate space for extra bins would be able to cope.</p> <p>We do agree that something has to be done to look after the environment, but cannot see how we can include more bins and do without a 2 weekly collection for our current bins.</p>
12	You are asking sick people to do your jobs.
13	Usual council rubbish! Will we get a reduction in council tax as we now pay for fortnightly collection and prior to that 2 weekly it was every week. No matter what time limit you come up with you cannot force people to recycle.
14	This whole operation is disgraceful! I live in a small flat! "small indoor caddy" - in warm weather - smells and flies! I do not have food waste. I came through the last war. Even tea leaves are dried and put on the fire!
15	I have 2 green bins as I am sick and disabled
16	What a waste of Council time - rate payers money. Leave well alone. You still have 80000 brown bins in peoples homes from your last sortie over bins. I have kitchen bin when full or a weeks goes into green bin.
17	We have a commercial bin for recycling. I do not wish to have a food waste bin- I have never wasted food in my 89 years. I have 2 compost bins in my small garden in which I placed waste vegetable matter such as peelings along with weeds and garden matter. I never waste cooked food such as meat.
18	<p>Actually I hardly have any food wasted. Years ago we were given a small indoor caddy but it was another thing I could do without cluttering up my kitchen. I never used it for food but for small gardening tools outside the back door. I have a sealed compost container.</p> <p>Green bin- I strongly dislike and object to only every three weeks for collection- smelly.</p> <p>I already have a small bin which is fine. Having written this I see option two green bin 140 collected every two weeks!</p>
19	Yes want this option please. This option gives more space. Please don't remove our large green bin.
20	<p>We would like to keep our 240 Litre green bin</p> <p>We don't have much food waste so the 140 litre bin wouldn't be too small</p> <p>We would be quite happy with the 3 weekly collection</p>
21	Will I have caddy liners delivered on a regular basis or do I have to get them, if so when do I go?
22	It will be a waste of time giving me a food bin as I can dispose of food to pets in a safe way myself. I have no brown bin as I have a small garden. Anything from this eg leaves and cuttings I will take to the tip. But I don't agree with half size green bin having to cope with lots of junk mail and packages. I would like to keep the big green bin please
23	Option one will be the best for us
24	Not for this option
25	<p>Green bin 3 weekly collection appalling suggestion</p> <p>No to food waste bin</p>
26	Need larger bin as most rubbish is non recyclable
27	Even without food in the green bin I feel that 3 weeks is a long time to wait for the green bin to be collected. The idea of it being 6 weeks if I am away is really too long
28	We do not need the large bin
29	<p>Sounds like a good idea</p> <p>Brown bins should be free to pensionable age residents?</p>
30	Our existing 140 litre bin barely copes with the present two weekly collection with relatively little food waste. Is 50% realistic? How much of the volume is made up,of food packaging beyond our control?
31	<p>Keep the 240l bin and bring the rates down</p> <p>Brown bin - it is wrong you charge and I don't want a small a caddy for food waste as it will only bring more rats</p>
32	No green bin must be collected every two weeks please
33	<p>I think a weekly food recycling collection is a good idea</p> <p>Unacceptable to collect green bins (240 litres) every three weeks</p>

34	Waste of time and money WBC already has new bins ready to go so the tax payer has no say at all. You'd be best educating people to recycle properly and fining people who don't do it
35	The only difference to option 1 and 2 relates to the green bin. I am severely disabled and will have to be treated as a special case as I produce a lot of waste items - kitchen towels, incontinence pads, soiled clothing, bedding etc. I will ring to discuss this in due course
36	Too many bins no room in my kitchen Also liners - how do we obtain these?
37	Prefer option 2
38	Totally unacceptable reducing the service. Waste will be left uncollected for too long Rotting food will smell
39	Extremely upset there are only two options Bin collection only every three weeks totally unsuitable. Can't leave items like nappies and dog faeces for this time Not keen on food waste scheme. Not much is actual food just packaging. Educate people to throw away less good food. I have enough bins to deal with
40	Option 1 will be a better option for me I do not have a brown bin
41	I am filling this form for my elderly aunt at who is us unable to fill in the form and who is unable to make decisions about how her refuse is disposed of. She suffers from dementia and has carers four times a day. It is very hit and miss how the rubbish ends up in the bin. More often that not it is all lumped together and put in the green bin. I can't see it being very different whatever method you choose. You need to liaise with the care companies.
42	We, medically, should not bend, lift or carry Lack of space in a 6x12 ft kitchen Outside space is small - encourage rats No kerbside collection - end of road only re your suggestion of food collection
43	Not keen on a 3 week collection of green bin
44	Like this better than option 2
45	The recent hot weather illustrates the nuisance from the existing service. The question is NOT answered on your web site Q&A's. The small caddy and lockable container size are NOT mentioned the photo and press reports suggest it is 7.5kg i.e. a bag and a half of potatoes. This is woefully inadequate. If the Council is serious about the weekly food collection why not provide a much larger caddy/lockable container to meet food waste targets? Also it is axiomatic that there are many householder items which could be recycled but cannot due to the long list of items MWDA will not allow to be collected. What is the cost of this upgrade? Why is it not mentioned and why do wagons have to travel to Widnes to recycle food waste. What is the cost compared to existing fuel and emissions? Has the Council undertaken a cost benefit analysis or Economic and Transport Impact of the number of trips. The existing 2 weekly green bin collection has caused many unanswered nuisances since 1993.

46	<p>As waste management is such a huge issue in Birkenhead and Tranmere ward I have done my own sampling to find out people's views on the proposed food waste recycling scheme. Also, I am perplexed given the binary choice on offer why the official consultation has not explicitly asked people to express a preference between a smaller green bin and less frequent green bin collections.</p> <p>Door-to-door surveys were conducted asking the following question:  Proposed changes to bin services: Wirral Council will introduce a weekly door-to-door food recycling service next year. Every household will receive a kitchen caddy and an outdoor bin for food waste. At the same time, every household will either see their green bin reduced in size (from 240 litres to 140 litres) OR the frequency of the green bin collection service will be cut from once a fortnight to once every three weeks. Given only these two options which would you choose?  A smaller green bin    Less frequent green bin collections</p> <p>Please add any comments on these proposals:  In total 273 people responded. Of these, a large minority (29%) refused to tick either option and indicated, often in very strong terms, their opposition to the change. Of the remainder, 142 (52%) indicated a preference for a smaller green bin and 51 (19%) opted for less frequent green bin collections.</p> <p>Based on the above and comments received the main points that people raised were:  At present, there is a very high level of opposition to these changes. Many people questioned the rationale involved so clearly there is a lack of understanding as to why the council wants to do this. Many feel this change is being forced upon them for no good reason.  People are already frustrated at the levels of litter/fly-tipping in the area. Many feel these changes will add to those problems.  Many people expressed the view that large sections of the community would not bother with this scheme. They cited the high levels of grey bin contamination as evidence that many are already not recycling properly.  A large number of people are frustrated at the amount of bins occupying public space i.e. pavements and felt this change could exacerbate that problem.  A commonly expressed view is that larger families with children will struggle to cope with the change.  Many people in Birkenhead and Tranmere live in smaller properties. Accommodating an additional bin will not be easy or even practical for some. Similar concerns were expressed about storing the kitchen caddy.  Bin theft is a significant issue in the area and this could increase with the provision of an extra bin.  There are other/better ways for the council to improve recycling including grey bin provision in purpose built blocks of flats; abandoning the charge for brown bin collections; restoring town centre recycling bins, scrapping the ERIC charges.  Given the binary choice, a clear majority (almost 3:1) would rather a smaller green bin than less frequent green bin collections.  My main conclusions based on the written and verbal evidence provided are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Given the scheme as presented this is an overwhelming preference for the smaller bin option. This will be easier to store in terraced areas, will impact less on the public realm and evidence shows it will lead to higher rates of food waste recycling compared with less frequent green bin collections.</li> <li>2. The high level of public opposition/scepticism around these changes shows there is a huge amount of work to be done to explain why they are being introduced.</li> <li>3. I am told that, across Wirral, 18% of what goes into green bins should be in the grey bins. This figure will be much higher in Birkenhead and Tranmere and, in some parts of the ward, will be very much higher indeed. The food waste scheme is far more likely to succeed where people are already using the grey bin facility correctly. In those areas with poor existing recycling rates, far more should be done to improve current engagement before any food waste scheme is introduced. In my view, the proposed roll out of this scheme is too rapid and there is too little investment in education for those areas that are already struggling to recycle properly.</li> <li>4. If a sufficient level of investment/engagement in problematic areas is not provided then this could, at worst, undermine the entire food waste recycling scheme or, at best, further exacerbate existing environmental problems and erode the quality of life for all residents.</li> </ol>
47	Collecting the Green Bin once every three weeks is highly unhealthy. We live in a hygienically 21st century not the rat infested Victorian era.
48	I like the idea of the food recycling, however the bin collection every 3 weeks is totally unacceptable. I waste very little food in my house. My bin is full to the brim at the end of two weeks, it would be totally overflowing after 3 weeks. I also have dogs, when I clear up their mess, that goes into the green bin. Obviously it goes into a bin bag, but I think the smell after three weeks would be horrendous, not to mention the attraction of flies. Also, what of things such as takeaway food and pizza cartons, which cannot be recycled? They still have the remnants of food and oil on them, these would be pretty ripe after three weeks. There is also the consideration of sanitary products, there are three females in this household, even when sanitary towels are wrapped up and placed in a bag, the smell after two weeks in the green bin is awful, I hate to imagine how they would smell after three weeks.
49	Totally oppose your proposals for food waste and green bin collection

50	<p>Whilst I support the efforts to increase recycling rates and am happy to follow the requirements in terms of food waste recycling, I don't believe that the removal of food waste will reduce OUR green waste volumes (large family, 5 bed house, Band G tax) to last 3 weeks between collections. Nor have we seen any trials completed in our area to demonstrate this approach is suitable. We note the vague referances to 'large households but the criteria is not available – yet we are expected to give our views now?. A 'one size fits all approach' is not suitable in our opinion and we don't agree with this option as set out here.</p> <p>We do our best to recycle as much as possible and we also subscribe to the brown bin service.</p> <p>I want to see more recycling going in to grey bins such as tetrapak, yog pots, margarine tubs, aluminum foil &amp; trays, shredded paper etc. The excuses for not recycling these items appear to be 'buck passing' and are outdated□</p> <p>As for the green bin, we think that fortnightly collections should continue but of course the overall volumes will naturally reduce due to the food waste service and some households may be able to skip some collections when their waste volumes are low. Indeed, if we find that we can last 3 weeks then run the consultation in 12 months and no doubt people will accept the proposed frequency reduction</p> <p>We believe many people are disposing of garden waste in their green bins and the only way to stop this is to make the brown bin service available at no additional cost and adjust council tax accordingly. Again the excuses provided for not reverting to free collections is weak.</p> <p>In summary, the initial goal to reduce landfill waste is good for everyone, but the execution options are poorly set out and will lead to problems with fly tipping. Introduce the food waste collection, leave green bin collections as they are, focus on education and enforcement and lets all work together to reduce landfill.</p>
51	<p>Our food waste (as opposed to food packaging waste) is absolutely minimal and therefore a 3 weekly collection of the green bin will impact us negatively. Waste collection is an essential public health function and whilst I appreciate that budgets are being cut, waste collection should not be reduced. If the issue is being justified solely to increase recycling levels, there is no reason why the green bin cannot remain at fortnightly collections and a food waste service introduced alongside.</p>
52	<p>I do not want to have to seperate my food waste. It's unhygienic and if it's hot then the waste will superate and give off unpleasant odours.</p> <p>I think it's also a disgrace that we have to pay to have our garden waste taken away .</p> <p>If we end up with this option then I am pleased to see that the existing green and grey bins will be retained.</p>
53	<p>We do not agree with either of the options and would much prefer to leave the collections as they are at present. However, if we are forced to select either Option 1 or 2 we would reluctantly accept Option 1.</p>
54	<p>Whilst I understand the targets and appreciate the steps that must be taken to meet them, the reduced frequency of green bin collections to every three weeks would be an unacceptable reduction in services. As a young family expected to gorw size we produce waste that already creates undesirable odours in and around the bins on two weekly collections, I dread to think of the results after three weeks at the height of summer. This option displays a lack of understanding of the requirements of the everyday family.</p> <p>I would like to hear more on the councils targets; are these as result of the EU Directive that needs to be implemented by 2020? Has there been an updated approach taken by the council in response the UK's impending exit from the EU?</p>
55	<p>I have 6 cats and my green bin is very heavy already with cat litter. For a 3 week collection I will need a large bin and a second bin as well. If the bin is small I will require 3. I remember when we had the food bin last time and that wasn't successful.</p>
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57	<p>It sounds a good idea. However, we live in a house divided into 4 flats and although we won't be affected immediately the intention is that flats will eventually use the same system. Unfortunately even our current system isn't working as refuse is often put into the wrong bin. It's unclear if this is confusion (advice on what can be recycled is confusing) or whether people simply can't be bothered, whatever the reason I'm concerned that the system will become even less efficient.</p>
58	<p>I obsessively recycle everything possible and have little or no food waste. I put my green bin out for collection most times but it's usually less than a quarter-full so I could literally last for 2 months or more with the current system. You certainly should reduce the frequency of collections to save money; this would also reduce fumes and traffic problems caused by the lorries. Start a 3-weekly collection and gradually reduce it further in future. N.B. I will never have a 'pest' problem associated with the bins for the simple reason that I'm not so stupid as to put anything into my bins which would attract such pests! I regard the grey bin as a 'rubbish' way to recycle so I separate everything into it's component parts and take it to Sainsbury's 'bring' site as it is the only efficient one I know; they also take all of my rigid plastic. The MRF wastes vast amounts of energy and produces bales that are obviously full of 'contaminants', and it's also very unhealthy and a dangerous place to work in. Charging for the brown bin is wrong on so many levels, so scrap the charge to encourage more recycling!</p>

59	Neither option is good for a household like ours. My main concern here is over the 3 weekly collection of the green bin. This would be exceptionally unhygienic, risking the growth of vermin. Also, what if someone forgets or is unable to put their green bin out for collection. You could get to a situation like the Winter of Discontent!
60	<p>I support the recycling of food waste.</p> <p>However:</p> <p>There are however two conflicted statements put out as part of thi consultation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One states a third of the residual waste by weight is food waste. □</li> <li>• The second points to 7kg per fortnight of food waste which along with inappropriately sorted recyclables takes up a third of the space (i.e volume) in the residual bin. □</li> </ul> <p>These two statement will clearly give differing tonnes per annum of food waste as 7Kg of food waste will not take up 60 litres of space in a 240 litre wheelie bin (unless of course we dispose of entirely lightweight food such as crisps!) The discrepancy above indicates to me that there are no firm figures based on waste composition analysis of how much food waste is available for capture. It also indicates that the information of its density and composition is also unclear. These data presumably underpin the business case for the entire exercise. I.e. if the food waste is not collected then the landfill savings and diversion will not be realised but the costs of implementing the collection scheme will be incurred.</p> <p>Would a better option not be to maintain existing residual waste collection frequency, introduce a food waste collection on a weekly or fortnightly collection basis and also launch a proper public education exercise on the benefits of Anaerobic digestion and the costs- financial and otherwise of landfill disposal? WRAP have led some excellent work on this- love food hate waste etc. If this fails and there is poor turn out of food waste for collection then a reduction in collection frequency of residual waste could then be considered. However doing this at the least the carrot has been attempted prior to turning to the stick!</p> <p>Has consideration been given to changing waste composition? Both proposals give a reduction in volume capacity for waste disposal when generally waste is becoming more bulky (but less dense) i.e. increased plastic film and food packaging as the predominant waste stream (by volume) therefore the reduction in volume capacity of a wheelie bin (from either option) will be difficult to manage from a householders perspective.</p>
61	Yes this could work
62	<p>Collecting waste food is a good idea and I support it. I do not support changing to a smaller bin nor changing to three week collection for the green bin.</p> <p>At the moment it is a regular system that works well. I think a greater degree of appreciation needs to be expressed to residents who over the years have risen well to the challenge of recycling – more carrot and less stick</p> <p>If waste is to be reduced then the authorities need to insist that manufactures and suppliers use less products/packaging that need to be thrown away. It is not the householder who produces the waste! Lets have more joined up thinking between producers, consumers, local councils and waste processors..</p>
63	<p>Both ideas are senseless, increase items that can be recycled in the grey bin would be a better idea and just supply the bin for food waste.</p> <p>I do not agree to having a smaller green bin or a reduced collection</p>
64	I prefer this option
65	leave the green bin the same size and collection the same



66	<p>The food waste collections are in principal a good idea. Having only recently returned to Wirral after some years away I have had experience of this elsewhere and in principal it works well. We like having the indoor caddy but be warned, Don't ask me how (and I was careful to ensure the lid was locked down as were all my neighbors and friends across the borough) after the first year, in the spring summer and autumn the outdoor caddy becomes a heaving mass of blowfly larvae.</p> <p>Reducing the size of the landfill bin is not a viable option because your recycling of plastics is so appalling as to be negligent and there is just not room in the bin for any more than 10 days worth of recyclable materials (mostly packaging) that you do not recycle. It is shameful. Food waste is frankly a minimal contribution to the contents of the bin, a bag per person at the most and therefor does not provide any meaningful contribution in respect of the rate at which the bin fills and therefore does nothing to justify increasing the period between collections. This will be a nightmare for the elderly and disabled who will have difficulty in getting any over-spill to the council tip. The parents of newborns and toddlers will soon find the nappies overflowing and their neighbors will have to put up with the liberal distribution of the contents of those bins being strewn all over the road by animals.</p>
67	Ridiculous, three weeks! There will still be rats and maggots but much worse with a food bin. Fly tipping will also increase
68	The smell on three weekly collection would be awful. And encourage animals
69	Out of the 2 options this is my less favourable as I believe the Green Bins collection would be best remaining the same; I believe that fly tipping would increase (in my opinion)
70	<p>My wife is severely disabled and requires 3 continence pads for use during the day and night. The existing 240l green bin, twice 2 weekly collection, just meets our needs. Option 1 is equivalent to a 33% weekly reduction in capacity. There is no way as a 24/7 carer I have the time or inclination to use the disorganised Clatterbridge waste collection site.</p> <p>What alternative measure does WBC propose for those that are disabled in the local community. It appears that WBC have given some thought to mothers and nappy disposal, how about some consideration for the infirmed!</p> <p>By the way, all our vegetable waste is already recycled in our 3 composters.</p>
71	awful....I have pet waste and cannot have this in a bin for three weeks. keep greens bins as they are
72	<p>We have literally no food waste in our household. It is extremely rare that food is disposed of through the green bin. All leftovers are consumed. Vegetable and fruit peelings are composted. Bread crumbs are left for the birds. Pets get meat waste.</p> <p>I'm very on board with recycling and use the grey bin correctly as intended plus take other waste recycling products elsewhere when necessary (eg supermarket for tetra paks and carrier bags etc)</p> <p>I am loathe to give up my existing green bin as I can't countenance the massive wasted expenditure involved in removing old bins and replacing with new bins. I also think whether we have big bin/3week or small bin/2week that we will struggle even though we are conscientious and mindful of our existing situation.</p> <p>Best long term solution is to educate (indoctrinate!) the young within the classroom setting, year in, year out to hammer home the environmental message.</p>
73	When we heard of this change we initially thought it was a choice between the status quo (which we prefer) and this option (1). However, it seems from this notification we will have no choice but to have an additional food waste system foisted upon us. Both options are unwieldy and lend themselves to confusion, but, as we have no choice but to make a choice between two options we don't want, we would choose option 1. Why do you have to reduce the collection of green bins to three weekly when you have obviously built in a two weekly collection under option 2 which suggests it can be done?
74	3 weeks of dirty nappies? Lovely. Appalling suggestion. We are already struggling to get rid of garden waste due to not being able to afford your ludicrous brown bin tax. Wirral's waste management is awful, you are only making the problem worse, forcing residents to have bags of waste mounting in their gardens.
75	<p>What happens to the Pet Litter collection if left for 3 weeks in the summer months.</p> <p>It is bad enough now having to hang on to it for two weeks without an extra week before we can dispose of it.</p> <p>Or if your bin gets too full between collections.</p>
76	I think it is a total waste of money referring to indoor caddy most people have fitted kitchens and have little space available to keep a caddy in kitchen area
77	<p>I prefer option one.</p> <p>I do not have anywhere in my kitchen for an indoor caddy. I don't think I am alone in this. I envisage them being misused or just dumped. But I would be happy to receive bags.</p>

78	<p>1. In my (ex council house)home i definitely have no space for small caddy,it is a small kitchen as with all other kitchens in our area</p> <p>2. Isnt it more costly if you produce a smaller green bin &amp; also to get rid of our 240L ??</p> <p>3. if you do pay more to produce smaller green bin does that mean more money pay out for new size in lorry bin tippers ?</p> <p>4. MAIN SERIOUS REASON for REDUCING green bin size if collecting every 2 weeks. FINDING WASTE DUMPED ON OUR ROADS. If this is 140L bin IS introduced, its YOU to BLAME!!!.</p>
79	Not good idea
80	I agree with the weekly collection of food waste .it will get rid of the maggots.i don't like the idea of non recyleable every three weeks as I have to get rid of medical waste .
81	I prefer this option
82	This would be the best of the two options.
83	<p>I am happy with the idea of the green bin being collected every 3 weeks. I also assume this is the cheaper option and therefore a good thing (It would be nice to know which of the two options is most cost effective).</p> <p>My only doubt would be whether or not I rmember to put it out every 3 weeks, but that is my problem!</p>
84	I am wondering what the cost will be for the thousands of plastic bags you are giving out . I mean we have to buy them for our shopping !!!
85	<p>I understand how a food waste caddy could help Wirral meet its recycling targets and agree in principle to this being introduced.</p> <p>I do not agree with the green bin collection being on a 3 week cycle - you state that a third (by weight) of the waste in the green bin is food - this does not mean that a third in volume is food and therefore many green bins will be over full if left for three weeks. I think the green bin should stay the same size and still be collected fortnightly.</p>
86	<p>I reject this proposal.</p> <p>Our small family of 3 recycle everything we possibly can in out grey and brown bins. Since reading about your proposals We have been monitoring the contents of our green bin and our food waste in our green bin makes up no more than 10%. We still put our green 240 litre green bin out full every 2 weeks. I agree with the separate food waste collection but it will not decrease our volume enough. We would be putting out at least one loose sack on the pavement with every green bin collection. I urge you to first try the food collection and see what the reduction in waste measures. Also I feel we should be able to recycle more plastic food packaging especially drinks cartons, yoghurt pots and outer packets. Also surely one size does nor fit all....what about larger families than ours?</p>
87	Every three weeks is not frequently enough. If I am away for any reason (which happens occasionally) then it will be six weeks. That just isn't good enough to be hygienic. Even 'non-food' waste is not clean so will attract flies/maggots.
88	<p>I feel that having a bin every week to be emptied is easier to remember than the 3week cycle</p> <p>Our bin is cracked in various places and would have to br replaced soon</p> <p>Therefore a 2 week cycle would appeal and we could cope with a smaller bin</p>
89	I feel that this is the better option, although for families with babies, this means dirty nappies will be sitting in these bins for three weeks, not a pleasant sight or smell!
90	<p>It has to be said, that food does not constitute half of my Green Bin.</p> <p>I want to keep the existing Green Bin Size.If needed replace with exactly the same size.</p> <p>Commentary - I merely think that this is a "stealth" way by yourselves ie Wirral Borough Council to reduce your liability in disposing of waste and thus reducing the levels of fines from Central Government. By trying to reduce the size of the green bins and using the "food" angle as an excuse. Thus as a consequence putting more pressure on local recycle centre's / refuse centre's and making it their problem and not yours!! This will inevitable increase both the queues and the "carbon foot print" of car users at these Centre's.</p> <p>Conclusion - I need the size of my existing Green Bin to remain the same and it to be collected every 2 weeks and not 3 weeks as you have stated. It seems that this is not part of the consultation!!!!</p>
91	My green bin has very little food waste in it (as we are not a wasteful household, and already compost fruit/veg/egg shells, etc) and yet my bin is full at the end of each fortnight before emptying! It will be overflowing after 3 weeks!

92	<p>Please do not take the big green bin away from me. I do not cook or drink tea or coffee and live on microwave meals. The only food, I throw away is at weekends when I throw away apple cores x2, half a bag of lettuce, half a tub of coleslaw and 2 t bags.</p> <p>My green bin is full with 2 black bin bags every 2 weeks so if I had a smaller bin, and it was emptied twice a week or 3 times, I would have no room for the rubbish, and there would be a danger of it smelling and vermin as well.</p> <p>I have no problem with recycling, and even go to Tesco's (Bidston) once a week with Tetra-Paker cartons.</p> <p>I would have no problems with recycling food, which would need to be collected once a week to avoid smells. However, where I live you would need to put the bins out overnight, and there are cats and foxes around so this would be a concern</p>
93	When the existing green bin is damaged etc it is up to the householder to replace it. Many of us take care of our bin and is still fully functional so. I don't want the Council using scare resources to give me a new bin.
94	I prefer Option 1
95	Disappointed that any bin has to wait 3weeks to be emptied. Should be no longer than 2 weeks.
96	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. I seriously question the fraction of food waste. In my case observed for over a month it is less than 20% by weight. The majority of waste is packaging materials not allowed in the recycling bin.</li> <li>2. Will the liners always be provided free?</li> <li>3. I live in an apartment block, with a mixture of green bin sizes, and with less than one bin per apartment.</li> <li>4. Shared bins need collecting every 2 weeks regardless of size.</li> <li>5. This consultation exercise represents very little choice, and is a pretence, forcing through the unpopular indoor caddy for food waste whatever option is preferred for the green bin.</li> </ol>
97	What would happen if the household had hardly any food waste and still filled their green bin (240 Litre) every 2 weeks, with the 3 week option it would be overflowing
98	Please bring this option in as soon as possible. I have seen this option work in Connah's Quay and it is highly effective. As there would be no food waste in the green bin 3 weekly collections would not be a problem.
99	Households with more than two adults would have difficulty fitting three weeks of waste into the existing sized green bin even allowing for food waste being separated. This would potentially lead to either hundreds of ratepayers having to make trips to the recycling centre (increased CO2 emissions) or to an increase in fly tipping.
100	Emptying the green bin every 3 weeks which will include nappies and sanitary waste is dispicable. It will encourage vermin and will emanate a smell especially during the warmer months. We already have to pay to recycle garden waste, therefore you might actually find your recycling rates go up by scrapping the charge to recycle garden waste. Why can't the food waste can't be put in brown bin as was trialed many years ago? In all honesty I won't be recycling food waste in a bin that will be encouraging vermin and foxes and definitely wouldn't have a food caddy in my kitchen. Also as we are in the process of leaving the EU then we don't have to try to meet EU targets
101	better than option 2
102	<p>I currently live alone and fundamentally with the level of waste I produce I have no objection to a three weekly collection.</p> <p>However, as I work long hours I put my bin out before collection but I am unable to reclaim my bin until after I have finished work. I am currently experiencing problems with my neighbours dumping their excess rubbish into my bin. On some occasions I find my bin is full after a collection. This applies to both bins and I have found unpleasant contaminated waste in my grey bin. Recently my green bin was stolen for three weeks and I found it by chance at the other end of the road.</p> <p>I believe moving to a three week collection would only make these problems worse.</p> <p>I do not have neighbours I trust to put my bin away - it is them that is causing the problem.</p>
103	Caddy option will mean there is great danger of disease and maggots. I am against it and if the council go ahead with this I hjope they have emergency plans to cope with any epidemic that may be caused.

104	<p>Agree to having a weekly food waste collection.</p> <p>Disagree with the 3 weekly collection for green bin. Still needs to be fortnightly and keep the same size bin.</p> <p>Have concerns that older people will not understand or operate the food waste bin correctly as we have experience with older relatives who have great difficulty operating the grey bin contents correctly and we regularly have to resort the grey bin for them.</p> <p>A fortnightly collection for the green bin will still be required as many people use sanitary products which if left for longer than 2 weeks will really smell and will be a health hazard.</p> <p>Agree that the grey bin collection can still be fortnightly, but is there a possibility that in the future other items could be added to the permitted list eg plastic containers.</p>
105	<p>Has any idiot who has thought up this ridiculous idea thought of the vermin??? flies... maggots... smell????</p> <p>Has anyone thought of the smaller house where space is a premium for every item now a food caddy???? a lot of Wirral houses are terraces and no fronts so now we have to look at their bins and food caddies...</p> <p>It is a hairbrained idea ....I don't know anyone who has agreed but it would seem the decision has been made without any consultation....</p>
106	Prefer option 2
107	It makes sense to keep Green bin as it will cost the Council a great deal of money to replace the bins to smaller ones but the collection should be kept to 2 weekly to avoid smelly bins.
108	as stated you will provide a small indoor food caddy and a small outdoor waste container, we do not have a lot of food waste as there are only two adults in our household so it won't make much difference to us, however, what will make a difference is the three week collection of the green bin, I hope that this option is going to be monitored as to its effectiveness and acted on accordingly.
109	<p>I do NOT waste food. I do not want a food caddy.</p> <p>Three weekly collections for Green bins is fine - mine often only goes out every 4 weeks anyway. Replacing all the bins is a waste of money.</p> <p>Money would be better spent on improving the recycling facilities to include plastic such as yoghurt pots.</p>
110	Green bin - I am concerned that it will smell after 3 weeks.
111	I have changed my mind since doing the survey and I wish to go for option 1
112	Three weeks is too long for bin collection, especially in the summer.
113	Best option
114	<p>Are you actually joking?! Every 3 weeks?! So potentially infectious, bio-hazardous human waste will pile up (baby's nappies - God help those poor mothers with multiples; or people with disabilities or illnesses), pet faeces (rabbit hutches cleaned twice a week, dog / cat faeces collected..) You think FOOD is the bulk item wasted?! What a waste of money!! WEEKLY COLLECTIONS?! How is this cheaper?! Permit more PLASTIC items to be collected!! Yoghurt pots; food trays - all of which have the recycling symbol imprinted and all of which currently fill my green bin. Mentioning the brown bin here provides the illusion you're giving me options... I live in Birkenhead - my "garden" is a concrete postage stamp.</p> <p>ALL YOU WILL ACHIEVE IS GREATER FREQUENCY AND VOLUME OF FLY-TIPPING.</p>
115	<p>1) 30% saving in landfill solely by food waste collection seems unduly high for my household which composts vegetable waste.</p> <p>2) 3 week collection would lead to excessive interval of 6 weeks if bin could not be put out for one collection.</p> <p>3) 3 week collection would need extra vigilance by household to ensure any "organic" material not suitable for disposal as kitchen waste, is well wrapped, yoghurt pots rinsed, etc., to discourage insect attack/maggots.</p>
116	<p>How will the kerbside caddy be secured once emptied and be prevented from being blown into and along the road.</p> <p>This option means that on some weeks both grey and green will have to be put out together and will cause confusion and missed collections. Also the removal of food waste is not the only cause of smells, the 3 weeks interval is too long. Keep to alternate weeks and allow people to decide whether they require a 140litre or 240litre bin.</p> <p>Neither option if the council is going to adopt 1 or 2 will satisfy everyone and therefore this is not a consultation but more an imposition.</p> <p>WE support the policy of improving recycle rates and the proposal for food waste.</p>

117	I still have in my garage a small brown caddy that was originally supplied to me in Bebington when recycling was first started, however at time there was nowhere else for kitchen waste to go. My main concern here is that will the change cause problems for families with larger numbers. I would prefer to retain the larger bin rather than be supplied with smaller one. We look after our grandchildren whilst parents work so have a larger use of green bin than perhaps our position suggests. Also with children there is a greater amount of food waste than if we lived alone.
118	Personally I would prefer option 1 due to the fact keeping 240l bins and having a collection every 3 weeks still provides more capacity for rubbish than changing the green bins I would also have concerns as I currently have 2 green bins due to the size of my household 6 standard and up to 9 or 10 when boyfriends and girlfriends stay or come home from uni so one bin - 240l collection every 3 weeks would lead to excess rubbish in my household so I would need to discuss this further
119	Green bin is crawling with maggots today and stinks. A three-weekly collection would exacerbate this situation.
120	Unacceptable. Food waste bins will attract vermin. Similarly a three weekly collection of the green bin will see an increase in rats. Bins will overflow and fly tipping will increase. The only beneficiaries will be rats and urban foxes.
121	Option 1 is our preferred option
122	Not an option, my green bin is filled with nappies, a three week old nappy stinks. And if after 2 weeks I have no room in my bin, I will be putting bags of nappies in a bin bag at the roadside. Three week collections or a smaller bin is not an option.
123	More complicated having to remember a three week collection as well as weekly and fortnightly ones.
124	Best option
125	3 weeks is too long between bin collections especially if on holiday and miss a collection.
126	We prefer option 1
127	This option seems ok but would the set up cost be worth it
128	I like this option, but I don't like the gap between collection times for the green bins. I appreciate there will be less organic matter in the green bin, but what about households that are disposing of soiled nappies or clinical waste? That shouldn't be left for three weeks...
129	i opt for option 1
130	This isn't a proper consultation - it's just yet another farce by a rather dishonourable council (a comment based on the factual evidence to date resulting from investigations into the actions of both Wirral council and some individual councillors!) to force something through regardless of the actual views of the people they are supposed to represent. What other options were considered? What will be the costs involved in either of the options presented with, and possibly others that we are not being consulted about? What is the evidence to support these proposals, i.e. that they will result in the required reduction in landfill? If collecting food waste separately is going to achieve the reductions in landfill required, why do we need to also be forced into using smaller bins or having them emptied less frequently? If people are not able to place all of the non-food, non-recyclable waste they may have in the reduced green bin service, what is the risk of them then using the grey bin instead and so making the contents of that unable to be recycled? I believe we need to have the answers to some of these questions revealed, which will probably require some Freedom of Information requests to be made to Wirral council, since I doubt that they would be willing to volunteer the information in light of the way I have seen them operate!
131	I support the development in our recycling policy so although I'm not sure how I feel about the indoor caddy and would welcome an example I prefer option 1 on the basis I hope it is cheaper to put in place without the expenditure on new bins? I would like the financial implications for these changes? I am hesitant to agree to 3 weekly bin collection as it may have profound implications for some families. My choice of option 1 is only based on my hope it will cost less to deliver I would welcome feedback on that question. I would like to know cost of caddy service and containers.
132	As both my grey and green bins are full when collected every two weeks, I do not see how this will work unless you are also collecting black bags filled with the waste that will not fit in the bins.
133	Prefer this option with existing large green bin.
134	once again someone has thought up another idea that will cost more than it saves to administer. The council will have to re-employ pest controllers to combat foxes, rats, maggots etc. last time they had a pest control department it consisted of people moved sideways, for example a market cleaner, an electrician, a blacksmith none having any knowledge of the creatures they were supposed to eliminate. It would be far better to reinstate garden waste bin collection, but I won't hold my breath, somebody will be building a new empire at our expense.
135	It seems a bit of a waste of resources to have to replace everybody's 240 litre bins with new ones when there would be no added cost to reducing the frequency of collection instead surely? If given an option, I would prefer everyone to keep the bins they already have, and have a collection less. The only problem I foresee with this option is that with it being every 3 weeks, people may put the wrong bin out (or worse, miss it altogether) and then be forced to wait 6 weeks for a refuse collection. The current system works well in that alternate weeks is easier for people to try and remember.

136	Preferred option. I do not throw a lot of food away, most of the rubbish in the green bin relates to packaging that cannot be recycled. Want to keep same sized green bin - it is a waste of money giving every household a new bin (as the council keep saying they are strapped for cash they will not gain much support being seen to be wasting money)
137	More plastic recycling needed
138	This option is NOT acceptable.  3 weeks is too long to have items such as dog poo bags, dirty nappies, adult sanitary items, etc, etc in your domestic bin. In the summer blue bottles are attracted to bins after a very short period of time - 3 weeks would be a public health issue. Also, Fly Tipping is a major problem on the Wirral - this will only get worse with reduced emptying and many areas of the Wirral are already squalid with litter. There should be no extra charge for garden waste bins as residents are currently Fly Tipping garden waste as well. Similarly people are being encouraged to pick up after their dogs - if domestic bins aren't being emptied as regularly this will discourage them from being responsible. Also, residents should be given a warning and then fined if they put inappropriate items in the grey bin. Random spot checks on these bins should be made. The Council should invest in more sophisticated recycling systems so that more items can be recycled.
139	Three weeks is far too long between empties for large families. It is fine if you only have a couple of people in a house but for large families it will not work and we will then have bin bags being left with bins and the arguments about whether the bags can be emptied will commence.
140	No thank you.
141	Pro's - I assume it would save the council money by not having to buy new 140 litre bins Con's - Bit uncomfortable about dead birds( cats!), cat litter and the like being left for 3 weeks.  I do like the idea of the food waste bin - excellent development.
142	May get confusing. One bin emptied every week. One emptied every fortnight. One emptied every 3 weeks.
143	Introducing a food collection is a good idea but reducing the collection frequency of the general waste bin wouldn't work for us as our general waste bin is always full and we don't generate a lot of food waste.  In my opinion we need to be able to recycle more materials in our grey bin aswell to help reduce the volume of waste that needs to go into general waste, a good example of this is the amount of plastics that we need to put in the general waste.
144	Happy to recycle food but how big is the secure bin likely to be? We already have 3 very large bins to accommodate. We do subscribe to the garden waste club.
145	Very unhealthy to have green bin collected every three weeks esp if used for nappies and dog waste...
146	dont need expense of new bins. BUT three weeks awkward to remember we SHOULD be recycling tetra paks ,yogurt pots, and margarine tubs etc too. other areas do it.

147	<p>regarding your proposal to spend the vast amount of £1.5m on new waste collection bins - regardless of whether the old ones are worn out or not - I am appalled at the Council's apparent inability to use Council tax payers money wisely.</p> <p>I know that some people don't look after their property but I am sure there are a great many like me who do NOT misuse their bins (or anything else). Although the waste collectors managed to lose my bin in their lorry about 10 year sago, its replacement is good for at least another 20. bins need only be replaced as and when they really are too badly damaged to use again. What a waste of money to get rid of ALL the present 240 litre bins.</p> <p>Emptying the green bins only once every three weeks, or reducing their size, will not reduce the amount of waste created by disposable nappies and incontinence pads for those with problems - whether at home or care homes.</p> <p>Perhaps the answer is to refuse to empty bins which obviously contain items that should have been put into the grey bin - e.g. cardboard packaging etc.</p> <p>In any case, to dispose of perfectly usable bins defeats the object f cutting down waste.</p> <p>I am pleased to see that you intend to issue food waste bins (though I will only use it for bones and fat, because I have a compost heap).</p> <p>Reading in this week's Wirral Globe about the huge amount of money now being spent on leisure centres - brings to mind that Wirral Council closed a care home and a school for disabled children to SAVE money. NOW you want to disregard perfectly usable waste bins en masse, instead of waiting until the old ones are worn out. Who makes decision likes these?</p>
148	<p>Although I agree with recycling of food waste, I cannot agree with the bin only being collected every 3 weeks. I had a stroke and am now incontinent so need the large bin for my pads.</p>
149	<p>senior Citizen &amp; sole occupant of property has rarely or very little weekly food waste. A small green bin &amp; collection every 2weeks is acceptable.</p>
150	<p>I think this option is preferable to option 2. I think the food waste Collection is a good idea, I think I'm in the minority there!</p> <p>I think what would help as well would being able to recycle more plastics eg yogurt pots and fruit punnets as these take up a lot of room in our general waste bin. I don't understand why we can recycle plastic water bottles and not fruit punnets when they are essentially the same thing!</p> <p>Thank you</p>
151	<p>Yes</p>
152	<p>yet another caddy in my small kitchen. I am on a zimmer, More work for carers. Yet another container at the front of my bungalow and another key to get lost. Carers spending less time on me. They are already rushed and we suffer. Yet more expense manufacturing/delivering/collecting. Three weekly collections should not even be considered - fly tipping/rats/potential health hazard.</p>
153	<p>The total volume available to us is being reduced.</p> <p>What is the point of that?</p> <p>We MUST recycle more.</p> <p>Reducing the overall size of our waste bins does not help.</p> <p>Charging for the collection does not encourage us.</p>
154	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. It would be very helpful to see pictures of what the food waste caddy will look like with size dimensions included. What 4 adults produce in food waste terms compared to a single occupant will obviously be quite different.</li> <li>2. 4 adults live in the house and out of the two options, this is preferable. A smaller bin over 2 weeks does not address the amount of non-recyclable rubbish that manufacturers/stores produce. Householders can only work with what manufacturers provide.</li> <li>3. Unfortunately, food manufacturers and suppliers are still selling products in large numbers in non-recyclable plastic containers and packaging. Is it not possible to strongly encourage them to use less plastic in their packaging, particularly for fresh and chilled produce?</li> </ol>

155	<p>Food caddy in the home is repellent and the container outside is just another item to be housed If a small bin can be emptied every two weeks then so can a large bin.</p> <p>More items should be recycled in the grey bin.</p>
156	We need to keep our existing green bin and a 2 week collection. Also we have no food waste at our house so don't need a food recycling container.
157	I think that this is a good idea in principle to collect food waste to change it into energy, however I feel that most residents will not welcome a reduction in collections or size of bin. I have a small baby and worry about the amount of nappies that I throw away. I have over the past 12 months (while off on Maternity leave) forgotten or not been able to put the bin out and so this has resulted in a back up of waste, this is bad enough but if collections reduce to every 3 weeks this would be a real problem. I recently had an issue with someone dumping a dead pet in my green bin as our bins are left in an alleyway and this resulted in maggots infesting both my recycling and green bin. This would have been completely unbearable if the collection had been on a 3 week cycle. I don't see why we can not do both, recycle food waste but keep a 2 week collection with the same size bin?? For those who households who don't fill a 240ltr bin could they not opt to have a smaller bin? My road in Hoylake already suffers with fly tipping in the alleyway and so I feel this would increase the problem. I don't think this is a good idea, and I think the people of Wirral have suffered enough at the hands of a Conservative government and their unfair and arbitrary austerity measures.
158	We want our existing bin (240 litres) to be collected two weekly, an indoor caddy with food waste is repellent and the outside food container is just another item to be housed. The overall look of the area with MORE containers is disgusting. The council should be looking to reduce the amount of bins people are leaving outside their properties therefore making our areas an overall tidier place to live.
159	To collect the green bin every 3 weeks is not enough. Food waste bins are not nice to have in the kitchen, they are smelly.
160	<p>I do not want to change to a 3 weekly collection.</p> <p>i) my bin is situated very close to the house</p> <p>ii) my neighbourhood has a problem with fly tipping in the alleyways. This would increase.</p>
161	Three week collection not acceptable or hygienic waste will smell in summer
162	This seems like a sensible option. Happy to do food recycling so long as the council provide appropriate containers (caddy and liners) in order to do so. We use the grey bin for recycling which means that our green bin waste is kept to a minimum however with a newborn I expect this will change and so we will need to keep the existing bin (240 litres).
163	Happy with Option1. See no need to replace existing green bin. I am happy with arrangements for all bins.
164	We will vote for Option 1 - food waste is a good idea. But things like baby nappies will still go into green bin and 3 weeks collection will be too long and will stink up the place.
165	Will suit us as the best option
166	Changing the green bin every three weeks is bound to cause confusion. People will lose track of the dates, especially the elderly.
167	<p>I WILL NOT BE SEPARATING MY FOOD WASTE. MY GREEN BIN IS FULL OF MAGGOTS IN THE SUMMER AS IT IS, DESPITE BAGGING, AND DISINFECTING AFTER EVERY COLLECTION.</p> <p>MORE ITEMS OUGHT TO BE INCLUDED FOR RECYCLING SUCH AS YOGHURT CARTONS AND AEROSOLS, OTHER COUNCILS DO IT.</p> <p>THE LIST FOR RECYCLING IS NOWHERE NEAR TO WHERE IT SHOULD BE.</p> <p>THE BROWN BIN SHOULD BE FREE, AS IT USED TO BE, AND THIS WOULD REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF VOLUME IN THE GREEN BIN.</p>
168	Not in favour of this option. We have limited food waste. An additional food bin would be acceptable but not at the cost of the green bin collection being reduced.
169	<p>Option 1 is not an acceptable option as three week collections will lead to a number of households having to store decomposing waste by their main entrance, this may also lead to issues for entire streets if they have no other option than to store on pavement in front of house.</p> <p>increased levels of vermin attracted by smell, health hazard if bin falls onto street.</p> <p>The bins have to be taken to front by resident, if resident is unable to take bins out due to temporary illness, going on holiday, work commitments etc may leave some waste for 6 weeks.</p>
170	We have very little in the way of food waste. I would want to retain my 240L bin and have it collected fortnightly. This would also save the outlay for new bins.
171	Don't like the messing about with the green bin collection and the separate food waste could prove to be unhealthy



172	Would prefer NOT to pursue this option.
173	green bin only emptied every three weeks will have some people dumping in the streets as food waste does not take up that much space. food bins is still a good idea
174	<p>Strongly favour this option. We do not waste food but still find that we can fill our 240 litre green bin every two weeks. Why not alter the grey bin collection to 3 weekly or even 4. I tend as a number of neighbours do to put my grey bin out every four weeks and still have plenty of space within it. If you did find you have excess paper etc surely it is easier to hang on to this in your home or garage than bags for a green bin.</p> <p>I agree with your attempts to improve waste recycling but I am sure there's other alternatives available which could be put forward.</p>
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177	We do not want an indoor caddy having only a very small kitchen. We do not want any more "outside" bins, we want flowers and plants not bins outside our front doors. Keep the green bins and empty them once a week. As a flat dweller I only have a small green bin and I pay someone to clean it after it has been emptied. There must be a scheme for flat dwellers. Please sort this problem for us.
178	Quite happy with the good system we have so why waste rate payers money changing it.
179	Better than Option2 but I never put food waste in my bin. There are many items which cannot be put in grey bins but can be in green bins. Please keep the present system.
180	Don't mind what Option is decided upon, we are a keen recycling household so the food waste bin is no problem for us. We have already completed a questionnaire and since then have been down to South Norwood to visit our daughter. They already have the food waste recycling system in place but she has pointed out that in the summer they do get maggots in the bin and also they cannot put the bin out the night before because, although it has a handle that locks it, foxes can still get into it and she has come out to find waste scattered all over the road.
181	<p>The majority of opinion was against the Councils proposals and those present were frustrated at the narrow nature of consultation into how we can improve recycling.</p> <p>Many feel that the Council would have more chance of improving recycling rates by increasing the range of plastic packaging that can be put into grey bins and by removing the garden waste charges.</p> <p>There are concerns over "bin blight" in our area as there is little space for the storage of bins - introducing a food waste bin will create more street congestion and presents risk that these containers will be "vandalised"</p> <p>There are concerns that reduced collections will lead to more fly tipping of waste as there will not be adequate capacity in smaller bins/ excess if 3 weekly collections.</p> <p>The view was that we should ask you to oppose the proposals and request that further options be considered.</p>
182	I am happy with the current size and frequency of bin collections - I do not want to change
183	I would like to highlight the fact that as a mum with a toddler, the majority of our waste is not food, taking the food out of our current waste would not change the rate that the bin fills up. Having one toddler wearing nappies and planning for another baby, I am very worried at what this proposal would mean for us. I do not like the idea of dirty nappies being left for three weeks.

184	I am concerned about the lockable food waste container. There are many squirrels in this area and all of them are adept at getting into containers. The possibility of food strewn over the road is very obvious and would attract rats.
185	Waste is not evenly produced. 3 week interval is too long for many people so option 1 is better.  Should investigate and improve brown bin system if rates of recycling go up as before.  Put pressure on recyclers to collect more types of items. You should be setting the rules not them.
186	Neither option presented is good. Please reconsider this and present further options in a follow-up consultation.  3 weeks for the green bin is too long and presents a potential health hazard since the council recommends dog waste is placed in the green bin, and nappies etc are also disposed of there.  The new food waste bins may have limited take-up - in the two authorities I have previously lived in that adopted this scheme, the outdoor and the indoor bins became unused very quickly with only partial take-up as people continued to use their landfill waste bins.  The proposals appear driven by the landfill tax and penalty costs incurred by Wirral. These need more clarity : if it truly is a percentage (rather than an absolute weight per capita) then the system will encourage people to consume a greater volume of recyclable materials than today. This is surely not the outcome wanted - which is presumably to reduce waste volumes in both recycling and landfill categories, but especially in landfill.  If the incentives are to work, they need to be passed down to residents in some traceable way. One of these is by charging for additional waste collection beyond a certain minimum - this is similar to what has been introduced by the brown bin scheme. Another approach is to use the financial "rewards" to directly fund local improvement works, through a "bin grant", and appeal to people's competitive nature by introducing a "league table" of big wasters, either by ward or by a smaller area. The lowest wasters get the grant, the highest wasters get the education programme and support to reduce their waste.  Home composting is surely a better option to promote than food waste collection - these could be offered at cost/subsidised to households. It then encourages local growing and reduces the household costs of buying fresh fruit/vegetables. It also reduces emissions from collecting and moving food waste around the country. In households with no garden, a local community composting site might be viable (e.g. at allotments).  Another method of reducing the percentage going to landfill would be to increase the range of items accepted by the MRF to bring Wirral in line with national "best practice".  The most important aspect is changing behaviours. Investing in business change around waste (taking for example, tying in to Hugh Fearnley Whittingstall's War on Waste, The Clean Bin Project Movie, or "love food hate waste" campaigns) is crucial. Instigating a Wirral-wide popular movement to change the mindset of people who generate too much waste would be a far more effective use of money than creating a whole load of extra plastic to be delivered to each household. This needs to be backed up by some ongoing data capture to measure the effects - for example the bin lorries could be fitted with a device that weighed each bin as it was tipped, or anecdotal evidence from the binmen on relative weight of bins in different areas. This would ultimately lead to better informed consumer choices as people started to demand less packaging, and were less tempted by supermarket BOGOF offers for perishable items that end up in the bin.
187	I'm not keen on three weeks between collections with regards to the green bin.
188	What happens if I'm away (holiday, work commitment etc) and I miss the collection after three weeks and Neighbours help is not available as I only should put out the bin on collection day? I'm extremely concerned about health and hygiene after such a long time or worse missing a collection!  I would favour this option if the above question is satisfactorily answered and if the other plastic can go in the grey bin, which can't be put there at the moment.  Have you considered families with babies in nappies?
189	Better than option 2. It is a COMPLETE WASTE OF OUR COUNCIL TAX MONEY TO GIVE EVERYONE A NEW GREEN BIN WHEN EVERYONE I KNOW & IN THE LOCAL VICINITY OF MY HOME'S GREEN BINS ARE IN GOOD CONDITION.
190	I accept Option One

191	In my household we throw almost no food away at all as I think it is appalling to waste food when other people are hungry but I still find it impossible to cope with just a fortnightly green bin collection . I regularly pay for private refuse collection or my neighbour lets me use her bin . Any less space for my refuse would be totally inadequate and would encourage fly tipping and awful smells not to mention maggots in the summer. We pay rates for the services we seem to be losing and I'm sure regular refuse collection should be a top priority for health and hygiene of the rate payers of the area
192	three week collection in summer is unhygienic.
193	Happy to accept option 1, however my food waste is negligible and does not really justify additional caddy. Usually green bin is less than a third full per fortnight, fully but in to the recycling option with both grey and green bins fully utilised - with conditions strictly observed. I am frustrated by the fact that many people appear to buy an additional green bin, often used for garden waste, rather than pay the brown bin fees. We are all aware that brown bins are not collected without the appropriate sticker / tag, yet no checks appear to be undertaken on green bins - the bin which has no recycled contents! A more proactive stance on this would be beneficial
194	Maintaining the current green bins is excellent, rather than disposing of them and buying new ones, which seems to fly in the face of the reduce/reuse/recycle culture we need to implement. It also means up to 480 litres of waste collected every six weeks, whereas the small bin option only sees 420 litres of waste collected every six weeks, which could cause problems for some people.
195	How much is this going to cost us? I do not have any money to replace my bin for a smaller one, there is enough rubbish being dumped on the streets as it is and this will only cause more, i have also seen it dumped in public street bins and in back entries. I feel i don't throw away 100 litres worth of food rubbish every two weeks, its definitely less, so there is no need to reduce the size of the bin from a 240 litre. Plastic carrier bags are a huge problem along with plastic packaging, maybe you should look at a way of recycling this somehow?? Where are we supposed to store another bin on our premises?? And all the faff that goes with it, into one liner and then a caddy and then another bin outside some people i live by will not do this! We will see a rise in foxes and rats trying to get at the food waste too. What if we run out of the liners are the liners recyclable its all more money money money, and who is funding this new separate vehicle that will be collecting this food waste?
196	Not practical tried before only increases infestation of flies mice and rats even foxes
197	Preferable to option 2 because more waste ins collected annually from us but cost of food waste roll out is too much in current financial climate.
198	Do not agree with proposal would like the collections to remain the same
199	Three weeks for a green bin collection is too long.
200	Already using a small (140 litre) green bin, into which goes a minimal amount of food waste. A collection every three weeks would need the large bin which we DO NOT want.
201	I AM STRONGLY OPPOSED TO COLLECTION OPTION No. 1  1.1 Collecting tiny amounts of food waste on a weekly basis is ridiculously inefficient !! Please provide details of your cost calculations. There are other options to increase the level of re-cycling. (See para 1.4).  1.2 I have no more room on my property for any further waste containers and I won't be digging up any more of my lawn to accommodate the planned lockable food container. Already many gardens throughout the Wirral are blighted and disfigured by the current collection of wheelie bins !!  1.3 Because I have no room on my property, I already have a reduced size grey bin and a reduced size green bin. Having the green bin collected every three weeks is therefore totally unacceptable in my case.  1.4 One way to increase recycling is to give everyone back their brown wheelie bin and to allow at least some kitchen waste e.g. cabbage leaves, potato peel, banana skins etc. etc. to be re-cycled in that way. Restoring the free brown bin again, would also reduce the current amount of garden waste ending up in the green bin and not being recycled at all !!!
202	I do not have a lot of food waste so having a separate caddy won't make a lot of difference to the amount in my green bin although I think separating food is a good idea. Both my grey and green bins are completely full at the end of 2 weeks so changing to every 3 weeks will be no good to me and others with 4 or more in their household. I would imagine this would lead to rubbish being dumped. I subscribe to the garden waste so don't put this in my green bin.

203	<p>If there are only 2 collection options, I prefer option 1.</p> <p>I would prefer to keep my existing 240 litre green bin and have it emptied every 3 weeks, rather than have a smaller 140 litre green bin emptied every 2 weeks.</p> <p>The weekly food waste collection is a good idea.</p>
204	I prefer this option. I'd rather have the larger green bin.
205	<p>The main problem with the council's recycling strategy is that not enough items are recycled. I am happy to recycle food waste although the only items that will go in my food waste bin will be a few meat/fish trimmings as I already compost all vegetable matter. In other areas many more items are recycled eg marg/yoghurt pots, tetra packs, foil trays. I know that doorstep collection for recycling of these items is possible as they are all collected by my daughter's local council for recycling. Wirral needs to get up to date and provide collection of these items as well. Packaging of this type is the main contents of my green bin at present and recycling of such items would make a real impact on the amount of waste in my green bin. If these items were recycled then the main contents of my green bin would be plastic wrapping. I would not choose option 1 as it would be more difficult to keep track of which bin to put out and on some weeks I would need to put both green and grey bins out which would be a nuisance given that I live at the bottom of a lane and have to take my bin to the main road.</p>
206	We think that 3 weeks is too long between collections of existing green bin and prefer option 2.
207	The irregularity of the collection cycle for the green bin will be complicated to follow.
208	I would not like to only have my green bin emptied every 3 weeks, I would prefer to have a smaller bin emptied more frequently.
209	Ok but won't a 3 week collection mean bins overflowing and litter blowing around streets if lids won't close properly?
210	<p>Although supporting recycling there are some items that cannot be recycled locally such as food packaging for raw meat which can be a bulky item, as can tetra packs which in other areas can be recycled. How can this be tackled to minimise land fill further? We currently compost a lot of the items listed for the food waste bin.</p> <p>Having green bin collections three weekly seems too in frequent when food packaging that cannot be recycled will be stored in these bins.</p>
211	Food waste collection should be introduced but green bin collection collection should remain as normal to gauge the possible reduction in volume over period of six to nine months. Then look at the alternatives.
212	this seems to be ok but how many people will be bothered to sort their food waste out when there is still a lot of people who don't separate any of their rubbish out now ? what about plastics bags etc and cartons that makes a lot of waste in my bins and i bet it does in other peoples bins too
213	<p>The fly population seems to have increased hugely since 2-weekly collections started so 3-weekly will only make things worse. Even if food waste is being collected separately, there will still be smellies in the green bins (e.g. soiled nappies, dog poo). In addition, having some green bins collected 2-weekly and others 3-weekly sounds like a recipe for chaos or an expensive monitoring system with extra vehicle rounds.</p> <p>If you are going to do this it would be better to just give everybody a 140 litre bin and 2-weekly collections. Those who do have a genuine need for 240 litre bins should be individually assessed for the larger bin and continue to have 2-weekly collections.</p>
214	I think it is a bad idea to collect the green bin every three weeks. Already there are times when I have maggots in my bin on a fortnightly collection. I appreciate that there won't be any food waste in there but there will still be soiled nappies and empty food containers and so I think we will still get maggots (more so if we have to wait 3 weeks to get the bin collected)
215	<p>I recycle fruit, veg and eggs shells, etc into my compost bins. Good to have somewhere to dispose of meat etc.</p> <p>I already subscribe to this the brown bin.....love it!</p> <p>Grey Bin. Recycling is vital.....does WBC have plans to enable recycling of more platics, eg plastic food trays from supermarkets? Unless things have changed recently and I'm not aware, there are many lightweight plastics which cannot be put into the grey bin as they can cause probs with the paper recycling.</p> <p>Green bin I could possibly manage with a small green bin, but would have problems when friends and family come to stay, so am happy to keep the 240 lt bin.</p>

216	<p>Maintain the status quo with 2 weekly collections.          What is the point of replacing every bin with a smaller one. Surely that is a totally un-necessary cost which would no doubt be passed onto the public. SAVE THE MONEY!          O.K. supply a small food caddy for Food waste as this should suffice and be all that is necessary.</p> <p>We already pay our rates for a full waste service, plus the extra for garden waste.          If more income is needed then chase and get the those who have not paid their Council tax to pay up, plus a fine to cover the cost of the additional recovery of what they owe.</p>
217	<p>Food collection every week would be better than once a fortnight. We have had a real problem with maggots in the green bin this summer. But we do have a problem with green bin emptied every 3 weeks because we have a dog. 2 weeks of dog poo is pretty bad can't imagine 3 weeks !</p>
218	<p>I don't want a food caddy I don't waste food.if I have to have a 3 weekly collection it's better than nothing.what do we pay council has for?my bin belongs to me I payed 37 pound for it.so I won't be returning my bin in exchange for a small one.People put garden waste in their green bins I pay to have a brown bin.the proposals are disgusting it will encourage vermin</p>
219	<p>The introduction of the food waste collection is a good idea however the estimates that nearly 40% of waste is food is a complete lie! I would consider myself one of the better paid residents of Wirral But I certainly cannot afford to throw away food totaling 40% of the contents of a green bin every other work. Here's a crazy suggestion but why don't you consider recycling the same range of waste as other councils, i.e. tin foil, plastic trays, yogurt pots etc. you'll be able to hit your recycle targets without having to roll out new expensive schemes. I think it is time for a change in leadership at the council I will certainly vote that way at the next election</p>
220	<p>It is a good idea to have a food recycling caddy collected weekly but how many people will put their food waste in it and you would have to have a notice with the caddy to say what can go in it. The waste food being collected once a week should reduce odours. Collecting the green bin every 3 weeks will also get very smelly as I have grandchildren who wear nappies and it will smell after 3 weeks. I wouldn't want to have maggots in my bin either. It would be better to keep the large bin and empty every 2 weeks as before and have the weekly small food caddy emptied every week.</p>
221	<p>I understand the reasons for reducing the number of collections of general waste. However, my main concern is that if I were to forget a collection, 6 weeks would then pass between collections. The likelihood of forgetting would be increased with a 3 and 2 rota (3 weeks between green / 2 between grey and brown.) I believe that it will cause unnecessary confusion. For this reason I would prefer option 2.</p>
222	<p>We believe it is unnecessary to have a separate waste food collection, and cannot understand the need to change from the current system. We therefore reluctantly agree to option 1.</p>
223	<p>You should concentrate on recycling other materials too, e.g yoghurt pots, foil. Far too much money being spent on additional bins</p>
224	<p>-----          IF THE GOVERNMENT FORCED THE SUPERMARKETS TO USE RECYCLABLE PACKAGING IT WOULD SAVE FAR MORE MONEY AND MAKE MORE SENSE.          -----</p> <p>We live in a small block of 6 flats. We are already sharing bins - allowing 120 litres green bin waste and 80 litres grey bin waste per household.</p> <p>The green bins are overfull every fortnight - not with food waste but with non-recyclable plastic containers. 3 weeks between collections is too long.</p>
225	<p>This would be my preferred option. I currently have very minimal food waste because I top up shop rather than buying in bulk. Option 2 gives me on average less capacity per week than option 1 in the green bin which is why I have selected option 1.</p> <p>If option 2's green bin was 2/3 the size of our current bin i.e. 160 litres, I would prefer that option.</p> <p>I do however feel it is a shame that other plastics can't be recycled (as in Chester). It is these other plastics that account for a significant proportion of my waste w.g. salad bowls, curry containers, cottage cheese tubs etc.</p> <p>Smells do not particularly concern me because I'll rinse containers and what small amount of food waste we have will be collected weekly. I am concerned though about the potential of fly tipping or rubbish being crammed to overflowing in roadside bins.</p>

226	Sounds like the way forward
227	Though it would seem economical to keep the old size bin and reduce collection frequency, the large bin does take up a significant amount of space in our small yard and we rarely fill it. The collection frequency of 3 weekly means if one is missed (e.g. due to being on holiday ) then it would be 6 weeks before the bin is emptied, which I think would be too long.
228	We cannot understand the logic. We waste nothing like that amount of food. Actual food in our green bin is a tiny percentage. Mostly it is food packaging, not the food itself. People should be encouraged to buy better and be less wasteful, rather than adapting our waste collection to cope. Council money would be better spent on food purchasing/ preparation education.
229	Every three weeks too long.miss one due to hols and it's Six!
230	We do not agree with having food waste kept in a small bin in the kitchen. We do not have anywhere suitable/any available space to keep a bin in the kitchen and we do not consider it to be hygienic. Our kitchen does not have an exit door to outside - our only exit is by walking through the house. A three weekly collection of the green bin is totally unacceptable as there are four adults living in this household and the bin would be full after two weeks despite having the small additional food waste bin. We totally disagree with having a food waste bin and wish to keep the size of the bins and the regularity of collections the same as they are now.
231	I don't think this is feasible or even reasonable. Three weekly collection is also complicated and confusing unless you constantly check the calendar. It is also not frequent enough. Stocking foodwaste indoor for a week (as in compost bin) also produces unpleasant smells and most caddies will end up stored outdoor. It is also too easily accessible to pets and children, hence potentially messy.
232	We currently use a food waste caddy which we regularly empty into our compost bin and use for compost in our vegetable patch. We still have a lot of non recyclable waste to put in our green bin and your proposed decision to reduce the number of collections to once every three weeks would be disastrous. It is bad enough to have reduced collections already but to reduce them further is totally not acceptable.
233	There should be no change to current collection. Moving to a three weekly collection means Bins will not be emptied if a collection is missed for whatever reason.(holidays etc) for six weeks and this is not acceptable.
234	Stupid. Another bin to be robbed as we have a long shared drive. Already have people putting there smelly rubbish in my green bin which I clean and put in bin liners
235	I think it is better to keep the existing green bin as they do not need replacing and it would waste council tax money. I can see no reason why we cannot keep the two weekly collections. Also, I don't believe the Council could coordinate all the different collection dates and no one would remember when there dates were. If anyone is unable for whatever reason to put the bin out on the collection day it would be 6 weeks until the next collection which is unacceptable. I think the waste food collection is a good idea.
236	Three weeks is too long to empty a bin that takes non-recyclables even if food waste is collected weekly.
237	I prefer this option.  I have no car so have no means of taking unexpected non recycleable waste such as large plastic packaging, tradesmans rubbish etc to the tip.  Also, if people who have cars can still take what rubbish they like to the tip for free, how will this tie in with recycling.
238	Questions: 1. What do you mean by "lockable"? 2. Are you promising to keep supplying regularly - and free of charge - the food waste liners?
239	Too large a gap in collections and not feasible for most people ie families.
240	I'm all for recycling but the thought of our green bin not being emptied for three weeks is disgusting !! What about families with babies and a bin full of nappies, it's a disgusting idea. We already have to pay for our brown bin and only two of us in our street pay for it, so where do you think everyone else is putting there garden waste !! I already go to the tip in my second week because when it's hot the bin smells. I've often wondered why when out walking I see lots of dog poop bags left and it's so they don't have to take it home and put it in the bin. I would rather you left things alone and collected the household waste more. I feel sorry for the bin men it must turn their stomachs just imagine after three weeks !!! It's great to recycle but don't let it effect people's health .

241	If you have a small kitchen where are you supposed to put an indoor caddy! You are just wanting to add more bins to the outside of our homes. I'm sorry Wirral Council but you really need to re look at both proposals.
242	The Green bin is by far the most used one including garden waste and I don't generate enough of this waste to justify a Brown bin.  Food waste is nowhere near the 40% as claimed
243	I prefer this option
244	Would choose this as it requires no replacement of my existing bin and therefore no additional cost to supply new 140litre bin.  Would probably not use food recycling caddy much as I compost most of our food waste anyway.
245	We currently put nappies in our green bin so the bin will stink if they are left for 3 weeks!
246	Waste of taxpayers money!!
247	The green bin collection schedule in Option 1 is not suitable for our household as my wife is disabled and we already produce a totally full bin load by the end of the second week. Our food waste is minimal. The majority of our waste in the green bin is household and clinical waste. Not wishing to appear negative but with regards to the indoor caddy, we have been down this route before and it was unsuccessful. What has changed for WBC to think it will work this time ? Maybe WBC needs to think better about recycling more waste into the grey bins. Compared to other councils we recycling less types of waste into these bins.
248	This option would meet my needs.
249	A lot of people do not have sufficient room in their kitchen for the waste food container or the external room for an extra bin. This will not be received well by Wirral residents, it is costly and I believe that a large proportion of residents will not re-cycle food. Spend the money on improving facilities to re-cycle more within the waste recycling plant and drop the charge for garden waste.
250	I think food recycling is an excellent idea and I am pleased that the food waste will be used productively. I would be happy to use the bins provided.  The larger green bin would hold 480 litres over a six week period compared to 420 litres in the smaller bin so I think this would be a better option for most families with children.  I would be happy with either option.
251	How can the Council state it needs to recycle more then reduce the items we can place in the grey bin.  Previously we personally had almost a full grey bin once a fortnight, now we have half. The reverse is now the case re the green bin. Not sure how we will manage with a smaller version and there are only two in our household !  Despite the fact many items show the recycle symbol they are apparently now not accepted by the Council. Are they saying the facilities have changed or was it previously sending our so called recycled goods to land fill all the time.  Given the reduction in items which can be accepted for recycling there is going to be an overall increase in general household waste. One wonders how that helps with the recycle targets. It will make no difference whether collection is fortnightly or three weekly or the size of the bins is reduced. The same amount of refuse will still exist.  Would it not be more appropriate to have better recycling facilities than the introduction of new bins. The maths re current proposals do not add up and appear to be a total waste of funds that could be spent more productively.
252	Forgot to add to my last comments - what if we are on holiday during the collection week? That would mean our rubbish would be sat in our property for 6 weeks. Disgusting.
253	I am all for recycling food but having a collection every three weeks is absolutely ridiculous and unhygienic. We are a family of 3 with a small toddler and already our bin is over full when it is collected ever 2 weeks. It is already a problem. We are expecting a new baby in December, so to add soiled nappies to this problem will make the situation even worse. It means that we would no way have enough bin storage (a newborn baby may produce over 200 soiled nappies in 3 weeks) and it would be a real problem for many young families, not to mention the smell. It also means I would have to take regular trips to the top with 2 young children, and as a full time working mum my schedule is already severely pushed, and it would cause me a lot of stress to add to this already very demanding lifestyle.

254	What about upgrading our recycling facilities to include tetra pak cartons and yoghurt pots and margarine pots. I appreciate it will cost but what is the cost of this new scheme?
255	3 weekly collection insufficient
256	so you now have stopped taking garden waste and did we not have targets on garden waste to keep but the council said why should people with large gardens get a green bin for free when not everyone has a garden but as our council tax is in bands someone with a garden will be paying more council tax anyway and now want to reduce the size of our bins i know i have hardly any food waste so where your figures come from i have no idea, i live in irby and all public toilets in heswall and by sheldrakes have closed i find it hard to understand what you do with the huge amounts of council tax taken is spent on .may i suggest you take no rubbish and scrap the council tax.
257	A 3 weekly collection is not a good option. We currently have our bins cleaned and a new bag put in the bin after every collection. Even this does not stop the problem of maggots in the warm weather. I contacted the council about this and was advised to "double bag" everything. How is this good for the environment. Even with reduced "food waste" there is still the matter of plastic containers/packaging such as yoghurt pots etc. which we can't currently recycle although many councils can and do. There is also the matter of dog waste - left for 3 weeks in a warm bin awaiting collection. Please no.
258	Still have concerns about smells & hygiene from personal/nappies/medical waste.
259	As a household of 5, our green bin is full every fortnight. Very little of what is in the green bin is food waste as we home compost all uncooked veg, fruit, eggs shells etc., I keep a careful eye on use by dates and use food accordingly, and there is rarely any leftover food after a meal. Our green bin waste seems to be mainly made up of packaging that cannot currently be recycled in the grey bin. I am, therefore, concerned that we will have waste accumulating that will not fit in the green bin if it is only collected 3 weekly.
260	I would like to go with collection option 1.
261	No way!
262	I do not like either option. I am paying for a service that has gradually dwindled over the years but not the COST! I am already going to my local tip once a week to dispose of rubbish due to collections being reduced and also the increase in flies and maggots. This will only encourage even more fly tipping. This is all to do with making savings on council budgets. I assume that recycling targets by 2020 are a European Directive? If so, now that the UK has voted for Brexit, can we not set our own targets? I can envisage that the residents of Wirral will not be happy with these proposals.
263	Prefer this option. Save on cost the f replacement smaller green bins, and reduce number of collections & therefore emissions.
264	There is very little food waste in our bin - we only cook what we eat, so the vast bulk of our green bin contents are non food, and we have no desire for this to be any smaller bin or any less frequent than 2 weekly. If any bin is to be emptied less frequently, it would seem to make sense for it to be the grey bin which contains items which are not likely to smell or go off.  Furthermore, we already have green bins, why go to the expense of throwing these away & issuing smaller ones?
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267	I have a few concerns regarding the scheme. I will struggle to find a place for the food recycling bin in my kitchen and there is a possibility my dog will try to open it and perhaps it will smell. Biggest problem - space for it. At least you get a little more room in the larger green bin per litre.
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272	This has nothing to do with recycling targets. The council has put out dubious claims about the amount of food waste in homes. We do not have any food waste! The council just wants people to stop putting garden waste in the green bin, and subscribe to the garden waste tax.
273	This is my favourite option.
274	There is no point in changing the green bins, spending should be kept to a minimum to introduce the new system! Although people will need to adapt to the food bin's, generally habits won't change and it does not matter how full or empty the green bin is! Few people, if any, will see the need to generate more waste just because their bin is only half full! Graham Ellis, Wallasey Village.
275	I feel it would be very unhygienic to leave the green bin collection every three weeks,as even if left over food is separate and everything in the green bin is bagged up it will smell awful, as bins do after two weeks..I spray my bins with fly spray everytime I open the lid to prevent maggots as one summer there were maggots and the bin cleaners would not clean it out,it was very unpleasant cleaning it myself.
276	When society is trying to reduce the use of plastic bags is it environmentally friendly to start using even more in the proposed food caddies?  Green bin collection every 3 weeks is unacceptable as there is still packaging which cannot be recycled which needs to go in the green bin and the amount of waste food put in the caddy will not reduce that.
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281	<p>Think having three collections on different frequencies would lead to confusion.</p>
282	<p>This is my preferred option.</p>
283	<p>preferable to option 2</p>

284	<p>We are not at all happy about the proposed food recycling collection for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Our household rarely has food waste.</li> <li>2. The extra collection service, providing a caddy and the subsequent continuous supply of liners will be costly both to the council and the householder.</li> <li>3. Won't the liners prevent "recycling"?</li> <li>4. Keeping a food waste container outside (even a lockable one) will encourage and attract vermin - rats, mice, foxes, ants and cockroaches. We already have an ongoing problem with foxes and ants.</li> </ol>
285	<p>I do not agree with this proposal I do not have any food waste as I have my own recycling it called a dog. Your reasons for this proposal is not a valid one as the directive for the 2020 target is an EU directive we won't be in the EU then after brxit.I've</p>
286	<p>Collecting the green bin every 3 weeks is not acceptable. We work away a lot and often cannot put the bin out, if we miss a collection 6 weeks is too long to be workable. The brown bin subscription should be a rolling one, we've found if you buy-in part way through the year there is no reduction in cost and you don't get the full 12 months worth for your money</p>
287	<p>My mother, whom I am writing this for, is 87 and very frail. She is also completely housebound and diagnosed with Vertigo. She has started with Dementia. I live in London and cannot get up to the Wirral just yet as I have had a large operation. I know from growing up in Eastham that there are a lot of elderly people there, probably in same situation as my mother. She would get very confused about the change unless it was in very easy to understand English. Can you please keep this in mind when you word the document changes to the residents on the Wirral. Many thanks.</p>
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289	<p>I would be quite happy with this option. I already compost as much food waste as possible but cannot add meat, bones etc. I already have a problem with rats coming in from neighbouring fields.</p> <p>My main frustration is not being able to recycle so much of the plastic that food comes in these days, eg. fruit (raspberries, strawberries, blueberries, plums) containers, fresh meat packaging, plastic yogurt and cream containers. Far more of this goes into my bin than anything else.</p>
290	<p>Disgraceful. Green bins need emptying weekly not fortnightly or 3 weekly</p>
291	<p>Assuming a green bin is full under the current fortnightly collection (ours is), it currently deals with an average of 120 litres per week (240 litres divided by 2 weeks).</p> <p>Under option 1, the green bin will only be able to deal with an average of 80 litres per week (240 / 3). This is a shortfall of 40 litres.</p> <p>a) Is 40 litres of food waste a reasonable expectation?</p> <p>b) Assuming the answer to (a) is yes, are the food waste bins 40 litres in size?</p>
292	<p>Three weeks is much too long to wait for the green bin to be emptied and the idea of collecting food waste is not appealing.</p>
293	<p>Both these options are complete nonsense , the bulk of green bin is non recycleable plastic, packaging etc and contaminated items. The volume of food waste is minimal. A smaller green bin or 3 weekly collections would be totally inadequate. The cost of new green bins would be a waste of millions of pounds. Think again.</p>
294	<p>Would prefer the same size bin and 3 week collection option instead of the smaller bin.</p> <p>I also appreciate the FAQ section. Thank for introducing the food recycling scheme. Some residents are actually looking forward to it, despite what some of the readers' comments in the Wirral Globe have said. Please continue to provide similar schemes, volunteering and feedback opportunities etc.</p>

295	<p>1. Neither option is a good one. The cost of implementation far outweighs any small financial gains if there are any once all the new bins have been purchased, allocated and collected! The proposals would increase health risks and be difficult to manage for small households with tiny kitchens and for the elderly who really don't need to be given yet more to do for themselves.</p> <p>You have not said why we can't just use our own kitchen bins with their liners and place them in a larger food bin (it would need to be the size of a small green bin to contain average food waste. This is evidenced by the fact that food is the main item in the current green bins!) Average households produce a lot of slops.</p> <p>You have not stated whether the green bins will continue to have bin liners or whether the lockable (why?) bin would have a bin liner. Bin liners are essential in both green bins and any food waste bins from a hygiene point of view. Dog owners put their dog waste in them and sometimes in other people's bins - where would that go?</p>
296	<p>Financially I think this is the best option as only 2 extra bins need to be purchased for food waste. Only concern is for health reasons with nappies &amp; incontinence requirements being left in the bins for 3 weeks.</p>
297	<p>Firstly I would point out I am a keen recycler and fully agree with the idea of recycling. I already pay for the brown bin collections but the suggestion regarding recycling garden waste is utter folly and sure to fail. A substantial part of Wirral (West Wirral) already actively use the recycling schemes and another part of Wirral (east Wirral) do not. Encouraging those that already recycle to recycle even more will not meet your targets - there is simply not enough food waste from these households and those that are already actively involved will be engaged in their own recycling eg garden compost heap. Unless correct use of Green and Grey bins is encouraged by ALL residents of Wirral you will not meet your 50% target</p> <p>I am totally opposed to a green bin recycle every 3 weeks and will not participate in the food recycling scheme. The first thing I will do is place the new food bin in with the plastic recycling at the tip</p>
298	<p>Dont like the idea of a third bin. 3 week collection cycle is definately too long! (so a smaller bin would be the lesser of two evils)</p>
299	<p>Prefer this option. Could just about manage with existing green bin collected every 3 weeks rather than 2.</p>
300	<p>I feel keeping the large green bin and having the additional food waste bin will take up too much space in my small garden, and I would prefer the green bin to be emptied more frequently than 3-weekly. I would therefore prefer Option 2.</p>
301	<p>Why not introduce the food waste collection first? If and only if this is successful a revised green bin collection schedule could then be considered.</p> <p>"Over the last 10 or 15 years councils have moved away from weekly collections and tried to force people to recycle by having less than a weekly collection and it doesn't work." - Brandon Lewis, Minister of State for Housing and Planning at the Department for Communities and Local Government, July 2014 - July 2016.</p>
302	<p>We do not need another bin. We generate very little of this kind of waste,composting as much as possible. Presumably the "supply" of liners are recyclable/biodegradable but nevertheless have an ongoing cost to us after the original quota is exhausted. The need for liners seems to be directly contradictory to the (apparently successful) National initiative to reduce the disposal of such items. There is also the issue of the collection vehicles' being greater in number and/or complexity. Overall this scenario seems to offer very little,if any,benefit to the recycle target or the ratepayer.</p>
303	<p>Don't like 3 weekly green bin collection. Already have smaller bin.</p>
304	<p>Not an option.</p>
305	<p>Not suitable. No room for another bin which could cause smells and disease, particularly in hot weather. Against this option. My wife and I are both disabled.</p>
306	<p>I do not like this option at all, the system we have works for me so why change it.</p>

307	<p>Other Authorities collect their food waste with the Brown Bin service. I felt that it was a backward step when a charge was introduced for this service, particularly the impact on recycling. This probably now means that you would have to give up valuable income to reintroduce this service.</p> <p>I can't see why food waste can't be recycled with green waste given the appropriate machinery. I recycle a large amount of garden waste and uncooked food scraps in my own compost bin. The only reason I don't put cooked food scraps into my compost bin is the problem it would create with vermin. Twigs and branches need to be crushed and chopped up to break down within an reasonable time, as I don't own a machine to do this these go into the brown bin or are taken to the tip. It's all organic, it will break down within a few weeks given the right conditions and provide a valuable source of garden compost. Ever thought of selling this?</p> <p>There must be a large amount of garden waste that goes into the green bin e.g. grass clippings (how many households have a lawn but no brown bin?). This is readily turned into good garden compost but presumably goes into landfill. Poor decision making in the past has led to us having ANOTHER bin to contend with. Shame you can't turn the recycling into bins, you'd get rid of it all in no time.</p>
308	<p>Not good. We have very little food waste that isn't already recycled via our own compost bin.</p>
309	<p>1) Recycling food waste is a positive step.  2) Extending general waste collection to 3 weeks is not good. The prospect of baby nappy waste collecting in potentially large amounts over an extended period is both foul and increasingly unhygienic. Nappy waste will form a significant proportion of a family's 'general' waste output. Any 'tipped' bins will result in an even greater stinking mess on the street. The risk of odour pollution is increased by extended collection periods.  4) Charging for brown bin collection is not conducive to increasing the recycling of garden waste. Conscientious recyclers may pay. Others may either put what they can into green bins (which defeats the aim of reducing general waste) or may fly tip. Either way, a charging policy cannot help to increase recycled compostable material. The waste will still be generated regardless of collection policy - you can't stop plant growth but you can recycle it more effectively if you remove barriers to its collection. Council needs to determine what its priority policy is - to meet a recycling target or meet a cost cutting target (with respect to recyclable material collection), you cannot have both.</p>
310	<p>Green bin should be emptied every 2 weeks. If you cut this back I'm sure it will lead to fly tipping and anti social problems due to overfilling and other problems especially in the summer.</p>
311	<p>The Council have not taken sufficient action to control fly tipping in the borough, which increased noticeably following changes introduced by the council, regarding local tipping arrangements. I do not believe that the amount of food waste the council states is currently being disposed of is due to domestic users, and if correct must include commercial organisations. I have not seen any evidence of large scale food waste in domestic refuse. I would like to see figures confirming the make up of domestic refuse currently collected, to support the council proposals.</p> <p>If the council are struggling to achieve it's recycling targets they should spend the cost of these proposals on securing a better contract with its partners which will increase the number of items/materials capable of being recycled. The failure of the councils current arrangements are due to the disgraceful lack of recycling capability for many domestic items which apparently can be handled by many other councils. Just look across the border at our Welsh neighbours.</p> <p>We are already suffering an increase in fly tipping in many of our country lanes and off the beaten track places. Either of these proposals is going to lead to an increase in 'black bags' being inconsiderately disposed of along these country lanes alongside the current 'bags of plaster and other builders waste'.</p> <p>Many households currently place no food waste at all in the refuse bin. The small amount occurring is composted. Therefore, the only effect the changes will make is to reduce the current waste collection service. How many households will this apply to? This is where the risk of illegal black bag disposal arises.</p>
312	<p>I pay council tax for years so will not pay any more. Brown and green at back door, grey on porch by front door. The bins have always been clean there were they are because I can not move the because of health. I always open door to bin men and what I see are good workers .</p>
313	<p>My kitchen is extremely small &amp; there is no room for a caddy of any size. Also when my baby grandson stays I dispose of his nappies in the green bin. It is totally unacceptable to consider keeping this sort of waste for three weeks.  The money for this scheme should be spent expanding the range of materials which may be recycled and reinstating the free brown bin service - which will contribute far more to recycling tonnages than a little bit of food waste.</p>
314	<p>I don't want to keep food waste in the house so wouldn't want an indoor caddy. Although I don't have a lot of food waste so most of my rubbish goes in green bin. I am a big recycler and use my grey bin as much and sometimes more. I do not agree with going to 3 week emptying of green bin would rather have it emptied every week. I use pads for incontinence so need green bin space.</p>

315	As council tax payers, we would find option 1 completely unacceptable, in particular a 3 weekly collection of the green bin.
316	Not acceptable. The green bin only being collected every 2 weeks is bad enough. Under no circumstances can this be extended to 3 weeks. Leave as it is and just add the food waste caddy. Also, what will be done to prevent youths from stealing the caddies, breaking them open and throwing the stuff around?
317	Bins, bins, bins and more bins. The emergency services already struggle getting through the alleyway for the supported living bungalows as do deliveries and wheelchairs as they are packed with bins already and green bin is overflowing. Small bin is always chocker every week so a few egg shells and banana skins won't make a difference. Rubbish bins everywhere.
318	Concerned by the reduction to collection every 3 weeks for green bin. What happens if you are away and miss a collection or impact of bank holidays?
319	Small bins for indoor food waste was piloted a few years ago, not sure why but it just stopped. Will the same happen again? Will the liners provided for the indoor caddy be a one off?
320	I do not need three bins as the present ones take useless food and wrappings. The remainder is put on the compost heap. No further bins are necessary and will be a blight on the garden/house/and road collection and area.
321	Not repeatbale. 3 weeks is utterly disgusting.
322	Our food waste is next to nothing. For 2 of us we eat what we cook. We compost raw veg remains and feed birds. Anything sloppy is flushed down the loo - tiny amounts. I would not keep rotting food in my kitchen for days. We have no room for even small bin in our front drive. Food packaging - plastic trays, yogurt post, bags wraps etc is massive and smelly if left. Also husband has medical problem, we are given hygienic sealable bags and empty own bags before we use them. We have 1 or 2 day bags and a night bas with a 2 yard tube with fittings and extra plastic hygiene bags for this. Plus soft cleaning and drying wipes and etc's. We have to bin all this and just manage a green bin emptied every 2 weeks. We are by no means alone with this problem. Our GP's have many in our area. We know by our repeat monthly prescription. We all have enough to contend with and would need some arrangement for disposal.
323	The better suggestion but I am concerned that smelly bins are now to be collected every three weeks.
324	Please see comments for option 2
325	Isn't it enough that our front gardens are occupied by ugly bins. Now you want bins in our kitchens. I am 85 and do not want any more bins to worry about.
326	I still have the small brown bin which was supplied for food waste several years ago. My home help and carer put things in my bins which you then empty for me. As I cannot get out to the bins, if they are away I would have difficulty putting the food out. I do not throw away much food so feel the 3 wk collection better.
327	I live in 79/80 flats in two buildings over four floors. Thus to make this questionnaire apply the public hygiene laws would have to be rewritten and there would be a major space problem. Really it is impossible.
328	Very fiddly and more expense on the rates. No our green bin collection every three weeks. Expensive for brown bin collection for people who do not have access to online payment.
329	Will go with this option. I would like to point out that I am 95 years of age. Feel that I should not be charged for the brown bin. This should be provided free of charge.
330	Yes I agree with food recycling collection. My daughter had has an indoor caddy for 18 months in Surrey. We need to recycle food. I am concerned with the environment and food waste.
331	A collection every 3 weeks is unsuitable.
332	Good idea about food waste bin. Not a good idea about smaller bins and 3 weeks emptying. Should still be emptied every 2 weeks.
333	Option 1 is the better one for us as there are just two people in the household. However, a three weekly collection for the green bin could present problems for larger families.
334	We will keep our existing green bin (but 3 weeks is too long for emptying). Once again you put the elderly last in your proposals. Brown bin ok but once again you are penalizing pensioners.
335	I thin it would be much better to have a smaller grey bin (140 litres) and have the green bin the same size it is at present. We are limited to what we can recycle in grey bin having to put butter, fruit, yogurt cartons in green bin also plastic plant post and many other containers. So think again.
336	Green bin needs to be collected every 2 weeks especially if there is medical waste to be disposed of.
337	Need 2 weekly green bin collection as have medical waste to dispose of 4 times per day. And still having 240 ltr bin would be helpful also rather than 140 ltr bin if this can be an option. The stench of keeping waste is already bad with 2 weekly collection. Couldn't leave for 3 weeks.

338	Seems reasonable.
339	This is better as it equates to 80 litres of waste per week for the green bin.
340	This scheme has been tried before with a small bin for the kitchen and it didn't work, perhaps the targets are not achievable as the current system works for the majority of Wirral residents.
341	Not keen on green bin collection down to three weeks.
342	Food waste collection, good in theory not in practice will not be cost effective also, just how many bins do we need ? any one living in a terraced house all ready has 3 bins lined up outside the front room window. Regarding the large green bin this is very much needed by people who have to dispose of clinical waste, infants diapers etc. a 3 week collection would be a health risk Please stick to the status quo .
343	Collecting food waste separately and recycling it is a good policy but it is not practical for everyone to be able to store four bins on their property.  The size of the green bin should depend on the number of people in the property using it.
344	. Green bin to be collected every two weeks as we do not have a lot of food waste
345	This is unworkable for residents. Trying to remember the schedule of weekly, fortnightly and three-weekly bins will mean bins will be left on the kerbside during the week by residents who get the dates wrong and can't be bothered bringing them back in. You can't blame this on lazyness by everyone. Remember many residents are elderly or in poor health. The recycling rate would be much higher if the charge for brown bins was removed. Most households still have the bins so there would be little outlay to reinstate this.
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347	I feel this is the best option as families will always produce a lot of rubbish apart from the recyclable things.
348	Disgusted in this decision, again why change something that works well for most households. Are you considering larger families with babies in nappies.This decision will end up costing the council more money and encourage fly tipping across the borough. BAD IDEA . WHERE IS THE MONEY COMING FROM. LET ME GUESS THE TAX PAYER
349	NOT ACCEPTABLE - SERVICE NEEDS TO STAY THE SAME AS IT IS AND RE-INTRODUCE THE BROWN BIN BEING COLLECTED AS PART OF COUNCIL TAX PAYMENTS.  Recycling would go up if you were not charging for brown bins as people would then use them rather than the green bins. The lorries go down each road anyway.  Having a very small kitchen anyway and keeping things separate and having work space is a challenge now. Do not have the room for more waste bins  Collection every 3 weeks - not suitable if you have MEDICAL CONDITIONS that require disposal in this bin, nappies, animal waste. This is a health hazard and will encourage vermin/flies, especially during summer months (even when put into bags).  Brown bin - not everyone can afford the extra money and use the green bin to dispose of their garden waste.
350	Whilst we agree with scheme to recycle food waste we think the proposed collection of the 240 litre bin every 3 weeks is not a good idea. Households of 4 or more people will have a problem, also during the summer months smells from the green bins will also cause a problem.
351	A 3 weekly bin collection is insufficient even if food is not present, particurallly in hot weather. Many household dispose of nappies and dog poo bags in their bins which can become very smelly. The grey bin service urgently needs to be improved by recycling more items. Surely the money available as capital funding to 'invest and save' would be better spent improving the facilities provided by MWDA for plastics recycling. From a survey of the general refuse produced by our household, I find that approx 56% is plastic eg packaging, yoghurt pots etc which a large number of councils are already able to recycle. If this issue was effectively addressed the council would easily reach their target of 50% recycling by 2020. I suggest you look at Cheshire West council's recycling strategy - perhaps Wirral could join their recycling organisation

352	Please note that I do not want nor will have any further refuse bins other than the ones I all ready have. Also, please note that I live in a bungalow not a refuse yard and have NO more room for any further bins either inside or out. We already have an indoor refuse pedal bin which I will continue to use as at present as with only 2 of us we do not have any food waste that can justify any further bins of any description so I will continue with the system which we have now ie. 1) a GREEN bin of 240ltrs, 2) a GREY bin and 3) a BROWN bin and our indoor pedal bin for which we provide our own liners for use in the GREEN bin.
353	We recycle and so our grey bin is usually full by collection date. We would be glad to use a food waste bin. However, collecting the same green bin every 3 weeks would be grossly insufficient capacity-wise and a health risk, despite the food waste removal. Introduce a food bin, but keep the other bin collections the same, please. Our local council dump will be inundated with the left over refuse.
354	First of all I have a very small kitchen and would have nowhere to place a small caddy.  Secondly, if the green bin is only to be collected every 3 weeks, you are assuming one third of the green bin rubbish is food waste and I do not think that is the case and, therefore, not all my green bin rubbish will fit in the green bin towards the end of the third week.  I am a keen re-cycler and I follow the rules for re-cycling and re-cycle everything I possibly can into the grey bin so it's not as if I can save space in my green bin by re-cycling more as I already re-cycle everything I can.  I also pay extra for the brown bin collection and all garden waste goes into my brown bin so, again, it's not as if I can save space in my green bin because no garden rubbish goes in there.  I would prefer a fortnightly collection of my 240 litre green bin but if I absolutely have to choose between option 1 and option 2 I would go for OPTION 1 and keep the 240 litre green bin.
355	I definitely wish to keep using the existing grey and green bins (240 litres) and would hope they can continue to be emptied every TWO weeks.  I would be happy to collaborate further by separating paper and glass for collection.  I have very little food waste but would be content to use the proposed caddy and liners and food waste container proposed.
356	This appears to be the worse of two evils. It seems illogical to change the green bin and incur additional costs.  I noticed in the local newspaper one of the leading councillors raised the concern that we would be fined by Europe if we don't meet the target. Pleased advise him/her that we have had a referendum.  I presume that the change in contract with the refuse collection company will mean a reduction in Council Tax, since someone somewhere is selling our rubbish on and making a profit.
357	My green bin is nearly full after one week I think there will be a problem with hygiene
358	We are a 3 adult household who are keen recyclist. We have very little food waste, most goes into our compost. If there was a collection every 3 weeks our general waste bin would be overflowing most times. It would only work for us if the surplus could go in a bin bag and be collected too. Then at certain times of the year, Xmas and Easter particularly, there is a lot more waste than usual
359	the majority of my food waste is recycled into my own compost bins, having a food waste bin will not lessen significantly the amount of waste in my green bin. We could manage with having the existing green bin emptied every 3 weeks
360	Agree with need to recycle more and provision of food recycling is welcome although it did use to take place until the council stopped it some years back - so once more around the block. I absolutely disagree with three weekly collections and do not wish to see my green bin reduced in volume. The solution is a hybrid of the two ie keep existing bins and collection frequencies but introduce (reintroduce) food recycling service.
361	To many bins as it is think of another way that's what councilours are there for.
362	a waste of money
363	I live on my own and don't have any food waste, I did when I had a young family & before my husband passed away. I would use this option as all the outlay for tax payers is the food collection boxes. I know lots of people who can't be bother to recycle, its a shame they can not be fined.



364	We already have the smaller size grey and green bins as do several properties in this area. The frontage of many houses is too small to accommodate the larger bins. Smaller houses also have smaller kitchens. This option would mean two extra bins. Also we have in the past have had food caddies but they had to be abandoned because of flies. This option would mean the use of polythene bags.
365	This is surely going to cause somewhat of a "stink".. some food containers and sanitary waste items are not recyclable and can be offensive smelling.. I have a wate disposal unit for food waste howveer my green bin can at times be smelly especially in the warmer weather. There is always flies around and i feel that the 3 weekly collection would further exacerbate these issues. Is there no alternative option which is also cost effective around grey bin collection?
366	Wirral council are a national disgrace when it comes to recycling. Garden waste collection should be free and would make a massive contribution to the recycling total. Why do you also not collect grass cuttings from verges for recycling also? The cost argument is false - clearly the folly of this argument is the reason you are now in this position. The long term costs dwarf the petty politics. You have reserves - use them to educate including the suitability of certain plastics to be recycled using the number scheme that is printed on them. That said, of the two options, Option 1 is the best.
367	PROVIDE A COMPOST BIN -The brown bin cost increased by 16% and many people put recyclable brown waste in green bins. much of the food and brown bin can be composted - as per the royal horticultural society guidance. the council should provide this option to people instead of forcing a solution on all which may not be the most beneficial or practicle. (this would cut the bins down to compost; green and grey).  STORAGE SPACE- more bins? where will they be stored? I have no room in kitchen or outside for more bins. LLanrwst in north wales have stackable bins for sorting rubbish - so one nice neat stack, not a whole load of floor space utilised. If the council is investing - it should be practicle ie to reduce the floor space the bins take up.  HYGIENE - most food wrapping will still go into the green bin e.g. used tin foil from cooking; and commercial food wraps - this will all be contaminated & after 3 weeks will be smelling badly in the green bin. In addition I see the bin cleaners dump the used water for rinsing bins in the street, which smells - we will have this weekly from the food bins, so in danger of a real health issue.  VOLUME OF FOOD - I have been evaluating what goes in my green bin & am struggling to see what would go into this weekly food bin - veg trimmings; egg shells; tea bags. this can ALL be composted anyway. most waste is e.g. used kitchen roll; tin foil used for cooking; food wrappings.....
368	It is a stupid idea to change things. It will mean more blue bottles around the bins and it will cause more flytipping, which will cost more money in the long run as someone will have to be paid to clean it up.
369	Waste of money to replace all green bins. Keep existing bins and empty 2 weekly.
370	Happy with this option. The bins would be able to Vover especially 'busy' weeks w/out the problems entailed by using black bin-liners, which may not be acceptable to the Council. And, even with a very proactive use of the Grey bin and virtually no food-waste going into our green bin now anyhow, as we use a waste disposal unit - intensely, plus taking the non-grey bin hard plastics to the tip, Tetra packaging, electrical, metal and wood waste to the tip also, we find our green bin fills up with 'non-recyclable' plastic film and other nrc wrappings/packaging.  Adding yoghurt pots/food-trays/aluminium foil and Tetra pack sorting capability at you recycling centres would contribute another chunk to your recycling out-turn figures, enable the instant access to greater quantities of high(ish) value aluminium and cut out a huge number of tip visits, saving people fuel and time.
371	Awful idea. People have children and nappies. Absolutly disgusting idea.
372	Option 2 would suit me better.
373	I wish to keep my existing bin and I wish to have it emptied every two weeks. Three weeks is just too long. In fact they should be emptied every week as they used to be.
374	Collection every 3 weeks, ridiculous, funny how Liverpool can collect every week and don't charge for garden waste bins. Most people I find put their garden waste in the green bin, not me as being a pensioner I always obey the rules, suppose it's the way I was brought up! As the green bins are very old now it makes sense to replace them with smaller bins.
375	This option is best for me although I personally have very little food waste and live alone.
376	If I had a smaller bin it would not be suitable for the amount of refuse I incur. Therefore I wish to stick with option 1 and go to a 3 weekly collection for my existing size (240 Litre) green bin.

377	We have hardly any food waste and what we do have is mostly peelings.therefore our green bin would be about 95% full of unrecyclable waste and would still need collecting every 2 weeks.l
378	<p>Either option 1 or option 2 is fine. The sooner you do it, the better. Furthermore, we should be taking note of Germans, their infrastructure and processes are unparalleled and we should be doing more. We should be recycling as many plastics as possible, NO MORE OF THIS "MARGARINE AND YOGHURT POTS GO IN THE GREEN BIN" NONSENSE.</p> <p>Send me all the bins you like, I will separate, rinse and sort whatever is needed if it means less can go to landfill and more can be reused!</p> <p>However, if you want a preference, it's Option 2 because there will be less capacity required and the smaller bin will be more manoeuvrable</p>
379	Collection of green bin every three weeks could be problematic if you miss a collection - there would then be a six week period with no collection. Difficult to keep track of every three weeks
380	We do not agree with Option 1.
381	We do not agree with Option 1.
382	If the caddy doesn't match my kitchen it's not going in so you will need to do them in different colours
383	as already stated Option 1 seems OK, so await further information, if any.....
384	Do not agree
385	<p>Food should not be wasted, I have no food in my Green Bin so I will require it to be collected every two weeks as at present. food should not be purchased to throw away and peels etc should all go in a persons composter.</p> <p>People need to be trained not to purchase food they do not require and dates on packets does not mean that the food is unedible.</p> <p>We have no food waste, so everybody else should have none either as food wasted costs money</p>
386	<p>We have concerns about food being left outside properties and believe this will encourage rats. What is the council going to do to prevent this?</p> <p>We recycle as much waste as the councils allows - why can't we recycle yogurt pots, margarine tubs, ice cream containers, aluminium foil etc?</p> <p>We compost tea bags, vegetable peelings etc. and only cook enough food to eat.</p> <p>Our grey bin fills quicker than the green one and we sometimes put the green out every 4 weeks rather than 2</p> <p>We do not see any benefit from this scheme</p>
387	<p>I think that introducing a weekly food recycling collection is a good idea. I do not produce a lot of food waste as I compost what I can, but do still produce about a shopping bag size of food waste every fortnight.</p> <p>We currently only half fill our green bin every two weeks, so a three weekly collection wouldnt be a problem for capacity, but we do have pet waste and this will make the bin more smelly over the three week period. As a family that has also recently had nappies in the bin - three weeks of nappies will make a bin very heavy - possibly too heavy to empty safely.</p>
388	<p>I would be interested to know what the budget implications are for both suggested changes - every 3 weeks for general waste seems challenging but i am guessing it would be cheaper than replacing everyones bins?</p> <p>I would also really appreciate a sticker or flyer for the bin stating the annual collection dates especially during the change over year.</p> <p>Will the food bags be recycled/compostable and will meat products need seperating or will it all go into one?</p> <p>Thanks Katie</p>
389	<p>Not keen. I'd like to keep fortnightly collections.</p> <p>Agree to food waste collection</p>

390	<p>Food waste collection is off no use to us personally: we generate zero food waste in this household by efficient shopping, food management, and a garden composter.</p> <p>Three weekly green bin collections are not acceptable.</p> <p>Monitoring of use of grey bin is necessary: in this neighbourhood it is clear from the noise of the green bin collection that glass and paper is not being put in the grey bin, week after week.</p> <p>Increased range of items that can be put into the grey bin is now imperative: most of our household green bin items are plastics not currently recyclable in Wirral but they would be recycled in other Local Authorities. We think this situation is now completely unacceptable and a dereliction of duty on the part of Wirral.</p>
391	<p>The proportion of food waste to general waste is unlikely to justify reducing the latter to a 3 weekly collection. The existing green bin will be too small to cope with 3 weekly collection. Even general rubbish deteriorates and needs to be collected frequently. If you reduce the service, there will be increased bin issues where neighbours add their rubbish to others' bins and/or fly-tipping.</p> <p>General rubbish could be reduced by widening the range of items that can be accepted for recycling so that all recyclables can be taken, not just the current limited definition.</p> <p>I recently moved from a London borough to Wirral. We had a weekly collection of general rubbish and recyclables - the bin lorry was split into two compartments to separate both types at point of collection. It was efficient and worked really well. And my council tax was no more expensive than it is here.</p>
392	i would prefer this option as my partner is incontenent and we require the present size green bin,the food waste is a good idea as the container is sealed, as long as it is picked up every week.
393	This option is preferable since it avoids the cost of replacing existing green bins, which are for the most part still serviceable. Having a 240 litre green bin means that they are large enough to hold the extra waste that can result when a collection is missed for whatever reason.
394	<p>Green Bin collection frequency is too low - really bad if you have a baby and lots of nappies!</p> <p>It'd be better to increase the frequency of the gray bin and fit food collections in with that as recyclable do not generally have a bad odour.</p> <p>Alternatively - why not add the food waste into the garden waste collection and alternate that?</p>
395	I would prefer this option. It is cheaper to keep the existing green bins and empty them every 3 weeks.
396	I don't think it's a good idea to have any bin left unemptied for 3 weeks. Rather than buying smaller green bins to distribute couldn't you keep the existing green bins and still have the 2 week collection? I'm all for recycling where possible but don't know why you would buy new, smaller green bins for everyone when they already have perfectly serviceable bins available.
397	I am concerned about smell from food waste bins kept indoors, unbearable - also house pets will be attracted to this as would outside vermin. I will use my green bin to avoid this. Risk of attracting stray animals, foxes and vermin by leaving food bins outside and I definitely won't keep rotting food in my kitchen.
398	A 3 weekly collection of green bins is unreasonable & unacceptable. The amount of food waste we have is minimal. Our green bin will be full at or before 2 weeks.
399	3 weeks is too long to wait for a collection also it would be difficult to keep track of the collection date. And in circumstances when you unavoidably miss the collection, you would have to wait 6 weeks, which is unacceptable.
400	This is better for environment as no unnecessary replacement of a perfectly usable 240l green bin. Also this has greater capacity over 3 week collection cycle.
401	I am disgusted: green bins should be collected fortnightly as is
402	I would be happy with option 1 but I do like the idea of a smaller green bin.
403	We have a large family 2 adults and 3 teens, we do not have enough room in the bins collected over two weeks never mind three which will just be a farce, even with separating out the food. Nice to know we have a choice about food collection!!
404	3 weekly bin collection is unsanitary in hot weather
405	I think this is unnecessary and a waste of money which could be better spent. We have enough bins already and storing them can be a problem for people with small gardens.I already recycle a lot of my kitchen waste by putting it on the garden. I'd rather have free brown bin collections.

406	As we compost as much as we can a three week collection would be satisfactory. Although we have doubts that the smell could be suppressed for that length of time.
407	<p>Quite happy about a separate food recycling container that is collected every week. Need to keep the current green bin at its current size. Food waste accounts for very little of our green bin content as much is put on the compost heap. Most of the bulk is taken up with things that can't currently be recycled such as greased cartons for fruit juice and milk and other household rubbish such as plastic packaging. Not happy about prolonging the green bin collection to every three weeks. However, how can issuing 130,000+ households with new bins be cost effective? How much will it cost? If the Council wants to improve its recycling performance it should remove the cost for collecting brown bins. Wirral's deteriorating recycling performance is a direct result of the Council charging for green waste collection. Wirral should also be looking at ways of recycling foil containers and plastics like other Local Councils do. That would certainly increase recycling performance.</p> <p>If we are going to leave the EU we no longer need to be bothered by EU targets on waste recycling.</p>
408	If this helps to increase the level of waste recycling then I would be willing to follow Option 1.
409	I don't throw away as much food as the difference on bin size, so how can this possibly work?
410	<p>We don't throw away much food other than tea bags so where will my other waste go when the green bin reduces? If I have to take it to the tip myself, this does not reduce landfill, just reduces the council cost.</p> <p>My recycling bin is full, so no more capacity to recycle, even if I could.</p>
411	<p>How much is this change going to cost?</p> <p>You tried the food caddy idea some years ago and it was a flop; also you are introducing more plastic into the system and I thought the idea nowadays was to decrease not increase the amount of plastic bags in the world. It doesn't matter whether or not they are recyclable, they are detrimental to the environment.</p> <p>If you dispensed with the charge for the brown bin service I am sure you would meet your recycling targets without fiddling about with the existing system which seems to be working well.</p>
412	<p>A weekly food collection is long overdue</p> <p>The food collection will make virtually no difference to our green bin (we have 3 composters) but the 3 weekly cycle will result in smells, overly full bins and maggots and flies. Our green bin is used for our litter tray contents from our 3 cats and all the items we cannot recycle - yoghurt cartons, aluminium etc etc</p>
413	<p>Either option will have no significant impact on me but I can envisage that for large families there will be potentially major issues !</p> <p>With regard to the latter group - this could well lead to major impact on everybody else - eg via what will amount to unsightly "overspill waste " on property frontages and via what can be regarded as the green light incentive for a substantial increase in fly-tipping</p>
414	<p>I do not want another bin in my kitchen. I put a lot of packaging in my green bin which should really be in the grey bin but the recycling unit can't cope with it so isn't that the best route to go down?</p> <p>Luckily I don't have a lot of waste but can a family wait 3 weeks. I don't think so!!</p>
415	not keen on change but would prefer this option if we have to.
416	This is the best option in regards to the environment. You will also not be wasting money collecting the green bins and replacing them with smaller bins. But I do worry about fly tipping because the bin is only being collected every 3rd week.
417	I agree with this collection method as it would cut down on the need to collect the green bin with the introduction of weekly food waste collections.
418	There would be even less in the green bin if a way could be found to recycle food containers such as yoghurt pots and the polystyrene used by supermarkets to pack meat and fish. Three weeks is fine most of the year if no smelly food waste.

419	<p>1. I don't have food waste.....</p> <p>2. Recycle more items through the Grey Bin system. Pizza packages. Tin foil. Tetra packing. Shredded paper, etc.</p> <p>3. Peelings .Egg shell etc to go into composting.</p> <p>Why are you hell bent on reducing Green bin collection and spending tax payers money on new bins.  You as a council need to educate the people and save money not waste it.  Don't use the EU quota as an excuse as we will be exerting soon.  As a Council you waste so much Money on yourselves with your posh offices and lovely surroundings, but neglect the most important things the bough needs.</p>
420	<p>Where is the information on other available options and the space for comments and suggestions about this councils high handed approach to recycling.</p> <p>The council could increase the recycling percentage by cancelling the charge for garden waste collection or providing local collection sites</p> <p>Bottom of this page should say Done not Next as I thought it would continue to allow me to make comment when I first completed this survey.</p>
421	<p>I see no reason for reducing the normal green bin collections. My average waste is packaging and non recyclable materials which will not be reduced by recycling food waste.</p> <p>Also bones from red meat are not recyclable and will still need to be put in the green bin..</p>
422	<p>I believe the more we recycle the better, however I believe the the reduction in in size is unnecessary, why can't we keep the same bins we have, it may encourage others to put items in bins that are unsuitable, just to make space in other bins.</p>
423	<p>Great idea.</p>
424	<p>We produce very little food waste and rarely discard items.</p> <p>But yes, we need a a bin for small medical waste which presumably would require separate collection.</p> <p>We subscribe on line to the Garden Bin collection</p> <p>This is the option preferred,</p>
425	<p>collection of the green bin every 3 weeks is a ridiculous idea. It will contain non-recyclable soiled articles, such as used tissues, nappies, food wrappers, and dog-poo and .from a health point of view these should ideally be collected weekly.</p>
426	<p>All in favour of food waste collection. Disappointed when previous trial failed. Currently use and happy to continue with brown bin subscription service.</p> <p>Not in favour of three-weekly green bin.</p>
427	<p>We put our dogs faeces in poo bags which go in the green bin</p> <p>They won't be pleasant if left for three weeks so stick to the current system</p>
428	<p>I don't think either idea is good but this is bad. Next door have 3 (nice) kids and ar OK but their bin smells atrocious swarms w maggots and flies and they don't seem able to sort waste properly. 3 weeks would be horrendous. ...</p>
429	<p>If grey bin is fortnightly &amp; green is 3 weekly, some weeks both bins will need putting out, some weeks neither.</p> <p>Think this would get confusing.</p>
430	<p>We do not have food waste and we think normal veg peelings should be acceptable for brown bin</p> <p>it is unacceptable to have a three week interval for green bin what with baby nappies dog poops etc</p> <p>grey bin more money should be spent on machinery to sort more recyclable products such as tetra packs, other councils in the country can do it so why can't you</p> <p>brown bin charge is an extra way of taxing us</p>
431	<p>Prefer to stay as we are now thanks</p>

432	<p>The amount of food waste I have is so small that it would take several weeks to fill even the smallest of containers, so a weekly collection seems excessive. Perhaps a small sealable container located within the present green bin and collected fortnightly, as at present, might be a solution that is not on offer at the moment. Although calling for increased handling at the point of collection, this should not increase costs too much and certainly not as much as a weekly special collection. The separate collection of food waste must be going to involve large capital expenditure in its collection.</p> <p>Proper consultation with householders about recycling before announcing which of these two undesirable options would you prefer, would have been the way to go.</p>
433	<p>I don,t agree with what you propose Will certainly not have a slop bin in my kitchen flies bluebottles etc.I,m really not happy I think green bin should be collected weekly.And as for charging for garden waste it it disgusting I pay because I don,t want to have go to the council tip with it.</p>
434	<p>This option is preferable, as the cost of providing new smaller green bins would seem to be a waste of money. Would it not be cheaper to have a waste food container that could clip inside the present green bin, rather than a separate, more expensive one. This could be collected on a fortnightly basis as per the present arrangements but would separate out the food waste for separate handling and recycling..</p> <p>Wirral still only recycle plastic bottles and should recycle more plastic containers as other councils do.</p>
435	<p>This is the best option for us even though we do not agree with the separate food caddy.</p> <p>We have no space in our kitchen in which to house the caddy and we do not dispose of much (if any) food waste.</p> <p>We would prefer to keep the large green bin as this would be cheaper for the council than providing every household with a new smaller bin.</p>
436	<p>Yes I would agree to this. Having the food waste collected each week will stop maggots in the green bin. I would like to keep a full size bin.</p>
437	<p>How long will the liners be given to households for free?! I like many don't have room for a food waste bin in my kitchen, what about vermin when food is left outside whether in a locked container or not; this is a concern! Concerned that having green bins collected only every 3 weeks is a healthy option, flies, rodents, foxes, smell etc.... UNSUITABLE in my opinion!</p>
438	<p>Pathetic. So we collect crap in our kitchen then leave it outside to rot for three weeks, let me guess we'll have to clean it too. Three week collection will mean overflowing bins, which you refuse to collect, then bin bags on the floor next to the bin, which you will refuse to collect. Then the stray dogs rip open the bags followed by rats and the flies. Seems like we are also being punished for you're failed brown bin scheme, garden waste decomposes so we have a legal right to put it in our green bin. You charge £35 for this service and then turn it into compost and sell on. Finally lets punish the poorer areas but look after the likes of Caldby. Not forgetting stashing any spare cash for the next golf tournament.</p>
439	<p>I live in a small 1 bed flat, with a tiny kitchen with barely enough room as it is,with the litter bin and washing basket, so to add even more bins into my tiny kitchen is ludicrous !!!</p> <p>I am not a happy bunny.....</p>
440	<p>Totally reject this option as it is unsuitable. Need to keep big green bin collection every 2 weeks, same as now. People do not just have food waste in the bin, there is food packaging, general household waste, pet waste (cat litter), and medical waste (dressings etc from home visits from district nurses etc). Families have nappies etc, which stink in the bin and need emptying every 2 weeks. Not everybody has a car to take everything to the tip. Need to have a group of people going to peoples houses who do not recycle and teach them how to recycle and then every 2 weeks the day before the recycle bin gets emptied, check that everything in the black/grey bin is recycable and ok to be emptied. If it is not ok, sort it out and show them what is ok to go in the bin for it to be emptied and make them do it, so the bin can be emptied that week. To do this in every street and keep an eye on them for the full year until they have got it right. Need to also be able to recycle more (yoghurt pots, books, clothes, shoes, wood, plastic containers from food as long as they are washed out etc).</p>
441	<p>This would not work for us as we have a disabled daughter who is 8 years old and is nappies. I do NOT want smelly nappies in the bin for 3 weeks!!</p>
442	<p>not convenient for us i have my mother living with us,she has vascular dimentia and incontinent,so we do have pads to dispose of 2/3 a day so it add to 42 in 3 weeks.as for food we dont waste any at all.</p>

443	<p>Poorly thought out and limited in terms of ideas.  You should be concentrating on recycling more in the grey bins, plastics, tetra packs metals etc.  Brown bin collections should be free to encourage more recycling.  Food collection bins should be optional for all households.</p> <p>All your proposals will do is encourage more waste and mess on the streets, more fly tipping and more rats!! Not to mention simply more waste passing through the tips into the non recycling containers which is exactly what is not needed. They will not encourage more recycling of that I am certain.</p> <p>Is this really the best that you can come up with??? What exactly do I pay council tax for I wonder?</p>
444	<p>Unacceptable.</p> <p>There are six people in our house, and we do not waste enough food to make this viable.</p>
445	<p>I do not understand why these moves are being proposed to move in line with EU regulations. We will soon not be part of the EU. It is time Wirral a Council stopped wasting our money. We have too many councillors and too many fat cats sucking off the tax payers . THIS MUST STOP NOW</p>
446	<p>Accept that a change is imperative. The proposed indoor caddy sounds good, but if it is too large for some kitchens, it will remain outside.</p>
447	<p>My husband has alzheimers and suffers with incontinence. He therefore has more use of the green bin than normal. Neither of these new options would suit me as our green bin is full at present when it is due for collection. I look forward to your response.</p>
448	<p>Currently I do not have very much food waste so weekly food collection is not necessary .  So I would vote for option 1 although I think the currant system is good .</p>
449	<p>Leave the system as it is, my family fill both bins to the full at present. Introducing a smaller bin and emptying it bi-weekly will only encourage people to fly -tip. Why can't you target the families who refuse to comply with recycling, Do not make life more difficult for decent people, who try their best. Do not make life hard by encouraging VERMIN, this will happen if bins are left too long between collections. That can cause all sorts of health and safety problems, why would the Council want this?</p>
450	<p>Food Waste Collection sounds good.  Rather keep 2weekly collection for green bins.  Need grey bins in public so can recycle plastic bottles and papers when on the go instead of going in general rubbish.</p>
451	<p>I think alternate weeks for emptying grey/green bins will be easier to remember . Why change it? Many families already fill their 240litre bin so best keep it. Like the food waste recycling but we will still have lots of plastic&amp; polystyrene packaging to get rid of.</p>
452	<p>Really bad idea. Just more waste of council money when there are so many much more needy issues to be addressed in the borough. As for the question further down asking for postcode and then saying you can't be identified!!!! If you have my email address from this survey and my postcode even a 5 year old with an iPad could find me!!</p>
453	<p>I think it will be confusing having the green bin collected three weekly, but the grey and brown bins collected two weekly</p>
454	<p>What happens when you have a 240 and a 140 Ltr green bin and you fill them both in less than two weeks due to having large amounts of clinical waste plus my mother has assisted collections and three out of the last four green bin collections have been missed and I have had to get in contact with Wirral council to arrange for them to be collected plus in hot weather they start to smell very quickly this in my opinion is unsuitable</p>
455	<p>Great for families who waste and throw alot of food. This does not happen to us as we do not waste food, and composte veg trimmings etc. I can say a third of our bin IS NOT WASTE. Agree change is reuired for some.</p> <p>Also what we CANNOT recycle with WBC, certain plastics and excees food wrappings have to be put in Green bin. At certain times of year our Green bin is full (very rare) and so the larger bin seves a purpose. WBC need to" expand recycling options for Grey bin "(ours is usually more full than Green bin)</p> <p>More info on collection points required for terra cycle who take deodrant cans and plastic coffee pods WBC will not take.</p>
456	<p>I do not think a three weekly refuse collection is acceptable.</p>
457	<p>I disagree with the the change to a 3 weekly collection.This will just mean a trip to the tip as the bin will be full after about 16/17 days and also the summer maggot problem will now become a summer fly problem.As for keeping a weeks worth of food waste indoors no thankyou very much.</p>

458	I prefer to have a bigger bin but would prefer it to be collected fortnightly as the current arrangement I currently pay for my garden waste collection
459	Don't like this.
460	Keep existing bin with collection every 3 weeks, but I am not happy about this as rubbish being left for 3 weeks is highly likely to cause smells and increase in vermin. This also has the potential for increased fly tipping.
461	yes I agree that food needs to be recycled, but currently we have 2 green bins that are both full of not food but of my daughters waste that goes with her disability she's, doubly incontinent, so pads, wipes, disposable bed sheets, syringes, saline bags, disposable milk feeding equipment, gloves, aprons, disposable catheters these are used many times and disposed of throughout the day. Even waiting for bins to be picked up twice a week causes problems with smells even when double bagged especially in the summer months with the heat you really need to look at people's needs.
462	rrrrrrr
463	This would be my preferred option of the two but I would be much happier staying as it is now. At the moment you cannot recycle yoghurt pots, plastic contaminated by food, polystyrene food trays and shredded paper !
464	This seems the better option, but my bin is full after the first week and I do not have any waste food put in it, we don't have a lot of waste and any we do have is recycled into garden waste. I have three indoor cats, an iguana and mice who need their trays, bedding etc cleaned after a few days and that goes into my green bin making it quite full after one week. I do not want to go to the Clatterbridge recycling centre every weekend as it is inconvenient and why should I use my car when I pay large amounts of council tax for the bin collection service.
465	I am totally against this idea, OUR household throw very little food away and do not need another bin for it. If your figures are correct and some people do throw away so much food, you should try to educate them rather than penalise everybody for the few who cannot run their household efficiently.  Existing two weekly green bin collections MUST be maintained.  Back in the fifties, Wallasey Corporation issued all households with 'Pig Bins' for food waste, these used to smell badly and caused flies even when they were collected every week, they were discontinued after a few years.  Why waste more of our council tax on these hairbrained ideas, that no doubt will be scrapped at some time in the future when they have failed and the council having spent hundreds of thousands of pounds replacing bins and issuing new ones.
466	Shocking idea to remove the fortnightly bin emptying facility. You have not thought about larger families in this proposal. Additionally, you are making assumptions that EVERY home will have room in their kitchens for a worktop bin! My green bin is full of tetra pak drink, milk and yoghurt cartons. Plastic wrappings from fresh food and meat products, waxed paper from fish and meat products. Appalling disregard for the tax payers here and the environment....
467	Out of the two options this appears to be the most reasonable - IN THE EVENT OF BEING FORCED TO CHOOSE ONE OPTION ! I already subscribe to the Garden Waste scheme.  Our food waste is kept to a minimum as it is. Therefore, in my opinion, this is a complete waste of time and do not see a need for change in our case. Most of our food waste feeds our wild birds, and in the case of spent tea and coffee, these are spread around the rose bushes to improve the growth.
468	I already have a small caddy in the kitchen to collect uncooked food, peeling and tea bags for my compost bin in the garden. Only waste cooked food will be in the new bin and as I live alone I do not think there will be very much of it. Perhaps bins could be shared in these sort of circumstances.
469	we don't have a lot of food waste as we are a small family. larger families might find this struggle
470	Like the weekly food collection. I can see it will cut down green bin stuff. Could we have more plastic collection? I know it's not possible at the moment but could it be introduced? What about households that don't have/put out a grey bin and everything goes in green bin. What about people who find it all too difficult/confusing/complicated? Can we educate them more? Through schools maybe - get children doing it and pester parents. Have rewards for recycling. Have more visual prompts on bins of both colours



471	<p>We moved back to the Wirral from Wales 2 years ago, we had a waste system as you describe in our previous home. Although I resent having to constantly sort rubbish, I accept that the above system makes sense ecologically and hopefully financially. However some thought should be given to make it easier to manage for people who live in terraced houses and flats with restricted frontal outdoor space,the glut of bins could become a different environment problem.</p> <p>In conclusion I think that the 240 litre green bin should be maintained as it will be a 3 week collection instead of two.</p> <p>We eat a lot of fresh fruit and vegetables and fresh meat and fish, so our waste would be quite high even though we are only two occupants. However the amount of fresh food waste did not significantly reduce the green bin use.</p>
472	Cnfusing!
473	I think the 240 litre bin should be kept as n this option but collections remain fortnightly.
474	I already have a small green bin so am being disadvantaged by it only being emptied every threeweeks rather than 2 weekly as at oresent
475	I really cannot understand why the Council wants to change an already good workable system. I would be very interested to know how much all of this will cost to us here in Bebington out of the rates we pay. We regularly read in our local papers about enquiries re - street lighting, pot holes in the roads and uneven pavements etc. around Bebington, the response usually is "the council do not have the funds to cover these jobs" Also as pensioners we cannot afford to waste food and are very careful what we dispose of in the required bins. We sincerely hope the council will have a rethink about these proposed changes,
476	keep the green bin but with three week collection will be fine
477	<p>Need to retain the 240 litre bin to ensure the flexibility of being able to get rid of larger quantities of waste when necessary.</p> <p>You dont say how big the food waste external container is - presumably its at least 80 litres?</p>
478	3 weeks is too long to leave waste uncollected.
479	I think the first option won't make very little difference in our case as the majority of waste in our green bin is packaging and food waste constitutes a very minor amount. I would suggest more of an effort to increase the amount of materials that can be recycled as there are more non recycling items so perhaps it's time this was taken into account.
480	<p>This is a bad option. I regularly fill the green bin. I already do my best to recycle everything. I only put food waste in the green bin that is stuck to packaging, the rest is composted.</p> <p>This is slightly less bad than the other option but I am dead against it. Please rethink your options and have one that is helpful to householders and doesn't try and penalise them.</p>
481	<p>We have decided not to join 'Garden Waste Club' when it was introduced and recycle more. We would not need the caddy or the liners as we have got our system up and running. We are currently recycling 100% our kitchen waste using two compost containers in the back garden. It has been a good solution for our family.</p> <p>There is no kitchen/garden waste and also we are donating most of our unwanted goods to the local charity. We are being really careful with what we send to the landfill by using grey bin as much as possible.</p> <p>However, at times our green bin gets full. I cannot imagine how a family of 4 could reduce the waste even more especially during family visits. Furthermore, I do not think that every three weeks collection of our green bin would be the right way to go pest cotrol/smell (nappies) wise.I would find it hard to reduce the content of green bin but if I had to I would prefer the 140 l. solution.</p>
482	Unfortunately we incur food waste in my household, due to my husbands serious illness. In no way do I wish to accumulate food left overs in my kitchen. I currently use any type of container for such waste, which then goes into my pedal bin -pedal bin bag is then knotted up to go in green bin. A 3 weekly green bin collection would incur rotting food smells. In no way would I want a container for food slops to be stored in my kitchen -ugh

483	<p>I am in favour of the food waste recycling collection.</p> <p>I would prefer my green bin to remain at 240L and continue to be collected every fortnight. As I do not subscribe to the garden waste service, what little waste I have goes in the green bin. After three weeks my bin would be overflowing.</p> <p>An option the council might consider, is emptying the grey recycling bin every three weeks because after two weeks my bin is only half full.</p>
484	<p>Would prefer to have the 240 lt. green bin collected every 2 weeks.</p>
485	<p>I think food recycling is a disaster. Having had to follow this regime when on holiday in Wales, we very quickly ran out of liners and space in the bin. I think we should be allowed to carry on with the 240 ltr bin size, and for our preference that would continue to be emptied every 2 weeks.</p>
486	<p>Food waste in a kitchen is a hygiene hazard in both options. Most people I know will not sort food from packaging carefully. The summer is a critical period when food waste in our own kitchen begins to smell. When that happens, I put a bag in the green bin outside of the house where the smell and flies are contained, not harming us.</p> <p>The small and hygiene issue and the complexity of 3 bins on different schedules of collection (4 for households with a brown bin), means most will not manage this and food will go into the green bin, whatever the Council wants.</p> <p>And the bin liners are a chore and another LA stopped providing them, so residents did not bother to recycle. But, the assertion that one third of waste in green bins is food is also wrong. Most of our waste in green bin is packaging, wrapping and bags. All tainted with food anyway. The smaller bin will be useless. So, we will need the current bin but the less frequent collection (3 weeks) will also be useless. Human nature will lead to the dumping of green bin waste.</p> <p>In summary, people are likely to recycle less, not fully recycle food, and become highly annoyed by this doctrinaire approach. This is madness and a dis-service to the resident of Wirral.</p> <p>The Council should offer a) the current system unchanged; b) a free Eric collection just once a year to improve recycling; and c) push hard to get the recycling plants to handle plastic packaging which is the bulk of green bin waste.</p> <p>Finally, the period of consultation, needs to be longer past summer holidays and into November.</p>
487	<p>No one will go for a every 3 bin collections</p>
488	<p>What if you dont have the space for an extra bin / caddy on your premises or area around your property? being locked would not stop animals encouraging animals on to your property &gt;</p>
489	<p>I am a single occupancy household and have small grey &amp; green bins at moment &amp; do not want anything any bigger than I have.</p>
490	<p>Dear Sir, regarding the green bin. I would like to keep a large green bin and have it collected either every week in the summer or as it is now every 2 weeks. The food bin is a waste of time. It will be attracting insects and vermin and cause a smell in our kitchens. How many families can find a space for another bin in their kitchens or outside for that matter? Waste in the green bin mainly consists of oversized food packaging which we have no control of and which are not recyclable. We do not have any food waste in our household as we put it in our compost bin.</p>
491	<p>There is no way on earth that a third of my waste is food, garden and grey bin are our biggest. Food waste is very small in this household we can't afford to throw food away we eat most of it. Bring back free brown bins to increase recycling. This new idea will cost thousands therefore brown collection would be cheaper.</p>
492	<p>We definitely want to retain the current system and do not require a waste food bin . We rarely waste any edible food and and do not need a waste food bin. One wonders why there is so much waste food which contradicts obesity and food bank thinking. The current system works most efficiently.</p>
493	<p>I am happy to help with the idea to recycle food waste but not at the expense of a reduced service to the bin collection.</p>
494	<p>We fill our green bin with non recyclables and would find the new scheme unworkable and unhygienic.</p>

495	<p>How large is a 'small caddy' and what material are the liners? As we are now being charged for plastic bags, I do hope the liners will not be plastic.</p> <p>Will the council be cleaning the lockable food waste container?</p> <p>I would not want my green bin collected only every 3 weeks.</p> <p>I would prefer collections to remain as they are, but this is not an option. I'm not sure why there is 'consultation' as I suspect, as with many council changes , the decision has been made already.</p>
496	I think that collecting the green bin every three weeks will not be easy to keep track of when it is due to be emptied.
497	I do not agree with this. We don't waste any food and therefore have no food waste to speak of. Although we are ardent re-cyclers, I note from my observations of other peoples dustbins that most other people are terrible at this. I think the effect on our local environment will be horendous due to the festering odour of other peoples uncollected waste whilst we will have to suffer the inconvenience of a three weekly collection of the green bin.
498	<p>WBC should first address the issues associated with the reduction of food waste and its re-use, via serving up in follow-on meals, prior to initiating any action (s) in relation to to recycling. This would follow "best practice" in the Reduce, Re-use, Recycle hierarchy.</p> <p>Provision of a separate slops bin is an open invitation to produce more food waste, without any attention to the Reduce and Re-use aspects.</p> <p>A 3 weekly collection for the existing 240litre green bin is unacceptable, due to the build up of odours and pests from food packaging and other contaminated waste.</p> <p>Option 1 should therefore be rejected.</p>
499	<p>Of the two options as presented, Option 1 is the option we prefer, but with reservation.</p> <p>Happy to support the food waste scheme which is good but we don't see sense in reducing the size of the green bin nor lengthening the collection interval if we keep the existing one. Would prefer to keep the existing one with two weekly collection as currently. Our concern is that three weekly collection will increase the need to visit the waste collection centre at Clatterbridge which is already cramped and awkward to use, and frequently has long queues - inevitable due to its layout/configuration. Fly tipping for some may be a more convenient solution.</p> <p>Isn't it time to increase the range of recyclable items that can go in the grey bin. Seems we have been having to commit recyclable materials to landfill for too long. I wonder how this compares with other authorities.</p>
500	Very keen to recycle food waste, Would prefer current green bin to continue to be collected on a fortnightly basis but if this not viable would prefer smaller bin than a three weekly collection.i think there's potentially a health hazard in reducing frequency of collection.
501	<p>A three weekly green bin collection is not a good option - things like nappies and sanitary products cannot be left in a bin, especially in the height of summer - for three weeks - this will cause problems and encourages flies etc.</p> <p>The way the Council recycles needs to be addressed. Currently a lot of plastic items have to go into the green bins, such as fruit trays, margarine tubs, and other plastic packaging. We are told these cannot be recycled due to the mechanised way that Wirral sorts its recycling. The simplest way to increase Wirral's recycling would be to get rid of the mechanised sorting and thus enabling more plastic product to be recycled, thus reducing again the content of the green bin. It's quite simple really. It infuriates us that we have to throw away good recyclable plastic products.</p>
502	I disagree with the proposal suggested by the local councils 2 options
503	<p>Food Waste</p> <p>This does not take the elderly or disabled into consideration, who takes the waste container to the property perimeter and back.?At the moment the bin on wheels ends up several houses away, the refuse collectors do not return to the correct address. A weekly collection will highlight when someone is on holiday and have not put their bin out. Will it blow away in bad weather, the other bins do blow over.</p> <p>Green bin</p> <p>This will have some food waste in it e.g. containers that have had chicken and meat in them.</p> <p>Grey bin</p> <p>There should be a way of recycling all plastic, tetra packs and packaging.</p> <p>Brown bin</p>
504	Prefer more regular collections with a smaller bin

505	<p>Collect Green Bin every three weeks. This will encourage people to use their Grey Bin who do not use it at present. The new food bins will only be used as plant pots in residents back yards. Do not waste 1.5 million pounds on bins which will not be used. Also bring back FREE Brown Bins which will reduce garden waste in Green Bins/LANDFILL. It is just common sense.</p> <p>YOU SHOULD CHARGE EXTRA FOR THE EMPTYING OF ADDITIONAL GREEN BINS THAT HOUSEHOLDS NOW HAVE. ITS CHEAP AND EASY TO BUY AN EXTRA GREEN BIN FOR £37 AND HAVE THEM EMPTIED AS USUAL AT NO EXTRA COST. IT DEFEATS YOUR OBJECTIVE. SCAN THE NUMBER OF BINS EMPTIED FROM EACH HOUSEHOLD AND CHARGE THEM ACCORDINGLY. YOU WILL SEE A RAPID REDUCTION IN WASTE IF PEOPLE ARE MADE TO PAY EXTRA.</p> <p>THE SOFTWARE PROVIDED IN BIN LORRIES TO READ WATER METERS COULD EASILY BE USED TO READ THE GREEN BIN WHICH COULD HAVE BAR CODES. EXISTING TECHNOLOGY THAT ALREADY EXISTS SHOULD BE USED.</p>
506	<p>This would seem to me to be the most cost-effective option for the many residents whose green bins do not currently need replacing. With food waste being collected weekly, there should not be a problem with the amount of rubbish going into the green bin, or with smell, so a three weekly collection should be perfectly adequate. The only problem that I can foresee would be remembering when to put bins out for collection, if food bins are emptied weekly, grey and brown bins fortnightly, and green bins every three weeks.</p>
507	<p>With regard to this option I think we should keep the 240 litre green bin and it should still be emptied every TWO weeks for various reasons. There could be too much food waste each week to fit in the food waste bin and extra food would therefore need to be put in the green bin. Could miss the food waste collection because away on holiday and therefore still have to put food waste in the green bin. Food waste could still be sitting in the green bin for over three weeks. Blue food waste containers need to be bigger for some householders.</p> <p>Re introducing free brown bins again will increase the recycling rates.</p>
508	<p>We have moved back to the Wirral from an area that uses food waste bins. We found them a waste of time as we are of a generation that does not waste food and would have to change near-empty liners to stop odours in the kitchen rather than because they were full. We don't fill the green bin in two weeks so three weeks is fine. We already pay for a brown bin and also compost a small amount in our garden. We never fill the grey bin in two weeks - three would be a better option. Like many other councils you are missing the point. Education is the answer - monitor green bin use and educate people to recycle rather than just place all waste in the green bi.</p>
509	<p>My preferred option. Large size is helpful at times and 3 weekly is OK. I rarely have food waste as I compost uncooked items and only cook what I need. The issue of large amounts of food waste needs to be tackled but I realise how difficult it is to change behaviour.</p>
510	<p>The brown bin is useless as fills up quickly and collection not frequent enough. Poor value. Every 3 weeks will result in rubbish all over roads and bin bags.</p>
511	<p>OK for single household but not for family. Bins will spill over and UK public cleanliness is already very poor.</p>
512	<p>I am very much in favour of this option. Reducing the amount of general waste is the key and this should help us all to achieve this.</p>
513	<p>This is the lesser of two evils. If it aint broke dont fix it. Leave well alone and keep things as they are.</p>
514	<p>I would prefer a two week collection for the green bin.</p>
515	<p>I have very little food waste as I compost most of it. I would prefer not to have to pay for my garden waste collection as I have a small income and do not own a car to take garden waste to the tip.</p>
516	<p>A three weekly collection could be a problem for people who have to dispose of nappies or incontinence products. These are bulky and very smelly and could pose a health hazard if left for too long. There would be less waste in our green bins if we were allowed to recycle more eg tetrapaks, yoghurt pots, food packaging trays. I compost as much as I can as I have an allotment, and I still find my green bin is full in 2 weeks mainly because of items which are potentially recyclable but I am not allowed to put in my grey bin. It also makes people unsure whether they are able to recycle items and they put them in the green bin rather than risk doing the wrong thing. For instance, I am still not sure whether paper and cardboard with sellotape on can be put in the grey bin.</p>

517	i dont like the idea of having waste for three weeks just sitting there. option 2 is much better
518	3 weeks is a long time to wait between green bin collections, and it is fair to assume that some people will not recycle food waste properly according to the new system. (I will do it, but I expect that for some others, it will take a while before they get into the new system). Therefore some food waste will sit in green bins for up to 3 weeks.  Therefore I do not support Option 1.
519	Our household does not waste food, and therefore will not be affected by the proposed changes. I would prefer, however, to retain the fortnightly 'Green Bin' collections, and a 140 litre bin would suffice for these purposes.
520	I am not in favour at all to have a bin on my surfaces in the kitchen. I find this unhygienic and possibly smelly also Flies seem to be an issue at this time of year anyway this will make it worse and possibly entice wasps in to. And 3 weeks is far too long to have the green bin emptied, 2 weeks is long enough!
521	This option does not satisfy my needs we are a family of 4 and as such we are on the limit as it is. I pay my taxes I demand a fair service which this is not.
522	3 week collection is unhygienic - what about nappies? Sanitary material? Dog/Animal waste? I have very little food waste, better option to give composting bins to those with gardens. We pay enough in council tax and should have regular weekly bin collections again
523	I would do the food recycling but i think that we should still stick with the same bins and have the same 2 wkly collection. I don't see the point of changing people's bins unless they need to be. ie - they are spilt or have a wheel missing etc. By making people have smaller bins could create more fly tipping.
524	We could put the amount of food waste we produce into a small cup, so you will still be missing your targets. The council staff who came up with this scheme on inflated salaries obviously can throw food away. Try improving the recycling plant to accept different types of plastic and other recyclables i.e plastic packaging. Having bins of unwrapped food waste for however long will result in a stinking health hazard. Think hard and have a scrap metal collection once every four weeks which will boost the tonnage of recyclable waste, hence the percentage as you use weight as a measure and it will be cheaper to collect without any smell. I take it nobody will read this as you have already made your mind up on what you will be doing and will call this a consultation process.
525	Totally agree with recycling food waste. I have been doing for the last 8 years with Cheshire West & Chester Borough Council & when I moved house to your area I was surprised that you didn't offer the same service. It's such a shame putting food waste in the green bin - and it smells too. Having a weekly food recycling collection is definitely the way forward, however, I would like to see the size of the green bin reduced but collected every 2 weeks as from experience there should be very little in this bin. We already have too many bins - Cheshire West used smaller boxes for the recycling a much better idea & these were collected weekly why not operate the same system? I therefore prefer option 2.
526	Not happy with the situation, but if we have to choose, we would rather keep our large green bin to be emptied every 3rd week. Would just like to tell you we do not waste FOOD!!! so there is little thrown away. If this is a way of saving money we think it stinks !!!! It would be much better if you would take more care of our roads and keep them clear of LITTER, we think it could make everyone happier and more proud of our beautiful Wirral. In all our life we have never seen Litter everywhere like it is today, shame on you all.. !!!! Why don't you just increase council tax by a small amount to cover these problems.!
527	I agree the weekly Food Waste is a good idea but it must be WEEKLY, the suggestion the Green Bin collection every three weeks will back fire as it will create issues ie overloading, littering and health concerns, I ask the council to reconsider their proposal, I suggest they introduce Food Waste bins and continue with 240 litre Green Bins collection every two weeks.
528	Weekly collection of food bin - yes We put very little food in our bin so would prefer to keep existing and existing 2 week empty
529	I am in favour of the food bin collection but APPALLED at the idea of a 3-weekly general waste green bin collection
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531	Mathematically this system will not work as it would mean that in any 10 week period you would not get a bin collection for 3 of those weeks - so as food collection is also supposed to be alongside normal bin collection it means these bins will not get collected these weeks. This system also means that during the 10 week period there would also be two weeks where both bins would get emptied.  This is leaving the whole area prone to being over run with potential vermin as rubbish will pile up as will food waste on those weeks where it is not collected or are we also supposed to keep it in homes when the outside containers are full rotting away and causing health issues?

532	<p>I do not like the idea of the green bin being collected every 3 weeks because of the potential for them to smell and attract flies and vermin.</p> <p>I understand that food waste will no longer be put in there and that will reduce some of the smell, but what about things like dog waste? Even now, when the bins are emptied on a fortnightly basis, the smell can be awful and it attracts flies, especially during periods of hot weather.</p> <p>I am also concerned that this option may increase the amount of fly tipping on the Wirral because if bins are full after a couple of weeks, or the smell is becoming unbearable, they will simply 'tip' it elsewhere.</p> <p>I would be strongly against this option.</p>
533	3 weeks is too long for certain items (e.g. babies nappies in the height of summer)
534	I already struggle with space in my green and grey bins and often have to store rubbish until my bins are collected. We are a family of four. However I would be happy to have food waste bins, although we rarely waste food.
535	Collecting green bins will create a health hazard. Think about people with babies nappies, pet waste and people with medical conditions whom hospitals tell you things can go in household waste when used. I work full time but my green bin is always full after 2 weeks and 2 people live in my household so goodness knows how this will affect families. I also waste very little food. Walk around on bin collection day and see how many bins are overflowing after 2 weeks. This option will just lead to more flytipping . We don't get streets cleaned anymore and they'll just get dirtier.
536	A 3-weekly collection will be very confusing, with 2-weekly on grey and brown bins. It could also lead to smell problems with certain waste eg food packaging with some remains attached. Could paper food packaging go in the food collection bins?
537	What is the cost of supplying ANOTHER lockable food container, an indoor caddy AND supplying plastic bags. Surely this is NOT cost effective and an impact upon the environment.
538	<p>I am strongly opposed to a 3 weekly green bin collection. I wash and disinfect my bin regularly but it often smells in the second week before collection. Many people do not wash their bins therefore there will be more flies, maggots etc around if green bins are only collected thrice weekly. The streets of Wirral are covered in enough litter and fly tipping is a problem around green spaces so this is likely to get worse if the green bin collection is reduced.</p> <p>I have a large garden and can accommodate a food recycling bin but for many people who have small gardens or just a patio they will have unpleasant smells from the food waste bin even if it is outdoors. This is also likely to encourage rats, mice, foxes, pigeon which are already a problem around my neighbourhood.</p> <p>If the council wish to introduce a food waste collection it SHOULD NOT be on the basis of a reduced green bin collection.</p> <p>I use the Garden Waste collection which is satisfactory and I consider it worthwhile.</p>
539	<p>Irrespective of the frequency of collecting food waste, a three week cyle for the Green bin is not sufficient. You are going to find these bins consistantly overloaded. If we are not able to put food packaging (such a polystyrene from meat packaging) then three weeks is way too long an interval especially during summer months.</p> <p>Have you actually studied the current volumes of waste produced per houshold and its breakdown?</p> <p>It does not look like you have researched this properly.</p>

540	<p>Why not leave everything as it is. I don't see how it can be environmentally friendly to manufacture a whole new set of bins. Plus there are going to be more collections so more bin wagons on the road therefore greater fuel consumption. It will also be a health hazard, encouraging rats, mice and seagulls to what will eventually result in a lot of uncovered food waste when these lockable bins become defective.</p> <p>And what happens to my green bin if I forget to put it out or I am on holiday, will I then have to wait 6 weeks for it to be emptied.</p> <p>Why mend something when it ain't broke!</p>
541	<p>I think if you didnt charge people to empty brown bin you would prob meet your recycling quotas but money grabbing council yet again introducing more cuts. i probably throw away more food than i should.. what if it doesnt fit in the container u give me? am i supposed to keep it til the next week? how big is the container for outside? is it on wheels or are we supposed to lift it and carry it down the path for bin men? if so id have a serious problem with that as i have physical health problems, if the container is too small you will have people dumping their food waste in the streets so they dot get maggots in their homes.</p>
542	<p>Reducing the frequency of green bin collection is not suitable, especially for families with young children in nappies. In addition, collecting every 3 weeks will be very confusing when other bins are on 2 weekly cycles - every 6 weeks there will be 3 bins out on the street for collection. If wagons are coming every week anyway for food waste why can't they collect green bins every week as well, tipping into a split wagon? There are loads of plastics and other materials that aren't allowed in the grey bins but are able to be recycled (eg ice cream tubs) that could increase the recycling rate.</p>
543	<p>Neither of the options for the new recycling bins and collections will be helpful or beneficial to my household. There are four adults living at this address and we have no need for a food waste bin as we use a waste disposal unit and have done for the last 30 years. By decreasing the size of the green bin it will mean we will not have enough space for the amount of rubbish created in the household. If it is collected every 3 weeks it will still be the same situation, I know we are in the minority but I have strong reservations as to whether this new arrangement will be adhered to by a lot of people as I'm sure it will all go into the green because they can't be bothered to separate it.</p>
544	<p>We think that a 3 week cycle is too long a period for the green bin</p>
545	<p>I think 3 weeks is too long, alot of people own dogs and they use the green bin to throw away the dogs excrement, I think this would cause problems with flies and maggotts if it was left for 3 weeks. Also as a household we don't have that much food waste and our green bin is always very full on collection day, so I think having to waiting the extra week would cause problems</p>
546	<p>I think introducing food waste bins are a good idea, and I'm sure there are many people who do not recycle enough. However, I am worried about any changes to the green bins. Reducing the size would surely cost a significant amount of money, and what would happen to the old bins? Can they be recycled?</p> <p>Keeping the green bins the same size but reducing the number of times they are collected would certainly be a cheaper option. However, there is a danger of things getting unhygienic, people leaving rubbish by the sides when they are too full, which also causes rat problems.</p> <p>I believe the first thing that should be investigated is what Wirral can actually recycle. Please forgive me if I am wrong, but my understanding was that not even foil, which is very recyclable, or yogurt pots could be put in our grey bins. I have friends in Cardiff, Liverpool and Neston who are shocked at what I can't recycle compared to them.□</p> <p>I do like that the grey bin is so big and everything is all together though.</p> <p>I would address how many items can be recycled before doing anything to the green bins.</p>

547	<p>Not acceptable</p> <p>Food left out in plastic bags for vermin, moss cats etc to tear open,</p> <p>No information given on penalty cost if target not met</p> <p>Presume target set by EU, which we are leaving, and no need to comply</p> <p>Wasted cost of providing a new caddy, and extra vehicle for collection, and extra transport cost to Widnes,</p> <p>Presume we will have an additional charge from Widnes for recycling</p> <p>Green bin collection has gone from weekly to two weekly, now proposed three weekly, this is a hidden Council Tax increase</p>
548	<p>This is the preferred option, as more waste will be collected over a 6 week period.</p> <p>We are a family of 6 -mum, dad, and kids of 11,9,7 and 3. We have very minimal food waste, being vegetable peelings and the occasional small amount of beef/chicken skin. We never leave food, and freeze any that is out of date.</p> <p>In spite of having very minimal food waste, our bin is nearly always full. This is probably due to us being a family of 6. We do not put metal or hard plastic in the bin as we prefer to recycle as much as we can.</p> <p>The council is proposing to reduce the amount of rubbish it will collect. I therefore ask what are we supposed to do with the other rubbish that surely we will continue to have?</p> <p>In my opinion, the options are based on suspect statistics and incorrect conclusions have been drawn.</p> <p>The Council would definitely improve its recycling rate if it cancelled the charge for collecting brown bins.</p>
549	Preferred Option
550	<p>This is ok if people have a lot of food waste which some of us dont! Most of our green bin waste us products which are recyclable in other areas of the country but not here. Yoghurt pots, Tetra Packs and the waste contaminated with food from cooking etc.</p> <p>A lot of products I have to dispose of in our green bin could be recycled in other ways. Another thing to think about is the recycling + Waste centres. I spend a lot of time sorting waste before I go to bidston moss or clatterbridge and it does annoy me to see that other people don't bother sorting their rubbish but just put it all in the general waste non recycle skips. Maybe get the staff there to better monitor what people are disposing of or better advise. Example we recently had to throw a sofa as it was not deemed ok for charity due to a small tear and age of it. I would have thought a good recycle policy would be worth dismantling such products and reusing the various components but instead we were advised to throw it into general waste!</p> <p>Maybe spend some of the money of trying to educate people in better shopping practices.</p>
551	<p>I don't agree having food waste hanging about as I recall it didn't work the first time round when the brown bin was for food rubbish. It smelled and caused flies plus my green bin is usually always full after 2 weeks and I am careful and dedicated to recycling so very little if any is food waste. 3 weeks is ridiculous!</p>
552	<p>Could you clarify which bin to use for -1.food waste stuck to packaging waste</p> <p style="text-align: right;">2.pet food waste</p>
553	<p>Having rubbish collected every three weeks is ridiculous. Apart from the confusion this will cause in the schedules of collection, even as a household of two, we sometimes would not be able to fit all our rubbish for three weeks in a 240L wheelie bin, and we generally have a larger volume in our recycling bin. Therefore, for a larger household this would be a problem of regular basis. I don't believe that the removal of food waste from the green bin will be sufficient to make this viable.</p> <p>In addition, some waste, not collected for three weeks will be smelly and very unpleasant after three weeks (bad enough after two).</p>
554	<p>I live in a very modern eco bungalow with a compost bin, water butt etc. I also have 2 dogs there Is no food waste at all in my household. There would be no benefit to me or the council for me to be involved in this idea, I would lose out on a waste collection. I already split all my rubbish very carefully and would not be able to manage with a 3 weekly green bin collection. I also have health problems with District Nurse involvement so need space in my green bin for incontinence products.</p>
555	<p>no no no no how many more bins are we to put up with on a short walk the other day I counted over three hundred bins just from banks road to grange road. Living in a flat I look out of my front window at four bins with bright green numbers on then at the back another 6 now you want us to have them indoors as well a no room in my kitchen but then I suppose I could put it in the lounge! or have we that to look forward to.</p>



556	Neither of these options is acceptable to me as a Council Tax payer of Wirral. The council should abandon these plans and retain the existing arrangements. The council should also abandon the additional charge for brown Bin collection. This service should be available to me through the taxes I already pay.
557	This is the option we prefer  It is only at peak times eg Christmas that our green bin full within 2 weekly collection cycle  We already compost most of our garden waste & suitable green food waste ( eg potato peelings, etc)
558	Would not want to wait 3 weeks for this bin to be emptied as the rubbish smells especially in hot weather. We do not have much food waste and this bin is largely made up of packaging from food which cannot go into grey bin.
559	We prefer Option1 In a 6 week period Option 1 could take 240 litres x2 = 480litres of waste In a 6 week period Option 2 could take 140 litres x3 = 420litres of waste  We prefer Option1 as Council can collect more rubbish while cutting costs on collection carts and exhaust emissions and not having to incur costs of new smaller bins.
560	Concerns over hygiene of 3 weekly collection, particularly with babies nappies and dog mess in it. We already compost most of our food waste and so the food waste collection would have minimal impact. On the flip side, our green bin is normally 80-90% full. We find the biggest culprit is plastics that cannot be recycled in the grey bin (food trays etc)
561	I think the food waste idea is excellent. The community could do with up dates even if once a year with council tax bills to remind us what goes in which bin as I can definitely say after reading this that I have been confused and been using my bins incorrectly.
562	Not a good option - yet more cluttering up on outdoor space around houses and flats. And maintaining the charge for brown bins dissuades residents from more actively recycling. As does charging for removal of bulk waste.
563	Another bin and container to store on my property great news Our gardens look like reclying centres Currently both my grey bin and green bin are over full every 2weeks as it stands giving me a small food bin & collection every 3wks will cause me to run out of space for waste
564	Although I agree that we need to recycle more I feel waiting 3 weeks for a collection is far too long. I understand that perishable food will go in the smaller food waste bins it is still likely that some packaging will have remnants of food on them so this will make the bins smell and encourage flies etc.  I do not support waiting 3 weeks.
565	I don't like the idea of scrapping all the green bins- will they be recycled and at what expense?  However, I'd find it easier to stick to the current collection routine - plus if we are away and miss one, 6 weeks is a long time to leave a bin with some food remnants in it - wrapping etc.
566	A great idea. However this could be improved even further by extending the products that can be recycled in the grey bins. Eg juice cartons.
567	A bin collection of every three weeks is too long between collections, especially in the summer months when the contents will be stored in warm conditions which increase the attraction of flies and maggots.  I find the two week interval already causes this issue during the summer and is a health issue.
568	Go for option 1.
569	I do not consider this to be a consultation when one of the options is not to keep the status quo.

570	This is quite frankly absurd. We recycle everything we can however we always struggle to contain everything in the green bin with fortnightly collections, let alone 3-weekly. We only have a small family too. Yes a small portion of what we put in the green bin is food waste, but nowhere near enough to warrant these plans.
571	Prefer to keep larger bin =less cost. Without food in this bin don't see a problem with 3weekly collection
572	This would be fine for us
573	This sounds like the best option.
574	I thought changing the collection from one week to every two weeks was a step in the wrong direction, the bins smell and there are always bluebottles buzzing around them they fly into the house when you open the door if we move to a three week collection people will know they are in Wirral by the smell * leave things as they are , it's far from perfect but what the council is suggesting is even worse !
575	Retain existing bins and change frequency to 3 weekly. Waste of money to change existing bins which are still serviceable not to mention that if a bin is broken you charge residents a fee to replace their bin anyway!
576	You've been promoting "Love Food, Hate Waste" for years now - so our food waste should be at an all time low therefore the stuff to be recycled will be minimal. So this option will not be viable. Pushing green bin collections back to once every 3 weeks would be horrendous. Can you imagine the stench from a 3 week old used sanitary towel or dirty nappy? This would be awful for householders and even worse for the poor binmen. "Option" 1 is a bad bad idea.
577	I have concerns about the impact when people do not use the food waste bin and continue to put everything in their green bin which will happen as there are individuals who don't feel any personal responsibility for reducing their waste- this will then mean that their is food waste is waiting in bins for three weeks for collection. I am also worried about other waste such as nappies which would be waiting a long time and if not disposed of properly could result in maggots and other issues.
578	Retain existing bins and change collection frequency.
579	The storage of waste for three weeks will surely lead to an increased pest menace. This is not a viable option.
580	This option would make for difficult planning as a 2 week rota and a 3 week rota will mean on some "bin days" there would be two bins out per house, and this will cause congestion in some narrow alleyways where access is needed 24hours a day.
581	Less frequent collections will result in a greater risk to environmental health both in terms of smell, unsightliness, and vermin. So the Council reducing collection times to three weekly to cut costs would only increase them when they are then required to come out to resolve these environmental health issues. I don't see the point in either option, personally. We can all compost food waste at home already, we don't need the Council for that.
582	We hardly have any food waste, and either option would cause us problems as we already fill our green bin.  This is a ridiculous scheme, by all means collect food waste but please don't reduce frequency or size of bin!
583	THIS IS THE BETTER OPTION although still would want green bin to be emptied fortnightly.  Prefer to keep the existing 240 litre bin. This provides more capacity over a 6 week period. I struggle to see how Wirral will meet their recycling targets by introducing food waste bins. I certainly don't have a lot of this as it would also be a waste of money! Food is considerably less than 14% of my waste which it would need to be in order to meet targets. Investing in improved grey bin recycling seems to be the better option so that yoghurt pots, plastic food packaging and foil can be included. This would reduce the waste in my green bin.
584	i would like option 1 if the proposed changes go ahead
585	I won't be keeping any food waste in my kitchen. I'm fed up of mouse problems caused by idiots leaving all kinds of waste outside the entry behind my house and the council only cleaning up entries on a 4 week rotation. This is just another bone headed scheme dreamt up by the clueless councillors who are sucking the life out of the Wirral

586	<p>A weekly food recycling will mean the food waste will potentially be uncollected for up to three or more weeks during summer holiday season. Is that a good idea?</p> <p>Although, I have subscribed to the Garden waste service. I think by introduced the Brown bin subscription is the main reason why more waste had gone into the green bin.</p> <p>The food waste collection may help, but I have far more food packagings like yogurt pots, cartons etc in the green bin than food waste.</p> <p>Yes the food waste collection can help a little, but I think by recycling more other items can have a much bigger impact on achieving recycling quota.</p>
587	<p>Why not collect the green 240L bin every 2 weeks as time to empty a full 140 L bin will be barely different than emptying 140 L from a 240 L bin and the extra capacity would be beneficial for families having to dispose of baby wipes and disposable nappies etc. Smaller families generating less waste might even be able to miss a collection as content will be less and not smelly with there being no food waste present.</p> <p>There would be even more room in the bin if you collected rinsed transparent and white food trays and pots in a separate box like Cheshire and other councils do or put in with existing grey bin with plastic bottles if you can sort at recycle plant.</p>
588	<p>Not a great option as we have a problem with flies if it's warm on a fort nightly collection. Plus with 3 bins a caddy and kitchen bin it would make more sense to invest tha money for the food collection in expanding what can be recycled through the grey bin rather than wasting money, time and resource on a white elephant.</p>
589	<p>As I don't have food waste I am not sure that i wish to subscribe to this. The cat food and the odd bits of bread go out to the birds. Everything else goes into soup. I want to know why yoghurt pots and similar cannot be recycled. I think that a three weekly collection is not an ideal option.</p>
590	<p>Firstly I would like to say that we are perfectly happy to recycle food - we did this when we lived in Sandwell, which started this years ago. When we lived in Sandwell, household waste, recycling, food waste (and batteries) were collected every week. Garden waste was collected every fortnight, free of charge. We had large (240L, I think) wheely bins for household waste, recycling &amp; garden waste.</p> <p>So your existing level of service is very poor compared to Sandwell, although it's currently satisfactory. We do wonder how we'll cope when our first child is born (in a few weeks) and we have to dispose of nappies too.</p> <p>Option 1 is unacceptable because several weeks a year, we would not be able to fit all our rubbish in the green bin. It might be OK most of the time, but occasionally you have a spring clean, visitors round or miss a collection due to a holiday, and at these times the bin would be overflowing.</p> <p>You have offered a false dichotomy, because you also have the option of keeping the existing bin collections and adding a food collection alongside them, and cutting costs elsewhere, or even increasing council tax.</p>
591	<p>Each new smaller green bin will cost £11,therefore the cost for these alone will be in excess of 31 million,why have the public not been told of the cost of the weekly food collection and the number of lorries needed to collect each week and travel to Widnes?,add on the cost of the new household bins which will be in the region of £400,000 plus disposal of the old bins plus their collection and disposal will mean an enormous amount of OUR money;The public should be told the truth of the total cost of this ridiculous exercise</p> <p><b>THIS IDEA SHOULD BE SCRAPPED IMMEDIATELY - IT LACKS COMMON SENSE AND SHOWS HOW IGNORANT THE COUNCIL IS - it is time the person who invented this costly exercise should be sacked.</b></p>
592	<p>Prefer option 1</p>
593	<p>I still don't understand why more plastic cannot be recycled, the answer in the Q &amp; A section is not adequate, does nor explain properly, or provide any indication as to the cost of the investment needed for the plastic to then be able, to be recycled. surely if more or all plastic was recycled then the the coucil would meet and probably exceed the 50% target.</p> <p>Business need to do more to stop using plastic that cannot be recycled. Why is it always down to the consumer??? I am fed up being told that I need to recycle more, when business, companies, shops supermarkets, use ridiculous amounts of packaging.</p>
594	<p>I would reluctantly have to choose this option (see below), however, our green bin is always full but removing food waste is not going to make much difference. If the green bin is only collected every 3 weeks it is inevitable that at certain times this service is going to fall well short of what is needed.</p>
595	<p>The introduction of food waste bins is not a good or useful option.</p> <p>The change to green bin size or collection is unwelcome and unnecessary if other options are considered instead of the food waste bins. Not offering any other option to this is not a proper consultation process.</p>
596	<p>Three weeks is too infrequent for green bin collection. Food waste collection is not feasible where we live in view of rats as we live alongside be hand they come into garden when it is a high tide.</p>

597	This seems ok to me as there are no costs for buying smaller bins. The main drawback is the confusing collection schedule
598	I presume this outside food bin has to be carried to kerbside not wheeled. As I am over 80 and also put an elderly neighbour's bins out I consider this will be a problem for me and many others. Has this been considered?
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600	Separating food waste from green bin waste will be too much trouble for many people. In the past, there have been many complaints about fortnightly collections being too far apart. However, I would prefer this to option 2 as, from my point of view, I know this can be managed.
601	We don't like the idea of moving to a 3 week collection of the Green bin. If you miss a collection, then it is a long time between the next collection. Even with food recycling, some smelly waste may go in the green bin.  Our existing green bin is cracked, and we would welcome a new bin (even though it would be smaller).
602	This is blackmail. It appears change from the current process has already been decided. You have chosen two equally stupid ideas and now you make us choose.  You have targets for recycling then treat the cause not the symptom. Why not spend the money educating people instead of punishing them with stupid ideas...
603	More cost efficient to set up than option 2 and I should imagine less costly to run (reduced general waste collections). Might lead to having to take two bins down when the grey and green are due on the same day? Unless they have different days of the week of course.  Well done on deciding to reintroduce food recycling.
604	I do not waste food so why am I penalised and having my green bin collection reduced?
605	This would be the option I would go for. If food waste is collected weekly, there should be no problems with smells or risk of vermin with the green bin being collected every 3 weeks.
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607	Your statistics do not fit with our household. I do not think this is an improvement. I do not believe that it is cost effective. I wonder what will happen if it does not work as you expect, will you pay back to rate payers the money you have wasted on our behalf, I think not.
608	I have no room AT ALL in my kitchen for a food bin. I don't actually have a bin - I just pop waste into a bag for the green bin and a paper bag for the grey bin. I have absolutely no idea where I will put a food bin. However, I do not really have much food waste.
609	Prefer 2 weekly green bin collection
610	Food waste bins round by where we live will attract rats. A small minority cannot use bins correctly so there is no chance that small food bins will be used correctly.  3 weeks - the entries will be full of rubbish and fly tippers.  I think the people who suggest these ideas live in an area where everyone is clean and tidy. Think of the clean and respectful people who live in an area where people don't respect it and don't keep it clean.  Keep it the way it is.
611	Keep the bins and the bin men the way they are. Don't want a food waste bin.
612	A 3 weekly collection is not suitable for use. We have the problem of disposal of incontinence pads. We need a 240l green bin with a 2 weekly collection.
613	Why don't you put food waste in with the brown bin and process it through the facility that cost taxpayers money and needs food waste to be able to run properly? This will cut down your landfill waste create jobs and make use of a facility that has never been used to its full potential.
614	You haven't said how big the lockable food waste container is. My concern with this is over the holiday period when I may be away when the green bin collection is made and thus the bin may remain un-emptied for up to 5 weeks.
615	Think it's a very unhygienic idea. The fortnightly collection especially in the summer months is not enough. I personally don't want a food waste bin in my kitchen especially as I have dogs.

616	<p>It's an error to make a collection every 3 weeks. My 240 litre green bin is filled by my family of 3 and all our vegetable food waste is composted, so no waste fruit, peelings etc and we throw away only tiny amounts of food waste, certainly not 100 litres. The bin is never only 2/3 full but always to the brim. I take it this is the brilliant advice of some "environmental consultant" who is costing the tax payers several thousand pounds a week. In my view, it's a nonsense.</p>
617	<p>We have a small kitchen no room for food bins and safety of toddlers and pets getting into these bins, also our bins are kept on the front of our home we are running out of space we have no garden just a communal area of grass. How are we going to store extra bins and stop wildlife getting into them I would however prefer option one, would bin liners be permanently supplied</p>
618	<p>My only worry is have Wirral Council got a plan to where all the collected food waste will go to? Or is this just a plan to make people buy the brown bins as now they will not have a bin to put their garden waste in if they don't want to use a brown bin. Is it going to landfill yet again or should there not be a place where all the organic waste will be stored and the end product gets used as compost? This is what they do in Germany and it works very well.</p>
619	<p>I do not require a food recycling bin, as I do not have waste food. I have a compost bin which takes vegetable and fruit wastage.</p>
620	<p>Unacceptable. Reducing the green bin collection to every 3 weeks will only result in more non-recyclable waste being put into the grey bin thereby reducing current recycle rates, counter to the desired effect.</p>
621	<p>Collection of food waste is acceptable.</p> <p>More clearer information required about what can be put in the grey bin as most recyclable items seem to be unacceptable to be recycled.</p> <p>I object to the councils stealth tax on households who choose to carry on using the garden waste bin.</p>
622	<p>I think the proposal to reduce either the regularity or capacity of green bins collections is a disgrace. The food recycling proposal is frankly laughable. Our household has two compost bins and what little food waste we do produce in raw form is composted at home. As for cooked food waste which cannot be composted this is a bare minimum , the cost of living already means we do not throw food away unless absolutely necessary. We already pay our council tax for bin collections and yet are now charged seperately for the Brown Bin collection. Would it be too much to expect that a reduced bin collection or size would mean a reduction in Council tax ????? Doubtful that would happen , this seems to be all about doing less work and cutting costs for the same level of payments.</p> <p>A food waste bin in its own right would be a decent idea , and may well be used by some , but I doubt it. To consider the implementation of this as a replacment for ONE WEEKS worth of extra waste or a reduction in bin size is a joke. Do you honestly think that a poultry offering in the food waste bins would free up space enough space in the General waste bin to allow it to be left for an extra week before collection or still be useable if it were 40% smaller???</p> <p>During the summer months the build up of flies and creatures in some bins is unbearable as is the smell. The prospect of this being left for an extra week turns my stomach. As for having less space in which to put this waste this could potentially lead to an increase in fly tipping or having to make regular trips to the local tip in order to dispose of household rubbish.</p> <p>And what about the actual cost of replacing ALL the 240 litre bins &gt; staggering. Would this plastic from the old bins be recycled aswell , doubtful , if we cant recycle a yoghurt pot as it's the wrong type of plastic what chance have we got ?????</p> <p>What about allowing the recycling bin to take plastics and more items that currently it cannot ? The volume and size of these items makes more sense than a food bin which would sit outside my house and NEVER get used !</p> <p>Or how about REMOVING the cost and making it free to use the Brown bins once more , I know first hand there are people using the Greens bins for garden waste as they cannot afford to pay the extra supplement for the Brown Bin.</p> <p>I never expected I would see a local authority make such desperate attempts to squeeze their residents for every last penny and continually cut services , how long before we get charged for each and every bin you collect.</p> <p>You should be ashamed for even considering both of these options.</p>

623	<p>A weekly food collection is a good idea.</p> <p>A 3 weekly collection for the green bin and a 2 weekly collection for the grey bin will be confusing to remember when which bin is due for collection.</p> <p>Having a collection on alternate weeks is much easier to control.</p> <p>A definite NO to option 1</p>
624	<p>We don't need a food recycling collection: we compost all waste food. We don't like the idea of a reduction in the green bin collection service.</p>
625	<p>I think collection of green bins every 3 weeks is too long a gap</p>
626	<p>We don't need a food recycling collection. We already compost all food waste. We don't like the idea of the green bin collection being reduced to every three weeks.</p>
627	<p>I believe this option would be best as replacing all the green bins for smaller ones would be a waste of money.</p>
628	<p>option 1 well food waste is a good suggestion but the problem will be for people like me is that i dont have room for another bin as its full with 2 very small wheelie bins as it is and how are we going to get the liners replaced are the council going to supply them which is more cost to them</p> <p>green bin is ricolous as it is at every fortnight with my small bins so to go to every 3 weeks is silly</p> <p>so there is no change to the recyling which is good but you should keep both green and grey at once a fortnight in my opion as rubbish doesnt go down it only inceses and what about rats and vermin and insects</p> <p>brown bin i think you should provide a little one for people that dont have gardens but has things like flower pots and things like that</p>
629	<p>I was brought up not to waste food so, I admit though I do occasionally waste food usually as the result of my having forgotten about it, it is usually no problem as uncooked vegetable and fruit matter go in the compost bin and the only food matter placed in the green bin are things such as meat bones and /skins of fish as well as the packets that food has been wrapped in. It might be better to have a two week smaller collection though in order to ensure that any waste does not have time to "go off" and start to smell particularly in this hot weather.</p> <p>I do though occasionally have things to dispose of which might not fit in the smaller bin and which are not recyclable.</p>
630	<p>This option would be very good.</p>
631	<p>I do not have anywhere to keep food waste canister in my small kitchen away from food preparation or dish draining surfaces. Even if I did I would not want the smell of rotting food in the kitchen. I also don't want to leave food waste outside as there are problems with rats in my road and I have had rats on and in my property on three separate occasions. The rat catchers advice is always to not leave food in easy access and I believe food waste falls into this category.</p> <p>I also have dogs and their waste would be left in bin for 3 weeks which would be disgusting. Despite cleaning my bin on regular basis and using biodegradable bin liner I still get maggots and flies in bin when it is collected fortnightly. God knows what fly situation would be if changed to 3 weekly. What happens when you are away on holiday you could have to wait over a month for your bin to be emptied.</p> <p>I also don't believe a third of waste in green bin is food. I believe most is packaging that can be recycled but is not done so in Wirral but is in other areas of the country.</p>

632	<p>The introduction of a weekly food recycling collection is a good one, as is the use of the food waste to produce bio-gas. I do have some concerns that the outside food waste containers will result in an increase in vermin such as rats, and/or flies etc.</p> <p>I am also concerned about how and when these containers will be cleaned. Some people will do this themselves however I suspect the vast majority will leave the containers to putrefy and smell.</p>
633	<p>Would prefer to keep larger bin. Would food waste bin be exclusive to each property. I would not want next door's Indian curry contaminating my bin.</p> <p>Neighbours are already dumping waste in the entry outside my property (suspect 35 Parkbridge but cannot prove it) this will only get worse with a three weekly collection.</p>
634	<p>I would be concerned about a 3 week collection of general waste as there are other smelly by products that end up in the green bin (such as sanitary waste and dog waste). Three weeks is too long in summer to leave this festering!</p> <p>I support the food recycling but tend to compost a lot of food waste anyway. I am concerned about the quantity of bins being left on the pavement causing a hazard to pedestrians (especially visually impaired and elderly).</p>
635	<p>I like the idea of this. I struggle with maggots and flies during summer in the green bin. Hopefully by removing food waste from the green bin I won't have this problem anymore. Keeping the larger green bin will be best for disposing of small and large non-recyclable waste.</p>
636	<p>Sorry - either option is workable for me. I am on my own but have 11 cats and 6 litter boxes emptied every day. I have both size bins and would still need to have both emptied every 2 weeks.</p>
637	<p>It should stay the same as it has been. It will be awful in the summer with the nasty smells etc.</p>
638	<p>The present system is fine. I can see absolutely NO benefit in changing the present system, expect that the council will be now considering an additional charge added for this extra bin as in the garden bin con. No one wants or has a space to put small indoor caddy or liners (which will cost more anyway especially with locks!) in their kitchen or outside their homes. An absolutely stupid idea it would be more beneficial if the present system was "tidied up" ie the binmen actually returned the bins to the front of the house concerned and not halfway down the road,</p>
639	<p>Considering that so many people on Wirral are apparently relying on food banks to survive I find it novel that the council imagines that the populace are wasting any foodstuffs at all. Furthermore In your efforts to go green has any consideration been given to all the hot water and detergent that's now going to be used cleaning these food caddies out every week?</p> <p>The green bin of whatever size is most suitable for the resident should be collected weekly like it always was.</p>
640	<p>Remembering a three week cycle is not as easy as fortnightly and means we will be having collections most weeks...and if we forget then its 6 weeks between.</p>
641	<p>Three week will create flies problem</p>
642	<p>What will happen to the food waste? responsible dog owners will have dog waste in their bins for three weeks- in hot weather!</p>
643	<p>Preferred option</p>
644	<p>Option 1 appears favourable but would prefer two weekly collection.</p>
645	<p>Are all these recycling targets directed from the EU - bearing in mind by 2020 we will no longer be a member. We pay a charge for our brown bin, are there any plans to increase, yet again, the cost. As you know this was always included in our rates before this charge was implemented.</p>

646	<p>Collecting waste food and using it in such a productive way seems sensible. It does worry me, though, having a week's worth of waste food sitting around outside because of potential smell and attraction to rodents. I don't understand what you mean by 'lockable': will it have a key?</p> <p>I don't mind having the green bin collected every three weeks. We never fill it anyway.</p> <p>I think there should be serious consideration given to how we can recycle more: like foil, plastic food containers, tetrapacs, plastic bags, etc. If we are sending food waste to St. Helen's, maybe we should think about sending our recycling somewhere where they have a more up-to-date recycling plant that can cope with ALL possible recyclables, instead of the limited number of items that Bidston can deal with.</p>
647	<p>It sounds like a fair system but would be my least favourite of the two options. I know its not complicated but remembering where I am in a three week cycle of waste collection sounds more difficult than the current biweekly rotation of recycling and general waste.</p> <p>Also there will be more potential for bins to become unpleasant smelling if there is a three week gap between collections. Whilst I know the collection of food waste on a weekly basis should reduce this, households with nappies, sanitary or other items may find that their waste starts smelling or rotting if left for three weeks.</p> <p>However considering the maths if you reduce the amount of waste by a third, households currently using the full capacity of the green bin should still have 80 litres available after two weeks if they have recycled properly. Which is also the amount of extra green bin waste they should have by the end of the third week. So whilst not my favourite option, by your own figures this would be the only option that would mean there would not be a surplus of green bin waste for those households who use the full capacity of their bin. Is it common for households to fill their green bins completely? If so, maybe this would be the best option to reduce the disposing of waste in an inappropriate manner.</p>
648	I should think that without the food waste element a three-weekly collection would be satisfactory enough.
649	<p>Collecting food waste is a good idea.</p> <p>We compost most of our food waste so in common with many users a reduction in green bin capacity will be a problem.</p> <p>Three weekly collections of nappy and medical waste is unacceptable, OK in the winter but horrible in the summer.</p> <p>You need to work towards to recycling more plastic waste to make the reduced green bin capacity work. If this cannot be done through existing arrangements then you need to make new arrangements.</p>
650	This was trialed on a previous occasion and quickly abandoned. A waste of money!. Please do not proceed with Option 1.
651	My food waste is insignificant but am prepared to recycle what I waste. My problem is that my green bin fills up every two weeks with material that can be recycled, but is not. I am talking about yoghurt pots, milk containers, food boxes etc, things that Cheshire manage to recycle without any problem. My biggest concern is that if I miss a collection, I have to wait 6 weeks between collections. Instead of increasing collection times, get a system like Cheshire's and recycle everything possible.
652	In a household that does not waste food, I feel there is no need for change as far as this house is concerned. If one could opt-out that i could understand just as we had the choice of a small bin or a large one. If this plan goes ahead then we will have to go big for the green bin.
653	This was attempted previously and abandoned. Please do not try again.
654	I prefer option 1
655	<p>In Moreton area i /we do NOT have any space in kitchen for the food waste.</p> <p>We DEFINITLY need the 240 litre bin to AVOID plastic waste on the road</p>
656	best option
657	We would prefer Option 1. We do not have room in the kitchen for a small indoor caddy. Our food waste is very small as we do not believe in wasting food - there are too many people starving in this world. When will you start charging for the bin liners?
658	Three week green bin collection not a goer. Disgusting !
659	I have a medical condition that requires me to dispose of 8 catheter bags a week so fill bin quite quickly and other household waste in green bin.
660	As a resident in a block of four flats, it is difficult to know which is the better option. Being a small development we still have own individual bins and I note that it will be 2018 before you make arrangements regarding food collection.
661	Seems a sensible option as food waste will be collected separately and not put in green bin which will avoid any smells etc in the proposed 3 week collection.
662	There is absolutely no room in the tiny kitchen for any size food caddy. Likewise, the small narrow pavement which is already full of bins has no extra space for any other containers.
663	The food bin is a good idea. Will we still be able to put grass cuttings in green bin? Recycling is good for environment.



664	Would prefer things to stay the same even with the green bin being collected every three weeks. Reason being there will be too many bins. Do not like the idea of a food bin in the kitchen.
665	Three weekly cycle would be irregular and therefore lead to confusion with missed collections and likelihood of fly tipping etc. Waste caddy on kitchen work surface unacceptable - blue bin needs to be suitable to be in kitchen so has to be able to go in or have solid removable inside so does not need cleaning after being outside for collection.
666	Prefer to remain with 240 litre green bin.
667	My green bin is far too big and needs emptying 2 weekly. Paper towel cleaners are moist and dirty. 2 brown bins could be emptied weekly.
668	We agree with this
669	I am not in favor of an indoor caddy and liners for food collection. I remember your earlier attempt and I found it difficult as I had no where suitable to stand it in my kitchen. Walking up and down to a larger bin especially in winter to put bags into another bin would be impossible for me at 93 yrs of age. Collecting green bin every 3 weeks is not good.
670	Because of age mostly liquid diet so don't have waste food.
671	I only have a small green bin as I live in a flat and it hardly ever gets full, therefore, every 3 weeks probably wouldn't make much difference to me but I would like to recycle all food waste in a separate container and would welcome the indoor caddy.
672	Not suitable. 3 week collection will cause confusion.
673	I am 86 years old and live alone, have a very small kitchen. My bins are of course outside. In Winter times even now I am afraid of falling, taking out to green bin and recycling. Am worried about the confusion I may have adding an extra bin re food waste. Would prefer green bin emptied x 2 weeks.
674	Bins left for three weeks will still smell if uncollected plastic yogurt pot, meat and fish packaging are not washed.
675	As I live alone this will make no difference to me whether I have a big or small green bin. What concerns me is the fact that I am over 80, registered as partially sighted and find change exceptionally difficult. I have no immediate family support or carers so have to rely on kindness of a neighbour and cannot see this working for me.
676	Prefer Option 2. How secure will the food waste bin be if left outside for collection? For example, will it be kicked all over the road?
677	Would prefer to keep existing bin as sometimes need extra space of having a clear out. Medical waste.
678	The green bin already attracts foxes, rats and maggots - this will be even worse if it is left for three weeks.
679	Larger bin preferred - a smaller bin would not suffice Would like collection every 2 weeks
680	I don't know what sort of money the council think I earn but I hardly have any food waste at all. To be honest this is the most ridiculous idea you could come up with. You could recycle more by investing in recycling the different plastics such as sweet packages such as roses, quality street tubs etc, yogurt pots plastic packaging on meat, fruit etc. not the bags the harder plastic stuff.
681	We think that the 3 weekly collection of the green bin would be too infrequent because, although there would be no waste food in this bin, there would be food containers and trays which, particularly in hot weather, can begin to create a smell and attract insects. To reduce this possibility, we wash out food containers and trays before putting them into the bin, but we doubt that everyone does this, so we think that generally it would be more hygienic and environmentally acceptable to have a more frequent collection, even if the green bin was of a smaller size.  Of the food waste we generate, most leaves, skins, peelings, etc. go into a compost bin which eventually is spread on the garden. The remaining food waste such as tea bags, bones, etc. would go into the waste food containers, but would be a very small quantity.  Efforts should be made to recycle ALL plastics and polystyrene packaging.  We already subscribe to the brown bin collection, which we find excellent.
682	This seems the best option, but worry about vermin, with bins being left so long. Older people will find it difficult to remember every three weeks, as I am sure I will to when busy.
683	Whilst appreciating Wirral has to improve its food waste figures, I would question just how much the council is having to spend in providing every household with the the caddies and lockable containers. It must be costing a very high sum of money which could be better spent. My opinion on option 1 is that as I live alone, my food waste is not worth having a lockable container or caddy; their use by myself would be very limited. Nevertheless, if the council has to improve its figures and, providing the change achieves positive results, I would support option 1.

684	Good idea to recycle more and 3 weekly collection will be fine as the bin wont contain food waste
685	If forced to accept one of these options, we would choose option 1. We are not convinced about the two options. Firstly, we do not have a third , by volume, of food in our green bin waste. Secondly, we believe that even families of four will find both options impossible. As a result, more of this waste will be taken to the tip ( defeating the object) and more fly tipping will occur.
686	I would prefer to leave my bin collection as it is now. No smaller bin.
687	I would prefer this option.
688	My concern would be for the bin getting very smelly and attracting flies
689	Leave the grey and green bin as it is. DON'T want any more bins.
690	I'd rather have this option as a smaller green bin wouldn't be suitable due to the type of rubbish I have. I hardly have food waste. Will we put pet food in the bin too?
691	Where is the objective data by Ward to support either proposal? Saving 16,000 tonnes of food waste per year equates to approx 1kg per head per week. NOT REALISTIC  No room for an additional bin and certainly no room for an indoor caddy.
692	This is my preferred option
693	A very good idea
694	(Usual) green bin (240 lts) + grey bin (usual) (no food caddy)
695	This, however harsh, is the best green bin option purely based on the amount of bin space. While i think both options will contribute to more fly tipping (particularly since the "eric" service had a charge placed on it) option 2 has a narrower bin and your average bin bag wont even touch the bottom and therefore doesn't hold as much and is prone to not being emptied properly through bags being jammed in at the bottom
696	We feel very strongly that there should be no change to the Green bin size or collection frequency. As a household we generate very little food waste as we manage our waste efficiently, and for many years have made use of garden composters. Therefore the food waste we expect to be separating for collection will comprise of meat bones and fruit peel that won't compost easily e.g. melon rinds. Out of date food, tea bags / coffee grounds, eggshells, veg and fruit can all be composted, and the local birdlife make short work of stale bread.  The 240 litre bin is adequate for our current needs and is often at full capacity due to the amount of non-recyclable packaging that we are met with daily. A smaller bin will mean that we are required to supplement waste disposal with bin bags !  Despite paying extremely high Council tax fees we already have to pay (again) for Garden bin collection service, which is unjustifiable.
697	Whilst in principle it is a good idea I can see that food will continue to be put in the green bin and therefore the additional lockable food container will be a waste of unnecessary expense which will only in the longterm be added to the council tax bill. Collection of waste on a 3 weekly basis is a good idea but this could be shortsighted as waste will end up being stored in bag and there is the potential for increase of vermin which the council make additional charges to eradicate. One asks it this another half thought through idea.  A better solution would be to increase the items which can be recycled and this would reduce the volume of items going to landfill which in turn would accommodate smaller bins collected fortnightly. Currently the items recyclable do not represent the items which have the potential to be recycled for example yogurt pots etc.  I would suggest that the council look at this avenue as a means to reduce landfill and in addition ensure that council offices/buildings recycle 80% of all items - I dont think this will happen too easy for them to think within the box rather than outside.

698	Personally I feel that there should be no need for food waste collection as food should not be wasted .If such a collection is introduced then a three weekly collection of green bins is adequate .I assume this would be more economic for the council .I should be happy with a monthly collection of green bins .Also more people should be encouraged to compost garden waste .
699	Option 1 must be the cheapest option but will mean the food bin would have to be cleaned and disinfected each week.
700	I am in agreement with this option.
701	Totally disagree with the proposed new system 3 weekly collections are unhygienic and this simply is a cost cutting exercise .
702	Hi I am opposed to the new idea as a mother with a disabled child i have extra waste and feel the new proposal is not convenient and unhygienic. Regards K curry
703	Disagree with the green bin period of every three weeks but agree with the principle
704	3 weekly collection of green bins not acceptable. Reason - most food tins have residue left in them if not washed out. I live in a block of 4 flats and we share 2 green bins and 1 grey bin (1 was stolen). The green bins get smelly even though everything is bagged (and I pay for bins to be washed).
705	Objection to three weeks collection - consider it too long!
706	As I live on my own every three weeks will be plenty
707	This option suits me best as I would prefer to keep my existing 240 litres green bin and have it emptied every three weeks. I also pay for the brown bin collection.
708	I would prefer to leave my bin as it is.
709	I do not believe that most existing green bins are in need of replacement. I favour this option, if forced into a decision.  I welcome any effort to improve recycling. But this seems to be a less-than-obvious way to recycle food. For instance, I suspect that a lot of food waste is people throwing away good food. Our household throws away no food, other than bones and fish skins. Education would be a better route to reduce food waste.. What disappoints me is the extremely poor recycling of plastics. How about a bin especially for plastics ? OK, send it to a different waste disposal company if the current one cannot cope.
710	I don't want any change at all. I seldom have any food waste. I have been cooking for sixty five years so you learn to calculate the amounts of food to cook. If there is even any left it is minimal.
711	I do not have much food waste.
712	Grey Bin: liaise with other local authorities and upgrade machinery to sort more different shapes of plastic. Green Bin: keep old 240 litre bin and collect every 2 weeks.
713	I want this option
714	I am happy to retain my 240l bin and have it collected every three weeks
715	Leave the bins as they are, we struggle with one normal size bin that is collected every two weeks. We recycle and don't create much food waste. We have one child in nappies and will have two by December 2016. I don't know how we will cope if the collections go to every three weeks with the existing bin. I also doubt that people will take on disposing of food waste effectively. I don't think I'm the only one who struggles with collections every two weeks with the existing bin size. <sup>34</sup>

716	This is the preferred option although the reduction in services is regrettable and is likely to increase problems with waste disposal. Overall we doubt that, however this is presented to the public, it represents anything other than another deterioration in services for council tax payers.
717	I do not object to a food recycling collection, but I do object to my green bin only being collected every 3 weeks. This is not acceptable.  I recycle everything possible and I also have a full green and grey bin every 2 weeks.  I do not have very much waste food.
718	Not acceptable. more things could be put into the grey recycling bin as in other areas of the UK but Wirral choose not to do this.
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721	As a household that does not have any food waste through careful planning, eating leftovers for lunches and composting peelings the plan does not work for us. Three weekly collections would result in an excess of waste and put a further strain on the waste recycling sites and are likely to increase fly tipping. Has a study been undertaken to determine the likely impact on the household waste sites and is the likely increase in the amount of non recyclable waste that they receive. Outweighed by the reduction from household collections. The majority of our waste is from biodegradable nappies which are binned without a nappy sack to allow the nappies to degrade as quick as possible once they reach landfill, leaving these for three weeks would be unhygienic and would produce nasty smells not to mention the hazard that this would present to human health and that of your operatives emptying the bins. We already recycle as much as humanly possible and often don't have enough space in our grey bin to accommodate the amount of recycling. Has consideration been given to increasing the frequency of the recycling bin collection to increase the amount of recycling that the borough achieves rather than effectively reducing the amount of non recyclable waste that is collected.
722	3 weeks is too long in hot weather maggots can be a problem
723	I think the food caddy is a good idea especially the lockable container for outside.  I don't agree with the 3 weeks collection of the green bin, as I have a cat and the litter goes in the green bin and within 3 weeks the smell will be awful even though I put it in plastic bags!!!!  I would still prefer the 2 weeks collection.
724	My green bin contains minimal food waste (perhaps around half a shoe box full amount...certainly not 'a third' of a 240 litre bin!) and yet it gets full to the brim and requires emptying every 2 weeks. I have always recycled, even before grey bins were provided and both my grey and green bin usually contain unnecessary packaging, which I am not in control of. Perhaps councils should concentrate on developing initiatives designed to help, inform and support the residents who you claim are creating this frankly shocking excessive amount of food waste.
725	I would have to question environmental health here as leaving food waste in a warm kitchen is just asking for trouble. The thought of fish skin, left over meat etc. is disgusting, especially for households with cats and dogs who will be forever being able to smell the waste. Yes, you provide liners but in my house I would be emptying these at least once a day and putting them outside. This really is so inconvenient.  Three weekly collection is absurd. What about people who dispose of their dog waste in their bin. I for one have asked for a rubbish bin in the surrounding roads where I live as when I walk my dog there is nowhere to dispose of the waste apart from bringing it home. Do you really think it would be hygienic to leave this in a bin for three weeks.  You introduced a scheme years ago where you issued a brown caddy for peelings/waste food etc. This clearly did not work.  You are putting targets before the health and wellbeing of residents here and it is totally disappointing especially in this area where we pay high council tax and we are not getting any benefit year on year, but steps backwards all the time.
726	Friends who live in mold already have food recycling but also have fortnightly collection of green bin! If you changed to three weekly collection how would the food bin be collected weekly bearing in mind that the garden bin is collected on Tuesday following the green bin? I do not feel that three weekly is adequate for the average household and rodents and big birds would make life intolerable! I already have a problem with maggots in the summer so this would surely increase!

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728	We don't agree with either option 1 or 2 we would like things to stay as they are. It would have been nice to see the several other options that were discussed during your meeting!
729	I prefer this option.
730	I already have a pedal bin and a recycling bin in my kitchen, which is not big enough to accommodate yet another bin for waste food! This is ludicrous!! I have brown, grey and green bins outside the front of my house and now you're supplying a food waste container too! What an eyesore.  I would be unhappy at the green bin only being collected once every 3 weeks.
731	My concern is that a three weekly collection will mean pests and rodents may be attracted to non recyclable waste. The way to ensure a better process is to keep it simple. By making some one week, some two weeks and one three weeks will cause people to forget and get confused. A larger bin may also be too heavy for older people to take out after three weeks.
732	Three weekly bin changes. With dirty nappies in isn't sanitary.
733	I think the food waste collection is a good idea but the green bin (240 litres) should still be collected fortnightly and the brown garden waste bin should be a free collection or at the least means tested so the elderly and people on low income or benefits would possibly recycle more.
734	either option is going to cause flytipping, there are two people in my house, and the green bin is full on time of fortnightly collection, we waste a minimum amount of food waste, this includes bones from meat and non consumable materials, fruits and veg waste is used for compost, the food waste would not be getting used whatsoever. This consultation for views and opinions is completely farcical, as you are only giving two options and not "a choice", for the amount of council tax rates i pay, it is pathetic and makes no sense that claims of meeting your targets by recycling 50% of waste is used as a reason, why then has the garden waste collection become chargeable, it will be interesting to see how much this whole consultation, including executive meetings, executive lunches for meetings, advertising, "road shows"etc have cost, as i am sure cost saving reasons have also been used, as i am sure residents views being taken into consideration have.
735	Yes - recycling food waste is a good idea. Dont agree that 3 weekly green bin collection is the right way to go. Grey bin collection should stay the same Brown bin collection should be free if you are serious about increasing the level of recycling.  Are you really serious about recycling when our parks dont have any form of sorting or separating the public rubbish. Lets have recycling bins NOW!!
736	We would not want to have either the small indoor caddy or the blue lockable outdoor one. The food waste that we put in the green bin is minimal, just fish skin and bones, and bones from meat We keep these in a small plastic bag in the freezer until the day the green bin is emptied. We compost all our fruit and vegetable waste. A 3 week collection seems a bad idea since there is going to be soiled material e.g. residues on unrecyclable food packaging, nappies and dog poo in many green bins. There must be many people who are unwilling to pay for brown bin collection and choose to put garden waste in the green bin.and the Council should rethink its policy of charging for it.
737	No thank you
738	I think it is important to have food waste in separate container but do not agree with changing collection to 3 weeks.
739	These proposals are both nonsense. The current bin, 240 L, is not big enough for a two weekly collection never mind a 3 weekly collection, The surmise that 1/3 of material is food waste is totally erroneous as a very tiny amount of this bin is occupied by food waste. Perhaps 5% - 10%, so your figures just do not add up. Why can't you just increase the council tax to provide a suitable service. Introduction of a food waste bin in a bid to increase your re-cycling rates is an OK proposition, but not at the expense of a reduction in the general waste removal.
740	this will very possibly lead to more fly tipping for us to pay for . Use the money to collect the bins as usual instead

741	<p>I think recycling food waste is fundamentally a good idea, but you should also give a better range of options relating to food waste. An educational drive to reduce the amount of waste produced would be a good start, some details on how people can recycle their own food waste and not use council resources would also be a good idea. You can use bokashi bin composters to break down food waste and then add it to compost, or (our preferred choice) worms! Not great for composting meat, but superb for most vegetable matter and it make superb compost. Doesn't take up that much room either.</p> <p>Last ditch should be a collection to take it away.</p> <p>The bigger issue for me is that we are not recycling all the plastic materials we could. I have raised this issue previously and been told the machinery you use can't cope with smaller plastic pots and bottles, just big ones. Has this been addressed? We take ALL of our plastics to the recycling banks at Sainsburys in Upton and out tetra packs to the bank by Greasby Library. The location of these collection points is not widely known and I suspect not factored into our area recycling quota? If you looked at our rubbish you would not see much in our recycling bin so we probably don't look great for your statistics, but we actually re-cycle as much as we possibly can, but choose to use people who seem to do a better job of it than the council.</p> <p>We could live with a 3 weekly collection of our green bin - we tend to take as many appropriate items as possible to the tip in West Kirby where parts can be sorted and recycled rather than just put into landfill.</p>
742	I am not happy with the proposal to collect the green bin every 3 weeks as there will be food on packaging which can't be put in the grey bin also sanitary waste nappies etc.
743	I would rather have this option as some weeks my bin is fuller than another.
744	Don't like idea of the green bin only being collected every 3 weeks - 2 weeks has been good enough. Prefer Option 2
745	Would go with this
746	<p>Will you be supplying free bags/liners or be charging us again?</p> <p>If I had to choose, it would be this one, albeit I am happy the way things are as I am an avid recycler. Any more bins might confuse us and plus what about storage/parking space for these bins? I personally think it's another waste of time and money and also another way of getting us householders to fork out more money ie. for bags as my daughter has this arrangement down south and her food bin overflows as it's too small due to her having children. As for the likes of me, on my own, I hardly waste anything. My eggshells get washed and crushed and then put on the garden to keep snails/slugs off plants. Peelings/soft fruit/tea bags go in compost bin. I don't have any cook food waste!! I think you should try more to encourage recycling as normal because there is a lot of lazy people who don't or can't be bothered. I know a few; when I confront them, they say I'm OCD over this recycling but I just want a decent, clean environment whereas, at present - I get dog/cat mess in my front or people put their rubbish in my garden. I've been bullied, so I keep to myself, cleaning up after others. I don't smoke or have pets now, but I do funnily enough get that sort of rubbish in my front garden. I think the Council should be more strict with your so-called fines and check up regularly on people parking on the pavement, ruining all the flagstones and grass verges etc. when there is room to park in the road or drive.</p>
747	<p>I don't like either options and I think Wirral Council should think again.</p> <p>I have grave health concerns regarding the proposed storage of used, raw etc food externally in a container which may become damaged or prove unsuitable for long term outdoor usage whilst based on experience I assume there will be charges applied to replacement containers.</p> <p>I would also like to know how Option 1 or 2 will be decided? There seems the potential of increasing the number of collections if the whole Borough is not following the same scheme.</p>
748	We prefer this option
749	Is all this really necessary? I don't need another bin - does it have to be three weeks?
750	Why are they changing everything again? It's only gonna confuse us all. They need to keep to a system and stick to it. If there gonna change things again they need to be specific routine and a list of things that need to be in wot bin.
751	This whole scheme is madness again and money grabbing. My rates have gone up from £90 per month to £104, on top of that the brown bin charge, hitting mainly the old again, who have no access to a computer and no way to get the waste to the tip. A charge of £37 to replace a damaged bin is disgraceful as the bins get damaged by the collectors banging them a few times and not the householder. I don't waste any food, never have, I cannot cook anymore due to illness and others handicaps. This scheme goes back to 1947 when they were feeding pigs to help with food supplies. How do you expect people on bare pensions to pay for all these increases?
752	We disagree with both proposals.We would want to stay with the currant system we have.We want no change.

753	I live in a flat and share a bin store with my neighbor. There is no room in the bin store for more bins. Bins stored outside the bin stores on the other side of our development regularly blow over and spill their contents. Also, as a wheelchair user, I would be trapped in my house because there would be no room for me to get past the overflowing bin store. I do not support this option 1.
754	We have very little food waste in our household as we have a compost heap in our garden. We very rarely throw edible food away. We would prefer to have the contents of the green bin collected every two weeks.
755	Not before time the food bins. Grey bin there should be more plastic collected Green bin a smaller one would do us Brown bin we can not afford one as pensioners
756	I do not need,want or require a food waste bin as I have little or no food to dispose of. We eat what we need and DO NOT WASTE OR THROW AWAY ANYTHING other than fruit skins or meat bones. I do wish that the Council would leave the arrangements as they are as it will cost US to replace new bins and dispose of the existing ones. This is an outrage!
757	A 3 week interval for one bin and 2 weeks for 2 is not easy to remember and action. I don't think it is practical it could lead to overlooking the green bin as well.
758	I tried food waste before and it's messy and smelly attracts fly's not nice option to have in the kitchen.. other options on green bin and grey bin are acceptable
759	I only buy and eat the food I need. DON'T waste any!! Peelings go on my compost heap, the green bin is almost empty!! I already pay £40 for my garden bins so PLEASE DO NOT WASTE MONEY on more bins 2 collections.
760	WITHIN THE PAST TEN? YEARS YOU TRIED SIMILAR SCHEME. YOU GAVE US A HOUSEHOLD CADDY AND IT COME TO NOTHING. ALL A WASTE OF TIME AND COUNCIL TAX MONEY. THREE WEEKS TO COLLECT GREEN BIN IS TOO LONG. FOUR BINS IS TOO MANY FOR HOUSEHOLDS.
761	Preferred option
762	Preference:- green bin collected every three weeks. Problem with food waste in the kitchen, my kitchen is very small. Smell will be dreadful.
763	Option 1 green bin doesn't suit my needs.
764	I like option 1 as it is involves very little change. I could make an extra effort to recycle more food waste especially as appears to avoid the likelihood of rodents being attracted to food but I would still want to be part of the council's garden waste club.
765	As one local news paper reader has pointed out - you have not only cluttered up our drive ways/passage ways/outside areas with bins, but now trying to clutter the latter more with a lockable bin - ABSOLUTELY CRAZY and on top of that are trying to clutter up the inside of our homes with a indoor bin - AGAIN ABSOLUTELY CRAZY, Bring back the collection of the 240 litres - green to EVERY WEEK COLLECTION.
766	As a family with young children who are still in nappies a green bin collection once every 3 weeks would be difficult for us. We already compost our fruit and veg waste so I would not imagine our green bin usage would significantly reduce
767	keep gre en birkenhead road binns every two weeks bad three weeks maggots in bin sometimes two weeks not always
768	I quite agree with everything and of it helps the environment I'm all for it. I'd still like to keep my 240 litres green bin.
769	I love the idea of a food collection service but the options we have been given are two very bad ones. Option one gives more green bin collections per year but at the expense of having nappies and pet fecial matter in there for 3 weeks. Already my 2 bin allowance is not enough for 7 of us for 2 weeks minus food waste that we compost. Not a suitable option.
770	I think this will save money in terms of fewer green bin collections and no initial outlay needed for new green bins. However, I personally think 3 weeks it too long to leave a green bin unemptied, even without the food waste in it, as general waste and childrens nappies do smell and really shouldn't be left that long. I think the 'rota' of collections would also be confused with people not knowing what bin(s) were due to be collected on which week as there would be one week with just food waste and the next week with green, grey and food on the same day. This would make the streets a nightmare for pedestrians to navigate with a wheelchair or pushchair.
771	Yes Option 1

772	<p>Both options are totally ridiculous!</p> <p>To run 3 to 4 collections per household instead of 2 to 3, means an increase in manpower costs, increase in transport fuel costs and added inconvenience to people in general</p> <p>I do not believe that most of the waste is food, unless it is from restaurants and other such businesses, cafe's, clubs, hospitals and homes.</p> <p>In more deprived areas where there is already a problem it will be open to abuse and cause vermin etc.</p>
773	<p>This looks like the lower cost option from the start- you only need to supply caddies and food bins to residents. For me this would seem to be the best choice as we would keep our 240 litre green bin - which must save the cost of taking away these bins and buying every household a smaller green bin. I understand the concerns people have regarding smells but this is usually associated with food waste rotting which will now be collected weekly. Non- recyclable food packaging ( meat trays) will however have longer in the bin between collections.</p> <p>I doubt that 1/3 of our household waste is food as I already compost all veg peelings and try not to waste food by keeping a close eye on sell-by dates, only cooking what we need and trying not to over-buy perishable items.</p> <p>My concern is that the grey bin service does not cater for all recyclables- such as yogurt pots, margarine tubs, aerosol cans, plastic bags, tetra pacs . These can be recycled but only if householders are prepared to sort this waste and take it themselves to a local recycling point</p>
774	I think a weekly food collection is a much better idea to reduce smells and pests. Happy to go ahead with this idea.
775	No don't like option 1 as three weeks' collection for the Green is too long
776	This is acceptable to me
777	<p>1 week, 2 weeks, 3 weeks - i think we can cope. This is fine.</p> <p>Sounds like anaerobic composting ? Brilliant !</p>
778	I prefer the second option
779	<p>Not happy with 3 week green bin collection.</p> <p>*Surprised you do not enclose a prepaid envelope for return of this questionnaire.</p>
780	<p>I already have 3 x 140 litre bins.</p> <p>Wish you luck with the project - you will need it! Consultation this is not.</p>
781	I am pleased to know that the council is supplying us with a small indoor caddy and liners to collect food waste for in the kitchen and a lockable food waste container for outside. A lot cleaner and safer in this way to households. Thank you. A weekly collection is good for food waste, green bin 240 litre isn't good.
782	Not in favour of 3 weekly
783	I would prefer to keep my 240 litre green bin and I am happy for it to be emptied once every 3 weeks. I do not like the idea of a counter top bin and due to disability, would be unable to keep it on the floor and I would have difficulty unlocking the 2nd food waste container.
784	<p>This option is unsatisfactory and is a recipe for increased fly-tipping. I am extremely sceptical about the claim that a third of waste is food. That certainly is not the case in our household by a long chalk. The vast majority of the waste is packaging, both food and other. Even if the claim is remotely correct, it refers to weight, not volume which would be a more appropriate measure and there is absolutely no way that food comes anywhere near the third figure claimed.</p> <p>The council has only produced two options. Why not have a third and leave collection arrangements as they are plus a food waste collection.</p> <p>I would also point out that a substantial amount of garden waste, which would significantly contribute towards the 50% recycling target, is being lost because households who refuse to pay for the brown bin will dump it in the green bin - or elsewhere! If the brown bin was free there would surely be an increase in the amount of waste recycled.</p>
785	Need green bin to be collected every two weeks. Full of medical waste (should be collected separate and incinerated weekly)
786	All acceptable
787	This is too long for green bin.



788	Collecting green bin every 3 weeks will attract vermin. I don't need a brown bin for garden waste.
789	Prefer this one.
790	As I don't have any food waste don't particularly want a bin I am 87 and eat what I cook. I can't see the 3 weeks bin working it will be black plastic bags everywhere for cats and dogs to rip open.
791	Small food container for singles.
792	3 weeks is too long for the green bin regardless of 'no food content' i would prefer 3 weekly for the grey bin/
793	Our household does not generate much food waste. Most of our food waste being composted. We do not consider that a 'reduced' size green bin would meet our requirements so we are choosing option 1. Residual waste in green bin would be reduced considerably by increasing the number of item types recycled in the grey bin please!
794	240l bin collected every 2 weeks.
795	Every 3 weeks is to long to wait
796	Three weekly collections too confusing. Smaller green bin ample size for me.
797	Dont mind the food bin Green bin size and collection must stay the same
798	we want to keep our existing green bin 24 litres - collection every 3 weeks.
799	The problem we have with both options is that we have large volumes of medical waste that would be too heavy for a 3-weekly collection of the 240 L bin, while the 140 L bin would be too small. If we did not have medical waste, then receiving a 140 L bin to replace our existing bin, which is broken, would be the best alternative for us. We're happy to have the option of recycling food waste, at last, as this has been a concern of ours for a long time.
800	A good idea for food waste may not be cost effective.
801	OK for food waste, grey bin and brown bin but we have incontinence pads changed 4x per day. The green bin is very full after two weeks. We need 240 litres every 2 weeks.
802	Best Option
803	.
804	For our household this is the best option as if all the family are home there are 6 of us. Your estimate of food waste may be so for the average family but eggshells, carrot peelings veg stalks and tea bags don't add up to that in our house. I am happy to recycle however. At present I save all my small plastics and take them to the Sainsbury's Upton recycling and my tetrapacks to Morrisons or the tip in West Kirby. Why can't you join forces with these schemes and send these things for recycling where they must send them or bigger bins in all Wirral supermarket car parks to encourage recycling from them.
805	Food waste: we compost our food waste this wouldn't get much use. Green bin - prefer to keep current bin. Perfectly happy with 2 week collection. Grey bin - to increase recycling rates you should increase the range of items you accept for recycling. With appropriate encouragement, all citizens can recycle more - especially food trays - anything with a triangle symbol on. Its easy. Our green bin is never full. We pay for the brown bin - that's very useful.  If anything, this would be my preferred option.
806	Struggle with just two green bins due to two babies and five adults in the house so no chance with either option of being able to cope with the amount of rubbish created - and it is not mainly food waste that contributes to this.
807	This seems the lesser of 2 evils. We will struggle as we are sensible people who don't accumulate leftover food, yet our green and grey bins are always full come collection day.
808	The current fortnightly collection of 240l green bin should remain in place with the introduction of weekly food recycling collection. Is the food recycling container robust enough?
809	With the 3 week green bin option it would be sensible to put extra collections on just after Christmas when bins are usually overflowing, a 3 week collection at that time of year would potentially increase fly tipping
810	dear sir when the council are complaining that they have no money due to cut backs were are suddenly finding it to supply everyone with new bins also if the scheme goes ahead you can be assured that there will be an increase of fly tipping around the Wirral bringing with it an increase in the rat population..
811	I am in favour of the separate food waste collection but I do not want to keep my current green bin.

812	I think that the green bin should initially stay the same size and initially still be collected fortnightly. This gives everyone an idea of how this new system will work. Hopefully I can see that I will not need such a big green bin and then be happier reducing size and collections. At the moment I am not convinced to cutting its size and frequency of collection as I have 4 adults in my house
813	I like the idea of an outside lockable caddy but I don't like that the green bin will be collected every three weeks. It's too long as it will be smelling even more.
814	I don't have a lot of food waste it's the packaging that I seem to have more of. why can't you keep the bins as they are and just add the food bin to see how people manage and then we can make a proper decision on the green bins.
815	Please don't!!! Horrendous idea when you have babies nappies and dog poo to dispose of! It's bad enough getting 2 weekly collections, and I get my bin cleaned every 2 weeks to  Indoor caddy will be stinking soon as you open it to to put waste in not very hygienic with children around when going through kitchen to play in garden as no where to put it
816	Non-recyclable household waste is likely to smell bad by the time the three-weekly collection is due.
817	I wholeheartedly agree with recycling, however a major problem is the amount of packaging on products. for example I have pets, when I buy multiple tins they are shrink wrapped in plastic that goes straight into my bin. maybe it will be a good idea for me to leave all excess packaging at the supermarket I buy it from, thus my bin won't be so full. Also fruit, in plastic bags, and plastic boxes, all of which goes straight into the bin on unpacking the shopping. Maybe it's time the government did something about this, force manufacturers to use less packaging when completely unnecessary
818	This option appears preferable as the original 240 litre bins can be utilised and replaced on a structured slower process.  Meaning only food bins will need to be introduced initially, and then over time new green bins, maybe smaller. However 3 weekly green bin collections mean less vehicle use and less fuel too, as oppose to 2 weekly collections with obviously increase the amount of collections.  Negative smells from green bins won't necessarily have any effect, as food is collected separately anyway.
819	A green bin collection every three weeks is wholly inadequate. The current two weekly collection is also inadequate.
820	3 weeks for the green bin is too long. Is the weekly collection of the blue bin a "golden promise". What would happen if collection of it was prevented?
821	I'm appalled.  The costs of the investigation and subsequent emails and mailings which result in a situation where you present me with unacceptable options must have been staggering. You should have consulted us first BEFORE wasting our money!  It's a disgrace. Sack the halfwit who came up with it.  I don't want a slop bucket. Want to retain 240 Litre bin and want in collected every two weeks collections.
822	I think this is really unfair as I Have been recycling my own food waste for many many years. Indeed, my children are all in their forties and they have all adopted the attitude that you don't put food in the waste bin. And now you say you intend to only collect this every 3 weeks. Furthermore, don't claim that leaving the bins for 3 weeks in the summer months won't increase the likelihood of rats and smells because it will and this has been proven in other areas that have extended the collection period. You take away but don't give back. I work for the EA and I know that the fly tipping has increased and this will either get worse or people will be expected to take their own rubbish to the tip when the bins reach overflowing. stop talking rubbish.
823	I WOULD WORRY ABOUT A FLY PROBLEM IN THE SUMMER MONTHS.
824	Three weeks is too long to wait for green bin to be emptied.
825	I am happy that the current sized green bins would be retained. Mine is perfectly serviceable and I feel it would be too costly to replace them unnecessarily. I would not be happy to have the green bin emptied three weekly. In households using nappies and ladies sanitary wear, those products would quickly become very smelly. I think the brown bin should be free. Many people stopped using them when the charges were imposed, thus they now put the garden waste in the green bin. Charging too much will only encourage others to do likewise. Bidston Moss recycling centre should improve their equipment. Most local authorities now recycle ALL plastics, unlike Wirral.
826	I would rather it stayed as it is. You aren't giving us a choice of what we want. You have already made the decision to have food waste separate. The people who can't be bothered recycling are not going to do it whatever way you choose to do the bins
827	This is not an option we do not want a three weekly collection. The collection should stay two weekly as it is.

828	This my preferred option.
829	<p>The existing green bin collection every 2 weeks is wholly insufficient for our needs at the present time. Increasing the time between collections just frustrates me, as a responsible resident, I already visit the council tip far too regularly. As a household with only 2 heads, we have very little food waste.</p> <p>I cannot see any justification for extending the green bin collection to 3 weeks.</p>
830	As a family of five, we need the current fortnightly collections. We compost waste we do not dispose of food and we pay for our brown bin collection. We could not manage three weeks. I suggest you need to reconsider the recycling of plastics and foils etc, as when we visit other areas their recycling is superior. The enviromental issues are of a concern to us a a family and recycle textiles etc ourselves currently.
831	I feel this is the best option as long as everyone uses the bins provided correctly.
832	I think option two would suit my families needs more. I am guilty of throwing good as this is the majority of what goes in my green bin.
833	<p>Grey bin allowables need to be extended so that ANYTHING marked as recyclable can be included as long as it is clean. Aluminium foil should also be recycled as with other councils such as Trafford. This would also significantly increase Wirral's recycled tonnage.</p> <p>You have not specified anywhere what constitutes food. When this was last tried on Wirral - unsuccessfully - there were severe restrictions on what counted as "food".</p> <p>If we are forced to take one of these two options this would be the better one as it gives 80 litres per week of "general household waste" and doesn't require yet more plastic to be used to provide new 140 litre bins or the disposal of our current bins.</p>
834	We would not benefit from option 1 as we don't throw food away! So 3 weekly collections would mean our green bin would be overflowing!
835	<p>It would appear that this has been decided come what may and will start Spring 2017 (ref your website) Do you honestly think that most people in the council area will understand what to do? Not being condescending but the system is already too complicated for many people to handle and to introduce another layer of difficulty will ensure that it will not produce the imagined results</p> <p>Recycling is already fraught with difficulties that should not be there - ie all packaging should be recycled, all garden waste should be recycled so what happens? A charge for garden waste that I refuse to pay so it all goes in my green bin, some packaging but not others go in the grey bin and now spending good money after bad on new green and extra bins when the current recycling system needs to be upgraded. Other councils manage it, why not Wirral? Sorry! Forgot! Its too obvious!!</p>
836	Very worried about smells/flies/vermin in summer with nappies if only being collected every three weeks
837	<p>We have minimal food waste as it is and we already recycle everything we are able to. We have maybe the remainder of a tub of coleslaw which would not save any space in a green bin as the tub it is in still has to go in the green bin anyway. This is because the grey bin does not recycle this kind of plastic. We have virtually no peelings as a friend has these for their animals. We eat baked potatoes and so we eat the skins! Our 240 litre green bin is full every fortnight and requires emptying after 2 weeks not 3. The waste containers that fill our green bin are not recyclable in the grey bin, such as ice cream cartons, margerine tubs, salad tubs etc. Also shredded paper is not accepted in the grey bin. We live in a flat and have no back yard to store rubbish bags in and no transport to take recyclable waste elsewhere. How many bin bags of waste would actually fit into the small green bin you are suggesting? Not enough! Will council tax be reduced?? Our bin is accessible to the public so no doubt if smaller bins were given we would get other peoples waste put in our bins, as we already do. More rubbish left lying around means more mice and in this area we already have an issue with mice. I am always picking up other peoples dumped bin bags - yet smaller bins or less collections are being suggested. So what about people like us? NEITHER OPTION IS SUITABLE - NO CHANGE IS THE ONLY OPTION.</p>
838	prefer the way bins are at the moment
839	I favour this option. But can we try to expand what we recycle eg foil, etc.
840	<p>food recycling is an excellent idea, but my concern is that nappies take the majority of the volume in our green bin.</p> <p>I worry that 3 weeks is too long in between collections.</p>
841	<p>why not collect grey bin 3 weekly intervals?</p> <p>3 weeks for green bin without food waste in it seems reasonable</p>
842	I don't have any food waste whatsoever so a food bin isn't an option for me,but three weeks waiting for the green bin to be emptied is an option either,the council must have m ok 're money than sense,but you must listen to the householders.
843	not an option with a 3 weekly collection
844	We through very little food away so we don't want a caddy for the kitchen and yet another bin for outside. Also if you recycled plastic food trays then that would create a lot less waste for the green bins, as this doesn't happen yet, then 3 weeks is too long between emptying.

845	A third of the weight of our bin is not food waste. This is only being done to cut costs. Currently a lot of waste that is recycled by most other councils isn't on the Wirral. You need to invest in more methods of recycling.
846	Most of our food waste is raw and goes in our own garden compost bin. I am not convinced that our green bin waste will reduce enough for either option to be suitable. Three weeks is a long time to have waste sitting in a bin especially in the summer. Food containers may still be covered with rotting food even if the actual food has been disposed of separately.
847	I agree with recycling food waste but am worried about the smell and bacteria in my kitchen and the thought of only having my green bin emptied every 3 weeks even though I put everything in bags it still smells after only 2 weeks surely this is not good I already use the council's garden waste club
848	I live on my own and have very little (and some weeks none at all) food waste. I am in favour of the collection of my green bin to take place every 3 weeks.
849	<p>It would be essential that food waste is collected weekly to minimise smell, vermin, fox attacks and insect infestation. By using a smaller container, this would make it easier for animals to attack, knock over. Some householders may not lock their containers, or, locks will break. Question: Will the Council replace broken lock containers. If not, what will the replacement charges be?</p> <p>What will be put in place for when there are disruptions to collections, particularly for food waste ie industrial disputes, vehicle breakdowns, weather conditions, extremely hot.</p> <p>If the Council could answer the above satisfactorily, then a 3 week Green Bin collection would satisfy our household needs as there are only 2 adults. However, for larger households I do not feel 3 weeks would be adequate.</p> <p>Why can't the money be used to upgrade the Bidston site for recycling of other plastics and containers which take a long time to breakdown in landfill sites. While food will decompose much more quickly. Thinking about a longer term view now, I would prefer this be done, as at some time in the future I feel it will become necessary to do this. Other Councils are able to recycle such items. I suspect there is a degree of households in Wirral that already put these items in their grey bin. Does the Council know the figures for items such as other plastics and containers that are not currently recycled, against food waste?</p>
850	Quite happy with the change but we have a 15mth old who is still in nappies so would require the old 240 litres bin. Because of this I would be unhappy to have a collection of green bin once every three weeks
851	leave collections as they are total waste of money giving us more bins
852	<p>3 weekly cycle is far too long!</p> <p>This option with a 2 weekly green bin collection should be the preference!</p> <p>If the Council wants to add yet another bin then that is their decision, but to reduce the collection cycle of the main bin is just plain wrong.</p>
853	<p>Food waste only takes up a small proportion of most people's rubbish.</p> <p>My waste consists of a great deal of packaging etc which the Council will not take in the recycling bin. Perhaps the Council should concentrate on recycling more packaging and collecting same from the home rather than expecting the householder to sort and take to a recycling centre. Who has time for that?</p> <p>Currently, if I miss a bin collection due to holidays, I cannot manage until the next collection without visiting the tip. This is fine a couple of times a year but I'm not going to go to the tip every third week because my bin is full!</p>
854	Neither option is good for us. A two week cycle for our general waste is just right at the moment and the bin is full of non food and non recycle waste. No food or extremely small amount is wasted in our house from my own survey over two weeks I would be lucky to fill half an average bin bag. So for the green bin to last for two weeks will result in garbage in our drive or we will have to buy an additional bin if you reduce the size.
855	<p>I do intend to store food waste in a caddy, liner or no liner in my house. How many liners do you provide, if I have to purchase them it will go straight into the green bin as at present. Currently paying by Council Tax to have bins emptied plus extra again for brown bin. It didn't work last time so why do you expect it to work now.</p> <p>Where is this to be stored to keep out of reach of children and animals. Have you considered the difficulties for elderly people and people with disabilities</p>

856	You CANNOT make the green bin collection every 3 weeks. It is a ridiculous idea.
857	The green bin will still contain food packing and will smell of only collected every 3 weeks, also encouraging vermin
858	My tiny garden has no space. I do not want smelly bins
859	No
860	We don't have a lot of food waste but always fill green bin. We would struggle with a three weekly collection.
861	This is a good idea. There is no need to take the existing green bins out of service - they work perfectly well so why trash them? Once they no longer contain perishable food waste there will be no need to empty them as frequently as two-weekly.
862	I already have a caddy and compost my vegetable skin. I do not waste food as I only cook what we need for each meal. So this option would not suit me.
863	<p>Although in favour of a food waste collection a lot of other people will not have room for another bin. People won't have gardens any more they will just have bin stores!</p> <p>On a more serious note, collecting the green bin every 3 weeks will not be practicable. We are a household of 3. My sister and I look after our mother at home. She is bedbound and incontinent so we have incontinence pads to dispose of. Most of our green bin waste consists of these incontinence pads. It would be very unhygienic for these to sit in the bin for 3 weeks.</p>
864	<p>This is not a proper consultation - the only point on which you are asking for comment is regarding the green bin collection.</p> <p>It will cause chaos if you collect the green bin every three weeks, trying to remember which bins to put out. On a given week it might be 1-4 bins.</p> <p>I rarely throw food away so the food waste idea will have no impact on my green bin.</p> <p>It would be better to invest in improving the recycling facility. Many items of packaging say 'see local recycling' and you do not recycle them, e.g. margarine cartons, yoghurt pots, biscuit tins.</p> <p>Also, it is unfair to charge for garden waste which was introduced without proper consultation.</p>
865	<p>I applaud the weekly food waste collection</p> <p>I would like to keep the 240l green bin on a THREE week collection</p> <p>We currently use old plastic bags for green bin/food waste.</p> <p>I am disabled (ms) and it is getting more difficult to put the bins out, how can I be sure of collections?</p> <p>Will the new food waste bin have wheels?</p> <p>Can the collectors come onto my drive to empty the waste?</p> <p>Lets NOT use any plastic bags at all, unless they are biodegradable, plastic packaging of any item is damaging our planet.</p> <p>Will the Council supply all biodegradable food bags long term?</p>
866	<p>Both of these options are an insult and will just lead to fly tipping and other anti social behavior. The bin system should remain as is, especially after the introduction of the fees for brown bin recycling. If the council cared so much about recycling then this should be a service included in the (higher) council tax rates for those with gardens.</p> <p>This is an issue that I intend to write to local Councillors about and will have a direct bearing of future voting.</p>
867	Neither option is welcome. The bin collection should remain as it is and cost savings found in other areas.
868	This is a good option & we would be happy with this
869	THE BETTER OF TWO EVILS! I FAIL TO SEE WHY I HAVE TO PAY FOR GARDEN REFUGE - IT SHOULD BE PART OF THE GENERAL TAX.
870	If you want to collect and recycle garden waste - it should be part of the collections paid for by the council tax.
871	<p>I think the idea of a WEEKLY food recycling collection is a good one.</p> <p>I do not like the idea of my existing bin being collected every three weeks but would prefer this than to having the bin size reduced.</p> <p>Despite what the council says I am sure either of these options will lead to an increase in fly-tipping which Wirral does not need as it is already dirty enough.</p>
872	Need bigger bin as disposal of continence pads for husband every day

873	<p>We wish to keep our large green bin and have it emptied every 3 weeks.</p> <p>There is no mention on how many liners to collect the food waste in are initial supplied. When these run out are they still issued free.</p> <p>At the moment we have a large compost bin which we will stop using. We will find it very easy to recycle food waste as we already keep the majority of it from veg for compost but will now recycle it.</p> <p>We are lucky that we have a car for our garden waste. I strongly believe that the brown bin should be free. As well as ourselves we also have many neighbours who will not pay for the brown bin. But most neighbours put their garden rubbish into the green bin.</p> <p>If the brown bin was free again I am sure that you would get more garden waste which would be part of Wirral Council's recycling target.</p>
874	Satisfactory option
875	Whatever we say is our option the council will override it.
876	Quite happy with option 1
877	3 WEEKS IS TOO LONG FOR COLLECTION. BUT CONCERNED ABOUT THE COST OF THE NEW BINS.
878	This sounds like the best option. It is too expensive to change the green bins for a smaller capacity, just keep the ones we have.
879	<p>We do NOT want a food waste bin as we compost all our green waste.</p> <p>We would prefer to stay just as we are., keeping a 240 litre green bin.</p>
880	Just leave things as they are. If you don't leave things as they are I will expect to see my council tax reduced !!!
881	I only have a very small yard at my house so would prefer not to have large green bin plus food recycling bin.
882	<p>Will people of the Wirral benefit from any money generated from the Electricity produced and fed into the grid at Widnes?</p> <p>It seems the calculation would be Tonage processed from the Wirral minus processing cost would = money to be Recycled to to WBC.</p>
883	We prefer this option to keep our existing green bin
884	<p>I am happy to have a food recycling bin even though my contribution would be minimal.</p> <p>I am not happy to have the green (general waste bin) changed and see no need for this and collection should remain at two weeks. The replacement would cost a great deal of money which is a complete waste.</p> <p>The authorities responsible for managing the recycling should invest in suitable machinery to maximise the items that could be recycled. It is very frustrating for residents to be told that targets have not been achieved when the councils could in fact recycle more items and allow residents to do so by putting more into their general recycling bins.</p> <p>It is also very frustrating to have it implied that it is residents who need to improve when the council clearly need to do so and invest money into modernising machinery rather than wasting money on small green bins which will cost a lot to replace for the whole of Wirral.</p>
885	I would prefer this option although I have concerns about the fact I have pets and their waste will be sitting in the bin for three weeks. We couldn't manage with a small bin even with the food bin as a separate collection.
886	<p>Collecting the main bin every 3 weeks may be really smelly if you have kids with nappies. It would be more cost effective to keep the current bins but most are probably over 20 years old so maybe good to be replaced.</p> <p>Would be interesting to know what you would do for families who currently have 2 bins - perhaps they could just keep the bigger ones though I don't know if the trucks can empty both types at the same time?</p> <p>(Whilst on this subject id like to point out that I had 2 kids with nappies, Inc a newborn and managed fine with 1 bin. I personally feel that people should be charged for an extra bin by collection. It is possible to reduce this waste and if people were charged perhaps they would consider using reusable nappies or being more careful with their waste. I see so many people throwing things that could be recycled. This could be addressed by reducing the number of people allowed a second bin for nappies)</p> <p>I wonder whether a less frequent service would make people more likely to recycle food waste as they wouldnt want it making their bin smelly.</p>

887	<p>This would be fine in the winter but in the summer 3 weeks is a long time for items such as nappies, used sanitary products, etc. to be sitting outside in a bin.</p> <p>Most of the waste in my green bin is unrecyclable packaging. As a vegetarian with a compost bin in my garden, who takes care to avoid throwing away perfectly good food, I do not throw away any food waste and so am unlikely to place anything in the new caddy other than if I occasionally have visitors stay.</p>
888	Unsuitable
889	<p>With the price of food most households only cook and buy what they need. There is very little food waste. Does the weekly collection have its own collection vehicle? Using fuel and polluting the atmosphere.or is food waste going to get mixed up with other collections?. As over half of all packaging is not recyclable big green bin is still needed.</p>
890	<p>I agree food recycling needs to be introduced.</p> <p>I do not agree to a 3 week collection on the green bin.</p> <p>I find that NOT a great deal of food is put in the green bin but that it mostly contains manufacturers UN-recyclable waste.</p>
891	<p>Would not like to wait three weeks as it will smell in the summer as we put our grandson's nappies in and dog waste.</p>
892	<p>What about people with babies and small children ?</p> <p>Do you believe that leaving soiled nappies in a bin for three weeks through the height of summer is an acceptable and hygienic method of waste disposal ?</p>
893	<p>My concern is that in the summer months even with no food waste in the green bins you will still get maggots. I know there are private companies who provide a cleaning service for the Green bins but do you think this could be something that the council could provide.</p>
894	<p>The majority of items in my green bin are plastics that you tell me can't be recycled, such as yogurt pots, food trays etc, not food. With today's economy, more people are aware of food wastage due to budget pressures in the home.</p> <p>I lived in Ellesmere Port for 10 years before moving to the Wirral and I'm comfortable with the proposal to recycle food with a weekly collection. I'm more concerned that Wirral cannot recycle other plastics and would like to know what plans the council is proposing for this type of plastic. I've noticed my green bin fills up very quickly so to have it collected every three weeks, or even a smaller bin every fortnight, may mean it is too full to be collected at times. I do not wish to spend my precious family time at waste recycling centres!</p>
895	<p>This food waste idea didnt work the last time it was introduced. We were also drawn into the buying of a garden compost bin. We later also had to pay another annual cost for our garden waste to be collected.</p> <p>I really do wonder where your figures regarding the amount of food waste that is collected in the green bins comes from because everybody and I do mean everybody that I have talked to about the amount of food waste that is supposed to be added to our green bins every fortnight find the figures ridiculous.</p> <p>It will be another total waste of taxpayers money. The types of waste that is recycled needs to be examined and I believe that if other items were able to be collected for recycling it would greatly assist you reaching your figure of 50% recycling.</p> <p>The idea of 3 week collections of the grren bins is a totally backward step and will result in mountains of discarded black bin bags all over the Wirral.</p> <p>I know for almost certainty that Wirral Council has already decided what they are going to do and it matters not what probably a very high percentage of Wirral residents would like and it is not what you are planning to do.</p>
896	<p>My green bin is never full, even with the food waste, so a smaller one would be fine. Also, a three weekly collection is harder to remember!</p>
897	<p>No - DO NOT like this option - leave as is now, but if necessary go to 3week collection on Green Bin.</p>
898	<p>Option 1 preferred as need to keep large green bin. Not sure it wont overflow by 3 weeks though. Nor convinced the weekly food recycling is going to work. Could be messy.</p> <p>Every 2 weeks is easy to monitor if all are bins are included but if some are 3 and others are 2 weeks it could get confusing. Would be better if all bins were on two week cycles.</p>

899	This is just a way of screwing more money out of residents. I have no doubt that the increase will be utilised on more hair brained schemes. The way things are going we won't be able to afford food to waste moreover, where are these extra bins to be kept, don't the bone heads who devised these schemes realise that the majority of households do not have sufficient space for what they have at the moment? People on limited pensions, which they have worked hard to acquire are already bearing the burden of the don't work won't work brigade who undoubtedly will be given further preferential treatment, thus adding to the burden.
900	No bins should be left longer than a fortnight between collections, it is impractical for families as amount of refuse can vary week to week and will create hygiene problems particularly in warmer weather.
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902	This is the best of two poor choices. (see below for questions of recycling) I have a few questions... 1. Will the council continue to supply food waste bin liners? How often will this be? If not, I imagine many people will simply stop using them. 2. If green bins are collected every 3 weeks, this may lead to confusion; green and grey bins are collected on alternate weeks, which is simple to remember. Also, a 3 weekly collection will result in both bins being collected together every few months.
903	Best of a bad lot. The recycling facility should have been designed for recycling of all waste at the construction of the plant instead of going for the lowest tender price.
904	This is our preferred option
905	This seems to be most cost effective. Green bins without decomposing food can stand a three week cycle.
906	Why are you proposing to introduce food waste collections when an energy from waste plant is about to start a 30 year contract in the north east. you appear to be ignoring the fact that the bin reductions either in size or frequency do not reduce the overall waste arising they only shift the waste to HWRCs and Flytipping and contamination of other bins such as dry recyclables. What happens at Christmas and Easter if people have smaller residual bins? i do not subscribe to a Brown bin so how do i get a weekly food waste collection if my residual is three weekly and the dry recyclable bin is fortnightly? do you have a week when i have only a food waste collection?
907	I don't think 1/3 of my waste is food waste. I hardly have any. I'm not really happy to have a food bin because it will smell but I will do this if I have to. I don't want my green bin emptied every 3 weeks. I don't think this will work. Most people's bins are already overflowing and I don't believe it's food. Why don't you give us our brown bins back for free - as people will put garden waste in the green bin. It's obvious that people won't make the effort to go to the tip by the amount of fly tipping that I see around. I think this option is rubbish!
908	I have no intention of having a food caddy in the house or recycling food waste . i will continue to put it in the bin A three week collection is unacceptable and will lead to increased vermin and pestilence.
909	The maths doesn't add up? So you propose buying caddies with our money now when we've not long paid for wheelie bins? The caddies require a purchase of different vans to empty them so we'll have to pay for those aswell? Caddies are fine for rich people who have room for them in their utility rooms! I think you'll find the council tax payer is more on the ball than they used to be, thanks to social media. Don't waste council money debating new plans just use what you've got and make it efficient, civilised and kind! We're already the laughing stock of Cheshire and Liverpool people because we have to pay for garden waste when there's is free.
910	this option suits us better. when will this begin please?
911	What is the evidence for the statistic re the % of food waste by weight? How does this figure distinguish between organic food waste and garden waste where garden waste is placed in the green bin? How has this % changed since the introduction of a charge for the garden waste brown bin service? Why not reintroduce a free brown bin service to directly assist with recycling target?  Option 1 is not viable with regards a three week collection for general waste and a small lockable food container. A fortnightly collection of green bin (and weekly food waste) or a large lockable food container with weekly collection, plus three weekly green bin collection is required to address environmental, health and sustainability outcomes.
912	Not keen on 3 week green bin collection but the weekly collection of food waste is an excellent improvement to the system
913	3 weeks between collections is too long.



914	<p>I have two children in nappies. Currently, I am struggling to close the standard green bin after ten days. Most of my landfill waste is packaging and nappy waste.</p> <p>I appreciate that food waste being collected separately would reduce the amount of waste going into the green bin, but I don't believe it would be sufficient to allow me to fit all the waste in that I would need to.</p> <p>Apart from this, the bin smells of the contents of the nappies; if I had to keep the bin for three weeks, I don't know where I would put it, because I wouldn't want it anywhere near the house, where the smells could get in. I already use reusable nappies.</p> <p>I was wondering how the food collection would work, as cooked food can't be composted. Is it to be burnt to produce power?</p> <p>If you were to expand your recycling collection to include things like plastic bags and tetra-pak type cartons, I might be able to switch more waste from landfill to recycling.</p>
915	Of the two only options I would prefer this one although I am certain I will be taking a trip to the tip to get rid of some of the waste from the green bin. My green bin is never a third full of food waste as I am a great believer in not wasting food. My grey bin is nearly always full of recycled material which I am passionate about.
916	Less wasted money by not replacing green bins
917	This I presume is the cheaper option and seems fine to me. Indeed I would think you could extend the green bin collection frequency to once per 4 weeks.
918	Simply hygiene reasons, and with regards to the point made in option2 for operational reasons a collection may have to be missed. Would not like the bin left longer. Also as bins are near their life expectancy some people may not have the funds to renew their bin, & if the lid has come off 3 weeks of waste ( summer months) will attract more vermin/ flies.
919	<p>My green bin is mainly packaging from fresh food. Three week collection would cause problems with smell and possibly flies and maggots. if suppliers could provide card or paper packaging then I could compost it. I compost everything I can, card, paper, egg shells, peelings from veg and fruit. Its a favourite past-time I enjoy as I get wonderful soil for my garden in six month cycles. Also there is very little food waste in our house due to hungry lads!</p> <p>So my point is "The suppliers' need to change not us and not the council who are doing a wonderful job. Thank you for asking for our opinion.</p>
920	We have no food waste as we compost all peelings. We are a family of five and could not manage with a reduction in collections when you do not recycle a lot of plastics. We also consume all the food we buy and produce.
921	<p>Reduction in green bin capacity (option 1) = 40 litres per week. What is the capacity of the small outdoor food waste bin?</p> <p>What is the capacity of the small indoor caddy and will sufficient liners be provided to cover 40 litres per week of food waste?</p> <p>We prefer this option because we retain 80 litres / week green bin capacity as opposed to 70 litres per week for option 2. In our case, we don't believe that food waste constitutes 30% of our waste output so we would want to keep as much green been capacity as possible.</p>
922	I would prefer this option because since we started using grey bins, our green bin is never full each fortnight. If your information is correct about the amount of food waste being thrown away then there will be even less waste in people's green bins. As long as the food waste is collected every week then there shouldn't be the problem of smells that occur in hot weather.
923	Three weeks between collections of the green bin is too long, especially in hot conditions in the summer. Even though you will be suggesting there will be less waste and especially food waste in the bins I believe it will still cause nasty odours, maggots (which can occur in the summer months) and other harmful side affects which can prove harmful to health.
924	Three weeks is too long, come summer the bin will be stinking and fly and maggot ridden. NOT PLEASANT. Keep the bin collectors in a job!
925	The food caddy idea was an inconvenience for my nan and her friends when it was introduced in her council and the little caddies did attract rats on collection today more than larger bins as they are easier to access. You should encourage people to recycle their own compostable waste as Liverpool did by offering cheap compost bins
926	We do not accept any of the above option regarding the green bin collection. The current set up works perfectly well. By moving to a three week bin collection, the build up of household waste will be unacceptable and that is when fly tipping will reach epidemic proportions. All public street bins will end up overflowing with peoples garbage. The "status quo" should remain. Listen to those who have the vote.

927	<p>We have found the current service meets our needs and throw away very little food.</p> <p>We like the collection every two weeks.</p>
928	Not suitable
929	<p>The available space for the storage of these bins needs to be considered. Small terraced houses have a real problem with space and I often see them stuck outside front doors, not just on collection days. My sister lives in an end terrace and several neighbours leave their bins outside her house for collection and forget to collect them. Often there is a smell and accompanying flies. Another point is that it depends on the size of the family if a smaller bin is tone considered. I would be O.K. Because there are only two of us but a family of five would find a small bin difficult.</p>
930	<p>Have reservations about food waste caddy. How secure will it be and will it ensure no spillage that might encourage vermin? Also, I think it might encourage the waste of food and delay advance meal planning and shopping which results in the purchase of more calculated amounts of food and consequently less waste.</p> <p>A three week cycle would also be stretched at main holiday times when general waste tends to increase.</p> <p>Do all households have space for an indoor caddy and would there be an issue with children around the bin?</p>
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932	<p>Unfortunately, this option will not benefit my family as we have very little food waste apart from coffee grains, teabags, fruit cores /peelings, and vegetable peelings. I don't throw any food away!</p> <p>I still can't understand why there is no facility for more plastic recycling. Other European countries seem to be able to process different plastics.</p> <p>Maybe it is time that the UK introduced an extra payment on a plastic drinks bottle that you then return to the store and it is then credited against your next purchase. In the Netherlands you have to pay an extra 25c on a 1.5l drinks bottle and 10c on a beer bottle. You then return the bottles as you have in effect paid for it!</p>
933	<p>Not all kitchens have room for indoor caddy.</p> <p>No details about the lockable food waste container or how that will be collected/organised.</p> <p>Bin emptying wagon often leaves some mess behind so concerned that food container collection service will be similar and cause increase in vermin.</p> <p>Having 1 food bin on a weekly cycle, 2 bins (currently brown and green on same day), 1 bin (grey) on a 2 weekly cycle and 1 bin (green again!!) on a proposed 3 weekly cycle - can't see how that works efficiently.</p>
934	I think food waste collection bins are a good idea.
935	3 weeks is a long time for rubbish to be left outside my house especially in the summer months!
936	We never have food waste and we already struggle wiith our existing bin on a fortnightly basis. And anyway haven't we just voted to leave the European Union so what's the issue anyway? But if choose we must then option 1 is the best.

937	<p>There is almost zero food waste in my green bin, so many households must be virtually filling their green bins with food waste if your averages are to be believed.</p> <p>Wirral needs to educate residents not to waste food rather than just accepting that the amount that is currently thrown away, is the amount that will always be thrown away.</p> <p>Those households, like ours which do not waste food and who compost peelings etc, will be penalised by your proposal to, as always, deal with the symptoms of a wasteful society rather than the disease.</p> <p>Your assumptions that this proposal will enable Wirral to meet its recycling targets is flawed, because you assume that once you introduce the new food bins, all food waste will be then be recycled. This clearly will not happen, because many households will simply continue as they are now putting their food waste in the green bin and those households which produce massive amounts of food waste will just use both.</p> <p>Wirral needs to recycle more solid items (eg food packaging) in order to meet its targets, and work with food suppliers to reduce packaging. More joined-up thinking please!</p>
938	This is my preferred option
939	<p>To a house holder, this would seem to be the better option as it would allow for generating 80 litres of green bin waste a week, rather than 70 litres a week with the smaller bins.</p> <p>Also this option would reduce the number of occasions a house holder would have to put the green bin out.</p> <p>Additionally, there would be no need to replace the complete stock of green bins.</p> <p>The downside of this is that if a house holder misses a collection for the green bin, then its six weeks between collections.</p>
940	I would not be happy with 3 weekly bin collections, however as I have a family of 5 think that a smaller bin would not be feasible.
941	3 week collection is not good in the warm summer months
942	DO NOT WANT FOOD WASTE COLLECTION. NEED GREEN BIN 2 WEEKLY AS USUAL
943	I think both options are rubbish (excuse the pun). We are the customers paying for these services which people and councils tend to forget. I dont want a service which will lead to people being worried about throwing out their rubbish or others dumping it on our streets to get around it. I don't think it will change the amount of rubbish that is generated and I think creating new bins and caddies is a disgrace for the environment and a cost in an age of austerity. I think you need to rethink about these changes just to meet a target and remember who your customers actually are.
944	3 weeks sounds a long time to leave rubbish in the green bin, regardless of the contents.
945	Not acceptable in this day and age to have a bin collection every 3 weeks with the associated hygiene issues, even without the actual food waste there will still be packing from raw meat, fish and vegetables etc going mouldy.
946	Current collections work very well why the need to change
947	<p>I would prefer the collections to remain as they are.</p> <p>Of the two options I would opt for this one.</p> <p>I do not want option 2.</p>
948	This is the better option (of two awful ones) so that the current supply of green bins do not need to be replaced, this would save money due to the large scale logistic operation involved.
949	no leave it all how it is now
950	Don't like the idea of recycling food will encourage pests and vermin not to mention the smell. Don't mind green bin getting collected three weekly, but I don't have a big family at home.
951	Three weeks between collections is too long and as you admit will result in increased fly tipping
952	Prefer having the larger bin

953	Would prefer Option 2. Don't fancy rubbish being left in bin for 3 weeks
954	<p>Firstly,there is no way that we dispose of the amount of food that is suggested.The amount of food we put in our waste bin would amount to no more than two small plastic shopping bags in a two week cycle.</p> <p>The idea of having 2 further containers to be accommodated will be farcial in most households.</p> <p>They effect of a three week collection of the existing green bin will mean it overflowing. Will the collectors of the bins then be prepared to accept additional bags of waste if left alongside?</p> <p>It would be far better if you increased the number of items that could be put into the grey bin such as yogurt cartons,aerosol cans etc.</p> <p>A totally bad idea</p>
955	The idea of keeping a bin in your kitchen full of mouldy food is ,in my opinion,not an option.For one thing I have dogs,so there is no food waste,as they get all the scraps.Another thing is,even if they didn't get the scraps they would be trying to get in the bin constantly.Also warm weather will make the bin stink.As for only collecting the bin every 3 weeks,well it's ridiculous.The bin gets full after 2 weeks never mind 3 weeks,and as the food waste bin will make absolutely no difference to me then I will be left with a over-flowing,stinking bin.This will most probably lead to rats and mice and the obvious maggot infestation we already have to put up with.I would imagine there will be an increase in fly tipping as well.
956	<p>I have very little, almost absolutely no food waste. I do however, regularly completely fill my 240 litre green bin with non recyclable waste. Much of it comprising packaging resulting from online shopping and the general over enthusiastic packaging produced in super markets. Therefore I do need to retain my 240 litre green bin. Since I currently invariably fill it every 2 weeks, extending the inter collection period to 3 weeks would obviously not be satisfactory. Question: What are the capacity and dimensions of the proposed 'blue' bin. (Where to keep it)</p> <p>In my case, a food collection bin service would do very little to increase the council's recycling. Changing green bin collections to 3 weekly periods would not keep up with the waste we currently produce for the green bin.</p>
957	<p>People spend a small fortune having kitchens designed and fitted. This always includes refuse collection and the preference is usually to have indoor bins hidden in a cupboard. Indeed, some kitchen cupboards are designed specifically for this purpose. There is already the requirement currently to have two bins in the kitchen, one for the 'green wheelie' and one for the grey. To impose the requirement for a third indoor bin is unreasonable in my opinion. Where are we to site it?</p> <p>My second point about domestic refuse collection is that the capacity issue is one of volume, not mass. While I understand the Council's recycling target and its application, on average, to each household, it is based on mass. The fact is, however, that 7kg of food waste takes up far less space than 7kg of other wastes that go in the green bin. But you want to significantly reduce the volume we're allowed to collect! However, if I had to make a choice I'd go for the 80 lts/wk option of retaining the 240 lets bin over the 70 lts/wk offered by collection option 2.</p> <p>How about spending some of the money improving education? Do you know how much recyclable waste is being put in green bins currently that should be going in the grey for recycling? Maybe start penalising people who get it wrong in order to raise awareness!</p>
958	This would be my preferred option but as a household of 6,we would struggle with a 3 weekly bin collection. When the food recycling was introduced years ago in our area it was a very smelly and messy procedure to keep on top of and stressful with small children.
959	It would be more appropriate to upgrade the re-cycling plant equipment to sort the contents of the Green Bin and keep the two weekly collection programme.
960	<p>Option 1 would be of no use to me. I do not throw away or have a lot of food waste. What goes in the green bin is mainly egg shells, foil, food packaging which is not recyclable and peelings from topping and tailing vegetables, banana skins and strawberry tops and fruit cores. I eat the peels of apples, peaches and pears. I even scrub carrots and potatoes and all root vegetables and cook them with the skins on maintaining the vitamins.</p> <p>I now prefer to buy frozen vegetables I only use what I need therefore cutting out waste and vegetables going off. Salads, tomatoes, lettuce cucumber etc are bought fresh as and when I decide to make a salad.</p> <p>I have to eat gluten free food. I do not eat much bread, biscuits or cakes.</p> <p>The main filling in my green bin is cat litter from two (home) indoor cats and also incontinence supplies which would make a three week collection dreadful for me, and the capacity of a smaller 140 litre would not be sufficient.</p>
961	I seem to recall a small general food waste bin was provided some time ago, it certainly had no effect, as I believe most people/households still put waste food in their general green bin.
962	Thats fine by me I would prefer to keep my big 240L bin.
963	How do you afford to Have a 2 weekly collection and 3 weekly collection???? Plus new bins????

964	We favour this option because it gives 80L per week instead of the 70L of Option 2. Removing 'food' from the green bin would make this a hygienic option but we don't think it will have a significant impact on the volume of our household's material for disposal. Almost all of our 'rubbish' is packaging of various types. We would be very willing to do more sorting and washing to enable more of this to be recycled.
965	I like this option as food needs to be collected every week. if they are left for too long then maggots start infesting them. I hate maggots
966	The different cycles of collection will cause confusion.
967	Not sure how this applies to me as I currently have plastic bags for general waste which are collected weekly and a small black box for recyclables (but not glass) which is also collected weekly. You do not provide a green waste collection from my road though I would be happy to pay for it if you did. If any of this does apply to me I would be happy to have a food recycling caddy
968	We already compost suitable waste. I estimate that
969	3 weeks is felt to be too long to wait for collection
970	I do not have any food waste, why waste money changing the way things are
971	A third of our green bin waste is not food. Virtually all our waste food goes into a wormery. Our biggest problems are Tetra Paks and plastic waste. While we do try to reduce this via shopping habits, it is extremely difficult due to retailers.  When is the council going campaign for more responsible packaging from retailers? When will the council introduce tetra pak recycling and increase plastic recycling?  We will struggle on three weekly green bin collections in some weeks of the year.
972	Leave bin collections as they are now and stop meddling!!!
973	I think the council needs to leave the situation as it is at present. You are getting recyclable waste from the brown as well as the green bin and both are giving you results. To introduce a lockable bin and bags does the COST of these new bins warrant a LARGER RATE RISE to purchase them  LEAVE THIS FOOLISH IDEA alone.
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975	Don't agree with this option as collecting general waste bins every 3 weeks is too long.
976	I think 3 weeks is too long. We struggle now with two. We don't mind separating the food waste. Which could just go in a small separate bin bagged lined bin.
977	Dreadful
978	This option would be more cost effective as no need to replace the green bins and time saving on 3 weekly bin collection.
979	This option makes more economic sense, rather than having to purchase smaller bins for every household in Wirral. As a single person household I never fill my green bin anyway so a 3 weekly collection is fine by me as long as you provide a hard copy calendar outlining the dates of collection as not all residents have a printer. Will you be providing additional liners for the food caddies after the initial supply? I know in other areas these cost £5 a roll and not all residents will be willing to pay and the food will be placed in the collection bins unbagged. Wirral Council did provide a food waste collection several years ago but this was scrapped as it was 'uneconomical' so why will it suddenly become economical? What changes will be made to the collection and processing so that it will work this time, other than not collecting green bins as often? The refuse collectors will still have to come out every week for the food bins.
980	I have lived in my property for 7+ years. In that time my green wheelie bin has been broken and never replaced. One lid hinge has always been broken and one of the handles on the lid is coming away leaving a hole. I regularly have maggots crawling on it. I don't want a 3 weekly collection, particularly as my bin is so damaged!

981	<p>What are the actual real costs and financial benefits to the council?  Our recycling bin and current green bin are full on the current two week cycle. We cannot recycle any more than we do now!! How will this scheme work for us?  We have had no formal notification from the council regarding public consultation meetings until it was too late - no surprise there then...</p>
982	I AM STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THREE-WEEKLY BIN COLLECTION.
983	The green bin volume will not change. The amount of food thrown away in the green bin does not warrant a reduction from 250l to 150l bins. No one buys 100l of food a week even if they do they consume at least 80% of the food. Have a rethink of how to increase recycle materials. moving it from one bin to another is not the answer
984	<p>We will end up with fly tipping in the local area if you change collections to every 3 weeks. Personally I'm dreading all the extra time you'll be forcing me to spend in the queue at the local dumps. Our green bin is full of nappy bags and dog waste bags and general waste every fortnight, we compost most of our food waste, if you slow down collections to three weekly then you'll just make Wirral a fly-blown mess of fly tipping and overflowing stinking bins. Don't do this.  Food waste is a good idea for those who don't compost but please don't reduce the frequency of collections.  Also, what happens at Christmas etc when there is more waste?!  Stick to fortnightly collections.</p>
985	<p>Ridiculous waste of revenue. Street cleansing is at all time low in my opinion. Yes there are more street waste bins dotted around the Borough, but not emptied on a regular enough basis.  Lord alone knows what will happen when food waste is put out in plastic bags because the containers maybe inadequate, the already well fed vermin that abounds will be multiplying exponentially !!!  Bad idea</p>
986	Not suitable for me. I rarely fill my green bin every fortnight anyway, even if some left over food is included in it. It would not be full even after three weeks.
987	The food waste container has to be big enough for a weeks waste, and a good seal to eliminate any odour. We do not agree with new changes it must add extra cost.
988	3 weeks between collections of the green bin is far too long. As a mother of a 1 year old who produces at least 5 dirty nappies a day the thought of these rotting in a bin between collections for 3 weeks is a grim prospect for myself and local residents.that is a potential of 105 nappies sitting in a bin along with all the other normal waste. Why not focus on recycling more kinds of plastic (which is normal practise for so many councils around the country!).
989	<p>I have no problem with the introduction of a food waste bin: I've lived in other Council areas around the UK who have been doing this for years. It's a great way to reduce landfill and make something useful, and also makes people more aware of how much food waste they produce (hopefully leading them to cut down!). 3 weeks is too long a time, however, to go between general waste collections, and I know of no other councils who do this. For families with two children in nappies, it will be pretty unpleasant. At times of year like Easter and especially Christmas, waste that cannot be recycled will build up and not fit in the bin after three weeks. I predict a large increase in fly tipping and rubbish in black bags being left out next to bins. Why not increase the range of materials that are recycled (going in the grey bin)?! Many councils recycle many more types of plastic than Wirral, and these currently make up a large volume (if not weight) of general waste.  Overall though, this is the 'least worst' option (see below)!!</p>
990	<p>The food recycling bin is much too small for many households basically equivalent of 3 five pound bas of potatoes. If the aim is to recycle food waste please provide a bigger bin and address the issue of young families with children.  I recall the 2006 brown bin with food waste stopped by the Waste Disposal and Collections authorities WHY? What is the truth please? For collection authorities i.e. Wirral to meet targets the Disposal Authority must invest in proper recycling. For example many products are capable of recycling but MWDA reduces the list to Wirral nearly every year e.g. yogurt pots, orange juice cartons which all go in the green bin nowadays. Its nonsense to say take them to a recycling skip miles away.  If food waste went into the now paid for brown bin a ready means could be provided for those who produce more to have another bin etc.  Why is the consultation closed to your options and not open to all ideas to help the authority with a pretty7 poor MWDA facility County wide?  3 weeks is ridiculous as proposed. The standard green bin which was introduced in 1993 is slightly smaller or at best equivalent to 2 old style bins if it is 3 weeks it ought to be larger because so little will go in your small receptacle and to reduce it if 2 weeks is Wednesday unreasonable and likely to be challenged and overturned at great expense to the Authority which is probably and attempt after the decision has been made to shut the stable door of a closed mind to try and defend any such later decision. Does Brexit impact on European targets now also post this budget option?!</p>

991	<p>My kitchen is so small I do not have an internal bin so have no room for a 'caddy' unless you think I should place this on my food preparation surface and risk contamination especially as it would reduce the amount of surface I have to work with.</p> <p>Are you having a laugh suggesting people lock and unlock an outside bin...the green bins aren't lockable. So how much will you charge when people lose keys.....another income source????</p>
992	<p>Rubbish - retrograde step. Targets for recycling, which I am all in favour of, should be increased by including tetrapaks, drink cartons, yoghurt/ice cream pots and containers, plastic food containers, etc etc, which increase in number all the time and fill green bins rather than grey bins. Why select food waste when plastic containers for strawberries, tomatoes and most other foodstuffs.etc nearly all have recycling numbers and are recycled by other councils. Is this just another costcutting exercise which may in time lead to a green bin charge similar to the increasing brown bin charge? Sefton Council has, from 1st August 2016, changed its waste recycling policy by reducing the number of waste bins/containers. Food waste containers are likely to lead to an increase in the numbers of rodents/vermin/maggots and flies, particularly in the summer months.</p>
993	<p>I would like to keep our existing green bin. The smaller bin will not be big enough for most families and they would overflow. This would attract foxes and rats. Also where we live it is very windy ourand the small bins would blow over and spill the contents which would make an awful mess to be blown all around. We could manage to fit rubbish in over the 3 week period. PLEASE LET US KEEP OUR 240 LITRE BINS !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!</p>
994	<p>This is a poor service and does not compare to the present one. Introducing another bin (food waste) when the present bins are not being used to capacity (under use of grey bins) is going to cost the council more than now, whilst the general green bin will only be emptied at onger intervals. This is a "thumbs down".</p>
995	<p>I fully support the move to collect food waste separately however, I do not see this reducing the green bin refuse sufficiently to support the proposed change to collection frequency.</p>
996	<p>I prefer option 1. We are a 2 person household. I do wonder how the new collection will work with large families.</p>
997	<p>Brilliant idea to re-cycle food waste.I would welcome a smaller bin if the council think it would be cost effective.</p>
998	<p>Re Food Waste - we are against the introduction of the caddy as our food waste is easily less that the 40% and it is just something else to keep in the house and find a home for! If people are really placing 40% or more food waste in the Green bin then they clearly cannot manage their shopping well or need educating.</p> <p>Re Green Bin - under the current arrangement the existing 240 litre bin is full every fortnight and by scaling down the collection to every 3 weeks is increasing the temptation for people to fly tip.</p> <p>Re Grey Bin - the problem with the recycling regime is that there are many inconsistencies and the Government needs to be lobbied on a collective basis by councils so that the anomalies can be ironed out. Stores mark up lots of packaging and/or containers stating whether or not they are recycleable, but many such items we are not allowed to recycle. Through rationalisation they and you would make life simpler and more would be recycled.</p> <p>Re Brown Bin - we are pleased to see that the collection remains fortnightly, though we have to pay for it.</p>

999	<p>Rather than worrying about removing waste we should be concentrating on reducing the source of the waste. More standardisation of packaging would help with re-use policies (3p back on a glass bottle), and/or would help end users better understand how to recycle end of life items.</p> <p>Both options are 'one size fits all' approaches. It assumes every household will have similar waste profiles. Young families with need to dispose of several one-use nappies per day, who would struggle with an effectively reduced bin size (80 litres/week cf 120 litres/week currently), should be treated differently to a retired couple.</p> <p>How is food waste defined? Will cooking oil and fat be classed as food waste? What happens to the foil liner from the grill pan?</p> <p>If cooking oil, fat and the foil liner from the grill pan etc. goes into the Green Household bin together with used nappies, a three week collection cycle will be dire.</p> <p>We have experience of councils who put food waste - peelings, used tea bags etc. into garden waste along with cardboard. Why does WBC not do the same?</p> <p>Even with just green and grey bins, storage of these receptacles is a problem for many; adding yet another unit will prove impossible for many meaning more clutter on the streets.</p>
1000	<p>3weekly collections for the green bin is ridiculous, regardless of the food waste proposals. There will be terrible smells from waste food packaging, nappies etc. Not to mention an increase in flies/rats.</p> <p>The green bin collections need to be kept the same (fortnightly).</p> <p>It would be better to invest in more recycling</p> <p>E.g tetra paks.</p>
1001	<p>We do not have a lot of food waste. To minimise the reduction in green bin capacity per week, if there has to be a change we would prefer option 1.</p>
1002	<p>I am sorry but I can't think of anything more unpleasant than having a small food bin on the floor in my kitchen . I, like many other people, have very limited space to put such a thing, and it certainly would not fit in a cupboard- so would have to be placed on the floor, where I would most likely fall over it, and at 82 that would not be a good idea!</p>
1003	<p>it may be more sensible to choose a method where more items can be recycled rather than having to put them in the green bin for landfill.</p> <p>Currently very little plastic can be recycled using the Wirral system</p> <p>.Although the list states ALL plastic bottles, previous information has been that only 1 plastic will be accepted. If ALL plastic bottles can be recycled what prevents yoghurt pots and ice cream tubs being recycled?</p> <p>A smaller bin would not have the capacity to hold all the non-recyclable items (eg: nappies, incontinence waste, sanitary products, foil trays, pet litter. These will all carry a hygiene risk. After 3 weeks that will be extremely unpleasant (and heavy) for anyone to have in their garden/yard.</p>
1004	<p>We do not ever waste food and we don't want a caddy. We have never put waste food in our existing bin. More wasted money by this council. Our present bin is always full and a 3 weekly collection is a ridiculous idea. This bin should be emptied weekly as it is.</p>
1005	<p>Please leave things as they are. Both of the new options will make things far worse.</p>
1006	<p>Although this is being done with good intent. I question how this will impact on the already very real existing problems with controlling vermin i.e. rats, mice and flies in hot weather. Surely this will be an attraction to the aforementioned. Systems are only as good as the human element and I fear that this could create more problems and costs (Pest Control) if it is not adhered to or maintained correctly by all concerned ! Who will take responsibility for ensuring that the container(s) are methodically cleaned/maintained ? What will happen when people run out of bags and containers become damaged or broken and there is no quick fix/replacement ??</p>
1007	<p>The caddy for food waste is a good idea.</p> <p>However I think the green bin should still be collected fortnightly as at present</p>
1008	<p>There is not much difference between the two proposals, other than the number of collections per annum.! If you are suggesting that more of the waste collected will be recycled, you have to assume that every household in Wirral will do their bit? Most of the food waste comprises of organic waste, but a quarter is part of the packaging which is at present not recycled!! In a six week cycle you will have approximately 480 litre collections in the larger green bin, but only a smaller reduction of 420 litre collection on the smaller bins..?? is the cost then worthwhile to collect just 10 litres of food waste (5x 2Ltr cartons of ice cream), per week? Therefore it does not really matter which of the green bins is used just the time waste spends outdoors. So the larger bin 3 week collection seems the more unacceptable.</p>



1009	<p>Concerns : Nowhere to put an indoor caddy !</p> <p>Percentage stats in relation to amount of food currently placed in Green bin is completely inaccurate.</p> <p>Winds will blow the small outside containers over and if not locked correctly will disperse food waste.</p> <p>Extra cost connected to another weekly collection.</p> <p>There will be no reduction in the bulk of rubbish contained within the Green bins, therefore a collection only every three weeks will be insufficient and will cause additional problems.</p>
1010	<p>My first thought is there is no space in my kitchen for an extra small caddy to start with, in fact my existing green and grey collecting receptacles are attached to the back of the two doors of my sink unit as there is no other space for those either in my kitchen. So that will be a problem for me.</p> <p>The Green bin collection of 3 weeks is a long while for people with a larger family and I can envisage items overflowing into the streets whilst on kerb edge overnight prior to collection as that occurs now sometimes after only two weeks. I think being able to put all plastics containers and packaging into the Grey recycling bin would take a lot out of the Green bin and there are so many that can and so many that cannot be put into it which just leaves one confused. A clearer mandate on that would be helpful both to you and to us the householder.</p>
1011	<p>With the current fortnightly collection of the Green bin, our bin - particularly in warm weather - smells quite badly by collection day. It will get worse if left for three weeks until collected.</p> <p>We don't throw much food away; having large compost bins at home, we recycle all uncooked vegetable waste ourselves.</p> <p>Pity Merseyside isn't looking at the bigger picture by increasing other recycling. We used to live in Essex, and all plastics, tinfoil, and even cling film were recycled. If other authorities can do it, why is Merseyside so backward?</p>
1012	<p>A bad idea.</p>
1013	<p>I would prefer this option as it would surely mean lower costs as the wagons will be coming round less often.</p>
1014	<p>This option would suit me best</p>
1015	<p>We produce virtually no food waste. What little waste there is, is composted and also fed to local garden wildlife. Therefore a weekly food recycling collection is not required.</p> <p>Would prefer to maintain the status quo with existing green bin size and fortnightly collection although would accept 3 weekly collection if necessary.</p>
1016	<p>I don't waste much food and so the amount in my container will be small.</p> <p>I have a composte heap.</p> <p>I do realise other households will create more food waste.</p> <p>I would like to keep my larger green bin.</p> <p>I think the grey bin should be able to take yogurt containers etc for recycling ie the plant which recycles should be able to do this as other authorities do and hence improve your %.</p>
1017	<p>The two options only centre around the size of the green bin and how regularly it is collected. This does not really give people viable alternative options. Having the green bin collected every three weeks may give some people an excuse for fly tipping. With both options it is disappointing that there are no dimensions for the food waste kitchen caddy because it is difficult to envisage where it will sit in the kitchen particularly if you have only got a small kitchen. No instructions have been given for the collection of the food waste container.</p> <p>More items should be recycled than at present eg plastic trays and yoghurt pots.</p> <p>We are opposed to green bins being collected every three weeks. Without a clear calendar it will be a struggle for some households to remember which bin is to be emptied.</p>

1018	<p>Rubbish - literally!</p> <p>To increase recycling in Wirral we need to improve the number of Wirral households who use the grey bins.</p> <p>If people do not use grey bins then it seems sensible to conclude that they won't use food waste bins either. Improving grey bin use is therefore the first place to start in increasing recycling.</p> <p>Provide a weekly collection of food waste throughout Wirral appears to be in itself an activity which is not environmentally friendly.</p> <p>In our household we don't really have any food waste, and presumably - given the increased use of food banks in Wirral - neither do many other households. So there would be a weekly collection of very little food waste - a waste of time and energy.</p>
1019	three weeks is to long to wait for the green bin to be emptied .
1020	<p>I think this is the best option, as by keeping the existing green bin, you are not spending any more precious council tax payers money on something that doesn't really need to be changed. The existing bin emptied every three weeks should be the only option.</p> <p>Can I add that I have a disabled child who wears pull ups, our bin is full in two weeks. So what are people with disabled relatives with incontinence issues, meant to do with their bin bags of nappies when the bin is full? I would like this to be discussed by you councillors as it will be a problem for us and many other families. May I suggest you allow one extra bin bag with the three weekly collection, and that those that need this service are given a disabled sticker for the bin so the bin men know this.</p>
1021	I feel we already pay enough through rates and garden waste fee to maintain current mediocre service (used to be weekly remember). In the summer the green bin (currently emptied every 2 wks) smells and can end up full of maggots so 3 weeks is not an option.
1022	<p>Do not wish for, neither have room fo,r a food caddy in the kitchen.</p> <p>Suggest investing in the machinery necessary to be able to recycle more plastic etc. in the grey bin.</p> <p>Our green bin is nearly always full fortnightly and the amount of food waste we have would not make that much difference - green bin would be overflowing by 3 weeks.</p>
1023	<p>Food waste and Grey Bin:</p> <p>I think we are on the wrong path here. If we want to meet targets, plastics are a quicker route because the recycling shortfall is enormous, and there is a more positive impact on the environment. Foodstuffs do biodegrade and the issue is better dealt with through education - our house has virtually nil food waste. Because of the inadequate local recycling policy, all households have to put vast amounts of recyclable plastic to landfill. Plastics last forever and are seriously detrimental to the entire planetary ecosystem. They should NEVER go into landfill, but because they last and last, they can be endlessly recycled. If you are recycling only plastic bottles, an enormous percentage of plastic waste is being ignored - yog pots, fruit trays, produce containers, packaging etc. Anything marked with a 1, 2 or 3 inside the recycle triangle is essentially the same material as plastic bottles, so why can't that at least be accepted for recycling? We cannot just say this is a Merseyside issue, and turn our back on it. There's a duty to address this most urgently. The people of Wirral are being let down, and deserve better.</p>
1024	do not want to change existing system
1025	Don't want food collection will attract rats etc
1026	<p>This is outrageous! Four bins, collected at different times, some fortnightly, one weekly, and one 3 weekly! Have you seriously thought about what you are proposing? It's insanity! It must be a health and safety issue, particularly during the summer months when rotting smelly waste will be left sitting in property for weeks on end. We don't want a fourth bin! If this goes ahead, heaven forbid anyone misses a collection for whatever reason. Rubbish will be piling up rotting for 6 weeks, stinking! This will lead to more fly tipping, general environmental degradation and anger at the council. This is not value for money from my £191 a month council tax bill! I already object to having to pay extra to have my brown bin collected when other councils provide it as part of the service. General waste collections every three weeks is just unacceptable. If you can collect a food bin every week, you can collect the general waste bin every week. It shouldn't even be fortnightly. Don't start quoting me EU regulations, I voted out!</p>

1027	<p>Do not like the idea of 3 week collections for the green bins, my bin is just big enough to last 2 weeks as it is.</p> <p>I have been recycling since I have lived here (nearly 40 years) when it was a weekly collection, and am disappointed that it is now being considered for a 3 week one.</p> <p>We do not have a food waste bin as yet.</p> <p>If this comes into force every 3 weeks, will the collectors have their wages cut? as they are doing less collections?</p> <p>Not happy at all I am no longer a young healthy person and this will all be too much for me to do</p>
1028	This appears the cheaper of the two options.
1029	I do not agree with this option. You should be learning from other authorities who ask residents to use more, different bins, for different kinds of waste. On holiday in Wales we had to sort - foil, paper, plastic, cooked food, raw food.
1030	<p>For our household, this option (option 1) would be the most suitable. No need to change the existing bin and for the small amount of waste that we cannot recycle somehow, it is plenty big enough even after 3 weeks. We already compost raw veg and fruit waste and we do not throw away any food that can be frozen or made into something else so we would be throwing away meat/chicken/fish bones and skin only into the new food waste scheme.</p> <p>It would help reduce waste if more plastic could be recycled somehow - yogurt pots, food trays etc as these take up a lot of space for some people. Packaging in general is a problem. Other countries deal with it differently. In Germany, all plastic is put in recycling bins. Some supermarkets there and in other European countries have a box for any packaging that you do not want to take home.</p> <p>It might be useful if information could be introduced into schools regarding recycling (if it not already) as children can be the catalyst for changing attitudes in the household. Also, if more documentaries were made, explaining exactly what things are recycled for (making new items for example) as there are still people out there who do not really understand the need and who do not realise that rubbish has to be put into landfill if there is no outlet for it.</p>
1031	I don't like the thought of a bin being emptied only once every 3 weeks - if I miss one week for any reason say I am on holiday or it is a bank holiday - then it will be 6 weeks between . I think this has the potential to be both unhygienic and also may result in a greater level of dumping
1032	<p>This option is probably only viable for smaller households with only a couple of people living in them. The option of the larger bin also enables people to dispose of larger items which may not fit in a smaller bin, even if it does not go for up to 3 weeks.</p> <p>This option obviously also saves the council money on collection fees if the bins are collected only every 3 weeks rather than every 2.</p> <p>The disadvantage I see is that the bins will be heavier with 3 weeks worth of general rubbish, and the collectors are sometimes reluctant to take bins now with only 2 weeks of rubbish in them. This will apply even without food waste being in the green bins.</p> <p>The main disadvantage of BOTH schemes is "Do people have enough spare room to enable them to accommodate TWO more bins, even if they are smaller?"</p>
1033	This is not a good idea. The small food caddy will not be able to replace 1 weeks worth of waste. Bins by me are often overflowing. This will make matters worse.
1034	<p>I do not have waste food as i believe that wasting food is a crime</p> <p>I have a colostomy and it will be totally unacceptable for my waste to be in my green bin for 3 weeks</p>
1035	<p>The green bin should still be collected fortnightly. When you say the brown bin will be collected fortnightly, is that all year round? (you haven't made this clear) if not, what are the dates the brown bin will be provided? All information should be given so residents can make an 'informed' choice.</p> <p>I believe there were more options (about six/eight?) why weren't we offered all of these options and why has the council specifically chosen these two? We should also have been offered the opportunity to keep things as they are.</p> <p>I WOULD LIKE TO KEEP THINGS AS THEY ARE OR HAVE FORTNIGHTLY COLLECTIONS FOR GREY BIN, WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR GREEN BINS AND NO FOOD RECYCLING BIN.</p>
1036	Recycle bin should be including hard plastic food packages. Three weeks is too long for the green bin in the summer months as the bins will smell.
1037	While i completely disagree with both the new proposals this for me would be the better option although i will still have to regularly go to the tip.

1038	think three weeks is too long between collections. We still have the food caddy that was issued years ago and never used! Think more education about food waste would be appropriate as we hardly put any food in the bin and mainly use it for packaging and yoghurt cartons that can't be put in the recycling.
1039	This family has very little food waste and therefore option 1 to keep the 240ltr size bin and collect every 3 weeks, would be our preference.
1040	A collection every 3 weeks would not be acceptable, particularly with a smaller bin. Our bin is not filled with left over food but other not recyclable packaging and such... When we have family members visiting the green bin is quickly filled; the Summer time in particular would be a very difficult time to cope with.
1041	would prefer this option
1042	Want to keep existing 240 litre bin but would rather it was still collected every 2 weeks
1043	I do not believe that the amount of food waste generated will be significant enough to change the size of bin.  Although I would prefer the bin emptied more often than 3 weeks, this is my preferred option.
1044	I don't need a food waste bin ; I do not waste any food.  I need the existing green bin emptied every 2 weeks , not 3.  By extending this to 3 weeks will encourage more fly tipping.  I need my brown bin emptied every week.
1045	Having seen this system work in London I am wholeheartedly against it. It's revolting and I can say that it will not be welcome by residents. Try looking at Brighton and Hove where I lived up until 2 years ago they had a superb recycling system and obviously being a green led council this assists.
1046	Three weeks is a long time between collection, particularly in households where there may be children who use nappies.
1047	Won't be recycling. My waste any more as getting to complicated and we don't see any rewards for doing it in work we get £200 per yr if you did same with council tax i;e reduce bill might get more doing it
1048	We have very little food waste as we compost as much uncooked food as we can. Our green bin is very rarely full apart from visits from our family. I would be happy to keep the big bin and have it collected every 3 weeks.
1049	Appalling ideas whoever thought of them...why not update the "sorting" machinery to take the yogurt/margarine pots etc? A relative lives in Cheshire & they've been recycling far more items than Wirral for years. So, food collection on same day as whichever bin is due for collection....where are the extra bin lorries coming from? I hardly think BIFFA have spare bin lorries sitting about waiting to be utilised. Why not leave us with our existing bins so as not to waste money recalling them all? I hope you are recycling then recalled large bins. People who already compost their own kitchen waste are being penalised. Do we really have no other option than these??? Why not ask your residents WHO PAY THEIR COUNCIL TAX for ideas instead of this heavy handed choice of 2.  Option 1 but am far from happy with the proposal
1050	I do not believe that the amount of food waste generated will be significant enough to change the size of bin.  Although I would prefer the bin emptied more often than 3 weeks, this is my preferred option.
1051	I have very little food waste as I live on my own and do not see the need to have one at the expense of collecting the green bin less often. Its bad enough that the green bin is collected only once a fortnight especially for families, imagine the overflows that the refuse collectors will have to deal with if its only collected every three weeks. Oh, oh, oh, it hasn't taken you long to think of increasing the cost of collecting the brown bin. I have a large expanse of lawn and fill it every fortnight in the growing season, so much so that I have the expense of taking the rest of the garden waste to the Clatterbridge re-cycling depot and me a pensioner too. Shame on you!
1052	I think both plans are ridiculous a small caddy will not be suitable for large household and a 3 week collection is even more ridiculous as it will simply just attract vermin etc you can't expect to recycle more by collecting less it's that simple
1053	I have a baby in the household so a collection every 3weeks would be a problem as even the bagged nappies start to smell so you'd have sewerage hanging around for too long.
1054	My concern is that in the summer months especially the bin will become health hazard due to fly infestation and possible rodents.

1055	this has been tried before in oxton .it was a failure as ants and other insects were found in bins
1056	this has been tried before in oxton and people were finding bins full of ants and other insects. it was a failure
1057	I would have no objection to option 1.  I think the missed recycling opportunity lies in what is permissible to go in the grey bin. Many more products than those set out above are recyclable and strenuous efforts should be made urgently to address this failing.
1058	Don't want food bin and not happy that green bin would be every 3 weeks
1059	I have some concerns that the green bin will fill before 3 weeks but hopefully you have done the maths and this will not be case. I like the idea of a lockable container and a weekly collection on same day as other bin. I prefer this to Option 2, as I would not want to reduce green bin size as that would be costly to provide and would lead to aa high number of 240 litre green bins requiring scrap.
1060	The council is funded by Us - Paid partly through a community charge the rest by Central Govt ( funded by are taxes. The purpose -( your purpose/ function) to provide a SERVICE to US Why are you not focusing on providing a SERVICE and improving that SERVICE ?
1061	I would accept option 1, but feel the 240 litre green bin should be kept as it would mean lot of unnecessary expense to change, and families would find it difficult with the smaller bin.
1062	Prefer original collection every 2weekd
1063	I do not need an extra bin for food waste as I have a compost. I would be happy to keep the large green bin which could be collected every 3 weeks.Bruce Atherton _ 28, Burnley Road, Moreton
1064	I am concerned about the frequency of the green bin collection. We have a baby and the nappies are throwaway ones. 3 weeks is not regular enough to be hygienic.
1065	It would be more beneficial to me to have the same size agreen bin fortnightly and the grey bin three weekly.  I have a baby and therefore a lot of nappy waste in my green bin and it stinks when bagged so leaving untreated sewage for 3 weeks would not be acceptable. A smaller green bin would not fit all the extra waste from nappies. Some authorities have nappy bins that are collected separately.
1066	This option is slightly better than option 2. 60 litres more space in green bin over a 6week period. I am in favour of recycling as much as possible . The smaller green bin in option 2 may cause fly tipping or overflowing bins due to lack of space. Smaller green bin replacements are a waste of council funds . We all have green bins that work just fine. People may forget to put bins out, 3 weeks is a long time. Most of my green bin is full of plastic bags,packaging,plastic trays, we should be recycling all plastics.
1067	To have green bin every 3 weeks would be un healthy.
1068	On top of our general rubbish, we have to dispose of at least 2 bin bags of nappies each fortnight which can half full the existing bin on there own. Reducing collections to every 3 weeks will only cause problems for us.
1069	We put virtually no foods waste in our green bins so neither of These options will materially affect what goes to our green bin.Being able to recycle plastic containers would be the thing that would decrease it most As we have grandchildren still in nappies we feel strongly that there should not be any increase from 2 weeks to 3 of the interval been colleactins
1070	A joke
1071	Option 1 is not feasible. To go 3 weeks without collecting the green bin is not practicable. Bins will be overflowing, bad smells, increase fly tipping etc.
1072	I was initially on a trail quite a few years ago on recycling food waste in the garden waste bin and we had terrible problems with smell, fly's and mice round the bin area. I am assuming this will happen if the waste alone is being stored in one container as bacteria will grow and it will produce gases causing smells, encouraging fly's and mice in the area were it is stored. I am a family of 4 . We do recycle are non recycle waste we need to go to the recycle center with in between collection and sometimes we have to with the recycling bin as well. I do not think this is a good idea. Stop wasting money on producing a council newspaper that is only going to fill up the recycle bin. Most people use social media they do not read papers.
1073	As a family of 5 we would not manage having the bin emptied every 3 weeks so this option would not suit us as we also don't have much food waste due to having pets that have left over fresh foods & meats..

1074	leave the bin service as it is...
1075	This would be fine. However, to reduce the contents of the green bin, we need to be able to recycle other plastic such as salad trays, yog hurts pots, etc. I don't know why we need the expense of a lockable box for food!
1076	Stay as we are
1077	I am concerned about going to every 3 weeks recycling on the green bin as a lot of packaging i.e. plastic fruit punnets, meat trays and yoghurt pots cannot be recycled. So this bin would fill up quickly and not last 3 weeks.
1078	We disagree with this policy. The people who do not recycle now, will not change their habit. There will be more fly-tipping, flies, rats, magots, overflowing bins, more rubbish on the streets. This is a very badly thought out policy, the collection and the size of bins we have now is enough to deal with. Again disagree very strongly with this idea and would vote against it.
1079	This option is best for our household also save money by not replacing existing green bin . Although I agree this is a good advancement on recycling in Wirral even more needs to be done . I was disappointed that the recycling bins in Liscard have no been changed to general waste.
1080	This is the preferred option.
1081	Keeping the existing green bin is more cost effective.Also it would be helpful if it was made clear which plastics can be recycled.For example packaging from Toys and plastic food containers.until this is made clear a larger green bin would be required.
1082	<p>in essence your suggestion is re green bin revision that a two weekly collection becomes a three weekly collection but you are then also adding a new weekly collection too</p> <p>guessing that means instead of 3 collections in a 6 week period you will therefore have 8 collections in a 6 week period so collections increase nearly 200% as does fuel consumption ie air pollution etc how cost effective is this idea?</p> <p>only positive comment is to retain the current size green bin or are you telling me all our old wheelie bins become recyclable when replaced? also how ridiculous to reduce the bin size at the same time as increasing by 50% the time scale the bin is to be in use if you reduce the green bin then what happens to the surplus required to go into the green bin do we just dump it in the streets? peoples garden waste isn't going to suddenly disappear? and if they cant afford your extra brown bin which I am guessing costs more to administer than money taken in from collections, what are they to do will Wirral end up with thousands of disgruntled neighbours and fire hazards as people resort to dangerously and unprofessionally burning their rubbish in their own gardens, yards, etc putting smoke into the atmosphere, increasing 'accidents' and 'health and safety' issues just to reduce the volumes to go into the now smaller green bin???</p> <p>personally mentally you are making waste disposal too complicated for me one bin weekly food one bin two weekly garden one bin two weekly recyclable one bin three weekly other</p> <p>plus who is going to put a stinky old food caddy into their sanitary kitchens my waste is minimal</p>
1083	Think this is best. More cost effective for the council and tax payer if people keep existing green bins. However, it might be hard to remember 1,2,3 weekly collections. With food removed from green bins, hopefully less smelly. However, what about those disposing of nappies and waiting 3 weeks for removal?
1084	I think this is the best option

1085	<p>We already compost our vegetable food waste and the little meat waste cooked and uncooked is sent to land fill so a caddy and liners would have little use.</p> <p>We would prefer the existing 240 litre green bin to continue to be collected every two weeks</p>
1086	<p>There is absolutely no way that a third of the waste we put in our green bin is food and therefore, we shall still require a 240 litre bin to be collected every two weeks. As regards a weekly collection of a food container, this is a ludicrous idea. Why is there a need for a weekly collection when the food could be collected at the same time as the green bin collection? The collection of the waste food, placed in black bags, along with other waste products, has worked fine for many years.</p> <p>In my opinion, if the council is intent on separating waste food, it should only incur the cost of the containers together with their plastic bags. The current system of bin collections works very efficiently and there is no need to change this.</p>
1087	<p>I prefer this option but DO NOT LIKE the 3 weekly collection idea. I would prefer the GREY BIN to be the bin that is collected on the 3 weekly rota as it has a much cleaner content and does not smell.</p> <p>I am quite happy to put my food waste in another bin to be recycled.</p>
1088	option one seems the best out of the two
1089	<p>I prefer option 1 for several reasons: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. if we keep our 240 litres bins, the council does not have to buy everyone the smaller 140 litres bins to replace these, and also dispose of all the 240 litres bins = less expense and less waste;</li> <li>2. having green bin collections every 3 weeks means less collections over the year = more economical;</li> <li>3. as the council is unable to recycle food trays and drink cartons etc. at this time, and these commonly used items are bulky, realistically they may not fit into the 140 litres bins. This could result in increased fly tipping of the excess, or people stuffing their rubbish in so the bin lid is not properly closed, leading to rubbish being blown over the roads when it's windy, or foxes, cats etc. spreading them around the environment = health hazards + costs to council.</li> </ol>
1090	<p>Strongly oppose to this option.</p> <p>My wife and I are the sole occupants of the house and create very little food waste. Most vegetable waste goes in our compost boxes in the garden. The small amount of non-vegetable waste goes into our sink waste-disposer. We do not need a waste caddy.</p> <p>Even after rinsing, food containers (plastic boxes, foil wrappers, etc.) retain some food residue and so smell in the summer after two weeks, particularly if fish is involved. After three weeks, there would likely be an unacceptable stench.</p> <p>I do not believe that provision of food caddies across Wirral will change the proportion of recyclable waste sufficiently to enable the target to be met.</p>
1091	<p>I will not require an indoor caddy since I do not have food waste. However, I do have a compost bin where I deposit fruit and vegetable waste.</p> <p>I will be happy with a collection every three weeks for my green bin.</p>
1092	we dont have any food waste 1/ because I plan my meals ahead and 2/ we have 2 dogs so nothing goes to waste . we are a family of 4 adults and 1 toddler and we find it a struggle now with collections 2 weekly.
1093	We are going back to the dark ages. Irrespective of which system is imposed on us it will mean going back to keeping smelly decomposing food in MY house. I object most strongly to doing this and oppose any change from the present system.
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1095	<p>We are a five person household. Our food waste is substantially less than one third (by weight) of the green bin waste.</p> <p>This is our preferred option.</p>
1096	We are a family of 5, i don't have room in my kitchen for another bin nor do i want one. My green bin is overflowing as it is and i don't think a small food bin is going to solve that problem and i wont be using it. Collecting waste every 3 weeks is just a health hazard, i already have lots of flies in the summer months and have had maggots. This is not the answer not to mention the amount of money it will cost to produce these two extra bins with an already cash strapped council!!!!
1097	I do not like this option - for reasons see what I have written for option 2.

1098	<p>Food bin: As long as it was ALWAYS weekly collection then this is good option for food waste. I try to compost as much as I can and reduce waste.</p> <p>Green bin - perhaps trial for a year - I have no idea what the quantity of 3 weekly waste will be - but sounds good. What do we do with pet poo? Is that green bin?</p> <p>Grey bin - works fine as it is</p> <p>Brown bin - I sign up for 2 bins - have a large garden and try to home compost as well - so no change for me</p>
1099	<p>Not really happy about the change, worried about foxe's &amp; cats getting at the bagged food waste left by gateway for bin men .</p> <p>We would prefer to keep our existing 240ltr green bin.</p>
1100	<p>Of the two options I prefer to keep my large green bin.</p> <p>Yet another thing to think about. Could our waste be condensed instead of more separation and yet another container? Weekly removal of contents of existing green bin and grey bin would be preferred as both smell and attract flies in the summer which lead to other problems.</p>
1101	<p>Option 1 seems the most cost effective because you will not have to collect up all the current green bins and replace them with smaller ones - where is this money coming from, and how much will it cost to replace all the green bins for smaller ones?</p> <p>However, I have 2 cats and I put my waste from the cats litter trays in my green bin (in nappy bags) and if it was there for 3 weeks it would smell more than it does already. How many liners will we be supplied with for the food caddies, and would there be a charge for new liners when needed, or would they be topped up every few months automatically?</p>
1102	<p>Bury council put food waste in garden bins that way they only need kichen caddys plus small caddy bags they have a good recycling rate this way the council taxes payers wont be as up set why wsste money when you dont have to</p>
1103	<p>Personally, I have very little food waste, and recycle the maximum I can in the grey bin. I would prefer a decision to recycle all plastic (eg including yoghurt pots) and clean aluminium (foil and food trays). I would vote for retaining the existing sized green bin (making the bin smaller will not reduce waste!) as at least the three bins have a certain symmetry being all the same size even though they are altogether an eyesore. I am not happy with a three week collection cycle, and given that your alternative is to keep the two week cycle and reduce the bin size, I don't see how moving from the current arrangement reduces waste or saves money.</p>
1104	<p>Food waste has been tried before and was a failure. I compost and hardly throw any food away so it will be a waste of time for us.</p> <p>The green bin used to be a weekly collection, then fortnightly and now you want it collected even less? You're just asking for more fly-tipping and overflowing bins.</p> <p>Brown bin collection should be free as paid for in our council tax.</p>
1105	<p>I have no objections in principal to recycling food waste.</p> <p>I do have concerns about the existing green bin only being emptied every three weeks. This year during hot weather maggots have once again been a problem. Although food would no longer be sitting in the bin for two weeks, what about nappies, sanitary products, stoma care etc. It would not be advisable from a hygiene point of view to leave these items in bins for three weeks, particularly in hot weather.</p>
1106	<p>I have no problem with a weekly collection of the food waste and a three weekly collection of the green bin. However, the cost of collections overall will no doubt rise with this added collection plus the the the bins, the safe, and the bags. Specifically in my case it will not make any differenc because I live alone and I suspect many more are in the same situation.</p> <p>One way of saving costs, I mention cost because I am aware of the need to save money, is to let the residents decide when collection should be made of the green and grey bins. In my case both can be collected once a month whereas household with large families would probably want them weekly.</p> <p>As far as the brown bin is concerned, I find every two weeks is not enough and suspending collection in the winter, when one does most of the clearing up in a garden, is most annoying. You quote "the garden bin club" what club? You also state £40 per year!!! Not true.</p>
1107	<p>Given that either option requires us to have a food caddy, personally I think sticking with the larger green bin (option 1) is a better option as it not only saves a lot of money in providing the smaller 140l bins, but also is more cost effective and green if the collection is every 3 weeks. Given that there are the grey (recycling) bin and the food caddy, the green bins shouldn't get as full as quickly (unless for larger families of course, which I understand are being taken into account).</p>
1108	<p>Option probably satisfactory for larger families.</p>
1109	<p>A small indoor food caddy was provided when the rubbish collection was last changed. Shortly afterwards this was discontinued. It is likely that this could happen again.</p>



1110	The green bin needs to be collected more regularly than every three weeks. It will be difficult to remember which bin needs to be put out and also the type of refuse in the green bin will be much more unpleasant and unhygienic.
1111	I want things to stay as they are, what will be the cost of new small bins for the whole of Wirral plus the cost of containers for waist food a total waste of money
1112	Neither option is acceptable. We are happy to recycle food waste, it's the right thing to do. However, increasing the time scale between green waste bin collection is taking liberties.  First you charged a supplement for the brown bin collection - in order to avoid a referendum on council tax increase - now you're reducing general waste collection. It's a disgrace.  I'll never vote for Labour again.
1113	Don't like this idea. Every 3 weeks is too infrequent and hard to remember and if miss a date i.e. on away on holidays have another 3 weeks to wait.
1114	Leave things as they are. Another way to cut back !! If any change then find a recycler who can recycle a greater range then you'll have more chance of increasing your recycling percentage
1115	I do not want food waste in my kitchen or a food container outside as that will encourage wildlife, dogs etc. As for 3 weeks collection it's too long
1116	How often will we be provided with these bags? Some households will use more or less than others. In my area we have a problem with people putting the right items in green and grey bins as it is. What's stopping people from NOT putting food waste into bags and bins? What size are these outside containers going to be? If its damaged lost or stolen will it be replaced free of charge? When you say lock - a key ? Hot and cold weathers will have an impact on old food.. how are you going to expect residents to deal with rotting, smelly or frozen food?
1117	I live alone and only put my green and grey bins out for collection on average once every four weeks anyway, so I'd be happy with this option if chose.
1118	Food recycling is great news and I fully agree with the principle of waste management. However I have concerns about the way it is organised. I see the proliferation of bins as an eyesore in my environment and do not look forward to seeing a fourth bin outside everyone's front or back door or cluttering pavements and alleyways. Underground communal collection points are used successfully in other countries. Could the Council consider encouraging community spirit by introducing collective recycling? If I end up getting a blue bin, what size will it be? Surely the amount of food waste will depend on size of household and lifestyle. I cook from scratch for 5 people, everyday of the week. My food waste is far greater than my neighbour's who lives alone and eats mostly readymade meals!
1119	Best of two options. Lesser of two evils at least!!!!
1120	I don't have much actual food waste other than cat food. Much of my green bin is packing which cannot go in the grey bin. The main food waste is cat food. I am unsure which option is best for me as packaging is bulky so 3 weeks would not be good for me.
1121	I like the idea of an indoor food caddy to be emptied weekly but to have the big green bin (240) emptied every 3 weeks is a joke...in the summer there will be maggots everywhere and more people fly tipping due to no space in their bins.
1122	It would be difficult to remember the different 1, 2, and 3-week schedules. I think that a lot of people would struggle to remember which bin should be made available each week.
1123	Years ago took delivery of a small brown container. To our knowledge this was never used by the majority of residents. Supplying another bin in my opinion another waste of money.
1124	Option 1 is good as we don't have any food waste and the system is, as far as we are concerned, working well at the moment.
1125	Personal preference is for option 1 . I would much rather keep the existing 240 litre bin and have it emptied every three weeks. Rather than the council replacing the present 240 litre bins en masse I would suggest that if people do need to replace the present bins due to damage etc they are then given the choice of replacing it with the smaller 140 litre one.
1126	This option sounds reasonable.
1127	I believe that starting a food waste collection would not reduce waste enough to warrant 3 weekly collection. I believe waste collection should stay as it is.
1128	Preferable choice for myself.

1129	The green bin should be emptied once a week - the grey bin needs emptying only once a month at least
1130	My concern with a three week collection of the green bin is smells and flies. I use cat food pouches and although I squeeze almost all of it out, there is still a coating left inside the pouch. I suppose I could wash them out but then the bits of cat food would go down the sink, as would any similar products. I don't use a lot of this type of packets apart from cat food but there must be lots of other liquid/food items which are packed in similar pouches. I do use bin liners for all the items I put into the green bin but if they are topped up and left for three weeks, the liners might split leaving a dirty and smelly bin.
1131	STUPID IDEA. HAVE ISSUES WITH BIN COLLECTIONS ALREADY!!!  FED UP OF BEING ASKED WHEN OPINIONS NEVER TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.
1132	absolutely crazy idea. Rotting stinking food waste doesn't seem like a very good or hygienic way of disposing of food waste. Slop box in my kitchen is never going to happen. A smaller green bin on a three weekly collection will be overflowing with waste material. Would like to know the identity of the crackpot responsible for this idea.
1133	NOT SUITABLE OR APPROPRIATE
1134	This is the least inconvenient of the two options and so we would support option 1.
1135	Don't like the idea, especially green bin every three weeks.
1136	This will be fine for us as we compost most of our food waste at the moment and we generate very little for the green bin. So what goes in our green bin could wait for three weeks without problem. But we understand that that might not be the case for families with young children, the infirm or the elderly - eg. nappies, incontinence pads.
1137	The idea of rotting food decomposing in my kitchen with the smell wafting through my home does not fill me with joy. It does, however, make me feel that this could be a metaphor for a rotting council who are using tokenistic 'green' systems to lessen the service they provide. I should be surprised if Widnes can provide enough Methane to power bin wagons in the near future. Did H.G.Wells think this one up?  Less collections, less jobs, more work seperating items, more expensive production of caddy, liners, food waste container. I wonder which private company got the contract for this
1138	I have a small child who is in nappies and feel that a collection every 3 weeks would be detrimental to the health and safety of my family, given that my bin is kept on my property and the smell at times now with a 2 week collection can be overpowering. I already have my green bin cleaned after each collection and do not feel I can do any more to reduce the smell and hazard casued by this waste therefore I would not want to reduce collections to 3 weekly and wish to retain a 2 weekly green bin collection.
1139	Good idea (although prefer smaller green bin) however feel recycling should be upped to every week collection as frequently end up putting recyclables in green bin as run out of space and nowhere to store extras.
1140	Do not agree with collecting food waste-I do not want another bin in my house and another outside it. . Quite happy to move to green bin collection every 3 weeks.  Do not agree with replacing existing green bins with smaller ones. They may be 20 years old, but the existing green bins are still in good robust condition. Do not waste money on new bins.
1141	I'm sure to lose track of three weekly collection day. Fortnightly is best for me..
1142	We do not want 3 week collections but think it is a waste of money swapping the bins over. Happy about the other bins and the proposals.
1143	We will go for option 2

1144	<p>The garden waste collection originally included food waste, this being scrapped by lack of, now supposedly amounting to a third of a wheelie in people having so much money to throw away.</p> <p>Britain does not have designer refuse or that which can be tailored into the ideal. Most of the rubbish that people have will never be recyclable. You should set a budget that facilitates in the most cost-effective service in the total clearance of all refuse.</p> <p>Rubbish is whatever it consists of, and has to be disposed of by whatever means. Therefore if you collect less via the household collection, you will inevitably have to collect more from public waste bins, and the waste bins at workplaces, and collect more from fly-tipping. In that the council will inevitably end up with all of the rubbish by whatever means, why go to such expensive lengths in trying to avoid collecting it, or in that it is inevitable that you will fail to avoid it.</p> <p>How are you going to cope with the six-week variable collection cycle ranging from food only one week, to the other extreme in food, general waste, and recycling all in the same week.</p>
1145	<p>We do not want collections every 3 weeks it would not be easy to remember what week you are on and the waste that does go in the green bin such as nappies need to be collected every 2 weeks. Happy about grey, brown and blue as long as they continue to collect all bins from the gate as we are both elderly. It seems a waste of money to swap bins over but we do need fortnightly collections. However we have a small bin any way so no need to swap.</p>
1146	<p>If we have to choose between the 2 then it will be option 1. I agree with re-cycling and have no problem with the food waste containers as long as they are collected regularly and secure from animals.</p>
1147	<p>Prefer this to option 2. I do think the food thing will create vermin, and the cost will be high to provide the bins and collect weekly. Prefer the current system!</p>
1148	<p>As with both of these options. I for one amongst many do not waste food! Therefore as a family of 4 adults my full size green waste bin is needed and we sometimes struggle with that. I don't believe that food counts for a third of our waste. How do you come up with that figure?? If you are going to do this I suggest that you do a weekly grey bin collection. This will encourage people to recycle more.</p>
1149	<p>1 - Brown garden waste service is ridiculously expensive for what customers receive. You need to take steps to reduce your profits or costs to a more acceptable level.</p> <p>2 - Food waste scheme is not well thought out. Food waste can if you operate properly be included with garden waste. If you improve you composting/digesting technique the small amount of food waste can be included with the garden waste.</p> <p>3 - I resent the "hidden" costs you have added to the service. For instance the lid of my green bin was broken by your operatives, but I am expected to pay for the repair, because no operative reported it as broken! Entirely unacceptable.</p> <p>4 - Clearly there is a huge scope for improvement. I am a very dissatisfied paying customer.</p>
1150	<p>Though very difficult to enforce this option would be best and have lesser impact on people especially families and older people.</p>

1151	<p>People who have houses unable to store wheelie bins on their property will have other people's waste dumped in their bin with 3 week collections. It already happens with 2 week collections.</p> <p>People will fly tip their rubbish, use public bins or try to get rid of inappropriate waste down gullies and toilets.</p> <p>Smell will be awful during summer with bluebottles maggots etc unless everything is washed out. We are on a water meter so not an option.</p> <p>What cost this whole process of providing food bins for what is in my household minimal waste? More should be done to recycle supermarket plastics and encourage them to use less packaging. A lot shows universally recycled but not in Wirral according to the book.</p>
1152	Would prefer this option and retain the capacity of the existing green bin, happy with a 3 week collection cycle for the green bin
1153	This is the better option for us.
1154	<p>Food waste should be collected weekly as it would rot quickly and become a harbour for rats if not done so. This is an excellent idea. Clarification is required on the definition of food waste however. Some may be in packaging. Is this acceptable?</p> <p>Keeping garden waste collection as before should be the case as any longer and grass cuttings rapidly become liquid compost!</p> <p>I have concerns about 3 weekly green bin collections as that would rapidly become out of synch. It's hard enough to remember which week is which collection now and putting the green bin collection out of synch with all others would result in wrong bins being left out very easily. Furthermore when this happens it results in a long period of time before can put out again (or 6 weeks of left bin out on wrong day or was on holiday the week of the green bin collection). It would be better as a fortnightly even if a smaller bin was used.</p>
1155	as there will be no food waste in the green bin 3 week collection is alright.
1156	<p>Three week collection preferable option. Too often people just put recyclable items in the green and are just as lazy/ignorant about what goes in the grey. Council has tried over the years (leaflets, officers/inspectors making house visits) to encourage recycling. Carrot clearly doesn't work, it's time for the stick.</p> <p>*DECLARATION : I am a council employee who has spent time working in waste &amp; recycling trying to encourage recycling face-to-face with residents for several years.</p>
1157	<p>I have very little food waste but my green bin is always full mainly due to packaging which cannot be recycled by yourselves. To collect every 3 weeks or reduce to a small bin is not a good option. I am sure I am not the only one who thinks that. By all means introduce the food bin but reduce collections of green bin or reduce size..NO!</p> <p>Also you may initially supply bags to put food waste in but how long before we pay?</p>
1158	Works well.
1159	I refuse to use an indoor caddy so will not be taking part in this recycling collection.
1160	I don't produce any food waste. I will have too much rubbish for a three weekly collection. I will have to burn the excess rubbish if the collection goes to three weekly. Why weren't residents consulted before these proposals were made?
1161	I think 3 weeks is too long a period for refuse to be stored during the summer months
1162	Good idea. Don't mind this option.
1163	This doesn't seem to add up. If you reduce green bin waste by 1/3 but only collect every three weeks, there is 2/3 on week 3 waste to fit into the existing bin, but only 1/3 of available space. The green bin is likely to overflow. We already try to reduce waste food and the majority of green bin waste is non-recyclable. We have 2 small children so nappies etc take up a lot of waste. This option will leave us with a shortage of bin options. This is particularly disappointing as council taxes rose and there is still the charge to collect garden waste. I think the council should look at ways to finance the food collections and keep the 2 week green bin collection (same size bin). I might be daft, but option 2 without the new bin would do this. The council under this proposal have already committed to keep fortnightly green bin collections, so presumably this is affordable, and propose to purchase new bins for all residents. Just don't replace the bins and carry on!
1164	I would prefer the smaller bin & green bin collection every two weeks but I think we should invest in recycling a lot more plastics etc
1165	both options useless. don't change anything. keep green bin size and collection frequency as it is
1166	In our household there is a dog therefore there's dog poo bags, I also have a baby still in nappies. I would be worried about flies and maggots. Foxes and cats would try to open the bin.

1167	I would like to keep my existing bin.
1168	Our preference would be for Option 1 as we can see no reason to go to the expense of changing perfectly serviceable existing green bins.
1169	Too long a gap for green bin collections.
1170	Concerned about maggots in the green bin if not emptied every two weeks. I think its a good idea to recycle food waste but it is food left on the edges of plastic containers, I.e take away boxes, ready meals, etc, that the flies can lay eggs on and therefore producing maggots.
1171	Collections every 3 weeks will result in an infestation of maggots across the borough. (Even with the food waste collected separately).  Another poorly thought-out, poorly- funded and contemptuous idea surrounding waste disposal.
1172	The best option
1173	We still need the 240 litre bins because of the smells and the fly's. Also there is still so much stuff that cannot be recycled no matter how hard people try. Any smaller bins would cause bins to be overflowing, even with the food waste collections, I am all for the food collections as i have relations who live in Flintshire and I have seen the benefit of the food bins. But they have the 240 litre bins & fortnightly collections. Also people with nappies even put in plastic bags. you still get the smells and the fly's.
1174	Three weeks between green bin emptying is far too long. Weekly food collection is ok. Personally I have virtually no waste food. Peelings etc are added to my compost heap. I am more annoyed that the garden brown bin now has to be paid for. This was a cheek by the council and the charge should be less than £35.
1175	I currently have two green bins as I have a child with special needs who uses a minimum of three nappies per night - a total of at least 21 per week. I can therefore not go down to the smaller bins although I am concerned about the amount of flies that already congregate around my bin as the lid was damaged by the bin wagon so does not fit properly and I am not prepared to pay for a new bin which has not been damaged by a member of the family.
1176	Collection of green bin not frequent enough especially in the summer, or if you're away for a week. Increase recycling of garden waste by going back to a free brown bin.
1177	option 1 best of the worst shouldn't be any food waste as people in the area are using food banks. surely there are more important issues .plus the cost of replacing bins already in use same old story great at making daft decisions and spending other peoples money
1178	do not agree with your proposals when brown were first brought in food waste was supposed to go into this now you want to add another bin try making the present system to work instead of spending more money.
1179	Think option 1 would be best
1180	We do not have the levels of food waste estimated by the council therefore will not "gain" much green bin capacity back by the introduction of the food waste collection service. Could probably cope with collection every three weeks if I jump up and down on the rubbish to compact it but that isn't particularly safe. A key issue is that we have young children and therefore have nappy waste, therefore for the next 4 years or so would find this option to be very unpleasant, the current cycle of every two weeks is already an issue in terms of bad smells especially in warmer weather. If nappy waste was not an issue then clearly this option gives more volume for disposal (480 l per 6 weeks as opposed to 420 l -option 2). A very significant draw back of this option is the sequencing and having bins out of sync (i.e green on 3 week and grey and brown on 2 week cycles) could cause many missed collections as residents get confused and forget to leave bins out for emptying, this could be very problematic as it could mean no collection for 6 weeks which is potential health hazard. The grey bin is where we see spare capacity so wonder if it has been considered to move this onto a 3 week cycle as opposed to the green bin.
1181	I have no objection to a food waste bin but the suggestion that food makes up one third of the weight of material put in the green bin is laughable. We never waste food, if we cannot eat it the dog does. Our food bin will contain some potato peelings (some go on the compost heap), banana skins go directly onto the garden, bread crusts which aren't eaten by the family go to the birds. I suppose certain vegetable offcuts would end up in the food bin, but most of those end up as compost. Eggs shells would go in the new bin unless they are unsuitable as I believe are bones. We could manage with 3 weekly green bin collections using the larger bin, but what about disposable nappies ? When our daughter lived with us after the birth of her baby there were 70 used nappies in our bin each two weeks.
1182	The majority of our green bin rubbish tends to be plastic packaging so collection for green bins every 3 weeks isn't enough

1183	<p>Option 1 - Is the preferable option although it is crazy to only collect the green bin every 3 weeks. I do not have any food waste and so I have no need for any type of caddy, indoors or outdoors. I make sure that any food purchased is eaten to ensure no waste.</p> <p>Only collecting the green bin every three weeks will mean that more people will start dumping rubbish and fly tipping if their green bin becomes too full before it is collected. Also, this will increase odours from the soiled wrappings and packages that are lying there for 3 weeks which will encourage rats and other vermin.</p>
1184	At present we compost vegetable waste and have very little food waste so not keen on three week collection
1185	Green bins get very little food waste from us, it is mainly the plastic packaging which is the problem. More types of plastic should be permitted in the Grey bin.
1186	I prefer this option only because it works out as more volume of waste being collected. I wouldn't want either option. I believe that the majority of waste in our bin is plastic food packaging and tetra packs that you do not allow in the grey recycling bin. A 240 litre bin collection every 3 weeks isn't enough for a family, but 140 litres every 2 weeks is less volume. Why don't you increase the different types of items you can recycle?
1187	Why don't you ever do things that residents actually want? Like cutting the grass so it looks nice and trimming hedges along roadways.
1188	I have no room in my kitchen for waste collection bins that would have to sit on the work tops!!
1189	<p>I have hardly any waste food. What size is a small caddy and small container for outside?</p> <p>How is the outside container to be locked?</p>
1190	No I don't like it
1191	I will be quite happy to have my green bin emptied once every three weeks if food waste is collected separately as proposed, given that this is what leads to unpleasant odours building up. My green bin is in good condition and therefore does not need changing.
1192	<p>We do not have much in the way of food waste and I am sure there will be other people like ourselves. No doubt these sort of comments will be disregarded as it appears that you have made up your collective minds and will go ahead regardless. So why waste money asking? You usually do what you think is best for yourselves and not the general public.</p> <p>I think that collecting the food waste in the caddy indoors is not very hygienic, especially during the summer/hot weather as it will entice flies, mice and goodness knows what else. The current state of the Health Service would not cope with and outbreak of food poisoning etc.</p> <p>It should not be just about money, how about the council members taking a pay cut.</p>
1193	I would prefer to re-cycle food like we did a few years ago when the wheelie bins were first introduced. I found that the caddies were too small and didn't hold that much food. I would look forward to you starting to re-cycle food again. I think that collecting the green bin every 3 weeks will lead to confusion as to which bins are to be collected . A three week cycle is more difficult to remember than a two week one. Angela Tolcher.
1194	Both options are terrible. I think we should stay as we are presently and pay the fine.
1195	Not the best option.
1196	This has been done before ????? Didn't work then, why now ????
1197	I prefer this option because there is less cost associated with reissuing green bins.
1198	<p>I am concerned that the bin will smell too much as used for nappies.</p> <p>We don't waste a lot of food and so can't see that there will be much more space in the bin. Fortnightly emptying is only just enough and I think 3 weekly will mean the bin will be full long before it is due to be emptied.</p>
1199	Think it is the better option of the two. No cost to replace the green bins with smaller ones. Hope we get no rat problems...
1200	Whilst this is often enough for me I think 3 weekly would be really confusing and nobody would remember when it was bin day.
1201	<p>I do not want a food collection bin and am unlikely to use it if provided. You tried this a few years ago, I found it smelly and unpleasant to have in my kitchen and will not keep it outside as it will attract unwanted pests.</p> <p>A collection every 3 weeks of the green bin is too infrequent and I am opposed to this suggestion.</p> <p>I already pay for the brown bin collection and would continue</p>
1202	an excellent idea to have a separate food waste collection and either option 1 or 2 would be okay

1203	Option 1 much better than option 2
1204	Do not want a separate food collection bin as this will attract vermin such as mice and rats, as will have to be left out over night. I have already had problems with vermin and had to have pest control officer to my property on more than one occasion to lay poison.  Not happy with green bin being emptied only every 3 weeks, this is too infrequent.
1205	This is my preferred choice as we don't throw a lot of food waste out however we seem to still fill our green bin every two weeks.
1206	a 3 weekly collection is just ridiculous, i recycle a lot but will need to go to the tip to get rid of rubbish as my bin is often full. Also in the hot weather the smell is terrible as I have a cat and the litter needs to be in the green bin but a larger bin would be needed. I think this will lead to more flytipping and passage dumping as not everyone will go to the tip with their extra rubbish
1207	Waste of money, can't you think of anything better to spend our money on!!!
1208	I can agree with the food recycling option but we are a family of 3, no baby, no nappies etc. We already compost all our fruit/ veg etc. We rarely throw out any food, leftovers are minimal and we don't let things go to waste based on use by date we just find a use for them. We put everything we can into the grey bin - yet we still fill a big green bin every 2 weeks. In the summer our green bin still gets maggots - despite everything being bagged and very little food. The problem is we can't recycle everything, there has to be an opportunity to recycle thin plastics like yoghurt pots, margarine tubs, meat containers and tetra paks.  Neither of these options will work for us unless Wirral step up their ability to recycle more materials.  There is plenty to be done in teaching people how to recycle and what to recycle and in working with supermarkets to reduce packaging. That would cut waste, these two options are just making life harder for people and not attacking the problem from the right angle.
1209	Green bin needs collecting more than 3 weekly as there are still things in it that will smell and deteriorate especially in summer.
1210	a 3-weekly collection is liable to cause confusion and result in householders occasionally forgetting to put the bin out. Every such memory-lapse would lead to a 6-week gap in emptying the bin, which is completely unacceptable. Option 2 is therefore preferable, by far.
1211	We are a 3 person household, who are keen recyclers, most of our food waste goes in the compost. Very little food is put in our general waste. A three week collection would often have our green bin overflowing and would only work if a bin bag is also accepted.
1212	I prefer this option as do not want to change the size of my green bin.
1213	My bin is always full to the brim after 2 weeks, I would not like to wait 3 weeks for it to be emptied. Having two small children in nappies, 3 weeks is too long, in summer the bins would be stinking. We do recycle as much as we can, food waste good idea which we would of course do, however cutting our green bin in size will probably mean we end up visiting the tip with general waste when we run out of space in our smaller bins!
1214	I don't want this option, I can't wait three weeks for my bin to be emptied. I also don't have much food waste if any! I do not want a 'food waste caddy' in my kitchen, there is no room!
1215	We prefer option 1
1216	The idea of having a green bin with items such as dirty nappies sitting around for three weeks is not very appealing!  Grey bin is often full after only a week so could be collected more often.
1217	It is extremely rare that I would ever throw away any food so the only food waste I would have would be vegetable peelings, egg shells and meat bones. This would have little effect on the volume of waste presently going into my green bin. Personally I could cope with the size of bin being sufficient for 3 weeks but then I am a single person with no family. I do not see how a family could manage with this.
1218	Option 2 suits me down to the ground providing a rota leaflet is also provided.
1219	I can live with option 1. 240L every 3 weeks is more capacity than 140L every 2 weeks. We have very little food waste in our household as we compost what we can and throw out the likes of apple cores and unused portions of fruit into the garden for wildlife to consume (mainly birds). Hardly anything that we cook is wasted and it's rare that we have to dispose of food because it's gone off.  Not interested in the brown bin service right now.
1220	On behalf of my Mother I can confirm her preference for Option 1 owing her needs despite being on her own.
1221	This would be my preferred option. I think it would be a waste of money swapping for a smaller bin. I have no problem whatsoever with a collection every 3 weeks
1222	I would prefer this option, retaining the larger bin

1223	This would probably be my choice, but my main concern about it is that when you go on holiday and are unable to put your bin out, it means it will go uncollected for 6 weeks. This is a very long time and obviously the bin can't hold 6 weeks worth of rubbish.
1224	I don't mind having a waste food collection bin, but the idea of emptying the green bin every 3 weeks I don't like. I don't expect that food waste makes up a third of the volume of the green bin.
1225	With two young children (both still in nappies), 3 weekly green bin collects are ridiculous. Bi weekly collections are bad enough, without waiting an extra week for our green bin to be emptied.
1226	No additional storage bins, 3 is ridiculous enough as it is. Collection should go back to weekly for all.
1227	I disagree with 3 weeks collections of green bin and smaller green bins. There are a lot of pets on the Wirral and I would not wish to be keeping dog waste for up to 3 weeks. I would consider in our household food waste only makes a tiny percentage of green bin. Surely before a considerable expenditure on such a scheme a trial would be beneficial together with education initiatives on food waste, food packaging options when shopping and alternative methods of disposal ie composting. I think the council should be pushing parliament to reduce food packaging in supermarkets in order to help meet recycling targets
1228	This is a better option, as more waste will fit into this bin.
1229	This sounds ok and doesn't involve cost of replacing green bins,
1230	Not happy about having a box in my home to store food waste. Should remain outside two weekly
1231	I rarely have any food waste. I do not have space for an indoor caddy in my tiny kitchen. I doubt very much I would need a weekly food waste collection. I use my green bin to dispose of dog waste in addition to non recycling. I virtually fill 240 litre bin in a fortnight. The dog waste is appropriately bagged but still smells appalling and would prefer to retain 2 week collection. Likewise grey bin always 2/3 full, council needs to explore & invest in options for more materials to be recycled as there are many that could be recycled but our local centre doesn't have facilities for same. This would be better investment than food waste bins and smaller green bins. I do not subscribe to brown bin collection I take garden waste to recycling centre in my car
1232	No thank you. I think a three weekly collection is unhygienic
1233	Not happy about a further storage bin outside my house and less happy about one sitting in my kitchen. The green bin should be a weekly collection anyway not two weekly.
1234	This option requires us to have 33% less waste. Our waste is mainly non recyclable packaging. We currently compost all our vegetable waste and have very little meat based waste. Our green bin is full to bursting after 2 weeks and we already need to visit the tip with extra waste if we have visitors or over a Bank holiday.  The solution would be to for more packaging to be recycled.  A 3 weekly collection and/or an extra bin would be preferable but we would not manage without visiting the tip ourselves. .
1235	Our household does not have any food waste. Anything that is left over is placed in the garden compost container (things such as peelings, banana skins etc). These proposals are penalizing the people who do not waste food. The council would be better placed educating the people who needlessly waste food. Also by introducing this two-tiered system you will further complicate the bin collection system. As well as the existing fortnightly collection of the grey and brown bins you will now have either a two or three week collection for the green bin depending on size and a weekly food container. Making the system more complicated will no doubt lead to more complaints about collections. We therefore reject both options as being unsuitable.



1236	<p>I have already made a reply giving my estimate of the extra costs for additional collections in your proposals (£65/year with standard green bin, £78/year smaller green bin) and I now wish to comment on the (in)validity of the proposals in general.</p> <p>First have you factored in the extra pollution (as well as the above costs) of the extra collections, presumably by diesel engined lorries?</p> <p>You give a figure of 7kg of food per fortnight in the green bin which could be recycled. Taking an extreme view that all of this is recycled, have you worked out how much this will move the present 36% to the aim of 50%? I would like to know the answer, but my guess is 1% , i.e. 36% to 37 %.</p> <p>And what is so special about 50%? I suspect nothing at all, and that it's an arbitrary figure that some committee thought looked nice.</p> <p>I reject both your proposals as being expensive and useless</p>
1237	I am worried about the smell from bins only being collected every three weeks. In hot weather, this will be unbearable.
1238	Option 2 would be our preferred choice for the bin collection as we do not have much in the way of food waste.
1239	Having purchased a composting bin last year and used it regularly it has proved so environmentally friendly that the resulting compost amounts to the equivalent of less than 40 Ltr..... I shudder to think how much energy was used to make the container and distribute it .....everything that goes into the bins has had a primary use.....burn the stuff .....stop FAFFING about with multiple visits to collect minuscule amounts of tonnage. Burn it .... Produce electricity...eliminate your waste sorters, your waste analysis clerks and you project DIRRectors and join the real world. Plastic if not recycled has already had a primary use..... It has a higher calorific value than coal. Burn everything...and when you start to run out of things to burn start digging into the mounds of WASTE ,(or should we call it fuel? ) that you have cleverly stockpiled at Bidston Moss and Bromborough Pool. We might find we have a considerable amount of land that could be put to good use.
1240	Seems to make sense with the personal option of only using the additional facility if required
1241	<p>Years ago when coal ash and garden waste and household waste went into one bin, it was collected weekly . That was the councils responsibility to us rate payers, were ever we were situated in the Wirral.</p> <p>The council dealt with it as part of there responsibility then, but now we have private companies that dictate to the council as to what there future commitments will be, or else it appears we will be penalised and charged more by them.</p> <p>Would this happen in Europe, I doubt it , the French would have Madam guillotine rolled out for them.</p> <p>Lets take back control of our waste disposal , and take proper responsibility for our household waste.</p>
1242	<p>We cannot subscribe to either option as unfortunately we are not an average family. We do not waste ANY food, throwing no out of date/mouldy food away as we never have any. Unused food from the dinner table is a rare occurrence and becomes 'use ups'. We recycle all possible compostable food. Animal bones are the most likely thing that would go in a food bin.</p> <p>At the moment our green bin is rarely more than half full and would be less full if you expanded the grey bin collection service. It is rather dictatorial of you as a council to decide what we, as residents, must have in our kitchens in the way of waste disposal containers. In our fitted kitchen there is no place for a food caddy.</p> <p>The waste figure quoted of £60 a month may be applicable in some cases. Not, I can assure you, in ours.</p> <p>There is no likelihood of the caddy or external bin being used.</p>
1243	What if you have no room in your kitchen for a caddy??? My green bin is full after 2 weeks never mind 3 and there is not a lot of food waste in this house. This will result in far more rubbish on the streets
1244	Three week collections could result in problems with waste becoming contaminated and also cause the authority further litter problems.
1245	Not happy, before contemplating changing to 3 weekly a trial should be run. Keep normal bin and collect every 2 weeks then after say 3 months have a feedback form of how customers (at the end of the day the public are customers and should be listened to! ) feel about the collection day was there extra room in bin for a 3rd week?, smells/maggot problems etc
1246	This option is preferable as it will provide a greater collection volume over the year. There will be extra expense for additional food liners - if the Council are undertaking to provide these at no cost to householders this must not be removed. How will this be done on a regular basis.

1247	<p>A 3 week collection will not work, I see large bins over flowing in a matter of days after collection. What would be better if you had a used nappy collection (weekly) as this takes up a lot of space in a bin.</p> <p>My neighbour has no grey bin therefore doesn't recycle, she has 2 children under 5, who are both in nappies, her green bin is only empty on collection day and within a couple of days it's over flowing again.</p> <p>Food waste bins were around over 50 years ago and we had smaller bins then too, but we had weekly collections. The way the government and Wirral borough council are going people cannot afford to waste food so these bins will be of no use. I certainly won't be using them, if I have waste food it will go in my green bin.</p>
1248	<p>Dear Sirs</p> <p>I have only just found out about this new bin scheme that the Council are trying to introduce, I live in Price Street and do not receive any of the free papers which the Council have advertised this scheme in. Surely that is not a very fair system, in that you will introduce a new scheme without any redress from people in this area?</p> <p>Also by reducing the size of the green bin surely that will lead to more fly tipping, as people can get rid of smaller household items through the 'normal' size green bin. And from what I have seen, fly tipping appears to be on the increase in the area because of the tariffs that the Council have introduced at the local tip - that hasn't worked very well, because the Council are now having to clear away the fly tippers rubbish - a further waste of Council Tax payers money.</p> <p>I am not happy with the so called consultation process, I visited Birkenhead Central Library today and picked up a Wirral Globe dated 3 August and have only just found the Council's article on this subject.</p> <p>I bitterly oppose the introduction of this new green bin system. From memory haven't the Council already trialled this and the householders hated and opposed this scheme - more waste of the Council Tax payers money?</p> <p>Instead of trying to achieve targets, try thinking of the people whom the Council are trying to serve. This Council is not as open and transparent as it first appears to be - it is wrong that people like me are only just finding out about this scheme.</p>
1249	The waste in the green bin starts to smell after 2 weeks, so 3 weeks would be far too long between collections. So we oppose this option very strongly.
1250	sounds reasonable, though trying to remember to put the green bin out every 3 weeks may be an issue in many households.
1251	Where are we supposed to store another bin (caddy), which will smell, indoors. Three weekly collection for the green bin is not frequent enough.
1252	<p>I could easily manage under this option, given the low rate of my green bin waste (and of my minimal food waste for that matter).</p> <p>I should add that my green bin is in very good condition.....it is a replacement after the original lost its' lid a good few years ago.</p>
1253	As the only food waste available from our property is the fat cut off cooked meat and skin off cooked fish a food waste bin would be quite superfluous!!! We compost all other food waste and by good household management (taught from an early age) both purchase and cook only food that we intend to eat!!!
1254	i do not wish to receive food waste bin in my kitchen. i do not waste food!!!
1255	I would go for option 1 but would prefer to keep the bin collection as it is at present.
1256	<p>It would be very helpful to have a food waste collection service. Wirral council always seems to be further behind on these sorts of initiatives than other councils. Other councils have had this for years. Where possible I compost my raw vegetables and peelings so I would use this for meat and cooked vegetables only. I welcome the initiative.</p> <p>I am anxious about reducing the capacity of my green bin so I would rather have a 3 weekly collection than halve the capacity.</p>
1257	I am totally opposed to both options.
1258	I would agree to recycling food but not to a three week green bin cycle.
1259	I think all this change is a waste of money the council can not afford. Food waste in the kitchen is going to attract more flies than there are now and the smell in the warm weather unbearable. We recycle in this household 100% of recycleable waste. I prefer the collection as it is at present with the 240 litre bin collected every two weeks.

1260	Three weeks is a long time for a bin to be emptied even with no food waste in as garden materials n yoghurt and margarine tubs can still go mouldy and attract pest such as mice and maggots .
1261	I like the idea of continuous recycling-i would be concerned if green bin was only emptied every 3 weeks as i put double bagged cat littler in my green bin. Also i have 4 grown up children living at home so a smaller bin wouldnt teally be ideal...we do not really have a lot of food waste as i tend yo put it out for the birds...but obviously do have some that I would be happy to recycle - so to conclude-i would like to recycle and would be happy to recycle but wish to continue using large green bin emptied fortnightly...
1262	I am happy with the bin collections as they are thank you, I don't have any food waste.
1263	Am I the only person who is sick of the front of my property looking like the council dump with 3 bins permanently on the path. I have no alternative place to store the bins other than the garage, and I refuse to give up my garage for bins. 3 weekly collections are not acceptable.
1264	This would be my preferred option.
1265	This option is not viable. The food waste bin will not save much space in the green bin for the following reasons:  1- I don't waste a lot of food. I cook everything fresh and make sure that there is little waste  2. We have just had a baby girl. The green bin is already overflowing from nappies etc. So every three week collection just isn't going to work
1266	Prefer option 2
1267	make brown bins free that will increase recycling
1268	Our food waste is minimal. What would constitute food waste? Eggshells? Shrimp shells? My daughter in Chester has a weekly food waste collection and in the hot weather it was foul smelling and often maggot ridden so many people there put it into the general waste bin anyway. This would be worse if the general waste collection was every three weeks.
1269	If 1/3 on avarage of every households green bins waste is food, then 2/3 of it is not. Would it not equate that within 1 week that the 240 litre bin would be over flowing come the third week, and if the size of the bin was cut to 140 litre and collected every 2 weeks(the amount of food waste would remain the same at 1/3 of the total waste then surley these bins would over flow also!) Why can't the bins remain their current size where the households occupancy and working status requires this and be reduced to smaller bins for those who would be more suited to this and the green bin collection remain 2 weekly?
1270	I am very surprised that a third of waste in the green bin is food waste. a lot of elderly single household could probably sustain a 3 weekly collection unless like many elderly there wont be much food waste but maybe a lot of medical waste ie incontinence pads etc a 3 weekly collection would be of great concern to me, I have had a lot of maggots this summer and no it is not full of food waste I am concerned that many large families will not be able to cope with a 3 weekly collection ie children in the household with nappies to dispose of. I am concerned that my food bin will not warrant emptying weekly. I am concerned that I cannot recycle margarine tubs, meat trays, yoghurt pots etc I am concerned that the introduction of the charge for the brown bin has given way to people putting garden waste in their green bin or as many have decided to do is burn it. very eco friendly i'm sure!. I am sick of the practice of burning where I live.
1271	Please see option 2 comments
1272	Weekly, bi-weekly, tri-weekly. Could cause confusion....  So miss 1 bin collection and it could be 6 weeks before bin is emptied?  How big is the indoor caddy?
1273	Option 1 would seem to reduce the cost of the offered options by way of removing the neccesity to removing and replacing the existing 240 litre green bins and provide 140 litre bins in their place. In presuming that the council does not have a ready and waiting customer(s) wanting to pay for many thousands of well used, smelly green wheelie bins anxiously awaiting in the shadows this would save a considerable amount of council tax payers money that the council, apparently, does not possess.
1274	This would be doable for our family. I imagine this would save the most money as it would mean not having to replace any bins and less collections for the green bin.

1275	<p>Leave bin collection as it is now!</p> <p>Bin food collections did not work in the 1950's (pig bins - smelly with flies) and they won't work now.</p> <p>There can be no EU requirements as we will be out of the EU in 2 years time!</p> <p>Stop meddling!!</p>
1276	<p>Already have a 140 litre bin so as we have very little food waste this would not be big enough for a 3 week collection. Would the council replace it free of charge ?</p>
1277	<p>3 weeks seems a long time but the advantage is that we keep the big bin. This is useful for larger items such as plastics and polystyrene which may not fit into a smaller bin. Also my bin is fine, as are lots of others on the Wirral, buying new ones for us all is a waste of money.</p>
1278	<p>As a family with very young children we don't have enough food waste to go to a 3 week cycle on the green bin. The nappies alone take up a huge amount of space. Also I think that the smell and potential for rats is awful. Food waste has also previously been tried when the brown bin was introduced and failed. I don't think either option is viable to a family with young children.</p>
1279	<p>The food containers need to be secure and it is important that it continues to be collected once a week.</p> <p>As there should not be any noxious waste in the green bin it probably would not matter if it is collected every three weeks but a fortnightly cycle is easier to remember.</p> <p>I would prefer collection option 2.</p>
1280	<p>I am a little confused, the biggest part of the green bin is not food but all types of packaging which you say you can't recycle, surely it would also be useful to recycle this packaging that you don't want in the grey bin, even if the plastics from the food is only chopped up and made into something useful rather than going into landfill.</p> <p>Also, why don't you get all the food packaging companies to use a packaging that can be recycled, it's crazy having them pack food in materials that can't be recycled in 2016, pure madness.</p>
1281	<p>This option would suit my household. As there would be no food waste going rancid in the bin, a 3-weekly collection would be ok.</p>
1282	<p>Keeping 240 litres over three weeks not ideal but at 80 litres a week it's preferable to option 2.</p>
1283	<p>Keep it the way it is now</p>
1284	<p>I believe a three weekly green bin collection will be too confusing for the majority of people, the two week rotation is simple. You have not given me enough information on what you class as food waste, do you include apple peelings as food waste? Banana skins and so on.</p>
1285	<p>Collection every 3 weeks for the green bin concerns me. It is a potential health hazard</p>
1286	<p>I think this option of a 3 weekly collection will be confusing, leading to people missing the collection day and having to wait 6 weeks for a collection.</p>
1287	<p>No this is not the option for me, I live alone I do not have waste food as anything I buy I eat. Also I do not want another Small Caddy in my kitchen</p>
1288	<p>This is a better option because...</p> <p>No need to change bin.</p> <p>Greater litre capacity over a fixed period e.g. 480L over 6 weeks when compared to 420L over the same period with the same bin.</p>
1289	<p>I don't like the idea of moving to a 3 week cycle for the green bin. Given that we can't recycle milk, juice and yoghurt cartons I would be concerned about the smell.</p> <p>Having a weekly food waste collection is a good idea though I doubt I would put much in mine as we tend to plan ahead so that we waste very little.</p>

1290	<p>Food waste is not anything like 1/3 of my green bin contents, or those of most people I speak with. It would therefore be a significant challenge to large households to have to wait 3 weeks for collection.</p> <p>The confusion that would be caused by having to deal with 1,2, and 3 weekly collections would likely be immense.</p> <p>The green bin, while not containing food would contain soiled packaging materials, (and in some homes, nappies / continence pads). To have to wait 3 weeks for these to be collected would lead to unpleasant aromas or worse.</p>
1291	<p>Three week collections work for me, but I live in the North end of Blrkenhead, where most people just dump whatever doesn't get collected in the entries and rely on the council clean up teams to clear up. This will only get worse with less frequent green bin collections, which will surely end up more expensive for the council. A clearer guidance/ education programme for these areas is required whichever option is chosen.</p>
1292	<p>I would prefer things to remain as they are because the present system works well and is very efficient.</p> <p>Food caddies and containers cause unpleasant smells and encourage rats,mice and other vermin whether indoors or outside.</p> <p>Three weekly Green Bin collections are impractical for most households and will almost certainly result in more illegal fly tipping.</p> <p>Will the cost of providing and emptying the food caddies and containers have to be met by Council Tax payers?</p>
1293	<p>No.</p>
1294	<p>I prefer this option, partly to keep all the bins the same size, looks better to me. I personally visit the tip to recycle as well, as I find our bin gets full within the 2 week collection period anyway. We don't throw a lot of food away at all, so I can't see it effecting us much. I do pity properties without much outside space but it's the way forwards now. Does this mean the lockable box has to be lifted, again, very difficult for certain people? Is it all, any type of food waste?</p>
1295	<p>I have next to no food waste so the new bin would be no use for me. My small green bin is filled with plastic waste that cannot go in the grey recycling bin.</p>
1296	<p>I have concerns about the frequency of green bin collection due to dog waste; it smells now as it is kept for 2 weeks, but it would be much worse, especially during summer if the green bin was only emptied every 3 weeks. I would imagine this is the same for those who use nappies.</p> <p>I feel that this would make some areas of Wirral where the green bins are kept on the street in front of terraced housing difficult to live in, especially when many of these areas are already deprived and have existing problems.</p>
1297	<p>I support every form of recycling.</p> <p>My concern with the food recycling collection is that the blue bin will have blown away by the time I have returned from work on the collection day. I have a car and therefore would prefer to empty it personally at a recycling complex along with the tetra pax that I already take.</p> <p>I would prefer to keep my existing 240l bin and have it emptied every 3 weeks as long as I don't have to pay for it to be replaced when it blows over and gets damaged on windy days.</p> <p>A bin calendar would be essential to keep up with the weeks when we would have up to 4 bins emptied and other weeks only 1.</p>
1298	<p>Yes, that's a good option.</p>
1299	<p>Would suit me as my green bin would no longer have food waste in it.</p>
1300	<p>Many people will not use the food bin. I am aware of the lack of use of these bins as my daughter lives in an area which has them. It's quite a smart area of north London and in the local more densely populated areas they are a hazard - lying about little used. Have you audited areas of the Wirral to see if the recycling bin is used everywhere. I think you should leave things as they are and encourage more grey bin use.</p>
1301	<p>Diagree As Green Bin will Smell If left For 3 weeks</p> <p>In Our Household We hardly Waste Any Food</p>
1302	<p>I think in the summer period this proposal will be unhygienic and in many areas will lead to bins overflowingand probably an increase in fly tipping therefore I am not in favour</p>
1303	<p>Leave things as they are I am more than happy with the way it is.</p>
1304	<p>I really don't think the three weekly collection will work, I do think many will agree with this although it is not really relevant to myself as I live on my own and do not have as much waste as a family unit.</p>
1305	<p>Every 3 weeks is to long to have rubbish lying around. I definatly would not like to see this option put into place.</p>



1319	<p>In some of your literature you seem to claim that we could have been throwing our food waste into the brown bin all this time, I did not think that was what the brown garden bin was for. we have only put garden waste in there.</p> <p>We see no need for a food recycling scheme, we have no food to recycle, we shop according to our needs, and have no waste left overs.</p> <p>We are adamantly against keeping a green bin full of refuse at our property for 3 weeks, attracting flies and other wildlife.</p> <p>We object absolutely to the 3 week pick up service on health and safety grounds.</p> <p>2 weeks is the absolute maximum this rubbish can be left at our properties, it should really be picked up every week for the safety of all communities.</p>
1320	<p>council are a disgrace ,,WHY NOT INFORM RESIDENTS OF THE COST INVOLVED ,,,, OVER. 1 .5 MILLION ,,,,WHY HAVE WE NOT BEEN ALLOWED TO SEE ...ALL...THE POSSIBILITIES ???? AS RATE PAYERS WE SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO SEE ALL PROPOSALS !!! I WILL NOT BE USING A FOOD WASTE BIN IN MY KITCHEN ,, I DO NOT KNOW ANYONE WHO IS PREPARED TO USE A BIN IN THE KITCHEN ,,SUCH A WASTE OF TAX PAYERS MONEY ,,AS FOR THE GREEN BIN , MAGGOTS AND VERMIN ARE THERE AFTER 2 WEEKS ,,PITY HELP US IF LEFT FOR 3 WEEKS ,,SO DEFINATLEY. NOT. 3 WEEK COLLECTION ,,,,WILL THE COUNCIL EMPLOY PEOPLE TO RID THE STREES OF VERMIN. !!!!! AND FLYTIPPING ,,AFTER THE VOTE FOR BREXIT SURELY WE DO NOT HAVE TO BE GOVERNED BY E.U. TARGETS ...THE COUNCIL SEEM TO HAVE MADE A DECISION !,,,,, LETS SEE IF THE PEOPLE OF WIRRAL REALLY ARE GIVEN A CHOICE ,,,,NO FOOD BINS ,,AND NO CHANGE IN GREEN BIN COLLECTION KEEP TO 2 WEEK COLLECTION .....,SIMPLE MATHS. ,</p>
1321	<p>Approve of the food collection however three weekly will lead to smell issues in the green bin.</p>
1322	<p>I support the use of food caddies and will be happy to be involved in this project.</p> <p>I wonder what the cost would be of replacing all the 240l bins would be? And surely a three weekly collection would save on energy costs as well given that you will be collecting the food caddy weekly.</p> <p>Generally I am happy with this option.</p>
1323	<p>I would not be prepared to have a food waste bin in my house/kitchen attracting flies and creating smells.</p> <p>Non food waste kept for 3 weeks could also be a health hazard, eg nappies when people visit and dog mess, again visitors or left outside on the pavement by dog walkers.</p> <p>Plastic non recyclable containers would have to be washed more carefully.</p>
1324	<p>If food waste is placed into plastic bags , will this not impact on the Bidston digestion system?</p>
1325	<p>I'd prefer this option</p>
1326	<p>This is not a good option for our household.</p>
1327	<p>I don't think this is practical especially for families with young children. Surely this isn't hygienic to leave nappies in a bin for 3 weeks. How will that be pleasant for the family living in the household let alone the smell that the neighbours will have to put up with.</p>
1328	<p>Does the cost reduction of less collections of the green bin offset the cost of a replacement (140 lire) bin and the disposal of the larger ones?</p>
1329	<p>I am very careful about what goes in which bin and, as a household of only two people, still manage to fill out green bin easily in two weeks. I feel that larger families will hugely struggle and you may find issues with tipping and extra bags next to bins.</p>
1330	<p>As long as the food waste is collected weekly to prevent smell, rodents, flies etc this seems to be a workable option.</p>
1331	<p>Even with a food waste bin, I couldn't manage if my green bin only got emptied every 3 weeks. I could do with it being emptied weekly as it is. I have to go to the tip regularly with excess rubbish.</p>
1332	<p>This is my preferred option. Reducing the size of the green bin will cause numerous problems for disposal of non-food and non-recyclable items (NB lots of items are still unacceptable for recycling in the grey bin). Larger households, especially, will find it almost impossible to dispose of non-recyclable waste in a smaller sized bin.</p> <p>The financial cost of replacing all existing large green bins is also a major factor which the council should bear in mind.</p> <p>Reducing the size of the green bin is likely to mean that many households will put non-recyclable waste into the grey bin and thereby cause even more problems in the long term.</p> <p>I strongly urge the council to follow Option 1.</p>

1333	<p>Food waste has already been trialled and didn't prove to be viable so why try again</p> <p>The 3 week collection leaves the council liable for any health issues arising from this plan</p> <p>Also a collection every 3 weeks could cause confusion on collection days as every 6 weeks both bins would be collected on the same day</p>
1334	<p>What we can put in the grey bin is still too limited to allow enough space in green bin for collections only every three weeks! Plus we are expecting a third child so nappies left for three weeks would create awful smell esp in summer.</p>
1335	<p>If you have money to waste on this scheme, why don't you redirect this money to something useful, like keeping Girtrell court open? what happens when people forget to close the main food bin or don't lock it. We live near the park and see foxes roaming the streets. I can imagine the mess if they start rummaging.</p>
1336	<p>I am happy with this option as I have a large family and would not like to reduce the size of the green bin as this would make us struggle managing our waste. I would support this option.</p>
1337	<p>Not keen on the idea of having food waste container in my kitchen especially during summertime with more flies, maggots etc plus the smell of waste food. Overall I think the cost involved isn't worth it either</p>
1338	<p>Given that Wirral Council intend to introduce the separate weekly food waste collection, the only difference between the two "options" is the size of the green bin and the frequency of collection. I would prefer to keep the 240 litre bin, collected every two weeks rather than the 3 week schedule proposed.</p> <p>The main problem with the green bin is that food waste is not as large a proportion of the waste load, compared with the volume of non-recyclable items that cannot be accommodated in the grey bin. A smaller bin, even if collected bi-weekly, not only reduces the volume, but also the size of items that can be binned. Not everyone has access to transport to carry larger waste items to a collection centre!</p> <p>The second problem is that a 3 week cycle for the green bin puts it out of synchronisation with the brown and grey bins. At present its easy to remember if its a grey bin week or a green/brown bin week; the new system looks like it will be an extended 6 week cycle, which will be more difficult to remember. Its no good telling people to use the council website to determine which bin is to be put out, not everyone has instant access to a computer (even now!). An information card will have to be provided detailing the collection cycle week by week, and distributed to all households.</p>
1339	<p>Will you continue to provide indoor food be liners?</p> <p>My green bin is never full after two weeks and I usually only put it for collection once a month.</p>
1340	<p>This is the best option as I would prefer to keep the present size of green bin .</p>
1341	<p>I think 3 weeks is too long to wait for a green bin collection, there would be smelly items in there that are not nice after 2 weeks such as babies nappies, dog waste bags, female sanitary items as well as food wrappers especially ones that contained raw meat.</p>
1342	<p>As a family with a young baby and a toddler, we find that a large proportion of our waste is composed of nappies. Despite wrapping nappies in nappy bags, the smell does seep out. With two week's worth of nappies, the bin smells disgusting by the time it is collected. By moving to a 3 weekly collection this smell will obviously be much worse.</p> <p>I, for one, do not want to walk around the Wirral to be confronted with the smell of faeces and urine from bins stood at the front of properties.</p> <p>For me, the 3 weekly collection is a ludicrous idea which will have a detrimental effect upon our neighbourhoods and as such should not go ahead.</p>
1343	<p>I think this would be very confusing. I would lose track of which weeks to put out my green bin and every 6 weeks would have to put out green, grey and food bins</p>
1344	<p>I think it is an absolutely disgusting idea I have a very small kitchen and no room to house this revolting bin who in their right mind want's a bin with rotting food waste in their kitchen so now we are going to have a total of five bins !! Which lame brain thought up this idea this is so unhygienic And how much is it</p> <p>Going to cost to send the waste to Widnes I will refuse this bin for the kitchen and the new one for food waste outside and if necessary you will have to take me to court think maggots !!</p> <p>We have a small area outside as do many other people so people who keep their bins in the front of the house and entries what will the roads look like personally this is the most hair brained idea ever</p> <p>Think again Wirral borough councilors you ought to be ashamed of yourselves</p>



1345	<p>Totally unacceptable it is plastic packaging that fills the green bin not food. Admit the original mistake made in equipment choice and don't compound the problem. Food waste in kitchens is disgusting, and food contaminated packaging in green bins for two weeks is already a problem.</p> <p>No No No to this stupid plan.</p> <p>Post Brexit why are we concerned about fines?</p>
1346	<p>Do not support Option 1 whatsoever. Although food waste may be one of the items deposited in our green bins which creates a stench if left uncollected for too long there are households with babies and pets whose discarded nappies and pet waste is deposited in the green bin coupled with packaging from packets of fresh meat which all contribute to nasty smells if the green bin is not collected on a regular basis even more so when we have warmer weather.</p>
1347	<p>WE DON'T TEND TO HAVE WASTE FOOD. THE 240L GREEN BIN IS ADEQUATE AND SHOULD BE OK FOR 3 WEEKS IF MORE ITEMS WERE ABLE TO BE PUT IN RECYCLING BIN. GREY BIN - FINE I PAY FOR BROWN</p> <p>OPTION 1 IS PREFERABLE TO OPTION 2</p>
1348	<p>The council is living in cloud cuckoo land if they think this will work, we separate all our waste into the correct bins now and pay for the brown garden collection. Sort out the people who do not put waste into the correct bins, if they cant do it now how do you think either of these options will work.</p>
1349	<p>We should like to keep our existing 240 litre green bin.It is in perfect condition.It is usually only about 1\3 full but when occasionally we have a large piece of polystyrene to dispose of,which is difficult to break up,a 140 litre bin would not accommodate it as well as the usual waste.</p> <p>As we have a compost heap which we supply with vegetable &amp; fruit peelings we have no need of a food waste bin.We have never thrown food away &amp; never have food remaining on our plates at the end of a meal.</p> <p>However,I realise that not everyone has either the room or the need for a compost heap so a food waste bin might be useful for them.</p>
1350	<p>As this would result in a higher average volume of waste being collected per week, this is my preference.</p>
1351	<p>Prefer this option as a more flexible option. Also would not require additional cost in replacing existing bin.</p>
1352	<p>I reject this option</p> <p>Most of our green bin waste consists of soiled nappies, not food waste. Imagine the stench after three weeks. The council is asking for trouble with rodents. Why should we spend our weekends making trips to the local tip?</p>
1353	<p>we have left the EC therefore we do not have meet these targets but the ideas are a way forward , we do not waste much food in our household so the idea of another bin is where to put it , leave the bins as they are</p>
1354	<p>Three week collections of the green bin would be too infrequent. As a cat owner the cat litter can only be put in the green bin. If a week is missed due to holiday it could be six weeks before collection!</p> <p>Happy to segregate food waste that can't go in the compost bin.</p> <p>Any and all advances in recycling more is welcome currently have to drive to two different locations to recycle other plastics, aerosols &amp; tetra paks, would like to be able to do so via the council collection. Why can't the council employ some people (reduce unemployment!) rather than depend on equipment to segregate waste as other recycling companies do.</p>
1355	<p>We already keep food waste to a minimum in this household. Therefore, a three weekly collection from our green bin would not be workable as it would overflow prior to collection. This option is unacceptable.</p>

1356	<p>A food caddy is not a viable option for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Where does it go? - In a fitted kitchen this will be unsightly</li> <li>2) The smell of decaying food during hot weather periods</li> <li>3) The attraction of flies during hot periods</li> </ol> <p>Changing the green bin collection to every three weeks will probably increase fly tipping and incorrect sorting of waste into the other bins.</p> <p>Suggestion - improve the recycling techniques at the collection depots. Expecting every home to do this is unrealistic and the desired targets are unlikely to be achieved. People can't even sort the existing grey bins. I estimate that the quantity collected by food bins will be very low.</p>
1357	<p>This is my preference, mainly because I don't like the inherent waste of bins just being binned (presumably non-recyclable?). Where would all the old bins go and doesn't it seem incongruous to create more waste on such a massive scale?</p> <p>What I don't understand is why the existing green bins can't be emptied fortnightly. If what you say is right, then the volume of waste inside the green bins should be less and capable of fortnightly collection - what is the rationale for three-weekly collections for the existing larger bins, when for the smaller bin the Council can manage two-weekly collections?</p>
1358	<p>Key to this plan is to make more plastic recyclable - other councils collect plastics such as fruit trays, margarine tubs, clean meat trays. Aluminium foil can also be collected. Also wrapping paper. It is these materials that fill our bin.</p> <p>We recycle everything we can. Most food waste in our home (except meat) goes on home compost - but we still regularly fill the green bin.</p> <p>Beware of driving more dumping which is already an issue in lanes.</p>
1359	<p>Bin collections should stay as they are. In any event two weeks is too long and the bin size should not be reduced. Suppliers to the food chain should reduce their packaging. We do not want even more vermin attacking our bins, or maggots increasing in our bins, as would happen if we go to 3 weeks. Look forward to Europe, where equivalent of the green bins are collected daily to reduce health risks.</p> <p>Once again the council is trying to reduce costs where health issues will come into play. We should be provided with a better service, not worse than already provided .</p>
1360	<p>Not overseen on the food caddy as our kitchen is small and no worktop space to put it. Would prefer to keep big green bin although it doesn't get as full as grey recycling bin.</p>
1361	<p>This food waste idea is not practical for our family as we already have a worktop container for our compost heap for the majority of food waste. We would not wish to have another one.</p> <p>It would be a nightmare if we forgot to put out the green bin, waiting a further 3 weeks!</p>
1362	<p>This will be ok as long as the food waste bin is not too small as I do a lot of juicing and have a lot of waste. It might be a good idea, if possible, to offer people a compost bin for the gardens as well and some help installing it and getting it going. This would allow mostly non compostable food to go in the 'small bin'.</p>
1363	<p>We do not need an indoor caddy and liners nor a lockable food waste container for outside because we eat all our food.</p> <p>A 3 week collection for the green bin causes problems because there are still a lot of products we cannot deposit in the grey bin ( a lot of plastics...) so we have to use the green bin for that. We would run out of space with the green bin if you switch to a 3 week collection. We would have to buy the grey bin bags for regular waste but they cannot be placed outside for collection. For that reason i would have to bring these to the town hall so that you can sort it out further.</p>
1364	<p>Best option don't like either really! Need to keep big bin</p>
1365	<p>unbelievable</p>

1366	I don't waste food period. Anything you get from me would be restricted to vegetable leaves and peelings and very occasionally bread crusts. The cost of providing me with the means to recycle this small amount could not be justified. I am deeply concerned as to why you are not tackling the more major items that Wirral Council will not allow us to recycle which other areas such as Telford & Wrekin where my son lives. These include Aerosols, Butter Tubs, Yoghurt pots, Food trays both clear and black, Aluminium foil etc etc. All these currently go into our green bin and presumably end up in landfill. They also keep paper and cardboard separate in a blue bag, which we used to do in the past on the Wirral which means that shredded paper can also be recycled. You need to get your priorities sorted out. I suspect that someone has given you the impression that you can make money out of collecting food waste rather than it is your true desire to increase your recycling percentage which could be more easily done with the methods hereby outlined. I therefore oppose the Council spending money on providing bins for food.
1367	waste of time
1368	If the Blue bin is heavy I will not be able to move it to the roadside for collection. The picture does not seem to show that it has wheels.  Having said that we have very little food waste. Items such as potato peelings go into our compost bin or wormery and converted into usable compost for pot plants. Coffee grounds are good soil enhancers too.
1369	The addition of more bins only serves to complicate the process. Storing a smaller bin full of food waste outside will encourage animals to try to gain access and I envisage this to be a health hazard.  How does the council intend to keep the small bin liners supplied, or is there only an initial supply, therefore increasing the need for plastic bags over and above the current levels.  In reducing the collection from two to three weekly will presumably reduce costs, which I would encourage to be passed onto local residents with reduced council tax fees. This is the option my wife and I prefer.
1370	KEEP THINGS AS NOW BUT FREE BROWN BIN FOR GARDEN WASTE. STOP WASTING OUR MONEY ON CHANGING BINS WHEN PRESENT SYSTEM WORKS. A
1371	The consultation should firstly be whether residents want or need a weekly food recycling collection and yet more bins. It should not be simply forced upon residents by the Council. Whatever happened to democracy? Not acceptable for the green bin to be collected every three weeks.
1372	what a load of rubbish ,our green bin is full after two weeks we don't put any food waste in the green bin now.If you go on holiday you could wait for 6 weeks before the bin is emptied
1373	Due to having cat litter in my bin, I would rather support option 2 - the fortnightly collection of a smaller green bin
1374	KEEP THINGS AS NOW BUT FREE BROWN BIN FOR GARDEN WASTE.
1375	Not the best option for me.
1376	Acceptable but would prefer option 2
1377	a green bin every three weeks is not workable in a large family. with five of us it is already overflowing on collection day. i was happy to pay a small amount for a large one but was told no as this option only applied if more than 6 people. if it goes to 3 weeks i will need a bigger bin otherwise i wont cope.  my recycling is also overflowing on collection day and i often take items to the dump in between. the food waste is a welcome addition but not at a reduced service on general waste as personally i dont have a lof of food waste.
1378	3weeks too long!
1379	I think that the food waste collection will cause smells, vermin and flies.  The same applies to green bin collections every three weeks.
1380	A good idea to keep existing green bin and save money by not replacing it.  Nothing has changed otherwise
1381	It would be easier to manage and have fewer problems with pests and smells if the collection for the green bin continues to be every fortnight. A collection every three weeks would soon get out of 'synch' with the other collections.

1382	<p>It is an absolute disgrace that there only two choices for taxpayers both rigged to ensure a favourable option for the council.</p> <p>This is a fraudulent exercise and an appalling attack on so called democracy. I pay £139 a month to you and my option of choice is to keep the fortnightly collection of both grey bin and green bin and with no reduction in size of either. I actively recycle and don't want a food caddy as I compost any food waste. Also I am a vegetarian and do not generate waste from animal by products. Is it any wonder people vote for extremist political organisations such as UKIP when mainstream political organisations do not listen to local people.</p>
1383	I rarely have cooked food waste and currently put all uncooked food waste in my compost bin. Couldn't this be encouraged?
1384	I think emptying the green bin every three weeks is too long and that the green bin should be emptied weekly.
1385	Good idea to me to recycle more. Don't like 3weekly collection of green bin. Worried people won't do the recycling as a lot near us don't do grey recycling bin. Could all houses, newspapers, social media etc have easy, clear, pictorial ways of getting message of recycling over and what goes in each bin. Stickers for bins maybe?
1386	reduction in green bin collection is simply not practical for a larger family who has very little food waste like ourselves.
1387	<p>We should like to keep our existing 240 litre green bin.It is in perfect condition.It is usually only about 1\3 full but when occasionally we have a large piece of polystyrene to dispose of,which is difficult to break up,a 140 litre bin would not accommodate it as well as the usual waste.</p> <p>As we have a compost heap which we supply with vegetable &amp; fruit peelings we have no need of a food waste bin.We have never thrown food away &amp; never have food remaining on our plates at the end of a meal.</p> <p>However,I realise that not everyone has either the room or the need for a compost heap so a food waste bin might be useful for them.</p>
1388	I object to option one. If the council want to introduce a food waste bin they should fund it their selves, and leave the Green bins as they are now and on the same two week collection
1389	<p>Have you considered how bad a bin will smell if it contains dog waste for 3 weeks, even though it is bagged? It is bad enough now with only a fortnightly collection!</p> <p>I would prefer to keep both the current size of bin and the fortnightly collection but if I can have only one or the other then I would prefer the fortnightly collection.</p> <p>What about the stability (or potential instability) of the smaller bin? The current size bins are already vulnerable to being blown over, especially when empty; surely this will be even more of a problem in windy conditions with smaller bins.</p>
1390	do not like the idea of option 1
1391	I would prefer this option but need to know if all food waste will go in the recycling caddy ie meat waste, bones, chicken carcasses etc.
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1394	Bins bins bins , I can keep my bins out of view and regardless of recycling which I'm 100% for has become ridiculously impossible to have visually unsightly , silly colours for different areas that are ugly and how many each house has is a large concern of mine , bins may work for the environment but nothing else , reduce our annual tax and we might become a team but don't expect a thumbs up from me until we all benefit not just our councils who seem to charge us for doing more responsibilities with troubling conserquences if not done correctly and guess what , I don't want an indoor so called caddy thank you very much .
1395	A lot of my green bin waste is cat litter which I would not want hanging around for 3 weeks, although it is bagged. The type I use is wooden pellets. Can that go into the brown bin? Otherwise I have no objection to 3 weekly collection as most remaining green bin waste would be fairly clean.
1396	not sure about needing a 240ltr green bin
1397	The whole idea of waste food recycling is doomed to failure. Why? Because it's success will depend solely on the co-operation of the public. There are those that don't recycle properly now using the present system and having discussed the new proposals with a number of people, a large majority have said they are not going to co-operate with the proposed food waste collection. The proof that people in Wirral are not recycling properly under the present system is the 36% recycling figure for Wirral as opposed to Sefton's 41.1% using the present identical collection system to Wirral. The council state that they have to meet EU targets in 2020, will this really concern us? It is an ill- conceived idea that is not going to improve our recycling rates but is also going to have a considerable on-cost.

1398	Leave it as it is, the food waste idea is anone starter for our house hold after the last effort. It attracted flies and maggots and was unhygienic.
1399	We have a Waste Disposal Unit in our sink and the majority of our waste food goes down there, hence we would have very little, if any, in your caddy. We require the larger green bin and not happy with a three week collection. More than food waste goes in the green bin (eg substantial amount of food wrapping) and this would certainly smell if left for 3 weeks.
1400	would think a smaller green bin would be better
1401	As my elderly mother is bed bound, it is essential that the green bin is collected and emptied regularly as incontinence pads and colostomy waste is deposited in the bin twice daily by care workers.
1402	Yes would like to keep larger bin
1403	This is my preferred option as long as Brown Bins are collected every two weeks.
1404	This would be my preferred option as long as the Brown Bin remains a collection every two weeks.
1405	1.Retaining the existing 240 litre bin, would save the Council buying thousands of the 140 litre bin.  2. I eat 90% of food purchased so have little waste; presently put in pvc bags, in the Green bin.  3. Depending on the size of the indoor caddy; I would think fortnightly would be more cost efficient.
1406	I have a compost bin and recycle most of the food waste already
1407	I am all for recycling as much as possible. I have no objection to the food waste bin - as long as it is big enough.  Not too happy about the green bin only being collected every three weeks.
1408	My green bin is always full I pay for brown bin and I am very stringent when it comes to recycling so I don't think the green bin should be left for three weeks. I would also point out the young families babies with nappies e.t.c how on earth will they cope with maggots and other vermin if bins are to be left for a longer period of time, I often see over flowing stinking bins on my travels it spoils the environment around the streets where people live, I pay for my green bin to be cleaned and I compost vegetable waste perhaps some advertisement and encouragement should come before the changes, I can look back to Christmas a few years ago when the weather left bins unemptied for a few weeks these streets where strew with all sorts of rubbish its spoilt the Christmas spirit and just brought the area down.
1409	The decision needs to be made on an assessment of how many large green 240 litre bins definitely need replacing in the next couple of years.
1410	i am not in favour of the separate food bins I think they will attract vermin and more foxes into residential areas
1411	Prefer Option 2. Current green bin has a broken lid! Prefer to stick to 2 weekly collection to prevent brain from having to work out if this is the week when it is only food waste that is being collected. I know there is a list sent out but it disappears before 52 weeks passes.
1412	I think this is the better option of the two as will not use yet more resources to replace my exisiting bin. I currently compost most of my organic waste anyway and often don't need my green bin collecting for 4 to 6 weeks. It doesn't smell as there's nothing organic in it.
1413	This scheme would allow us an extra 10 litres a week over the smaller bin so would give us extra capacity should we have more rubbish on a particular week. However we are not sure that any scheme would work for nearby residents of rented property who seem unable to cope with the current arrangements. The alleyway behind our house is now so fly tipped that we have pulled our bins back into our property as we are tired of having our bins filled with other peoples rubbish. There are bins left permanently if the street resulting in raw food on the pavement when the bins are over filled which has led to an infestation of rodents. We have also had a butane gas bottle fly tipped on the pavement outside the alley gate, it is now behind that but is still a fire hazard. For any collection arrangements to work it needs to be properly monitored and residents of rented properties to be made aware of what is required of them.
1414	Need precise definition of what can be included (eg mixed food and packaging). We do not produce much food waste which cannot be composted in the garden. No 'volume' problem for me, but I think that some households would have still have so much for the green bin that they would risk overfilling in three weeks. Also more difficult to remember a 3 week pattern for green bin, but 2 week pattern for grey bin.
1415	Small Bin Weekly Better

1416	I would prefer this option as I don't have any food waste to mention really, but do have plastic wrappers, and food covering that cannot go in to recycling bin
1417	As we do not have much(if any) *food waste*as you call it,its a stupid idea and will mean a tip visit for us as we can only just about cope with fortnightly rubbish collections. But Im sure you will do what you want,as ever,and not give a damn about us. We do not have peelings or food left on our plates.We have frozen veg and fruit and I can cook with any leftovers(if we have any which is rare) Finally,flytipping by us is dreadful and this crazy idea will only add to it. Sure you will not listen though.
1418	Not impressed with 3 weekly collection
1419	This is a good option because you don't have to change green bins which would be costly.
1420	I do not like the idea of the 'indoor caddy'. It is nothing something that we would use and would be a waste of money providing them. They will smell and be ugly in my kitchen! I also don't think the idea of 3 weekly collections - this is too long and the waste will really smell before then!
1421	Food waste - indoor caddy, the council has introduced this once before, this did not work, the smell of rotting food was awful, generated a lot of unwanted flies and maggots, plus no worktop space to keep caddy. Lockable waste container outside is expecting us to keep another bin on our already small area to keep bins in.  Grey bin being picked up two weekly basis - this needs to be weekly  Brown bin - maybe weekly over the summer, three/four weekly during winter months as an option
1422	do not like idea of 3 weekly bin collections - therefore would vote to reject option 1
1423	First Preference
1424	keep existing bins and save the money.
1425	Every three weeks for green bin would be too long, potential for smells and flies, especially in summer. If collection missed due to holidays etc could be 6 weeks between collections which is far too long. 3 weekly collection should definitely be avoided.  Preferable to leave collections as they are with the same sized green bin but introducing food bin and review after a period of time
1426	Not happy with having any kind of food caddy indoors, with or without liners. We already have flies, rats and foxes sniffing around bins, so having an external "lockable" food waste container will only exacerbate the problem. Can't see how switching from fortnightly collections to weekly and three-week collections will save money !  We already have a problem with the brown bin not being emptied because they say the cuttings are too compacted ! Thinking of cancelling the subscription !!
1427	I agree with the food waste collection ,but I don't believe there will be enough food waste in our household to justify moving to a much smaller bin. The council should work with supermarkets etc to drastically reduce the amount of unwanted packaging that now fills our bins. A significant proportion of this is not recyclable.
1428	I don't waste much food at all, and would find that a food waste container will have litexperience effect on our recycling volume. Our green bin is full every two weeks, and our main waste is food packaging that is considered not suitable for recycling, and mainly nappies, as I have two children under the age of two. Both options concern me and don't seem to address the real issue of broadening the materials that can be recycled! Food waste is partly addressing this issue, but does not count for 33% of the content in my green bin.
1429	Leave things as they are I am more than happy with the way it is.
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1431	We produce very little food waste, as we use garden composting and have a kitchen macerator that feeds into the drains.  With our current green bin, it is filled twice in a fortnight, and so I have to go the Council tip at least once per fortnight. In fact, we are often away mid-week and have no neighbours who can assist with our bin. Thus, if we miss the bin collection morning, our green bin goes unemptied for 4 weeks - this will become 6 weeks under the terms of your proposed scheme.  We do not use the brown bin service, as it would not take one-tenth of our garden refuse production - again, this goes to composting or the Council tip.
1432	As long as the food bin is collected every week it probably makes sense to have fewer overall collections by keeping the larger green bin.

1433	<p>There is very little food waste at this property. The waste could be put in the brown bin along with the garden waste because it is all compost friendly. I can not see the benefit of the cost of additional bins</p> <p>Cat litter and other items go in the green bin which would make the green bins unhygienic if left for up to 3 weeks before emptying.</p> <p>Grey bins are fine on a 2 weekly collection because there is nothing in them to cause a hygiene problem</p> <p>Brown bins are fine but I pay a high rate of tax on my property because my house is a little bigger. As such I should be allowed more disposable consideration. And the refuse is compostable and collection should be free.</p> <p>I don't accept the argument that there are no more holes to fill, you can always create hills and improve the country side.</p>
1434	<p>Three weeks is too long a gap for green bin collections. It will lead to more fly tipping. Also I object to having to collect waste food in the house. It is a health hazard and can be very smelly. Storage could lead to bacterial infections/flys and maggots especially in hot weather.</p>
1435	<p>This is my preferred option</p>
1436	<p>This sounds good. Except that it means total bins will take up more space than they do currently.</p>
1437	<p>Best option as appears cheapest option</p>
1438	<p>This is equivalent to 40L less green bin collection per week (80L in total over 2 weeks). This therefore implies that my household's green bin waste is one third food waste. This is not the case. We rarely, if ever, dispose of food in the green bin. All food is either consumed or placed in the composter.</p> <p>I assume that the one third reduction is based on some general calculation you're making using the overall waste received in the green bins.</p> <p>It is not acceptable to punish people who do not waste food because of others.</p> <p>Will the external food waste container be at least 40L in size? It should be, unless you are hiding an ulterior motive for introducing this.</p>
1439	<p>Three weekly collection of green bin is too long an interval.</p>
1440	<p>I would like to see more plastic wrapping , yogurt pots, tetra paks recycled</p> <p>I have a compost heap so all veg matter, tea bags, egg shells etc goes on that so it would only be stuff like chicken bones, bacon rind in food waste box</p> <p>I would favour option 2 as i am a single occupier and green bin never gets even half full so a smaller green bin would suit me</p>
1441	<p>Three weekly collections of green waste bins is too infrequent.</p> <p>Smell would be a concern - particularly in the summer.</p> <p>Also, the schedule of some bins collected every three weeks and some collected every two, will be difficult to remember correctly. It's difficult enough now.</p> <p>No issue with the food collection and a new bin for this. New bin needs to be big enough for all food waste though.</p>
1442	<p>As supermarket packaging is a contributory factor in the amount of waste, it would be good to hear if the Council are in discussion with them to significantly reduce this.</p> <p>As, over the 3 weeks, you would have more capacity, 240 litres apposed to fortnightly 140 litres, i would opt for this.</p> <p>I think the exercise could highten people's realisation of how much food we throw out.</p>
1443	<p>The rationale for charging for something [brown bin] that is fully recyclable doesn't make sense to me or any of the people I speak to.</p> <p>No problems with the idea of food waste collection.</p> <p>More stores could be encouraged to recycle packaging at point of purchase. I have to smile when T J Hughes [Birkenhead] insist that I take any shoe boxes with me when I purchase shoes and I have to tell them "no shoe purchase if they do not agree to keep the shoebox".</p>
1444	<p>Any change to bin collections is not acceptable. Unhygienic , and will lead to more fly tipping in the wirral .this is already a problem in our country lanes.</p>

1445	<p>We also support the home composting approach, therefore would choose to retain the large green bin for other non-compostable waste and have the three weekly collection above option 2.</p> <p>It would also be helpful for the Council to confirm in its publicity whether the supply of food bin liners will be continual or only an initial supply at the start of the new scheme.</p> <p>Our household does not produce anything like the average amount of food waste that is stated; therefore, other households must produce far more, however everyone is being treated as the same, and the options applied irrespective of current waste levels and patterns. The waste records from the collection wagons must show the areas where higher levels of landfill waste is being created, so why not target those areas initially? The Council could have provided more options to choose from: In areas where there is already a higher recycling rate, why not provide an alternative scheme(s)? It should be logistically possible to plan routes and timetables to maximise the use of collection vehicles in such an instance.</p>
1446	This is more of the same, reducing services to the council tax payer whilst always increasing the council tax. Just get on and provide the service we pay through the nose for.
1447	<p>For me this option is preferred.</p> <p>On average green bin is only half full after 2 weeks - food content only about 10% as certain items are composted for garden (vegetable peelings etc.)</p>
1448	Utter rubbish can't you just leave things alone. How much is this going to cost I ask myself and who is going to provide the deodorant to keep the bins smelling fresh?
1449	Overall a good idea but the thought of a further bins both inside and out may not work for some due to storage of same ! 3 weeks too long for other waste.
1450	For me this option is preferred.
1451	If food waste is no longer going in the green bin option 1 is fine by me.
1452	<p>Yes make the green bin collection every three weeks great idea, but why recycle food waste?</p> <p>As a household we waste so little food it would not get used, it is a waste of money buying or cooking food you wont eat.</p> <p>Why wont the council recycle more of the plastics and general waste that we currently don't recycle. Our neighbouring councils in Cheshire and Liverpool do so much more for recycling plastics and metals like tin foil and some even recycle Tetra Packs.</p>
1453	Swop to the smaller 140L grey and green bins and give out green food recycle bags for people to fill with food waste. These can be placed in the green bin and sorted at the recycle center and collect the green bin WEEKLY. Other nations manage to do this just fine. Btw we dont need a newsletter..stop wasting money.
1454	This appears the most cost effective and I would be very happy with this. Glad that food waste will be recycled
1455	I do no need or want the food waste bin as any food waste goes onto compost for garden
1456	<p>NO NO NO:</p> <p>1.) We have NO food waste as like a lot of people we have a Sink Waste Disposal Unit. So we have no need of any extra bin.</p> <p>2.) The amount of food waste in cubic area is minimal and does NOT amount to loosing a Green Bin collection.</p> <p>3.) The council should IMPROVE the Grey bin recycling there are many things you can not put in the Grey Bin which you can in other Council areas around the Country.</p> <p>4.) The Council should encourage people NOT to waste food rather than the other way round.</p>
1457	good idea for food waste.my green bin is full after two weeks,i already separate my food waste.
1458	This option will surely save the replacement costs of the 240 litre green bin. I have concerns that three weekly collections could mean a build up of rubbish if the collection was missed by an individual due to illness or holidays and could lead to full bins left out for longer periods of time.
1459	I think families will still need the 240 litre bins. The smaller bins would be fine for small households. The food caddies are a good idea but my main concern would be maggots in the outside one especially in the summer! The fact it is being picked up once a week may help avoid this.
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1462	i think it is a dreadful idea i wash and disinfect my bin each time it is emptied, use sealed bags and it still attracts flies. i cant believe such an idea would be considered.
1463	I think families will still need the 240 litre bins. The smaller bins would be fine for small households. The food caddies are a good idea but my main concern would be maggots in the outside one especially in the summer! The fact it is being picked up once a week may help avoid this.
1464	Public Health Hazard
1465	If I can still keep the original 240 litre bin this wouldn't be a problem as if food waste is to be disposed of separately. Currently the green bin is vary rarely full for the 2 week collection so a 3 week collection shouldn't have that much of an impact.
1466	AS WE DO NOT HAVE MUCH FOOD WASTE I AM NOT IN FAVOUR OF THIS SYSTEM AND COLLECTING GREEN BINS EVERY 3 WEEKS WILL LEAD TO AN INCREASE IN RUBBISH BEING DUMPED AND SMELLY BINS
1467	Another stupid idea. There will be filth and disease everywhere. At least keep a service every two weeks.
1468	I have a house hold of 8 people and already struggle with 2 green bins, 1 grey bin and often have to take trips to the tip by car myself. If the collection is changing to three weekly collections then it is going to become even more difficult for me to control. I feel that I do not have that much food waste in my house to compensate for this change.
1469	I approve of the weekly collection of food waste to increase recycling, but cannot see why the green bins are not collected every two weeks as at present. There is no logic to this. If you can collect a smaller bin very two weeks why not the larger bin?  I hope that the food waste bin will withstand the attention of foxes.
1470	Keep existing bin purely from the cost savings viewpoint, of not having to replace and fewer collections for that particular bin.
1471	Disgusting the bins smell now and there collected every 2 weeks they will be stinking and full of vermin bring back the days were they were metal bins collected from your back garden lifted full and brought back to were it belongs not like now if you don't put your bin I the right place it dosen't get emptied which leaves it for 4 weeks a total messed up system
1472	I would want to keep my existing green bin as I need this size for my household waste. I am concerned that this might only be collected every 3 weeks as food packaging will still cause smells, flies, maggots, attract rodents etc, and it would be difficult to manage a schedule of three weeks for the green bin as hard to remember seeing as how you don't send us the dates for collections any more - these should be displayed on the bin - not on your website, that is useless to me, I've got more important things to remember and its confusing enough trying to figure out which bin I put out now on the alternate weeks!  We also need larger grey bins for recycling as mine is usually full after week one so I then have to put recyclable materials into the green bin which is wasteful but I have asked for another grey bin so that I'm recycling more and you wanted to charge me - how dare you then tell us that we're not recycling enough! We want to recycle more but you won't provide the bins to do this without trying to make money out of us! Wonder what exactly we pay you the council for?! Same with the brown bin - you greedy money grabbers! Haven't paid for this collection either, this goes in my green bin bagged up too, I don't drive so can't get to the tip and I can't afford to pay for collection by you - I pay you enough council tax! Alternative is to dump the garden waste out in the road outside if you'd rather I do that?! So stop charging people to have their brown bin emptied too you con men! Give us another grey bin for free, collect this for free, and reinstate the brown bin collection for free - problem solved there's your recycling target met! I used the term 'for free' tongue in cheek, as it's not for free is it? WE ALREADY PAY YOU IN THE COUNCIL TAX THAT YOU EXTORT FROM US!!!!!!!!!!
1473	I agree with trying to reduce non-recyclable waste. I object to this option. I think purely omitting food waste will make very little difference, we have hardly any food waste in our household. Packaging is more of a problem. It appears that individuals are being punished for a problem caused mainly by businesses. Who has set this target?
1474	the 3 week collection. although not food but other smelly types like nappies. having waste sit their for 3 weeks in high summer isn't a good idea.
1475	I would like to keep my 2 big greens bins, but yes to the food waste bin
1476	with this option, why not just keep the 240 litres bin with every two weeks.
1477	As a household who has very little food waste - we abhor wasted food - our green bin has very little in the way of food waste in it, and yet our 240 litre bin is always full at the end of the 2 weeks when it is due to be emptied.
1478	Waste of our money! Same as the 20 MPH signs around Heswall and Pensby everybody drives faster! How can I fit into my kitchen another bin! What and where is this lockable bin going! Think your time can be better spent looking for ways to save money!
1479	I think people will find a three weekly collection difficult to keep track of, fortnightly collections should continue as it is easy to remember.  Also if soiled cat litter or dog waste is not classed as food waste 3 weeks is too long between collections.

1480	3 week collections are too infrequent for smelly food packaging. I have relatives in North Wales which has introduced weekly food collections as you describe. It is most unpleasant to have a small, smelly container in the kitchen. We are already struggling to accomodate all the other bins outside. We already pay extra for garden waste collection which should be weekly from spring to autumn as it is inadequate for larger gardens. This is clearly another way of reducing costs and quality to residents.
1481	To keep the 240 litres and have it collected every three weeks.
1482	This is not my preferred option, even though food waste will not be in the green bin I would still prefer to have it emptied more frequently
1483	Prefer this option to retain existing 240 litre green bin and collect every 3 weeks - 80 litres per week as opposed to option 2 at 70 litres per week. Also cuts down on fuel consumption/environmental impact if collecting every 3 weeks.
1484	I object to proposals to the green bin changes to be collected three weekly, my green bin is full after two weeks and as I don't have a lot of food waste I don't want the small of food I do have to be kept inside my home each week .
1485	I would be happy to use option 1.
1486	Totally opposed to three weekly collection of residual rubbish.  Totally opposed to food caddies & liners and associated costs.  Focus / funds should be on improving recycling facilities so that all plastics can be accommodated.
1487	I agree with the proposal for food recycling and weekly collection, would these containers be large enough to accommodate the waste food from bigger families and would extra outside collecting be available if needed or would the excess be put in the Green bin?
1488	prefer otioin
1489	This is by far the better option. There is very little food waste in our household of 4; virtually all food is consumed. Our green bin is generally full of non-recyclable packaging; mainly food containers so we would definitely need to retain the 240 litre bin. However, please be aware that items like nappies would attract infestation if a 3-weekly collection were to be introduced. By all means introduce the new caddy but let's just carry on as we are now with collection of green bins every two weeks.
1490	There isn't anything wrong with this idea but keeping the larger bin will mean people will continue with the same waste disposal habit and will then complain that their bin is full and isn't being emptied as often. So, I think this one is the least desirable of the options.  This process is about changing peoples' behaviour...and they need a little push to do that!
1491	Dont think this is a good idea as greenbins have been left which were due to be collected on 29th july as of to days date 8th of august... Still in street and rubbish blowing every were. There will be an increase of vermin and maggots. Why not fit waste disposal units in kitchen sinks????
1492	Councillors should consult more of the public, to whom they suppose to be working with and supporting as is always the way they come up with ideas that is of there age, usually old who do not have as much waste as the young with children.  1. food waste should be piloted as this will be different to area location 2. keep the present green rota every two weeks 3. keep the present grey bin rota every two weeks 4. The brown Bin should be mean tested to the size of your garden and area as not everyone has a large Garden. Example small garden £20.00 a year Medium garden £25.00 a year Large Garden £35.00 a year
1493	More info guidelines need to be on what is accetable to be deposited in each bin.
1494	I am concerned regarding the proposal for option 1 - I have a family of six including 4 children, the amount of food waste saved in our green bin is not enough to manage for 3 weeks without a green bin collection.  We are active recyclers, but this options for the green bin are detrimental to our family.  I welcome the food recycling option.

1495	I object to the changes proposed to the green bin collection to three weekly and the use of a food caddy to be kept inside my home , my green bin is full after two weeks and I do not have very much food waste but the small amount food waste I do have I don't want to keep inside my home for up to a week .
1496	I'm all for reducing costs and so long as there is no chance of having rotting food left for more than two weeks (as at present), I would be happy with this solution.  My only reservation would be with regard to keeping track of which bin had to be put out in the road on which collection day. The current alternating system seems to work well.
1497	Three weeks is too long a time to wait for collection
1498	Okay, this is manageable.
1499	I love the idea of a food waste bin, but think that the 240 litre green bin would seem unnecessary with this in place. Also, I feel a 2 weekly collection green bin collection rather than a 3 week one would be better and certainly less confusing! I would therefore not want this option.
1500	I do not think that the council's proposed plan to introduce this type of food collection is of any benefit to the environment or individual household's. If the council want to improve waste recycling then you need to look at what currently a house holder is allowed to place in their grey bin, there are numerous bottles and plastics that could be disposed of for recycling which have to go into the green bin. the council should have put in place a long time ago machinery to cope with all possible recycling of waste. I see this as another example of Wirral council placing more burden on household's and no doubt more financial cost to ever decreasing services whilst extracting more money from taxpayers.
1501	With the currently restricted range of recycling via the grey bin the reduced collection of general waste will create problems for those with small children, medical problems, and large households. Lack of easy disposal ( and excessive packaging on many items) will lead to increased fly tipping. Many cannot access the disposal sites. Some are too lazy or too ignorant! The answer is better education on environmental issues.  Useful disposal of food waste is in itself a good idea but should not be allowed to cause unwanted side effects through poor design of the system.
1502	I think people being able to recycle left over food is an excellent idea, but I think it's not high on most people's priority list I don't think - I think there will be a LOT of moaning about this - and to a certain extent - people should just get on with it - it saves money and we shouldn't throw that much food away anyway - but I hope it doesn't lead to a further increase in fly tipping. I was going to buy a composter anyway at some point, even though we don't waste much food - perhaps when this comes in, there could be lots of communication about a) how people can cut their food waste b) how they can use their own waste should they want to (composting) and stress the Council have made it easier for you by providing a caddy and c) stress that this is good, it will stop Council Tax bills going up. Also, I think you should stress a lot the positive impact that the food waste will have. Old people will probably be fine, I'm always hearing from older relatives how any left over food (not that there was much) used to be collected for the pigs in the war.
1503	Where, when, and how do we get a further supply of small caddy liners? The three week cycle running along the brown and grey bin two week cycles will be awkward to remember and lead to chaos!!
1504	I don't like the thought of the green bin sitting in emptied for 3 wks in the summer with it having nappies in
1505	Would prefer to keep the 2 weekly green bin collection
1506	We don't need the bins changing.  Leave them as they are!!!
1507	I prefer option 1, keeping the current green bin 240 litres for reasons 1. What a waste of money to replace the bins with smaller ones, so people time costs, new bins, when this money can be put to something else 2. Don't have a lot of food waste, but very happy we are going to recycle. 3. Often have a nearly full green bin so prefer to keep that size as will be collected every three weeks instead of 2 weeks so again saves money.
1508	I feel food waste should be composted - I feel the green bin should be large to minimise bins being refused because they are considered over filled and should be changed to weekly collection on the week of christmas for everyone and an additional collection the following week. The grey bin should be kept to fortnightly.
1509	Not a good idea. People will start dumping their waste. Our properties are not designed for this! Can somebody please start using a little common sense instead of what looks good on paper but is not practical, especially for families.
1510	The three week option may well result in overflowing bins despite efforts to encourage responsibility over waste.
1511	The number of bins we have is getting out of hand. The new methods of sorting waste should be able to handle this.

1512	<p>Recycling food waste is a good idea as long as the containers that take the waste are easy to open lock and do not smell</p> <p>Having a smaller general recycling bin makes sense if you are a single occupier or small family.</p>
1513	<p>3 weeks is too long for general waste, what if you are away for a few days wait 6 weeks !</p> <p>This is nonsense</p> <p>don't charge for garden waste and that will increase collection rates</p>
1514	<p>More frequent bin collections has to be more hygienic, therefore I prefer option 2. I have read your FAQs, and I think that further investment in recycling technology to increase the amount of different materials to be recycled via the grey bins is required irrespective of this initiative.</p>
1515	<p>This is a better option. Collecting food weekly is more hygienic and plausible . Keeping larger green bins is more economic . Replacing large bins with smaller bins is wasting money that could be spent on the community.</p>
1516	<p>I think this is the best option. I do compost my own food waste so I would not like any change</p>
1517	<p>I am not interested in a food waste bin. We are careful and hardly throw any food away. Peelings and coffee ground etc... we can put in our compost.</p> <p>My green bin is rarely anywhere near full.</p> <p>I am very careful to put all recycling items in the grey bin.</p> <p>I am frustrated that the recyclable plastics are quite limited. Many items are the same grade as the drinks bottles etc.. so I do not understand why we are not allowed to put them in. They are clearly marked with numbers.</p> <p>Definitely for me the lesser of two evils would be to have a smaller green bin emptied every two weeks, because I go away frequently and it would not be great to miss an emptying week if it was only every 3 weeks. Not everyone has able bodied neighbours to put them out and take them in if they are away. - Sounds like a health hazard to me - 6 weeks of old waste, including nappies as I mind grandchildren one day per week.</p> <p>Oh and I pay for the brown bin and object to the charge, especially if you're going to introduce another bin which I don't want.</p>
1518	<p>would rather have more regular collection of green bin than every three weeks</p>
1519	<p>The food waste collection sounds pretty simple if the customers use it properly. I would welcome the new containers.</p> <p>I currently pay for my brown bin and I'm happy with the collections, apart from the fee of course.</p>
1520	<p>I dont think this is an ideal option as emptying the green bin every 3 weeks will have its problems. There will still be food left in/on food containers which can't be recycled as not all people will rinse these before discarding them, making this option still open for contamination and the risk of attracting vermin, rats etc. Apparently this is a huge problem across Wirral. Although collecting food waste is a must for health and safety reasons.</p>
1521	<p>Collecting Green Bin every three weeks is not worth thinking about,I agree food waste should be separate; My other concern is that the brown bin was introduced .you then started charging for it.</p> <p>I believe you haven't got a clue and all it will mean is more bins being provided and at what cost.</p> <p>People of Wirral should ask for a refund of their rates over reduced bin collections.</p>
1522	<p>What would happen if the green bin collection fell when you are on holiday? waiting potentially 5 to 6 weeks for a collection wouldn't seem feasible.</p>
1523	<p>Concerned about 3 weekly collections</p>
1524	<p>I do not like this option at all. I'm sure a lot of people don't have that much food waste that would eliminate the need for a green bin collection every two weeks. Already on streets on collection days, you can see that bins are overflowing and I can't imagine this would have much effect by replacing with a food caddy. I find this option abhorrent.</p>

1525	<p>It appears you may not be aware of the main issue regarding the emptying of recycling bins. It is apparent that the grey bins are not allowing enough TYPES of waste for recycling. This would work more effectively and be more cost effective:</p> <p>Option 3: Food waste A weekly food recycling collection. All households will receive a small indoor caddy and liners to collect food waste in the kitchen and a small lockable food waste container for outside.</p> <p>Green bin Your existing green bin will be removed and replaced with a smaller 140 litre bin (green bins are currently 240 litres). This 140 litre green bin will still be collected every two weeks.</p> <p>Grey bin There will be no change to the fortnightly collection of your grey recycling bin. You will still be able to recycle all plastic bottles, all glass bottles and jars, paper, cardboard, cans and tins. HOWEVER, There will be a wider range of plastic products (Waste) acceptable including tin foil and packaging – provided they are not heavily soiled - This is the ONLY way the green bins can be reduced in size as the bulk of the waste is recyclable waste that you do not accept! The food waste takes up very little room and will not free sufficient space to reduce the size of the green bin as it stands.</p> <p>Brown Bin (Garden waste service) You can choose to use the Council's 'Garden Waste Club'. Or you can pay for three emptying dates per year at a one off cost. □</p>
1526	I think three weeks is a long time between collections for green bins. Also while everyother week for green & grey bins is easy to remember
1527	<p>I am an avid recycler far exceeding the pitiful collections from Wirral Council grey bins. I also compost all my food waste in two composters thus never throwing away food waste. However my green bin still needs emptying at the end of the 2 week period. How can this be? Wirral Council do not recycle plastics as other areas of the country do. The recycling machine the council have seems to have major problems sorting it's waste. I was told this information by a Councillor and a member of the recycling team when I made enquiries about recycling plastic antibacterial bottles with the trigger attached.</p> <p>My green bin consists of unrecyclable plastics not food waste.</p>
1528	I don't believe a 3 weekly pickup would be practical for most people, especially those with young children. A new born baby goes through about 10 nappies per day - that would mean a bin containing 210 dirty nappies at the end of the 3 week period, 70 of which will have been sitting in the bin for 2 full weeks. There is also the issue that people will inevitably be unable to put the bin out from time to time which would potentially mean 6 weeks without pick up (420 dirty nappies) which would become an serious hygiene issue at that point.
1529	We are happy to proceed with option 1.
1530	I think that this is the best option. It also saves on the need to supply/manufacture the smaller bins - got to be better for the environment and saves money!
1531	<p>Do you realize how many homes in Birkenhead, are terraced homes. As it is I for one do not want bins outside my home on the pavement, subject to arson, damage, cross contamination by others who use anybody's bins and theft, and smells of course. I leave my two bins and drag them through the house. My concerns is that roads like mine are already under seige and drowning in bins, blocking pavements etc. A third bin, potentially smaller for the food waste will in fact likely be used as missiles by the numpties who appear to dominate a lot of down town Birkenhead. For your information you only have to walk down my very small road, only 22 house, to see that at least 50% dont use the current bins correctly. I always see plastic bottles and beer cans sticking out of the green bins, and ordinary household waste filling up the grey bins. Do you really think this scheme will be successful in certain areas, because I dont.</p> <p>Given the choice I will stick with full size green bin, even if it is only emptied every 3 weeks. The amount of any food waste from my home is miniscule, occasional peelings but little else, however, given what I have said it is unlikely I will be using any addtional bin at this time.</p>

1532	If you forget to put bin out for whatever reason, you will have 6 weeks' rubbish in it by the time it is next collected. This will mean waste spilling out of bin.
1533	1. The green bin ought to be collected fortnightly at the latest. A smaller bin would not be useful. 2. We always compost most food waste, apart from meat scraps.
1534	Not happy. Do not want food waste caddy due to smell, rodents etc. Wish to keep current status quo. Do not want to reduce bin size.
1535	I think the food waste bin, is an excellent idea. I have very little food that I throw away but use a lot of fresh vegetables so all the peelings can be disposed of in the food waste bin. There are 2 people in my household and I think that the current size green bin, collected every 3 weeks would be a viable option.
1536	this option sounds good, but I have one question, which you have not addressed, does the council supply the bags for the food bin, if so would the resident pay for the bags separately.
1537	Would support a fortnightly collection only with the existing Green bin
1538	I have very little food waste and I recycle everything that can be recycled. I feel I am being penalised because of those people that are not so careful.  3 week collection for the green bin is not acceptable. We need to go back to the collection of green bins once a week.  At least 2 houses in my road have 2 green bins and manage to fill both of them. Neighbours of my parents always have 2 or 3 extra bags of waste in addition to their overflowing green bin. Surely it would make more sense to limit each household to one green bin and no extra bags. This would have a massive effect on recycling rather than penalising those of us who stick to the rules.  It would make more sense to be able to recycle more in our grey bins - all plastics and tin foil.
1539	We will have two babies in nappies in January, leaving these for three weeks will be extremely smelly and although we recycle everything we can and have little food waste our bins are always full.
1540	I am concerned that the "small" waste food container will be a magnet for mice, rats and foxes as it is small. This will result in less hygiene. Simply separating out food waste from other waste will not reduce the amount of waste a normal family produces. Remember, food containers are bulky and also contain food and these items will be sitting in the green bin for three weeks, creating bad smells and a focus for bacteria, mice, rats, foxes.....Lack of hygiene will result. Effectively you are saving money by only emptying the green bin once every three weeks, so I would expect a reduction in my rates bill as I am paying more this year and receiving less waste disposal service and living in less sanitary conditions. .
1541	We agree with option 1
1542	Households were given a small indoor caddy for food waste a few years ago. What happened to that?
1543	A three weekly collection is not very convenient - some weeks there will be two collections, others none.  We already have very little food waste as we compost everything we can and are very careful not to waste food. there are some weeks when our green bin is full so I don't see how collecting food waste will enable us to go three weeks without the bin being emptied.
1544	Best option.
1545	With the introduction of a further collection (food waste) it increases the complexity of collection for the householder in any case. This option also changes the cycle for green bin collection adding to the potential confusion of what bin is put out on what day. The nail in the coffin will be if all bins due for collection in a particular week are NOT collected on the same day. I believe simplicity is essential for any collection system to prevent recycling fatigue and adverse effect on the Council's targets. This is the worse of the two options.
1546	3 weeks is too long to wait for green bin collections. Households with nappies/dog waste will attract flies/maggots. I can't see how it can remain sanitary.

1547	Collecting the Green bin every 3 weeks, where there will be elements of packaging etc with food will lead to increase of flies and bad odours especially in the warmer summer months. Not a good option
1548	As there are only two of us I don't particularly have a preference as my green bin is rarely full. However I have had problems with maggots so overall would probably prefer smaller but more regular collection. People with large families may struggle with small bin.
1549	See comments on option 2, below.
1550	1) Your action is purely academic, a tick in the box procedure, may give you a few house points 2) Instead how about a serious lobby of Government into the abolition in manufacture worldwide of polystyrene packaging products.
1551	3 weeks is too long for the green bin
1552	How many gardens have room for all these bins? Until more things such as juice cartons, more plastics can be recycled we still need fortnightly collections
1553	I agree with the need to collect food waste. I only need my green bin emptying once a month as I recycle as much as possible but my neighbor fills my bin as well as her own every week. I don't see the need to change the bin size. Could you roll out a programme of replacing the larger bins with smaller ones as needed rather than replace all at once. This seems wasteful and against the reduce, recycle needs of our planet.
1554	I believe this was tried before and was not successful. I have no use for a food bin as I put my food waste on my compost heap. I do not want my green bin to be changed to 3 week collections as it is already full now after 2 weeks and as previously stated I don't put food waste in it.
1555	3 week collection for green bin is far too long, especially in summer months with higher temperatures, flies, bad smell, rats etc. Surely a health risk.
1556	Do not agree with either of these options. Why should we have a further 2 eyesores (caddy & food waste container) encroaching on our space both inside and outside of our property. Are the council going to reimburse homeowners for allowing them to house this imposition. Not everyone has the space to accommodate this and it caused increased stress and confusion to our aging population (highly prevalent in Wirral). My food wastage is minimal and would not warrant yet another more expensive bin collection date plus cost of supplying containers. The option for 240litre green bin makes more sense but a 3 week collection is too long to leave waste material within a residential area, the odour will be offensive attracting vermin and prove costly to the quality of life for Wirral residents.
1557	Happy to have green bin emptied every 3 weeks
1558	It will be too confusing to remember every third week for the green bin.
1559	prefer not to have bin unemptied on drive for 3 weeks
1560	I feel you should not charge for the brown bin. I do not have the money to pay for it and no car to get to the tip. I have to put it in a bag in the green bin. This reduces the recycling rates
1561	Not keen on every three weeks for general waste to be hanging around
1562	Cutting down waste that goes to landfill is a good idea. The hardest part is getting all households to contribute. I think option 1 is a good idea for larger families if you can get them not to put food waste in the green bin! If everyone recycles as they should I think that every 3 weeks should be enough..

1563	<p>I would like to know how much this is cost as it will need more people and another wagon every week why don't you give every households there own recycle Bins ,also why are you asking this question when you know that you have already made your decision that it is going ahead , how much is this costing for these surveys to go out to everyone?</p> <p>Also I would like to know whose idea it was to deliver a monthly newspaper to every household on the Wirral what for? How many people would it if this goes ahead it is about time that you cut down on the amount Councillors have on board why do we need 66 of them? We never hear or see them so what are they doing for us those to elected them in? You seem to hit the younger generation on the Wirral and those who have permanent illnesses by closing for example Lyndale School which my Grandson until he passed away at 9 years of age. Attended there, The Staff that looked after those children should be credited on the work and play they did for those children also the Sensory garden that they had at the rear of the school as well,</p> <p>The money saved by not having a smaller Bin should be spent on the state of the Grass Cutting on the Wirral disgusting also the grids are full of leaves that have never been collected on a regular basis</p>
1564	I wouldn't want my green bin emptied every 3 weeks
1565	We are pleased to learn that WBC is planning to introduce food recycling. Our green bin is rarely full at the end of 2 weeks and we could cope with a 3 weekly collection. We are in the fortunate position of having a compost heap and a wormery, we are also vegetarian so the amount of waste food we have is negligible.
1566	<p>we don't have little or no food waste. as pensioners we carefully manage our food bills and only buy what we can eat. we don't like the idea of more bins - especially one more for the outside, and one for the inside which will have to squeeze in alongside our kitchen bin anyway!</p> <p>but we ESPECIALLY don't like the idea that the green bin will then only be collected every three weeks. every two weeks is bad enough and it means that the new indoor caddy will be an additional smell, and worry for us.</p> <p>WE REJECT OPTION ONE</p>
1567	We don't throw food away. The biggest problem is the lack of plastic recycling.
1568	We think it's great that food waste is being collected. We would prefer option 1.
1569	<p>Three weekly collections won't work. Fortnightly are tough for a family of four, and that's with all the recycling that we do already. We end up going to the local tip during the fortnight already...</p> <p>We have a garden yet wasn't given a brown bin for our garden rubbish...</p>
1570	Three weeks is too long to go between waste collections, especially in the summer and with baby/small child in the household (nappies can get very smelly even over two weeks!)
1571	Not acceptable
1572	<p>My green bin is almost full after 2 weeks, and there is minimal food waste in there. The current system is fine for me. There are foxes near to my house which will smell any food waste and try to get into the bin, which would leave any food waste spread all over the place.</p> <p>You could have a recycling target of 70%, but if it can't be reached then it can't be reached.</p>
1573	We do not like this option and think it offers a worse service than we currently enjoy.
1574	<p>We would not have a problem using the recycling bin for food waste, however even if this was used, I don't believe that the amount of food waste that would be recycled would be enough to enable the green bins to only be collected every three weeks. Why not try introducing the food waste bin, and maintaining the fortnightly green bin collection and see how this helps with the recycling target, before reducing green bin collection to once every three weeks? We recycle as much as possible, yet still have a full green bin every fortnight. Removing food waste from this bin will not remove much volume from our green waste and it will mean that we will not be able to last 3 weeks without a collection.</p> <p>It may help if you increased some of the things that you're able to recycle, e.g. plastic food packaging, tetra packs, etc. People will probably end up just putting them in their grey bin anyway if you're going to limit the amount they can dispose of in your green bins.</p>
1575	Collection of the green bin every 3 weeks will over fill the bin causing residents to use black bin bags at a cost which will not be taken by the bin men
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1577	<p>For folk who cannot get to the local recycling centre there is need for a larger bin.</p> <p>However I think it is dreadful that they should only be emptied every three weeks.</p> <p>We pay a vast amount in council tax a d although my husband is 80, the fact that I am under 70 means we have no reduction in our tax bill PLUS we have to pay to have our garden waste removed.</p> <p>This council needs to get its act together.</p>



1578	<p>Would prefer the green bin to be collected fortnightly as now. Food collection means two extra containers. I suppose we would get used to that.</p>
1579	<p>We prefer option 1, keeping our old larger green bin.</p> <p>We, my wife and I, travel to Neston a few times a week. They have a collection were unbagged waste food is placed in an open caddie/small bin, cardboard and litter in another open caddie/bin. On windy bin days litter is everywhere. To make matters much worse the waste collection workers have to scoop rotten food out of the caddies and into the bin lorry. Cheshire Council should be thoroughly ashamed to have their workers doing this and causing a mess. However, this appears a much better scheme, as food is bagged and locked away from animals and pests.</p>
1580	<p>Ok we need to recycle more as a world. Our household already compost most of our small food waste and take cartons to Asda to recycle. The cost of a change to the bins must be considered as well as the benefits of recycling. I would prefer bin collections to be unchanged but ok add in a food recycling caddy to be collected weekly. The green bins already smell as only emptied fortnightly a day we have little food waste.</p>
1581	<p>A 3 week cycle for the green bin would not present a problem for us</p>
1582	<p>We do not like the idea of collection only every three weeks. We prefer option 2</p>
1583	<p>This seems to be more about meeting a tonnage target rather than practical recycling. There is far more types of recyclable material which could go in the grey bin that is not collected by the council.</p>
1584	<p>We do not see any sense in replacing green bins with smaller ones and scrapping the existing bins. It would be a waste of public money and resources whether you maintain the collection frequency or not. A three-weekly collection is likely to be sufficient for our needs as we do not produce much rubbish.</p> <p>We waste so little food that collecting it would probably be uneconomical. We will, however, co-operate with the collection if and when the equipment is provided.</p> <p>We resent paying for the brown bin collection given that we already pay our Council Tax.</p>
1585	<p>This is the better and cheaper option as buying new bins and distributing them plus disposal of the old ones is an added expense.</p> <p>The food bins idea is not going to work in half the households as all their waste will go in the green bin. Where are all these bins going to be stored. Do you think that everybody has the space for them or want to look at yet another bin--I will not have the space for another third bin in our kitchen, or outside!!!!</p>
1586	<p>I cannot see the reason why you need to change the good system we have at the moment. I certainly object to your suggestion that I have to have a small bin for food waste to keep in my kitchen. As a pensioner I'm not in the habit of wasting food, plus the fact I cannot afford to. So please can you rethink this and keep things just as they are. The other reason I object to this idea of yours is - it will only encourage flies and other types of vermin. Please think again.</p>
1587	<p>In our household, we already recycle twice as much waste as we did before the grey bin collections. We can manage with two weekly green bin collections but three weeks is too long. If there is too much uncollected, bagged household waste, it leads to flies and maggots in the summer months.</p> <p>We use the brown bin to good effect and take other, heavier materials to Bidston Tip.</p> <p>We only have a small kitchen area and there is no space for another bin. Enough is enough.</p> <p>I know where the targets emanate, the Directive comes from the EU and we should no longer be subscribing to their directives as WE ARE LEAVING THE EU!</p>
1588	<p>I do not think it to be wise at this point to move to a 3 weekly collection of the green bin until the new process has at least run for a few months.</p>
1589	<p>Both Options are unacceptable. I require the Council to either leave the existing system or a total rethink. As previously stated. I think it is about time the Council took a good long look at its expenses and salary structure instead of constantly laying the burden on the people who pay the Council bills. Finally a waste food option is not necessary for many households as compost bins are used.</p>

1590	<p>this will lead to an increase in fly tipping. Green bins are already overflowing with some houses not able to travel to the recycling centre. A collection every 3 weeks will make this situation worse.</p> <p>What size is the small lockable container?</p> <p>How does the council propose to deal with the increase in rodents once the available food source is present? How does the council propose to deal with those areas where there is a lack of community spirit to keep the area clean. Bins emptied every 3 weeks will lead to an increase in fly tipping.</p>
1591	<p>We have no more space for what would be a 4th bin! Most properties cannot support 4 bins at each address - this is ridiculous.</p> <p>Our green bin is mostly full of packaging from shops that we have no control over as it is not recyclable. We do not have much food waste.</p> <p>We have no kitchen space for an indoor waste food collector.</p> <p>As a family of 4 we struggle with a 2 week collection cycle.</p>
1592	<p>When you brought in the recycling you told us it was now 97%, which looking at those figures, it was a lie, you say you need to recycle 116,000 tonnes more a year, yet you are thinking of changing the collection from two weeks to three, if you have a large green bin, how is this going to help matters, if you have 3 weeks for the green and 2 weeks for the grey they will be weeks when both bins have to be emptied on the same day, so are you going to have two bin lorries following one another?</p> <p>I don't understand why you need to change the bin collections if you want to bring in food bins, makes no sense, leave things as they are and just bring in the food bin, as for the food bins are you using the money from the government funding for waste collections?</p> <p>As for landfill we have enough space to sort our waste out it's just the government and the tax off it, As for me I don't have much waste, takes me two months to fill my grey bin, and as for waste food never have any</p>
1593	This is the best option for my household, as I have already lost one green bin due to cut backs
1594	This option would inevitably cause a backlog & build up of rubbish.
1595	Not happy about having an indoor caddy. Will the council provide a regular supply of liners?
1596	I for one do not have a lot of food waste. I eat it but in the way of boxes. I do have full green bins. so I'll still need to have the green collection I have now.
1597	Not good for things like nappies. Also confusing to have one collection weekly, some two-weekly and another three-weekly.
1598	How are houses with small kitchens and no space for more bins able to cope. Bins outside terrace houses look unsightly.
1599	I live alone and have virtually no food waste as I cook only what I can eat except for some bones! I have a back yard with a few pots and I can compost nearly all the offcuts - even bits of twigs help drainage. The main problem is with the plastic packaging you won't recycle such as pet food trays. Even for me a three week wait for the bin to be emptied is pushing things. Pet food plastic is recycled elsewhere so you need a new contractor rather than adding to landfill.
1600	Much of our waste does not match the old or new recycling categories and we would need to retain the larger green bin.
1601	Both options ridiculous. Can you imagine the smell from my granddaughters nappies in a green bin for 3 weeks. I do not want a caddy for food waste - there is little in our house. Mainly packing. Sort that out and you will reduce waste collection by half. Lobby Government to force a change.
1602	the cost of replacing the bigger green bin is not justified. I would prefer this option{1} and am quite happy with this arrangement of 3 weekly collections for the 240litre green bin
1603	As a 71 year old where am I to keep this food waste bin. In my kitchen because when it is windy wet, snowy I don't go outside in bad weather. I am sure it will attract insects, mice and smell bad. Who on earth thinks up these stupid ideas. You started charging for garden waste so we all put that in the green bin which goes into landfill. Bring back the free garden waste bin and I am sure you will meet your targets instead of this silly idea about food waste. I have not spoken to one person who thinks it is a good idea. In fact I will not be recycling food waste.
1604	<p>keep existing size bin and empty every fortnight or once a week as they smelly with nappies and other rubbish.</p> <p>brown bin service fine.</p> <p>with green bin every three weeks they will end up with people going tip if get too full keep as normal</p>
1605	Option 1 with the green bin only being emptied every three weeks is not healthy

1606	I don't think a three weekly green bin collection is a sensible option, even without food waste it would still get v smelly with empty pet food pouches, oils/fat, waste milk and non-recyclable waste like Tetra Pak soup cartons etc. But, a three weekly green bin collection may encourage people to recycle more as the green bin will fill up quickly. It may also encourage people to put non-recyclable waste in to the grey bin though.
1607	I do not have room for an indoor caddy & I would rather keep things as they are
1608	I have almost NO good waste. Therefore I do not need a collection. My green bin is always full, we just get by on fortnightly collection so any less is not an option for my household of 2 adults. A smaller green bin is also not an option.
1609	I do not throw food waste in the green bin as I have a compost heap. I would prefer to keep my larger green bin.
1610	I do not want another bin in my kitchen. Flies and maggots have, and still are, a serious problem particularly in warmer weather. A waste food bin inside will only increase this problem. I am against the plan.
1611	Three-weekly bin collections are insufficient.
1612	The only thing I see I am being consulted on is the size of the bins and the frequency of collection - This is not a consultation at all. The council have apparently already decided on a course of action and just going through the motions of a consultation. Waste of time - mine and yours
1613	We inherited our green bin in 1998 when we moved in and it is way past it's best. We don't like the idea of a three-weekly collection for the green bin.
1614	An appalling proposal. I have the smaller green bin but can see my neighbours fill their larger bin fortnightly, so I hate to think how they old cope. If you can come weekly and fortnightly for the other bin then there is no reason not to for the green bin. I hardly throw any food waste away, nit has to be the smallest amount of waste I have. If this goes to landfill it will decompose and not cause an issue. I have no room in or outside my house for yest another bin. A better use of money would be to invest in being able to recycle more via the grey bin. South Wirral Residents can recycle plastic meat trays, yogurt cartons, margarine tubs, tetra packs and shredded paper, without a trip to a refuse tip. If they can do it then the technology is available and should be looked into for our waste. These items make up the majority of my waste, far more than any food scraps. You need to devise a better plan around as this useless idea puts the stress, difficult into us residents.
1615	every three weeks is an absolute disgrace if you look back in history this is how diseases start through rubbish being left for long periods of time because people start dumping the rubbish that wont fit in there bins on the streets
1616	Not very keen on the idea of leaving household waste collection for 3 weeks. Could get a bit ripe!
1617	I am happy to go with option 1 or 2 as my green bin is never full up
1618	I am happy with this option as it means all bins can be kept as they are.
1619	Feel every once 3 weeks too long for a bin collection, and another bin to be accommodated on driveway with three already large bins would cause problems getting cars on drive, where they have to kept for insurance purposes.
1620	Do not want to go back to the old pig bin collection system of the 1950`s. So this is a big no to this option.
1621	I already recycle as much as I can and compost most food waste for the garden. I also have a brown bin. Even with all of this my green bin is full every 2 weeks.
1622	I find that once again Wirral council is using the "stick" option to encourage people to recycle instead of the "carrot". Surely once again, your refuse collection in option 1 will again encourage fly tipping. Why not leave the current collection as it is, if it ain't broke why fix it. Plus of course, collect food waste as suggested. The debate then is the extra cost. But if you go for Option 2. The cost of replacing all the green bins with smaller, would help fund the extra cost of Option 1. Whilst you can then evaluate the impact of the food collection on the on the tonnage going the landfill over twelve months. Then you can then make an informed decision. I don't know how you make a decision such as this without a trial period

1623	<p>Brown garden waste collection unchanged every two weeks - Keeping the same day as at present.</p> <p>Grey recycling collection unchanged every two weeks - Keeping the same day as at present.</p> <p>So far so good.</p> <p>However with the Green bin collected every three weeks - it would mean that bin collections would fall into the following pattern over a Six Week Combined Green/Grey Cycle.</p> <p>Week 1 - Green Bin Only  Week 2 - Grey Bin Only  Week 3 - NO Bin Collection  Week 4 - Green Bin +Grey Bin on the Same Day  Week 5 - NO Bin Collection  Week 6 - Grey Bin Only</p> <p>Immediately you have created Four Different Weekly Scenarios.</p> <p>Not a good idea, far to complicated and a recipe for disaster.</p>
1624	<p>I think the idea is ridiculous - I can just about manage with a two week bin collection - I m not prepared to be scraping food slops into a bucket and then trying to maintain hygiene standards - I think there must be better ways around this....</p> <p>why not get people who work in the council to recycle at work? Perhaps they could even trial these ridiculous proposals?</p>
1625	<p>I do not have the space in my very small kitchen to put food caddy along with other waste bin. Although the intention for recycling is good, have you considered the vermin this outside caddy will attract. As for changing the size of my green bin, this would be unacceptable as for the past 3 years we on Clive Road have been trying without success to obtain Brown Bins for our Garden Waste. Although we have gardens it seems Briadale Road can have them where we can't, so the green bin has to accommodate our garden waste also. If I have to wait for 3 weeks for it to be collected the refuse collectors will then complain that it is to heavy.</p> <p>I feel sure that the council in its infinite wisdom will decide among themselves the best course of action regardless of public opinion.</p>
1626	<p>Food waste collection will be of no use to me because I do not have any except for a chicken carcass approx. once every 2 months (assuming this will go in the food waste).</p> <p>Keep the 240 ltr. bin. collection every 3 weeks is no use to a household with more than 3 people living at the address.</p>
1627	<p>I can not see people putting their food waste in a separate caddy. I suspect that many will simply "bury" it within their existing grey or brown bins which will have the effect of contaminating the grey and brown bins so increasing the waste rather than increasing the recycling rate.</p>
1628	<p>We should be able to recycle more in the grey bin such as Tetra packs and other plastics which aren't currently allowed . Quess what's going to happen to the food waste bins on a windy bin collection day. As for Wirral Councils so called consultation they never listen to the electorate so why should this be any different.</p>
1629	<p>I live in a building with four separate flats. Already that means we have 4 x Green Bin and 4 x Black Bin. I think the outside of our flats will look somewhat cluttered with an additional four food caddy's, and would want to know if there would be a larger option of the caddy available for larger properties with shared waste services?</p> <p>Personally, I do not have too much issue with the bins being moved to a collection every 3 weeks, as within our building I think we would be able to cope with this frequency. However, I would be concerned with this proposition should I move to my own property and only have one green bin for my property. I feel as though me and my wife have a very small amount of food waste as it is and although I commend the initiative for there to be food recycling on Wirral, I am concerned what it might mean for excess waste and fly tipping in the local area for those that are unable to manage their waste effectively.</p> <p>In total over 6 weeks I would be able to have a maximum of 480l of waste collected which is the most amount of waste of the two options you are proposing, so I would prefer this option.</p>

1630	Have no kitchen space for said caddy. As for outside cantainer this although locker-able will attract vermin. As the system at present works I don't see the point of all the extra upheaval and expense trying to fix something that isn't broken.
1631	NO. Keep the current system
1632	Most cost effective obviously rather than buy smaller bins for most households that surely don't have that much waste for the green bin?.
1633	I use a composter so the current stuff going into my green bin is negligible, mainly plastic wrappings. Whichever way the Council choose to go is okay by us.
1634	I prefer the current arrangement with no food collection.
1635	I prefer the current collection rota with no food caddy.
1636	I do not like the sound of this at all.
1637	Idiocy, lunacy but what do you expect.  Stuff the eu rules - we are leaving anyway.  keep the green bin as it is.  We dont want any changes, thats far enough now.  BUT more education is needed to increase results. and organise the tips better.  Do you want to mess about with old food ? i dont.
1638	Bring back the FREE BROWN bin collection, not only will this HELP you to achieve the target of 50% of recyclable material, it will also help families by removing the cost. Charging for a service that is already paid for through COUNCIL TAX is obscene. The grey bin seems to be working - for now. The green bin duration between collections is unacceptable, this will only REDUCE the recyclable material targeted for the council and also increase any issues with PUBLIC HEALTH how you ask ? Families with vehicles capable of taking house hold waste to PRIVATE refuge centers will do - further reducing your target, families without this capability will have overflowing bins, not only that but multiple bags of refuse on their properties that pose a real risk to PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY.
1639	that's fine, but i would rather have a smaller green bin collected every 2 weeks.
1640	I do not agree with either of these proposals. I do not have space for a slop caddy in my kitchen. This will also mean another bin will be littering the streets. It should be noted that waste that now gets put in the green bin also has food remnants ie blood etc from food packaging. If this is left for three weeks it will be a health hazard.
1641	I think the food caddy is a terrible idea. It will smell terribly in the summer and I don't won't a good waste in my kitchen. In addition how many bins do we need. I already have two grey bins which I fill over the two week period. I don't want another bin and I'm quite happy with the present arrangements
1642	I think this would still work for us as we recycle most of or waste either in the grey , green or compost bin. There are only 2 people in the household. I believe this will be a problem for household of over 2 people or people who are not prepared to "play" the game.  I think more should be done about products purchased from the shops which are supplied in non recyclable packaging.
1643	I object to having my green only emptied every 3 weeks as my green bin is three quarters full after 2 weeks and I don't want a smelly bin in my kichen as I don't have a lot of food waste. If they are going to empty the green bins every 3 weeks they are saving money so they could use the money saved and stop charging for garden bins.
1644	I think 3 weeks is too long for green bin collection as food packaging will still go in this bin and will smell.
1645	As long as the liners in the indoor caddy for food are leak proof this sounds ok.
1646	I suppose a 3wk system will save money on new bins but as they break replace them with smaller ones then eventually go back to 2 weekly collection
1647	This would be the preferred option
1648	Don't like the idea of green bin collection every 3 weeks dirty nappies etc not a good thing for summer months don't like the idea of having food waste hanging around in kitchen till the caddy is full
1649	Best option to suit my family needs
1650	Whilst we think it is a good idea to recycle waste food, we have 2 cats and also use the green bin to dispose of bagged cat litter. This would not be very hygienic to wait 3 weeks for the bin to be collected, although our preference would be to keep the existing size green bin.

1651	Use option 1
1652	three weeks for emptying green bin is too long.
1653	with your savings. how many local VERMIN EXTERMINATORS will be employed? have any one of you put your self in situation of tenant living in a flat rented accommodation small or terraced house with limited space. Are you all so hair brained or braindead you have no concept or choose to forget that the infirm and families with small children mainly have limited living space within their homes without this new WASTE SAVE SCHEME being introduced, Where did the savings go after the amazing arrangement with ELLESMERE PORT re waste.
1654	No big deal. Just operate the most economical scheme.
1655	We, my husband and I, would prefer this option, however we do have some concerns. Whereas we are looking forward to recycling our food waste (which isn't that much as I tend to plan meals etc), the concerns are that our neighbours are not so forward thinking. You don't have to walk that far to see bins over flowing and the grey recycling bin full of non-recyclable rubbish. The fear being bins that aren't emptied for 3 weeks would have a further negative impact on the community environment, with overflowing rubbish on the streets - more so that is already.
1656	I doubt if reducing collection of green bin to 3 weekly intervals will improve the council collecting greater volumes of recycling materials. Our household already disposes of food materials other than the green bin, and have been for many years.
1657	<p>This consultation is completely ludicrous. When it comes to the environment, local and national government continually pass on the costs to the people least able to cope with them, while national government supports fracking, one of the most damaging forms of energy known to man, and many local governments have pension funds invested in fossil fuels. I am angry that changes which will cause real difficulties to households are being implemented while at the same time the concern for the environment at local and national governmental level is at best tokenistic. There is no attempt I am aware of to engage with industry on any sort of scale to encourage/force them to reduce the amount of packaging they use, which is the majority of my landfill waste personally. This despite the fact that there are now 46,000 pieces of plastic per square kilometre of the world's oceans, killing a million seabirds and 100,000 marine mammals each year.</p> <p>I pay my council tax. I have no choice but to pay this despite the fact that I work part time on minimum wage, and council tax being non-means tested means my council tax is over 9% of the total money I have to spend each month. Council tax is a pernicious and retrogressive tax that impacts most on those who can least afford to pay it (I am starting to see a theme emerging.) For the same, or an even greater, percentage of my monthly income you now propose to give me LESS of a service. A significant proportion of my landfill waste is also waste from my pets (guinea pigs). What does the council suggest I do about this? Leave my pets to walk about on dirty bedding? Would the RSPCA support this? I do not drive as I cannot afford to do so on minimum wage, so I do not have the option of getting rid of waste at the tip. I rely on the council bin collection, and as of right now my green bin is always full at the end of two weeks. Hardly any of my waste is food waste. Unless the council can suggest how else I should dispose of pet bedding, all this change is going to do is lead to myself and other owners of small pets being overwhelmed with bags of rubbish. It will be unhygienic and it won't simply go away, although the council would like to think it will. But then you will probably simply hit people with fines if they produce too much waste. Again a strategy of penalising the poorest the hardest.</p> <p>I need my green bin collecting every two weeks, and so does everybody else. This is a tokenistic gesture simply designed to save the council money, and it's not on.</p> <p>Also I note that your consultation events have not been well published. Funny that.</p>
1658	CONCERN OVER 3 WEEKS DUE TO PESTS. SMELLS ETC
1659	No good reason for changing the green bin, many people do not waste food, and will only spread more litter around the Town, if this change goes ahead. And what's more, the business of another bin for the kitchen, plus the cost of these changes, must be considered.
1660	The smell from the food waste in the summer will attract flies. Why can't you try and enable us to place more recycling items into our grey bins as mine is only ever half full as you are not allowed certain items in them.
1661	I think that the idea of a weekly food recycling collection is ridiculous s I don't know of any working class household these days being so stupid as to throw away food! This for me will mean that I will have a reduced refuse collection service by either green bin volume or frequency of collection. This will be the brown bin fiasco all over again and who will end up paying for it again the Rate Payer!
1662	We dont agree with the green bin being emptied every three weeks. It is far too long.
1663	As someone who lives on their own I prefer the smaller bin.

1664	3 weeks to long to wait for collection.
1665	<p>preferable to option 2 but still concerns about collection very 3 weeks as our % of rubbish being food is very small as we already try to avoid waste and our bin is already nearly full after 2 weeks.</p> <p>Also have strong concerns about peak times of year such as xmas when your waste collection is already inadequate and insufficient to meet the public's waste requirements and you are not meeting basic standards that a local authority should be providing.</p> <p>Also a more complex system of 3 different types of waste will not be comprehensible to the average resident who lready cannot understand the different distinstions between waste so there is no chance that your proposal will meet any success.</p>
1666	I reject both options as unssuitable
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1668	Still think the green bin should be emptied every 2 weeks as materials in it would potentially rot and if you had small babies needing nappies they would be a health risk after 3 weeks. Also why has our community tax gone up and you want to reduce the collections. Not acceptable.
1669	Not v happy with 3 weekly collection - difficult to keep track of when to put bin out
1670	I think this would lead to con fusion as to when the green bin is to be put out and three weeks is too long to leave it unemptied
1671	We recycle all our food waste and make our own compost to use in our garden. We don't throw out any raw vegetation. We try not to waste any other food so will have virtually no waste at all. So we would like to keep the bigger bin, main reason, if you miss a collection, the bigger bin is a better option even though it will be a longer period between collections.
1672	<p>I am in favour of recycling food waste in a separate container. However I am against 3 weekly collections for general waste for the following reasons:</p> <p>There will still be unhygenic items festering in the green bin for 3 weeks such as sanitary ware, nappies and food packaging, also animal waste (eg dog waste, cat litter).</p> <p>If Wirral Council is wishes to meet its recycling target then I fail to understand why it cannot take the necessary steps to upgrade the MWDA recovery plant to allow recycling of food containers and other packaging.</p>
1673	We need the current green bin to be collected every two weeks
1674	I support the proposal for Food Waste, Grey bin and Brown bin. However, 3 weeks for the collection of the green bin is too long and therefore overall, I do not support this option.
1675	I THINK 3 WEEKS COLECTION FOR IS TOO LONG
1676	Keep to existing 240 litre green bin
1677	As a family of 4 this cannot be an option nether us option 2!
1678	This is the option I would rather have if required. cant see the point in buying new bins and with the current sized bin you would have the capacity to collect 920ltrs of waste every six weeks whereas the new suggestion would mean this is reduced to 420 ltrs. Also it would require less visits by the vehicle meaning less pollution in our streets.
1679	It's a joke - you say that up to 30% of our rubbish is food waste - not in my household or many others, I should imagine. I have chickens who eat vegetable and bread scraps and a compost bin. I also try and use or freeze any food nearing its expiry date. You used to have a garden waste recycling scheme and then made it a subscription service - despite the fact that you sold the compost that this waste created. What a waste of money - all those bins that are no longer used. The biggest amount of rubbish in my bin at the moment is garden waste - you should make that a free service again - why should we pay for you to collect the raw materials for a product you sell.
1680	DO NOT WANT CHANGE, LEAVE IT AS IT IS
1681	would prefer to keep larger green bin as smaller bin may not be adequate I.E xmas & when family come for dinner or tea

1682	<p>I really encourage recycling and applaud your endeavour, and I don't wish to be negative, but I really don't have time to be separating more waste, putting out 4 different bins, and cleaning 5! it really is becoming quite absurd. I feel I already maintain a very green lifestyle- I recycle, reduce my energy and water bills and do not drive. Is this not enough?!</p> <p>I don't see the difference in the two options either, as you collect more waste less regularly or less waste more regularly?! Isn't this surely the same end result?</p> <p>I think the extra charge for green waste is rather cheeky as well, I think residents pay enough Council Tax without this on top- and with most residents in this area having gardens you really have people over a barrel.</p>
1683	3 weekly collection will probably cause more confusion, current alternate weekly collection seems to work well. What is meant by lockable container? Are they opened by the collectors?
1684	I have no problems with this option.
1685	I don't want a 3 weekly collection of green bin as I think this would be very unhygienic & we have very little food wastage anyway If people want a larger green bin then they should pay for it (as currently with brown bin) & 2 week collection should be kept
1686	<p>We would not want a three week collection.</p> <p>As it is we only have a small bin, so if it was a three week collection we would have to have it changed for a large bin.</p> <p>However we do not like the thought of having to wait three weeks collection despite the size of the bin.</p> <p>( we rarely have any food waste except for potato peelings &amp; a small amount of remains of fruit eg apple cores, orange peel &amp; banana skins.</p>
1687	I want to keep my current existing size green bin as there are 2 people living here and it's regularly full. I don't have much food waste so every 3 weeks won't be enough. I think this is the option the council want to do but have just given us the other option to make out they have had a consultation. Why not use the money you would spend to buy all new smaller bins and if you keep this option reduce the council tax bill or make the brown bin free.
1688	<p>An absolutely ridiculous idea from my perspective; we have minimal food waste in our household, the biggest issue as we see it is the amount of packaging that we seem to put into the green bin, and this is where there needs to be some more focus, i.e. on manufacturers and their suppliers to both, a) reduce the amount of packaging required, and b) to make more use of recyclable materials for the packaging that is used.</p> <p>This just seems to be another Wirral Council 'bright idea' to reduce costs regardless of the impact / inconvenience to Wirral residents, which will no doubt have significant implementation costs for potentially very little, if any, benefit actually being realised. It's bad enough to have had our Council Tax increased this year, supposedly to help fund adult social care, only to find out that due to Council underfunding elderly intermediate care and rehabilitation services are being reduced, as is evidenced by the already withdrawn service at Hoyle Cottage Hospital, and Elderhome now also having served notice to this lack of realistic funding, all of which will no doubt result in further pressure on the NHS as patients block beds in hospital due to this reduced service.</p> <p>As a Wirral resident I am heartily sick of feeling like I'm being just being ripped of by Wirral Borough Council who are continually reducing the services and facilities available to us (just look how many public toilets there now are across Wirral, or more to the point are not!) or in return for increasing the costs we are expected to pay for such shoddy treatment.</p> <p>To say the Council are serious about recycling is a joke; not long ago a charge was introduced for collecting the garden waste in the brown bin, and residents were told that if they didn't want to keep the brown bin they could place the garden waste in the green bin. How hypocritical can you get?!</p>
1689	<p>The council's time would be better spent encouraging better efficiencies within the current system. Just because you're bad at management doesn't mean you have to make everybody else's life more difficult.</p> <p>(Eg. Yes the brown bins could contribute more weight and therefore up the rate, but that won't solve it completely - so hey! let's not bother at all !!).</p>
1690	I support this option
1691	I would like to keep the green bin but believe that it should still be emptied every 2 weeks. What about people with pets or animals or babies with nappies who need the waste removing to prevent flies, smells bacteria and rodents.
1692	Don't want this you have done this before and abandoned it. Don't want stale food hanging about
1693	Wirral council have tried giving us food tidy bins in the past and it didn't work then so its not going to work now, maggots are a main concern especially in the kitchen, we will be out of the EU by 2020 then anyway so why let this rule effect us? Keep things as they are, as the council will never reach its target of recycling 50% household waste because of growing population. Most of the waste is plastic packaging that cant be recycled and it really smells after the food has been in it, plus it will cost more to provide the lining bags that you will have to provide every household with too, just keep things the same.



1694	Would prefer to keep the capacity of the green bin for unexpectedly large purchase packaging throughout the year.
1695	I like the idea of the food bin collection service and for my own household option 1 is the better option of the two provided. The green bin will not need to be emptied as often if food waste is collected weekly but keeping the larger bin will be better for accommodating 3 weeks of non-recyclable rubbish. However.... see comments on option 2
1696	NO THANK YOU
1697	option 2
1698	It seems a good idea to follow the example of other local authorities and have a food recycling collection. However, emptying the green bins every 3 weeks will mean that there is still food waste in them eg packaging of fish and meat etc so they are liable to become even more contaminated than at present.
1699	This is hardly a consultation. Its a view an 2 unsuitable alternatives.  We do not have food waste. We have our own caddy for raw foodstuffs eg leaves stalks etc. Any cooked food residue is given to our dogs. We would not use a council food caddy. Having said that we manage to fill our green bin fortnightly and a three week collection would be difficult. I can foresee overflowing bins outside houses with large families.
1700	The amount of food waste in our household will not equate to the green bin being emptied 3 weekly
1701	WE DONT WASTE ANY FOOD NO NEED FOR EXTRA BIN MORE WASTE OF MONEY BY THIS COUNCIL
1702	Would much prefare this option
1703	we would prefer this option as the extra cost of the new bins
1704	Wirral council has no COHERENT policy on rubbish collection.All this council has achieved is MASSIVE flytipping, LITTER strewn streets,and an increase in VERMIN.Does this council walk around with its eyes CLOSED.
1705	I have my own composting bin which means the green bin is rarely full. However I prefer a two-weekly collection so will opt fo a smaller green bin. I will continue to pay for the brown bin collection.
1706	The better option.
1707	Could people be encouraged to compost their vegetable peelings etc. If they did, would this count towards the Wirral target.  Is it acceptable to flush cooked food waste and plate scrapings down the toilet?
1708	Option 1 is the most viable for my household, my only worry is where you are basing yiur statistics of a third by weight im green bins is food, I don't agree, and worry forcing people to make a choice will result in waste in the streets etc
1709	Prefer this option, but the cost of the Food bin should be covered fully by the Council, as the benefits for going this route is greater for both the Council and households. The alternate option is to subsidize the cost of this food bin as I assume will be £40 ( £35 on line)??
1710	3 weeks is too long and unhealthy , we struggle with the 2 weeks currently
1711	Why 3 weekly GREEN bin collection??  What on earth will you be doing with the food waste anyway?? It surely will still go to landfill?  I do not think storing food waste indoors is appropriate/hygienic.  Recycle GREY bin contents more effectively.
1712	I don't want a bin in my kitchen. There must be a technical solution that can avoid this. I cannot support either option as currently proposed
1713	I don't have food waste - I cook what I need - therefore I will still need my Green Bin to be emptied eery other week - but preferably every week - if you can collect so called food waste weekly - why not general waste. We are currently leaving the EU - it's daft recycling rules will not apply to us.
1714	I don't think that food waste will reduce the space in the bin to make enough space for an extra weeks waste. So where will the extra waste go ? In one of the public bins at the end of the road !
1715	I am filling this in on behalf of my 88 year old mum who lives on her own and I think for her and a lot of other older people this all gets very confusing for them.
1716	preferred option but not the food waste and caddy...we had the metal pig bins in the 50,s and they were substantial metal bins...and they became a serious health hazard despite being so substantial...plus cannot see how, if the council is so short of money and we are losing essential services that they can now afford indoor caddies throughtout the borough and liners plus additional weekly collections.

1717	collection 1 would be our preferred option we already use the garden bil service
1718	Leave things exactly as they are. You know what you want to do and will do it whatever the outcome of this cosmetic exercise.
1719	I think its a ridiculous arrangement & you should just leave things as they are, just what are we paying council tax for ? There's already an increase in fly tipping, Eric used to be free now there's a charge for that, we have to pay for garden waste to be taken away etc. It seems to me you're making disposing of rubbish difficult & expensive. Not everyone has a car or spare cash. If bins get reduced in size or collections reduced, people will resort to dumping rubbish in streets, alleyways etc, I think this idea is totally out of touch with reality.
1720	You did try the little container with the food waste once before and weren't successful. Perhaps you should work in a reeducation programme/campaign (which won't cost the earth) along with the new approach.  I'm happy to keep my green bin since it's still in good condition. However, if you feel/know it will be economically viable to replace it, then I would accept the second approach.  Where will my cat faeces and cat litter go? I wouldn't want that sitting around for 3 weeks.
1721	This is my preference.
1722	At present 52 collections for Green and Grey bins per year.  Proposed 52 Food waste, 26 Grey and 17 Green i.e. 43 more collections per year.  Extra cost, based on Brown bin subscription of £1.50 per collection, £65 per year.  I do not like it
1723	As a family who will have a child in nappies Spring 2017, this option is not ideal as it would mean we would have nappies with faeces sitting in a bin for 3 weeks. In the summer months the bin already smells with the two weekly pick up. I would also be interested to know more about the data mentioned in the consultation pages about animals not being a concerning factor. We live on the edge of the Dibbinsdale and I would be concerned about wildlife venturing to our bin if left for 3 weeks.
1724	I think there needs to be an in between option 1 and 2. I am totally behind the food recycling scheme. Amazing however I am on a tight budget and our food waste is minimal. I would agree to a small bin if it was collected weekly. I have spoke to a lot of people and they agree 3 weeks for the green bin is too long. Please reconsider this. I will have to be making many trips to the tip as will alot of people. That's not going to help with carbon emissions and in the end rubbish will end up in the tip that could have been recycled.
1725	I don't think this will reduce green waste as all good come in a packaging. My bins are completely full on collection as it is. My grey bin is always the most full.
1726	I think option one would be better.This would cut the cost down on replacing the exisiting bins with smaller ones.The only problem which might happen is if as you say some of these green bins are past their sell by date and need replacing. If we are sorting food waste and all the items which can be recycled into the grey bin.... in theory there should not be much left to go into the green bin anyway. So a three weekly collection for the green bin should be enough.I think the most important thing is that the food bin is emptied weekly as the potential for smell,rats maggots etc may increase.But if people follow the correct procedures regarding closing of lid tightly etc this shouldn't happen.
1727	my husband has a stoma would not like this waste collected every 3 weeks . even though stoma bags are in a black bag the smell of the waste over 3 weeks would not be acceptable
1728	We would be lucky to fill the caddy with waste food, let alone a storage facility. Most of our waste goes in the green bin and so it would be a trial-error to see if we kept the 240 litre bin for three weeks, whether this was adequate. It appears complicated as to which bin goes outside on which day. Suggest you distribute a colour coded calendar!? More complications.
1729	This option why spend all that money on replacing bins! Surely the money you would spend on replacing bins could mean you swap the three week collection to two weeks! Can you imagine the fly tipping!

1730	What happens to the households that don't waste food and whose green bin is still full before the 2 week collection date? With having a baby and a dog, the green bin is going to smell revolting as that's where their waste goes!
1731	I think this is the best option, not wasting money on new bins.
1732	I think its going to make wirral look scruffy as people already leave rubbish outside there houses now if the green bin is left another week it will look like a tip and i think the garden waste is a rip off . If you want to recycle you should be taking garden waste away for nothing.Wirral council is just getting more and more greedy
1733	I think the bin collection days should remain as they are. To introduce a separate food collection receptacle would encourage vermin.
1734	I think this is a good idea
1735	<p>This option would not make any significant difference to our waste streams as we already compost any vegetable waste and do not produce much food waste. The only way to change your recycling stream rates here would be to ban composting and force households to send this waste stream through 'official' channels.</p> <p>What would also help is far less ambiguous advice on recycling waste. For example, you currently advise that yoghurt pots cannot be recycled. Do you mean PS yoghurt pots or all yoghurt pots including HDPE and LDPE pots? Your poorly worded current advice has caused several domestic arguments in this household.</p> <p>If you spend time educating householders about the recycling labelling to be found on all packaging as well as the numbering/ lettering system and what your plants can accept, then you may increase recycling rates amongst those who care.</p> <p>Reducing collections of green bin waste, would not make a significant difference to this household, but may increase levels of vermin / pests overall across the borough and adversely affect households which rely on pre-prepared food, which may be seen politically as a form of class discrimination.</p>
1736	<p>Whilst food waste bin will be lockable, it should be able to withstand attacks by rats and foxes.</p> <p>The rest of option 1 should be workable in practice.</p>
1737	<p>This option is the better of the two proposed. It gives a waste of 480L/6weeks opposed to 420L/6weeks.</p> <p>Food waste from my family is negligible at worst as we plan meals and reuse what we can, even with a small family. I do hope that business premises have a food recycling scheme as in my opinion that is where the majority of food waste comes from.</p> <p>Also brown bins should be collected free of charge every 3 weeks.</p>
1738	My only negative thoughts would be for people with nappies or cat litter, 3 weeks is a long time to have these items in the bin, especially during the summer
1739	3 weeks seems a long time before having bin emptied particularly if you miss a collection for any reason. With current system do sometimes have space left in bin though when collected.
1740	3 week rotation seriously a bin is full within a week when you have children especially! I recycle as much as I can 9/10 the grey bin is full near the middle of the second week before collection my large green bin is full within a week of general household waste. The bins especially green need to be empty once a week as the smell is horrendous in the summer. I have neighbours who have nappies in their bins and the road stinks. Some bins dont have lids im suprised we dont have an infestation of rats here!
1741	People already struggling with the 2week green bin collection with maggots overful bind even though i am an avid grey bin recycler i still struggle to keep down unwanted waste in green bins also my family member lives in bury manchester which as you are aware has food waste bins and struggle with maggots increase of unwanted visitors micr etc which as i occasionally workin borkenhead the bins are overflowing contamtly and living in bebington round the school in term time the litter is atrocus i have contacted the council who said cleaning the area is now every 3weeks where in chester that eould not be exceptable so no to changes in bin collection as we already got a serious problem with litter collections
1742	I look after my bins they are not broken so giving them back to you and replacing it with another although smaller seems wasteful. Surely there is no need to spend out needlessly. The only thing I dislike about food collection is the maggots that we got especially in the hot weather the last time we tried this. The council should consider leaving green large bins until they naturally need replacing therefore saving money.

1743	<p>We are now a family of 2 which used to be 5. We compost all of our raw waste including egg shells ,opened used teabags and coffee grounds. there is very little waste of other used food even when we are all together as a family, that's 15 of us. we send plate scrapings down the waste disposal unit</p> <p>When all the family were at home there were 5 of us and the present 2 week clearing system for the green bin was good for us, probably 3 weeks would be ok now</p> <p>I don't relish the thought of having a used food recycling bin because it will attract vermin</p> <p>Brown and grey bins are ok.</p> <p>Thanks</p>
1744	<p>Preferable</p> <p>Less waste ie. The disposal of thousands of old bins</p> <p>Less expensive -providing thousands of new bins</p> <p>Less expensive- less collections of green bins</p> <p>Less expense - don't have to get rid of old bins</p> <p>Need to trial to see that people adhere to rules and regulations</p>
1745	i disagree. it depends upon your definition of food and whether people will adopt this,
1746	<p>As there is a member of my family who has to use stoma bags I already find it disgusting having to have them in our green bin for 2 weeks never mind 3, in the warm weather the bins dont half smell. this also applies to familes who have babies nappies.</p> <p>It is going to be quite difficult having a food caddy in the house when you have pets who will automatically be able to smell the food &amp; upturn the bin. Also what about flies &amp; insects if you put caddy outside.</p>
1747	Absolute nonsense! Who on earth wants a bin which in our household has nappies and dog waste in it sitting around for 3 weeks, particularly in hot weather. 2 weeks is bad enough!
1748	I live alone in a flat. As a Pensioner I don't really throw any food away. I eat what I cook with a minimal amount of food being thrown away. I have a small kitchen and Collection Option 1 means I will have 2 waste bins in my Kitchen. Owing to the size I would not agree to Option 1. I think that the large bins should still be collected every 2 weeks as anything longer would not be acceptable.
1749	Of the two options I prefer this one. My main concern is if, by retaining usage of the 240 litre green bin, I am penalised financially at an undetermined future date as opposed to using the smaller 140 litre bin, which would be too small for my needs. A charge has already been introduced for the brown bin so a worrying precedent has been set. On a separate issue it would be greener if arrangements could be made to collect tetra pack cartons (I get through approx 10 per week) rather than having to drive some distance (around 20 miles return I believe) to recycle them There must be many other people in a similar position - these either all go into the green bin or, presumably, if mistakenly placed in the grey bin they corrupt the remaining contents.
1750	This option preferable
1751	3 weeks too long. In summer months bins stink and maggots easily infest bins.
1752	I think this is the better option. Why waste money on replacing our current larger bins with new smaller ones?
1753	I do not want this one, think 3 weeks is too long even if the bin is bigger I don't think it work very well
1754	<p>It is difficult to say which would be better. I would prefer to keep the larger green bin but am concerned about the smell as I have grandchildren who are in nappies, if it wasn't collected for three weeks.</p> <p>Maybe it would be an advantage to have a trial run by delivering the food bins first and let the populous try the 3 week collection before it is set in motion. Also it would save on the cost of new bins before it was found to be advantageous, or have they already been purchased?</p> <p>This is my view.</p>
1755	<p>This is just stupid you have have one week where all 3 bins need to be emptied. Wouldnt it make more sense to give every house hold with a garden a compost bin, that way you dont need to collect anything from those houses.</p> <p>Plus I have 2 green bins as I have a disabled child and dirty nappies living in a bin for 3 weeks is disgusting !!!</p>
1756	<p>We don't want any more bins. This will the council is imposing addition items into private households. Human rights? You wont manage tees that block light and introduce leaves debris that block drains cost time to remove and fill bins.</p> <p>Manage green waste more efficiently at point of disposal at waste centres. All food waste is perishable so what else will you do with it?</p>

1757	This option should be considered but monitored to ensure the bins are not overfilled and cause issues with vermin.
1758	A 3weekly bin collection would be incredibly problematic for households such as ours. We have a baby and two year old so our green bin is always full on collection day due to nappy usage. Our waste food is very minimal so the new collection will have little impact on our green bin. I worry that across the borough , smaller or less frequent collections will lead to an increase in fly tipping, which is already a problem in many areas of the borough with ally ways or rear access. Would households perhaps feel the need to regularly deposit extra waste in pubic bins or areas? I understand the need to reduce food waste , but believe these options will lead to new problems in waste in the wider public domain.
1759	I am doubtful that giveing us a smaller green bin and only emptying it every 3 weeks would work for all families.
1760	I have 2 children in nappies. I can't open the windows at the front of my house because of the smell and that's with the bin lid closed and fortnightly collections. It will be unbearable with a 3 week wait. I have a 9 month old who goes through at least 6 nappies a day and a 2 year old who was toilet trained but (for the next year) is being treated with laxatives. We have very minimal food waste because we cannot afford to throw food away so everything gets used. Obviously larger families and those with babies are going to suffer with these changes.
1761	You state that free garden waste collection will improve recycling rates. So even though you state that this would not achieve your target, it will of course assist you in achieving your target, so why not do this? or is the monetary input more important to you than re-cycling? Replacing Bins: I do not see dilapidated bins when I walk along the roads so this is a misuse of the actual situation.
1762	THIS IS THE OPTION I WOULD CHOSE AS ONLY HAVE A SMALL BIN ANYWAY. I ALSO HAVE A COMPOST BIN AND VERY LITTLE OTHER WASTE FOOD
1763	I would prefer to keep the larger bin.
1764	Keeping my existing green bin of 240L is what is needed, as I have 2 due to having a severely disabled daughter who is doubly incontinent.  As well as the usual household rubbish in my green bin, after 3 weeks, there will be around 200 pads/nappies in my bins!  Three weekly collections will lead to overflowing bins that stink! Surely this will encourage vermin too!  Do you not think this will encourage fly tipping! There is enough of this happening as it it.  Are you making any allowances for disabled people?????
1765	What a load of rubbish pardon the pun some one get a life and think of something useful the bins need emptying every two weeks if you payed for car parking opposite the town hall by the cages it would help the costs
1766	Would prefer this option as it would be more cost effective
1767	I reject this option
1768	Its a potential disaster. You will have weeks when green grey and brown bins are all out for collection and weeks with no bins. You will be lucky to get people to separate the food from household waste. You just need to calculate the percentage of recyclable waste is put in the green bin and multiply it to get a figure of how successful this will be.
1769	I reject this option
1770	I would prefer to keep the larger bin and therefore have collection every three weeks. More waste can be placed in it - 240l bin =80l of waste per week. The smaller bin equates to 70l per week. If food is disposed of and collected separately, the issue of flies etc around bins will reduce as there won't be food going mouldy etc in the green bin any more to attract such insects and other rodents.
1771	This is less money as we keep the existing bin. As long as it doesn't have food in it every three weeks is fine
1772	I wish to keep my existing 240 litre bin for collection every three weeks.
1773	Whilst this option means there is no outlay for new green bins, it does mean that every sixth week, both the grey, green, and food bin will need to be put out on the same day, which is a lot of clutter on the pavement, especially when people put them out the night before. It also effectively cuts the volume available in the green bin from 120 litres per week to only 80 litres per week. Our household does not produce 40 litres of food waste per week, which is the difference.
1774	This would be my preferred option. Please ensure that the food waste is collected and used as described.

1775	<p>Over a given Year my household Food Waste is virtually negligible so:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. I DO NOT require any extra bins / indoor caddy ANY time for collection of Food Waste. (A waste of time not sorry for the Pun.)</li> <li>2. Green Bin collection I would approve of a Three Week collection time, over the present Two Weekly collection my Green Bin may be just be over half full.</li> <li>3. Again The Two Weekly collection for my household is a little excessive as I re-cycle all my glass locally and the Grey Bin is usually just half filled.</li> <li>4. I don't use the Brown Bin.</li> </ol>
1776	I think it is wrong that you are only willing to collect the green bin once every three weeks. I am tired of flyblown green bins, they are disgusting, and this will only increase the likelihood of this.
1777	Food waste will soon start smelling in the heat as the green one does at times which leads to maggots. As only place for my bins is on drive which gets sunlight for half of the day. The green bin we have now is overflowing in two weeks so three weeks I will have to start filling the floor which the bin men will not take I can only see problems.
1778	<p>I'm not sure if this is a good option, for me it opens up more questions than answers. This was tried and it didn't work then, what's changed?</p> <p>When using another bin liner, will that not be more waste that can't be recycled?</p> <p>Replacing the original green bin for a smaller bin, why and how much will they cost?</p> <p>An extra two food bins, where am I going to store them and again how much are they going to cost?</p> <p>What will happen to the old bins will they go to land fill?</p> <p>Longer between collections will encourage vermin and flies not to mention bad smells.</p>
1779	I already compost most food waste, recycle other household waste at the Clatterbridge centre and pay for the brown bin collection. I need the green 240 l bin emptied at least fortnightly. I could not manage with the green bin only being collected every three weeks!!
1780	Ridiculous
1781	At present we have two cats & associated cat litter. I do not think that a 3 week collection interval would be viable. For that reason I would opt for option 2. I would however point out that my daughter, who lives in Bristol, has her food waste collected weekly and her green bin remains at 240 litre capacity. Why can't Wirral do the same?
1782	<p>There is rubbish that will still have to go in the green bin that could go off and smell, such as nappies.</p> <p>Waiting 3weeks for collection could really smell.....</p> <p>And I do always feel the bigger the bin the more likely you are to create more rubbish.</p>
1783	<p>The introduction of yet another bin will mean an increased blight on our neighbourhood landscape. It's not on the collection days it's when the bins are not due to be collected people leave them in everyone's view. The colours are of great importance PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE do not introduce a purple bin. Driving through Liverpool makes me physically sick. Is it possible to have shorter bins that stack so people who have made the effort to keep the environment tidy with the purchase of bin stores can still accommodate the total number of bins.</p> <p>Prefer option 2 if bins can be stacked</p>
1784	<p>This is our preferred option. We are a 2-person household and rarely fill green bin even now. Without food waste , smells and vermin will not be a problem.</p> <p>Replacing all green bins would itself present a large recycling problem and we would prefer a simple procedure for each household to request a free new one when it becomes necessary.</p> <p>This option would also reduce cost and vehicle emissions compared with option 2</p>
1785	The green bins already stink and are full of maggots. 3 weeks is not healthy.
1786	<p>collections every 3 weeks will cause smelly green bins.</p> <p>I have very little food waste, perhaps 1% of my green bin waste only. I compost vegetable, fruit, coffee and tea waste in my garden. I have practically no food waste. This will not reduce the green bin volume in my household. It would be much more effective and sensible to recycle more with the grey bin, e.g. plastic pots, e.g. yoghurt &amp; margarine pots etc, tetra pack drink containers etc. These make up a much larger proportion of the current green bin content. I take these to supermarket recycle places and this reduced my green bin volume massively!!</p> <p>You should invest in more comprehensive grey bin recycling!!</p>

1787	Just keep things as they are now.
1788	I do not have a lot of food waste and my bins always full why can it not be left the way it is and just give food bins aswell were I live we do have a lot of tipping . I recycle all the time bins always full and still go tip so how is it going to be better if cut .
1789	totally disagree with this option We voted brexit. leave collections as they are.we do not have to do now what france and Germany tell us.
1790	<p>Food waste. I already have a composter, most food waste ends up in there.</p> <p>Green bin. I have a growing family. We fill our green bin despite recycling. Three weeks will simply mean that we will probably overflow. A number of my neighbours are just couples or elderly living alone. Clearly they won't fill their bin. One size does not appear to fit all needs!</p> <p>Grey bin. I note that we seem not to be able to recycle as much as our friends on the continent. Perhaps the real issue is the packaging we use, and there needs to be much more of a push on companies to provide containers that can be recycled?</p> <p>Brown bin. We compost all our garden waste already. I object to having to pay extra for yearly collections. A garden tax?</p>
1791	<p>Our address was used in a pilot scheme with household waste years ago, with the small brown bin to be kept in the kitchen and we had to purchase brown paper bags to fit inside this bin. This was disgusting by the time it was emptied, it was full of maggots or blow flies. It contaminated the garage and the areas around it. The flies were plentiful and unhealthy.</p> <p>This new proposal is a backwards step and will encourage fly tipping which will result in large scale piles of unsightly, unhealthy refuse. I for one do not want to go back to this method.</p>
1792	As we do not have food waste We would be happy to stay the way we are now if we have to then the green bin can be collected at 3 weeks
1793	Option 1 makes no sense: we do not waste enough food to warrant this extra collection - an utter waste of our money!
1794	Don't have a lot of food waste. Not sure if I would like to have a caddy for the waste food in the kitchen tho: but if plenty of liners are given I suppose it could be put in the outside container often.
1795	Three weeks is too long between collections. Collections are sometimes missed and six weeks will overflow causing a problem.
1796	I feel that a three weekly collection of general household waste would not work. This would lead to people dumping rubbish which would then lead to risks in relation to an increase in rats, flies etc. I think this proposal should not go ahead.
1797	People who put nappies, pet and human excrement (colostomy bags etc) in their bins will have to cope with disgusting smells and maggots especially in hot weather. People are more money conscious and usually don't have that much food to throw away.
1798	AS WE DO NOT HAVE ANY FOOD WASTE, WE AM NOT HAPPY WITH EITHER OPTION. LEAVING THE GREEN BIN FOR TWO WEEKS NOW IS NOT ACCEPTABLE. WE CERTAINLY DO NOT WANT OTHER PEOPLES'S WASTE OUT ON THE STREETS WAITING FOR COLLECTION EITHER. GIVEN HOW MUCH WE PAY TO WIRRAL COUNCIL EACH YEAR, I THINK WE EXPECT TO HAVE OUR GREEN BINS EMPTIED AT LEAST EVERY TWO WEEKS IF NOT EVERY WEEK. AS FOR MEETING EU TARGETS, HAS NOBODY IN THE COUNCIL HEARD ABOUT THE BREXIT VOTE. INTERESTINGLY, THE SPANISH HAVE THEIR BINS EMPTIED EVERYDAY. PERHAPS WE SHOULD MOVE THERE.
1799	For me, this is a total waste of time. For there is nothing wrong with the current system. What needs to happen before any changes is for the Wirral Borough Council to learn how to recycle. Recycling everything that can be, like polystyrene for one. This is bigger earner when it comes to recycling material yet the Wirral Borough Council sends it to landfill. Two shredded paper, this to is another big money earner and yet the Wirral Borough Council sends it to landfill. Granted shredded paper can be messy when loose in the recycling bin, so like with your proposal for food waste, the smaller coloured bags could be used for shredded paper, placed in the bag tied up and placed in the grey bin. As to a food waste bin, quite frankly this would be a total waste of my council tax receipts as it would take me one year to half fill such a bin. The Wirral Borough Council should concentrate on education residents on how to recycle and what. I reside in a block of four and only two of us recycle, the others just don't know. If more residents were educated on how to use the green bins when disposing of waste, breaking as many elements down to the smaller denominations this would reduce the fortnightly green rubbish by half. As to the three week collection for green bins, that is okay for me.

1800	Hello, I do not want a food bin. We have a Insinkerator waste disposal in kitchen, so 99% of our food waste goes in this. Last thing I want is a food bin in the house!
1801	NO green bins will fester over 3 weeks! It's really bad enough having stinking rubbish outside your house for 2 weeks never mind 3 weeks!!
1802	Don't like the idea of having rubbish around for 3 weeks
1803	This would be my preferred option of the two. I can not see the logic of having the added expense of replacing a perfectly serviceable bin, with a smaller bin !!! Why ???  I am quite pedantic when it comes to recycling, and I do sort carefully. But I realise not everyone can be so thorough, add to this another sorting option and I think it will not be as successful as you are hoping. Sorry!
1804	We have hardly any food waste and any uncooked fruit and veg (such as peelings) goes into our home compost bins, so the indoor caddy will probably receive very little use.  The problem with 3 weekly collection of the green bin is food packaging, which can't be recycled. Anything which has had fish in it will really smell if not collected - 2 weeks is just about ok, but 3 weeks is too long.
1805	Waste of money we had indoor caddies several years ago. What will liners cost the council.What will the cost be to collect food recycling weekly?
1806	I wish and intend to keep my present green bin. I very seldom if ever, throw out food waste, and what little food I do throw out would not be worth having a smaller bin.  I am very much opposed to this new system. It does not suit me, especially as I live alone, and what goes in my green bin is not recyclable.
1807	I think this would best
1808	Please can you share the results of any pilot scheme that you have run for this proposed change? If you haven't run a pilot including a cross-section of households then I don't think you should be making any sweeping changes.  I do not support either change without uncensored results from a pilot scheme.  What plans do you have to improve customer experiences at recycling centres to increase recycling?  What plans do you have to extend current recycling to a wider range of materials eg more plastics?
1809	We have very little food waste so i woild not bother with this. We compost all our fruit and veg wsste.we would prefer it to stay as it is as we usually fill our green bin with other stuff. If u make it fortnihtly u need to allow us to put more in grey bin.
1810	give some consideration to using the sum available for capital restructuring for installing equipment to recycle food as is done in Widnes. the environmental unfriendly effect and expense of sending food to Widnes is the action someone devoid of a shred of common sense. From aconcerned Wirral council tax paye rup until now anyway. I would expect any reduction in the service you provide to be reflact in a commensurate reducion in my council tax. .The Cheshire West and Chester council website conveys the impression of having a well run waste department run by competent officers. The operatives who man the wagons on Wirral do a very good job indeed.
1811	As we have hardly any food waste, a small caddy and liners will be of no use to us. Our current green bin which we had to buy in 2013 for £37.00, because the Council had stopped providing them for free.,is usually full at the end of two weeks, so what are we supposed to do if the bin won't be collected for another week?.
1812	I have no idea where this 'caddy' is going to sit in my kitchen. We do not want smaller bins as we now use it for garden waste due to brown bin charge.



1813	As we do not have food waste We would be happy to stay the way we are now if we have to then the green bin can be collected at 3 weeks
1814	The sensible option as, if the scheme proves not to be viable, money will not have been wasted converting or replacing waste collection vehicles to empty 140 litre green bins. Money will not have been wasted purchasing 140 litre bins and householders will still have the 240 litre bins should it be necessary to revert to the existing schedule. However, collection of the green bin every 3 weeks is unacceptable as it will result in health hazards i.e. vermin/maggots/smells as not all green bin waste is food only (e.g. non-recyclable food containers, etc.).
1815	Three weekly collection of green bin would not be often enough
1816	Collection of the green bin at 3 weekly intervals is unacceptable. This bin will contain food wrappings contaminated with the contents which would therefore be a health hazard and attract vermin such as maggots. It is impossible to rinse clean such wrappings in the same way as bottles/jars /tins.
1817	We only have a very small kitchen with no space to have any extra bins, we can only use a carrier bag for a bin due to reduced space. Also we are disabled and would find all this extra fiddling around with difficult and a health hazard. Expecting people to have extra bins in confined spaces is absolutely ridiculous, and will encourage more rodents who can chew through plastic by the way, and will also create a hazard for those who leave bins in the street as there is no where for them as it is. Glad to see you have thought this through from a neighbourhood friendly Manner! If you need to reduce and recycle, what about the council offices canteens, other big restaurants schools etc where waste is much more significant. Leave our bins Alone!
1818	No No No on every level. Three weeks is far to long a period between collections. The quote 'short term gain , long term pain' comes to mind. This is not the answer to you problem. And if this council feels that every single resident wastes that much food you have failed as an educating council. Have you carried out any official research into the volume of each type of waste The Wirral produces and if Wirral Council is failing it the councils fault not the tax paying residents.
1819	This would be my preference. However, food recycling was piloted here some years ago, the use of having a container in kitchens for food waste was very unpopular for several reasons particularly public health issues ( aroma and the obnoxious liquid which was produced) and the container being a tripping hazard thus putting residents at risk of illness and/ or fractures thus causing additional pressure on our already stretched hospital services. It was scrapped by Wirral as a failure then! To replace all green bins seems unnecessary and uneconomic, better to have larger bins less full than smaller bins overflowing. I wouldn't object to a three weekly service if the larger bin was kept.
1820	I prefer this option as we cannot recycle yoghurt cartons, tetrapacks, fruit punnets etc so will still have to place these in the green bins. I already compost any raw fruit and veg peelings and put very little food into the green bin. NOTE If you urgently made arrangements to recycle other plastic products (as in Ireland) you would see a big increase in your recycling percentages.
1821	I would like Option 1 please. I would like to retain the larger green bin. I may need to use it for larger items from time to time.. The smaller bins are very narrow. I am very happy with the food collection. A green bin collection every 3 weeks is fine for me.
1822	We don't have much food waste, we tend to eat it all. Our current green bin is usually full after two weeks, and so every three weeks is not good enough.
1823	There is no way that a three weekly collection of the green bins will be adequate, I am frequently trying to find ways to make a fortnight's rubbish fit the space available. Food packaging is a major concern as, in my case, is the disposal of medical waste of a non toxic nature. I am 81 years old and as a result of cancer treatment I have to wear disposable pads to prevent self fouling. I am already a member of the Garden Waste Club.
1824	keeping 240 litres is good but I think pushing pickups to 3 weeks is to much. we recycle everything we can and have a composter in back garden. which takes a lot of things out of the rubbish. but some weeks it is a struggle to keep bags down for rubbish, as for people with children and pets it would be impossible with smaller bin, or regular bin but with a 3 week pick up.
1825	Make brown garden waste bin free, this will cut down on green bin waste.
1826	Too confusing every three weeks for green bin.

1827	I think the food recycling is a good idea Keeping the existing green bins is obviously more cost effective than issuing new smaller ones so I think they should be kept but still collected every 2 weeks as 3 weeks is too long for rubbish to be left, especially in warm weather, the smell and hygiene issues would be disgusting.
1828	Widnes is not based in the Wirral how will it benefit our recycling budget will we have to pay them?  Giving house holder plastic bags is adding more plastic to be recycled .  It seems that by emptying 240 litre bin every 3 weeks if we do not agree to change it will be more than full and walking with maggots is giving us not a lot of choice.  Also I think the smaller Green bin will not be big enough for what we need to put in it. as at present mine is almost full .
1829	I do not want the three week collection
1830	I don't want the three week collection .
1831	I don't like Option 1 because of the 3 week collection period. You have not explained why a 140 li bin (Option 2) can be collected every 2 weeks but a 240 li bin can only be collected every 3 weeks. If you can collect 140 li every 2 weeks, why not 240 li bin every 2 weeks. I can't see where extra costs arise by retaining 240 li collection every 2 weeks vis a vis 140 li every 2 weeks. I can see a huge extra cost of providing everyone with a 140 li bin!  You should have provided information to illustrate cost / benefit details
1832	I have no idea where this 'caddy' is going to sit in my kitchen. We do not want smaller bins as we now use it for garden waste due to brown bin charge.
1833	We have three dogs and dispose of their waste (in bags) in the green bin; even so this option would be unsuitable as flies gather, particularly in the warmer weather.
1834	I would like to retain the green bin as at present - collected every 2 weeks. Because of the amount of soiled nappies that I dispose of if the bin collection was left for longer than 2 weeks it would be over flowing and the smell would be unbearable. I think this would result in complaints from neighbours.
1835	Every three weeks for green bin is too long and unhygienic, green bins are already overflowing with fort nightly collections
1836	Not acceptable to leave any Bin 3 weeks between collections
1837	We do not favour this option. we would prefer smaller green bin still to be collected every two weeks.
1838	3 weeks is too long for waste to be in green bin. Will attract flies in the Summer Definitely don't want this option
1839	This is not a suitable option. No, as the waste will build up extremely quick due to 3 week collection.
1840	sounds good :)
1841	Rather keep same size of bin better for environment if bins aren't replaced but three weeks may be too long to wait
1842	No
1843	please leave service as it is now
1844	I think collecting the green bin once every 3 weeks would be problematic. The bins would become smelly due to certain household items which should not be left this long.
1845	I think both ideas are rubbish. Weve done the caddy before and it didnt work then. We dont waste food. and we fill the green bin to capacity for the fortnightly collection. We also fill the grey bin to capacity for the fortnightly collection. We use a brown bin and we pay for that now.  Thanks.

1846	<p>We do not have any food waste - this is an important issue for my wife and I.</p> <p>Reducing bin collections from the current rate will only encourage fly tipping.</p> <p>Out of only two options, this one is the least inconvenient.</p> <p>We do not want any food waste bins delivered to this property.</p>
1847	<p>As we have a compost and wormery either change would suit us. We are pleased that the grey bin collections will continue to be fortnightly.</p> <p>When we were a household of six people I think the larger bin collected every 3 weeks would have been preferable.</p>
1848	<p>I want to retain my green bin at this size and have it emptied every two weeks as it is at the moment</p> <p>I don't throw a large amount of food out I cook what I need and buy what I need. speaking to people in St. Helens who have the food small bin collection it is a nightmare encourages vermin and foxes breaking into the containers even if the put large objects on them to stop this happening. I don't think it will be hygienic in the summer especially with flies etc.</p>
1849	<p>I disagree with the green bin being collected every 3 weeks it is not ideal every fortnight and the smell from it after 2 weeks is awful.</p>
1850	<p>I disagree with the green bin being collected every 3 weeks it is not ideal every fortnight and the smell from it after 2 weeks is awful.</p>
1851	<p>(a) You refer to "liners". Is a liner used each time? How will you supply more liners and how often?</p> <p>(b) Much of the non-recyclable waste can be very smelly and unpleasant e.g. food containers, disposable nappies, cat litter etc. Three weeks will be too long.</p>
1852	<p>Neither option is acceptable to me. I certainly don't waste £60 worth of food as per your figures, the only item myself and my wife do occasionally waste is a couple of bananas. I compost most of the raw food that is not to be cooked. I certainly do not want a smaller green bin and three weekly collections would lead to even more maggots.</p> <p>The indoor caddy would be a waste of space to me.</p> <p>I certainly don't put garden waste in the green bin like some of those in the road who don't pay for a brown bin.</p> <p>JUST LEAVE WELL ALONE.</p>
1853	<p>I assume the food waste containers cost will be offset by the increase in 'garden waste club' price increase. I think you will lose customers of this club and lose revenue. I cannot believe I produce 100 litres of food waste per week ( the difference in the large to small green bin??)</p>
1854	<p>My green bin is full to the brim every two weeks so i can't imagine what I would have to do with the surplus waste after three weeks..</p> <p>Option one is totally unsuitable</p>
1855	<p>Better of the two options. But I do not currently fill a THIRD of my green bin with food waste - I try to eat it not waste it.</p> <p>More importantly I put a huge amount of plastic tray type waste in my green bin which other councils seem able to recycle. Perhaps this should be an important area to investigate.</p>
1856	<p>food waste needs to be collected every week but every three weeks for the green bin is not acceptable.</p>
1857	<p>I CANNOT SEE WHAT DIFFERENCE THE SIZE OF BIN MAKES TO THE COLLECTION PERIOD JUST GIVE US THE FOOD BINS.AND COLLECT IT WITH WHATEVER BIN IS OUT.IT IS A COMPLETE WASTE OF MONEY TO REPLACE THE GREEN BINS.</p>
1858	<p>I think that the weekly food recyling collection is a dreadful idea and I am totally against - I am more than happy with the current arrangements and do not want unwanted food hanging about - it is not hygienic - please forget this idea</p>
1859	<p>Option 1</p> <p>I would prefer to keep our existing green bin as a more economical alternative to replacing it with a smaller bin. A three week collection cycle would not pose a great problem for non food waste.</p>
1860	<p>How much are the liners, caddies, and extra bins going to cost?! Yet more for us to pay if we need to replace them. Have you seen how many people are incapable of coping with the current system? People can't separate their waste into recycling and refuse, how are they going to cope dealing with food waste?!</p>

1861	This option is going to be better for the environment because it will mean less frequent green bin collections. Therefore I prefer this option over option 2.
1862	Brilliant idea. I prefer this option
1863	I would like my green bin emptied weekly , I am very annoyed at your proposal and will now be looking for a discount on my rates as I will take over my own waste disposal. What is up with you people you are obviously not worthy of your position in the running of waste. I Will be signing petition against this.
1864	Not having the green bin collected every three weeks is absolutely ridiculous! Having another bin to fill and take up yet more space!! I think with the amount of council tax I pay a month!! All bins should be collected at least twice a week!! The brown bin should be collected free of charge!! I think a change in the council needs to be implicated like getting rid of the majority of councilors who do nothing but take home a substantial salary.
1865	Options 1 & 2 are both acceptable, we normally only fill our Green bin only about a third full, unless occasionally we have rubble or lots of plant pots to discard. Food waste is minimal as we compost and have awaste disposal unit.
1866	This may work I think it might be an idea to have a trial/pilot run and see how it goes? It'll save a fortune as you won't have to discard of the larger green bins and produce the smaller ones.
1867	3 weeks for green bin is too long
1868	I think this will cause problems on collection days. This produces a 6 week cycle. Some weeks - blue only (week 1 & 5) Some weeks - grey & blue (week 2 & 4) Some weeks - green & blue (week 3) Some weeks - green & grey & blue (every 6 weeks).  It is hard enough to remember now which week the brown bin goes out but at least it is constant.  Nappies in a bin for 3 weeks??
1869	I could not have my bin collected every 3 weeks as we have a lot of nappies
1870	Have no problem with this option .
1871	Love the idea of being able to recycle food. Presume the lockable is to make sure animals and others can't access it. Liners - how often would liners be produced?. I presume the idea would be when it is collected weekly,the liners are left in the empty bin. What is the process for people that don't have enough liners, or too many and build a large surplus? Containers - what is the locking mechanism? Have you considered how physically and mentally disabled people will cope and what about the elderly.  Much prefer this option 1
1872	Sounds like a good idea but the smalker green bin & foid waste bin would suit ne better its all a qyestion if soace fir all these recyclibg bins
1873	not interested in having food waste inside - we have no room in the kitchen.
1874	I hate the idea of the green bin being left unemptied for three weeks - the smell after two weeks is bad enough! I hate the idea of having yet another two bins - especially the 'caddy' inside the house. This idea will be a waste of time for us - we produce hardly any food waste because that's how we were brought up, and what we do is composted. I think that more effort should be made to stop people wasting so much food - if these figures are to be believed.
1875	The green bins will be full of maggots and, a potential health hazard.  If you hadn't charged for the brown bins, your recycling targets would probably have been met.
1876	Not a good idea -3 weeks is too long for bins to wait to be emptied.Unhygienic,smelly and would encourage rodents.
1877	The reduction of collections for green bins is an appalling decision. Our food waste is minimal (mostly already recycled elsewhere for the little produced). The green bin still fills almost every fortnight with waste the council cannot recycle such as hard plastic food containers and tetra-pak type cartons. Don't just take away the green bins, provide the appropriate recycling services and we will happily recycle other non-food waste. We already fill our grey and brown bins every fortnight.
1878	This is a long time for the green bin for households of 4 or5 people
1879	I am happy that the council are moving to food waste recycling - I have no preference as to the size of the bin (green) replacement for either option one or two
1880	I'd prefer the green bin to be collected every fortnight and the grey bin every three weeks. I rarely throw away food waste.

1881	Not our preferred option as consumers. Whilst it might make more sense from an operational perspective to only have to drive round & pick up green bins every 3 weeks, we don't want our general waste sitting in the bin for up to 3 weeks - esp during the hot(ter) summer months.
1882	Our choice would be option 1. We don't want a smaller bin - even if it is collected more regularly. We would try and recycle more waste into the grey bin, though we try our best now. We have very little food waste and therefore are not at all keen on having an extra bin for that.
1883	collecting of our green bin every 3rd week would not work, the smell coming from the bin would be unbearable. The bin is full after a fortnight. Keep the bin size and the fortnightly collections.
1884	Not my preferred option due to the 3 week collection proposal of the green bin
1885	This is a good plan.
1886	I already have 3 bins a 4th bin is a bit much and who has the key to the lockable food bin???
1887	Keeping the 240 litre green bin & having it emptied every 3 weeks would be my preferred option. This would save money introducing & replacing new / existing bins.
1888	<p>I do not have very much actual food waste. Most of it goes out for the birds.</p> <p>The plan for a three week only collection of green bin could present problems, Wirral recycling won't accept yoghurt pots, tetra packs, plastic food containers, foil, polystyrene, plastic, so these HAVE to go in the GREEN BIN. I live alone so a 3-weekly collection would not be a problem, but with a family of 4, or more, I think it could be !</p> <p>In this age of ordering things from the internet, which I admit I do, I'm afraid there is often an amount of excess packaging, especially with Amazon.</p> <p>When I stay with my friend in Bedford, everything which has the recycle symbol goes in the recycle bin whereas the machines in Wirral cannot cope with these.</p> <p>I think these important points should be given consideration.</p>
1889	Both options would not work..we have green bins .for medical reasons and both are full by the time they are emptied..we have very little food waste as we cant afford to waste any..maybe a carrier bagfull in a week..why dont you leave things as they are as we are already recycling with the grey bin and the brown bin we pay for..just provide food waste bins as well..if you force this new change on people i think a reduction in council tax will be called for..how about scrapping the bedroom tax if you cutting down refuse collection servis we are paying for

1890	<p>I think that a food bin that would be emptied every week would be very good as it would hopefully get rid of the smell of rotting food and the maggots we now have.</p> <p>Keeping the existing green bin is also a good idea as it would save money by not having to buy new smaller bins for every household and if there is no rotting food in the green bin, then emptying it every three weeks would be fine. I also think that if you have more than three people living in a house you would still have a full bin. Items that take a lot of room in the bin such as polystyrene that you can't put in the packaging bin or if you have pets that need cleaning out, their waste has to go in to the green bin. Paper that needs to be shredded can't go in the packaging bin and any paper or cardboard that is wet or dirty has to go in the green bin too. A lot of households also put their garden waste in their green bin as well. My Mum recently died but when she lived here she was very ill, bed ridden, unable to do anything for herself and she was double incontinent for years and we found it impossible to get everything in to one 240 ltr bin, so a smaller bin would have been useless to us. If we had a car we could take some of our rubbish to the tip, but as we don't have a car our options are limited.</p> <p>Emptying the packaging bin every two weeks is fine, although after two weeks our bin is always full.</p> <p>We still have the brown gardening bin and pay to have it emptied every two weeks.</p>
1891	A lot of my food waste goes into my wormery, Being a single resident, my green bin is seldom full. The main reason I would prefer a fortnightly collection is to keep it sync with the grey bin collection.
1892	We pay £1800 a year in council tax and we are entitled to a weekly bin collection. Wirral council and councillors would not look out of place in the Victorian era. We do not want a 'slop bin' in our kitchen. A weekly bin collection is the most basic of services that should be provided without question.
1893	Seems reasonable, no food to rot and smell three weeks would be sufficient.
1894	I have no objections or suggestions for change to this scheme
1895	Would worry about smells in the summer months - e.g. from nappies when our grandchildren visit (often!). Would prefer option 2.
1896	We already recycle at least 95% of the possible waste and food waste is a small proportion of our green bin but our green bin is full after 2 weeks. Leaving the green bin for 3 weeks will cause hardship
1897	Keep the fortnightly service for the green bin!
1898	This would be confusing as alternate weeks are easier to remember (but can still get confused). It would also mean that some weeks there would be 2 bins per home on the street for collection, which is unappealing.
1899	My daughter has food waste collections, she comes under the London Borough of Bromley, Kent. Its appalling. The bags which MUST be used are cheap and always tear in use. Its dirty, smelly, messy, and I wouldn't recommend it to anyone. The difference it makes to the volume in the green bin is tiny. Good for commercial use but not domestic.
1900	this isn't an option, I struggle with the existing collection as i have indoor cats and i struggle with the cleaning of the litter trays .
1901	I think this is a good option no need to go into the expense of changing green bins and enough space to collect every three weeks
1902	I'm concerned that 3 weekly collections of green bins will lead to us pleased odours, especially if your bin is used for nappies etc.
1903	This option is better than option 2 as I would prefer to keep 240 litres green bin although not happy that this will be emptied every three weeks
1904	<p>If the lockable food container is "small" - will it be sufficient to hold the food waste from the larger families? We have several compost bins so our waste is likely to be much less than where people do not have that facility.</p> <p>A 3 weekly collection might be OK for a couple but, again, where you have large families this could prove really problematic - especially where there is no composting facility in their garden to take all the vegetable waste. The "lockable" bin would be full within a couple of days.</p> <p>What about where there is medical waste or nappies? If they are only collected every three weeks, this could be a real health hazard.</p>

1905	Weave already tried the food recycling, having the kitchen caddy, it didn't seem to work then, and I can't see it working now. I for one am not a fan of this idea. I also would not like to have my green bin collected on a 3 week basis. What happened to all the kitchen caddies you supplied several years ago?
1906	Kitchen caddy does not appeal. Just keep it outside for food waste and supply bags to fill it with.
1907	This must be the better option as it gives 80litres a week capacity rather than only 70litres for option 2.  So we would choose option 1 on this basis.
1908	This would be my preferred option as it seems to me to be more cost effective. I approve of recycling as much as possible and food waste recycling makes sense.
1909	Council Tax has gone up and yet the service we get is diminishing. Green Bins should be Emptied and size of Green and Grey bins should remain as they are NOW. Instead of wasting money on buying new bins for food and New Green Bins, The Money should be spent on a Recycling sorting machine to sort ALL FOOD and OTHER Waste at The Recycling Centre.  1 Bin per household used to be emptied regularly every week and Rates/Council Tax/ Poll tax was lower then. DON'T WASTE OUR MONEY.
1910	This would be acceptable
1911	Three weeks is too long to empty the green bin as I use it for nappies (placed in plastic bags). I have this bin cleaned professionally and liners put in but there are still flies and maggots appearing in it and it also smells so three weeks would be a lot worse and very unhygienic, possibly a health hazard.
1912	I think 3 weeks between collections is too long.
1913	I do not think that the food waste collection is viable on a weekly basis. The costs would far outweigh the benefits.  It's potentially confusing - some weeks would have one collection, some weeks two collections and some weeks three collections; add to that the brown bins and the likelihood of wrong bin/wrong week is substantially increased.  Anything that adds confusion to recycling is unlikely to produce an increase in recycling.  If you think my wife will use an internal caddy, then think again! We already compost most of our waste.
1914	I live in a 'Court' with 6 flats, using communal bins. I see no reason why we should not have small indoor caddy with a lockable waste container, collected weekly.  I would prefer to keep the large existing bin , since large cardboard packaging, even when broken up, is too big for the smaller bin.
1915	ok
1916	I already put almost all my food waste in a compost bin (except chicken bones and stuff which will attract rats.) So I will not use the food collection very much. Collecting the green bin every 3 weeks will make ti difficult to remember which week to put it out.
1917	This seems the best option as it is saving money by not spending money out on new bins, as surely the majority of bins are fine and just replace the old and tired bins with new ones.
1918	For us the new idea is superfluous as we never waste any food. None goes into the green bin , except rarely some chicken bones, We are happy with either option one or two for green bin collection
1919	you tried this idea before it did not work then and it will will not work now.
1920	In order to co-ordinate bin collections and avoid triple dating, consideration should be given to continue with two weekly collection of the green bin, or, following a trial period to determine the load, extend collection to four weekly. Two collection days are easy to work with but introducing a third uneven date will lead to missed collections and confusion.

1921	<p>I do not agree with only having a collection of the green bin every 3 weeks. I have 5 cats and the majority of my waste in the green bin is used cat litter which can be very heavy and having to store this for 3 weeks between collections would mean an increase in smells not to mention the weight of the bin to be collected.</p> <p>My husband and I do not generally waste a lot of food so I can't see that this new system of a food caddy will really reduce what we're putting in the green bin.</p> <p>If more food containers were recyclable surely that would make more sense.</p>
1922	Is a squeeze to get rubbish in bin when collected every two weeks so this is better option. Though with nappies and pet waste will be smelly.
1923	<p>I strongly object to emptying the green bin every 3 weeks. In the summer months, the smell is already bad after 2 weeks. This will make it much worse.</p> <p>We use a compost heap and compost bins in our garden and do not throw out waste cooked food. The only items to go in the food waste bin would be fish skins and the occasional bone.</p> <p>In order to get more recycling, the council should consider recycling more plastics such as yoghurt pots and also aluminium foil. The charge for the garden waste recycling must also have reduced recycling rates. The whole exercise is only about money, not recycling.</p>
1924	Too large a time between green bin collections. Most of current content is food containers which are not recyclable and not food waste itself e.g. food packaging, yogurt containers, tetrapaks, general household waste e.g packaging bubble wrap, plastics. We hardly throw away food waste so have a 140l bin which is nearly full after two weeks. No space for larger bins.
1925	I think a three week collection would be acceptable as all food waste would go every week, and that is what causes the bin to smell.
1926	yet another cut in services yet we see an increase in council tax year on year. There are plenty of other services that you should be looking at before changing one that already works for customers.
1927	Not keen on food packaging e.g. pizza boxes, fish wrapping etc. being left for three weeks. Could probably manage with 140 litre bin.
1928	Prefer this option of the two presented but how many more bins will we have to accommodate in the future? Don't you think the street scene is already looking rather 'busy' with coloured plastic bins?
1929	This would be my preferred choice
1930	Not acceptable. The bin will stink.
1931	Whilst I have my reservations about collecting food waste, particularly in the hot weather I suppose it is the future. I would prefer to keep the 240 green bin.
1932	A three week gap between collections is far too long, especially in the warmer months.
1933	A complete and utter abomination. Who can be bothered with or would want a stinking caddy and re-cycling container. A complete and utter waste of time and money.
1934	I think the proposal to change to 3 weekly collections is unreasonable for many reasons including families with babies in nappies, it is bad enough having to leave them in a bin for 2 weeks as it is. I strongly disagree with this.
1935	HOW MANY LINERS PER HOUSE HOLD ? AND WHEN OR HOW DO YOU GET EXTRA LINERS? HOW LOCKABLE IS LOCKABLE.IF THE GREEN BIN IS COLLECTED EVERY THREE WEEKS AND THE GREY BIN EVERY TWO WEEKS HOW CAN THE WEEKLY RECYCLING BIN BE COLLECTED ON THE SAME DAY AS WHICHEVER OTHER BIN IS DUE FOR COLLECTION THAT WEEK.ALSO THAT WOULD MEAN TWO TRUCKS AND TWO LOTS OF MEN ,WITH ONE WEEK MISSING..
1936	NOT GOOD 3 weekly collections not satisfactory .
1937	Unhappy that we are forced to choose between 3 week collection or a smaller bin. We don't have much food waste in our bins but our green bin is full most collections. A smaller bin will force us to drive to the recycling centre at Bidston to dispose of our excess rubbish
1938	Think this is the only reasonable option, why, when the council is supposed to be so short of money would you go to the expense of issuing new size bins to every household. Although I would prefer not to go to a three weekly collection.
1939	It's already a struggle for space storing 3 bins. Where are we supposed to put them???
1940	The council are mistaken, this suggested system will not increase recycling. It will increase fly tipping, and rats and flies.We don't have food waste to give you, our dog eats anything edible, green food waste is composted.The recycling and green bin are completely full by collection day. This would mean many bags put out on collection day, or extra trips to the tip.It will not increase recycling.



1941	The families in the road already fill, to the top, the green bin every two weeks. The thought of a three weekly collection begs the question of where will all this rubbish be deposited when the bin is full after two weeks?
1942	I would rather stick to what it is. I don't want food recycling collection as we don't waste food in our household at all, full stop!! It's a pity a lot more could do the same, but people are just lazy and waste food and all sorts. They must like wasting money. So please keep the green bin as it is. I have a daughter who has learning difficulties and doubly incontinent so I really need the larger green bins, I have 2 so I am going to be in a mess with a smaller one, aren't I.....
1943	personally we have an adult with learning difficulties living with us and most of our waste is incontinent products, we fill 2 green bins per fortnight so what will be put in place for households like ours.
1944	I REJECT OPTION 1
1945	Three weeks is not often enough for collecting general rubbish, especially in hot weather. I do not put food waste in the general bin as I have a compost bin.
1946	We would like to keep our green bin (240)
1947	Recycling food waste will bring maggots, houseflies and rodents. It is a revolting concept and one I totally disagree with. People should be educated to recycle correctly, instead of half heartedly as they do now in many cases. This will lead to more fly-tipping if the bins are emptied every three weeks.
1948	My 240 litre green bin houses very little if any food waste and contains mostly packaging and small household waste products. This same bin is always full to capacity when its two week collection is due and would therefore be compelled to rely on black bin bags if we were forced to wait a further week. These bins would be ripped open by cats and fox's which is already often the case with the orange bins left all over the Wirral at present. Choosing between option 1 and option 2 is no option at all for this household. We are green minded and believe in recycling but find both options unacceptable.
1949	I am not in favour of any of the two options suggested. Who decided on only having two options why not three of four perhaps? To me this appears to be yet one more attempt by this council to try and cut services and save money?  Wirral Council states it has to reach its target by 2020 or it will incur penalties. By whom? Our government or the European Union that we will no longer be part of in 2020?. Can you clarify?  My suggestion would be: Green bin collections stay at 240 litres and that they are collected every two weeks. Grey bin collection also retains it fortnightly collection. Brown bin recycled garden waste should be extended to three weekly. Food waste recycling weekly as stated.
1950	Do not agree the last time recycle of food waste was done we had vermin
1951	I would have thought that a three- week collection period would be a considerable risk to public health. This scheme relies upon scrupulous compliance which frankly is virtually impossible to enforce.  Enforcement of this scheme strikes me as a real risk to public health- we have already seen reports in local papers of maggot infestations, for example. I strongly suspect there will be an increase in rat infestations and also in fly tipping.  I see that the primary aim is said to be the need for more recycling. This enforcement sounds like cost cutting. Give out the caddies, certainly, but keep the two weekly collections of green bins. The brown bin payment scheme is optional already.
1952	I don't mind option 1 can't see the reason for changing the size of the green bin. Think it a waste of money to renew bins with smaller ones.
1953	I have nearly no Food Waste, apart from the odd dry crust of Bread or well out of date frozen Food Item, what i buy i eat! Maby more education is needed to reduce Food Waste instead of recycling it, after all less waste is far more economical than recycling! As to my preference of collection options, i prefere weekly collections of all Bins, but if i had to choose from the two options given, i would choose option 2!

1954	Living alone and sometimes being away on business my bin is not put out sometimes, I can just about cope with this on the 2 week schedule as it is normally only half full anyway, going to 3 weekly collections would mean that if I miss a week it will be 6 weeks between collections, which may be a problem.
1955	It's the most stupid and ill thought idea anybody could've come up with. Rotting food in hot weather cannot be a good thing. The council should be looking to bring back the weekly collection for the green bin. I would much rather pay £35 a year for a weekly collection of the green bin than the brown bin. If this is the best thinking amongst councillors, than I'm extremely concerned.
1956	We, along with our neighbours, do not like the idea of any waste being left for up to three weeks before collection. We therefore do not support this option.
1957	This option would be better. to replace green bin for smaller would not work for my family. It would also cost the council too much to do this. to waste all the green bins in use at the moment would be a total waste of the council's money.
1958	Worth trying this combination
1959	The best option out of the two in my opinion.
1960	I have a lot of dogs plus a dog with learning disability's with pads so if 3 weeks can you imagine the smell it would be not so good and I have 2 bins and I fill every 2 weeks so I would need 3 bins for 3 week collections I don't have food waste due to dogs rabbits wormery for plant food so don't make bins smaller and please don't go 3 weeks thank you so much I would sooner pay more council tax
1961	I think this would be the better option, as whilst the green bins are by no means new, mine would still appear to have many more years of useful service left in it, so I'd be tempted to adopt the adage: 'If it ain't broke, don't fix it' in this instance. When the borough is trying to be greener, having a huge slew of non-recyclable bins suddenly needing to be disposed of in a landfill somewhere would seem counter-productive too.  Also, there's the issue of the enormous cost & logistical challenge of supplying replacement 140 litre bins to all the tens of thousands of households in Wirral who currently don't have one. That money could far better be spent elsewhere in the borough.  As all food waste would no longer be placed in the green non-recyclables bin, extending the time between collections to 3 weeks would not be an issue in the summer months, as the perishable goods which would rot & attract vermin would not be there to cause a problem.
1962	We do not agree with the proposed changes of bins. We have 2 compost bins which are used for the majority of food waste we have, therefore we do not require this bin. This would be another way of the Council wasting money.
1963	I would prefer option 2
1964	A collection every 3 weeks is unacceptable for health reasons. There are many items other than food that are put in green bins which will rot and smell and attract flies, rats etc, especially in warm weather. A smaller green bin would not be sufficient to take all the rubbish generated by a family, resulting in overflowing bins attracting vermin scavenging for food. My experience of a similar scheme in another authority was that a separate food waste bin did not warrant a weekly collection in many households.
1965	This is the better option as the larger bin makes it possible to put the occasional larger item in the bin. Currently I fill the green bin ~ 2/3 every 2 weeks, but some spare capacity is useful on occasion. The smaller bin is less practical.
1966	Absolutely ridiculous, will you be reducing the council tax charge to reflect the more infrequent collections?  Collection every alternate week for recyclable and non recyclable waste works well. If you want food waste separating then fine, but don't reduce the amount of collections just to accommodate this.  I pay enough council tax as it is.
1967	A separate food collection and supply of caddies and liners, plus the supply of a lockable food waste container will be far more expensive than replacing green bin collection from 2 weekly to 3 weekly collections. Also the addition of a weekly collection for food waste.
1968	I think you would still need fortnightly green bin collections to start with until people become accustomed to the system
1969	I think this is a more suitable solution if the collection HAS to change. I don't understand why the collection would be every three wks??.. I feel the collection should stay the same for the green bin, as this is long enough to wait for a collection of any sort's every two weeks.
1970	I feel that a 3 weekly collection of household waste is too infrequent. During the recent hot weather there were maggots in the green bin after 1 week and that did not contain any food waste. The thought of a food waste bin attracting flies by my house is unacceptable.
1971	do not agree with a 3 weekly collection for green bins - too long to have rubbish left in a bin

1972	<p>If no food products are going into the green bins then there should not be a problem with smell, so a 3 weekly collection should not be a problem, except for those houses where they have children using disposable nappies. 3 weekly collections would cause considerable problems for them, but so would the use of a smaller green bin.</p> <p>I would think that option 1 would be the best option for all, except families with young children.</p>
1973	<p>What is the point in wasting money on sending out new bins ? How much will that cost ? Surely the money would be better invested in installing covert cctv at potential fly tipping sites and using subsequent fines for improving the environment for wildlife. I would be happy with 2 weekly bin collections each for green &amp; grey so that's only 2 visits by bin men a month as the bins we have are big enough for that and I have no food waste as I am planning well and feeding the foxes any scraps so not a problem there. The foxes are clean and tidy, leave no mess or leftovers and cause no problem to neighbours, if everyone did this there would be no food waste problem.</p>
1974	<p>There is a doubly incontinent adult in my household which currently fills 1x 240 litre bin every 2 weeks (sometimes have to put it in extra bin). 1 collection every 3 weeks will have these adult nappies spilling onto the pavement, increasing pests and vermin and disease.</p> <p>This idea is BAD</p>
1975	<p>Having a green bin collection every 3 weeks will be confusing, as all other collections are every 2 weeks - will result in the wrong bins / no bins going out on collection days</p>
1976	<p>I think both option 1 and option 2 are scandalous. I have two small children living in my household, one of whom is in nappies. Can you please explain to me how a family with two children who are in nappies is expected to cope with either option 1 or option 2? This solution has been clearly designed by somebody who does not have small children, and has no idea how much bin space is taken up with used nappies and other baby associated paraphernalia. Or alternatively, they just don't care.</p> <p>I also note that there isn't a general opinion and feedback form on this survey, making me think that the council is actually not interested in my opinion and all this is just window dressing for a decision that has already been taken.</p>
1977	<p>I STRONGLY DISAGREE WITH THIS PROPOSAL.</p>
1978	<p>wouldnt like to leave it every 3 weeks for any bin collection</p>
1979	<p>This really does not really bother me greatly because I live alone so three weekly collection would not affect me. I do not quite understand the collection of the small container/locked container and what would then go in the green bin into which I presently put all my waste, plastic, tissues etc. The waste being the main contents I presently fill it with. All very complicated for an 82 year old and I cannot for the life of me see how this is going to save money etc. I also note you have upped the cost of the brown bin. Could pensioners on limited means and living alone not be given a lower rate ? Also, we carefully put our bins at the end of our paths and after they empty them they throw them in the middle of the pavement way down the road and nowhere near to my path. As I am disabled and in pain, it is a long way for me to go to get my bin.</p>
1980	<p>I am a big believer in recycling but the thought of a weekly collection for food, grey bin for bottles etc every other week, green for household waste every three weeks is a lot to remember, particularly for elderly people so I think option 1 is a bit too much. Also the green bin only collected every three weeks does not sound hygienic, particularly in summer.</p>
1981	<p>I hate the idea of recycling food I have experienced this when living in oxfordshire. It's smelly, messy unhygienic and adds more ugly clutter to the kitchen and garden. It attracts flies and animals and it's just generally horrible.</p> <p>I still want to keep my big bin and think it should still be collected fortnightly.</p>
1982	<p>The last time that this was tried it was not a success so why will it be this time around.</p>
1983	<p>Why is the Council not demanding that MWDA make their facility a more modern plant that can cope with All kinds of waste as is the case in many countries in Europe.</p> <p>It is ridiculous that a simple yogurt pot can not be processed.</p>
1984	<p>This is fine</p>
1985	<p>I object most strongly about having a waste food bin, just imagine the foul smells from rotting food in the warm weather ,if it is inside or out , I think we do our bit for the borough council with recycling our paper cardboard etc , we are old age pensioners and I think you should not instill more recycling on us</p>
1986	<p>I have very little food waste therefore it does not take up much room in by bin certainly not a third of the waste that is in my bin. We should keep our normal bin green bin (240 litres) and have it collected every two weeks as we do now.</p>
1987	<p>From my point of view this would be a less acceptable option, due to potential smells from a longer collection period</p>
1988	<p>DON'T WANT ANY MORE BINS!</p>

1989	Keeping the 240litre bin is the only viable option as the amount of waste food put in the green bin is trivial. Moving to a 3-week delay in collecting the green bin is bound to increase fly tipping, How much does fly tipping cost the council to clean up?
1990	recycling is a noble aim, however I have no confidence that the waste will be recycled efficiently. There are already many instances of grey bin waste going to landfill. the plan to empty green bins every 2 weeks is purely money-saving, the resulting hygiene problems and overflow of waste will cause much concern and increase risks of illness and disease which will increase the economic costs for the area. it is a false economy! My green waste bin is full to capacity at 2 weeks now without much food waste as I always strive to use all food.
1991	No
1992	keep the green bin I agree with option 1
1993	As I get Maggots in the summer, not happy with 3 weekly collection.
1994	Totally against it. Collecting waste bins once every three weeks is totally unacceptable - we produce very little food waste and having lived somewhere that had this scheme it simply attracts flies and sometimes mice and I would not be prepared to have the food waste bin indoors.
1995	Totally unhygienic solution, takes no regard on those with young families. We already make big efforts to recycle as much as possible but always have a full green bin every two weeks, collection every 3 weeks is not healthy. You really need to think a lot more about this and explain why I pay council tax.
1996	Why not trial the new system before spending more money on new smaller bins? It's a good idea to recycle food waste but also you need to look at recycling more plastic waste. A lot of fruit is packed in plastic punnets and trays these currently go to land fill in Wirral. Some other authorities recycle all these and yogurt pots.
1997	As we have no choice we prefer option 1 as 240 litres divided by 3 equals 80 and 120 litre divided by 2 equals 70.  We moved here from West Sussex and the cat litter went into the Brown Bin, as it is recycled wood it easily mixed with the garden waste. Why can't we put the cat litter in the Brown Bin?  How much will the liners cost for the food recycle bin after the original supply has run out?
1998	This is the better option as bigger bin ( we are a family of 5). I am used to these collections as I spend a lot of time in Scotland and they are up & running there. My only comment is this - the liners supplied are not big enough for the food bins, making them difficult to use. They are also not strong enough so constantly split.
1999	A rough calculation suggests that the council will have to use a large number of plastic bags. For example, at 7 per week, each household will use $52 \times 7 = 364$ bags per annum. At a rough estimate of 50,000 households on Wirral that gives us 18,200,000 bags per annum!! If you then multiply this by the number of similar bodies that follow or intend following this line in the UK (say 1000) this gives a total of 18,200,000,000 plastic bags per annum (say 20 billion plastic bags). So much for the government's efforts to reduce plastic bag use by having shopkeepers and others charge 5p per bag, which has seen an enormous drop in plastic bag usage. Wow!! Talk about rowing against the stream!!
2000	another waste of council tax payers money leave green bin collections and bin size alone make the Garden Waste Club [even the new name is a joke] free again and admit the council got it all wrong in there pursuit of money from council tax payers. Cuts to amount of councillors and £30000 a year jobs for friends to be editor of a magazine to keep people informed of council activities is another joke. This council is totally unfit for purpose tax payers are fed up with these surveys many elderly people don't vote as they do not understand the internet and don't want to, so the amount of answers received by W.B.C.does not reflect what peoples views are or what they want
2001	have you considered fitting waste disposal units to household sinks ?  In the summer would there be an issue with smells inside our houses ?
2002	I agree with the weekly food recycling collection.  I do not think that a three weekly collection of the green bin would be environmentally hygienic, therefore a fortnightly collection should remain in place.  The grey bin should have the facility of recycling cartons such as yoghurt pots, food trays and margarine tubs as these at the present time are filling up the green bin.  Option 1 is unacceptable.

2003	<p>I don't want a food bin, I don't need a food bin. My food waste is negligible and can be recycled by using my garden compost heap quite adequately. Trafford and , Waltham Forest, seem to be able to cope with food waste mixed with garden waste - why can't Wirral?</p> <p>If you give me one it will probably never be used for that purpose. It is therefore a waste of money. A three weekly collection of the green bin would be no problem.</p>
2004	<p>Best of worst options, at least you have stopped blaming the EU for the need to change. With 'BREXIT' the EU regulations are no longer influential on Britain therefore you need to find another excuse for forcing your diktats on the public.</p>
2005	<p>OPTION 1 MY CHOICE</p> <p>Collecting food waste each week is great, but will it be every week if you are reducing collections to every three weeks? Retaining current green bin is surely more cost effective I appreciate bins are old etc but they are hardly fragile so why go for this great expense to use option 2? Using option 1 means councils only have to fund the new food bins surely a more economical option . Great that grey bins remain the same at two weekly collections Greater still I have the choice to pay for my garden waste collection , which I do and find it an excellent service</p>
2006	<p>I do not think it is hygienic to collect the green bin every three weeks. Therefore this should be collected every fortnight as usual.</p> <p>I do agree with the food waste recycling collection every week.</p>
2007	<p>keep your existing 240 litre green bin, but collect this every three weeks. As I am a OAP and find it hard to go to the bin, that why I think you should keep this one.</p>
2008	<p>We regularly suffer from flies around our green bin and I think a three week collection would only make this worse. It would also cause bad odour, especially in the summer months. I don't think this is a feasible option.</p>
2009	<p>I agree with Option 1, would the liners for the food waste continue indefinitely or will we have to purchase them in the future?</p>
2010	<p>Having the indoor caddy with liners will only increase the amount of plastic going to landfill. One liner for the outdoor food bin should be sufficient with no indoor caddy in order to keep costs down. This applies for option 2 also. Three weeks between collections is too long. Not everyone will be cooperating with the food waste collection and this will be a health hazard. Larger families will probably not be able to manage for three weeks, even with the larger green bin. It is about time we could recycle margarine tubs etc. and the Council should be proactive in getting this in place at the earliest possible opportunity.</p>
2011	<p>I think collection of food waste separately once a week is an excellent idea. I am not really bothered how often the green bin is emptied but I am living alone so that obviously makes a big difference.</p>
2012	<p>Great idea for food recycling. Can we recycle yoghurt pots, margarine tubs etc.</p>
2013	<p>my thoughts are that since we are leaving the EU it is to be expected that the current recycling targets will change and possibly reduced or rephased. Until it becomes clear what the new UK targets will be any further investment by the council in recycling and resultant inconvenience to the public should be halted. As regards option 1 it is far too complicated and inconvenient, and will probably result in much more food waste being flushed down the drain or toilet. Much food waste can be composted and could therefore be added to the current brown bin.</p>
2014	<p>We produce very little food waste and any that we do, such as vegetable peelings is already recycled in a garden compost bin therefore we will not benefit from this scheme at all.</p> <p>We will be considerably disadvantaged by the 3-weekly collection of the green bin as the amount of non-recyclable packaging and other rubbish that our family of four produces fills the green bin every two weeks.</p>
2015	<p>Prefer Option 2</p>
2016	<p>this is the one I would prefer as sometimes have big items that would not fit in small bin but would like a 2 week collection</p>

2017	<p>I think that mixing 2-week cycles for the grey &amp; brown bins and a 3-week cycle for the green bins is confusing, &amp; a lot of people will miss collections because of that.</p> <p>I am also not sure that 3-weekly collections will be sufficient in view of the sheer bulk of household waste which you still do not recycle, but which IS recyclable- i.e., plastic punnets, plastic bags, easter egg wrappers, toy packaging etc.....this suggests to me that you are aiming for a 50% recycling rate by WEIGHT, rather than volume or numbers of items. All of this waste should be recycled. However, as it doesn't weigh much, I suspect that you don't care much about it. But it takes up a lot of space in the bin- it takes up more space than anything else in ours. If you recycled this too, then you could probably reduce green bin collections to once per 4 weeks- this would fit in with 2-weekly cycles much better.</p> <p>If you choose option 1, can you send out regular e-mails to remind us which collection is taking place each week?</p>
2018	<p>We have very little food waste because we are careful and; like most families these days; we cannot afford to throw lots of food out - and therefore our green bin is not going to be much less filled than it is now - so every 3 weeks for the green bin collection will be insufficient for our needs as a family of 4</p>
2019	<p>Not very hygienic .my concerns are foxes ability to get into the food bin &amp; maggots. Why can't we recycle tetra pack cartons, yogurt pots, plastic trays our meat comes on,tin foil, like other councils do. We could recycle far more instead of it going to landfill, thus meeting our EU targets, when we will be out of the EU soon. What then?</p>
2020	<p>The concept is ridiculous, especially for larger families. 3 week bin collections will just lead to fly tipping and mess up the environment. Fine supermarkets for excessive packaging since they cause the non recyclable waste problems in the first place.</p>
2021	<p>Keep existing green bin as saves replacement cost.Empty fortnightly.Seperate kitchen waste makes sense.Garden waste brown bin should be free and reinstated as content end up in green bins..This will improve recycling quotas</p>
2022	<p>Although food waste may account for a considerable proportion of the WEIGHT in a green bin, it doesn't take up much VOLUME in the green bin. The volume is taken by food packaging, which the council currently doesn't recycle. Why doesn't the council investigate recycling food packaging?</p> <p>Why not give us the option of a three week collection of the GREY bin? Or the option to pay a supplement to retain fortnightly collection of the green bin?</p> <p>The thought of having decaying food sitting in and around the house is horrible.</p>
2023	<p>I think the food container will be very unhygienic acting maggots and vermin . Not everyone will comply with what's required causing vermin to populate especially in back alleys , terrace housing in Birkenhead.</p>
2024	<p>Would prefer this option, I am happy to see a food waste collection bin being introduced, as other local councils have had this implemented for some time.</p> <p>Still think more items need to be able to be included in the grey bin collection .</p> <p>Also pay for the brown bin at the moment, and happy to continue to with this.</p>
2025	<p>There should be a trial of 3 months with existing green bins at existing 2 week cycle until people are used to the food recycling. Then we can make an informed decision on whether a smaller green bin 2 weekly or larger green bin 3 weekly is the way to go.</p>
2026	<p>Prefer this option as it will save on having to purchase new bins, retain increased overall volume which can be collected and hopefully push households to recycle more food waste.</p>
2027	<p>ok with caddy but would rather have smaller green bin every 2 weeks every 3 weeks seems to long a wait especially in summer months.</p>
2028	<p>I am slightly concerned that the small lockable food waste container for outside will, in poor weather, will be blown down the road. If this becomes damaged will it be my responsibility to replace the container. Currently the large green bins are blown over during bad weather and these are much larger ad heavier. Has the council investigated and asked for feedback on other recycle bins and methods in other local authority areas.</p> <p>If the container is stolen will I be responsible to replace it.</p> <p>I currently have a brow bin which I pay for and use regularly. My neighbours do not pay for these bins but use their green bin for the garden cuttings. This appears to be unfair.</p> <p>Will households be penalised for not recycling in the correct ways that you suggest. It seems the households who work against you on recycling receive no warnings/penalties and the households who work towards a better recycling practise carry the burden.</p>

2029	<p>What happened to the other options listed in the papers? Why waste all this money on this so call consultation when you have you have already made up your minds.</p> <p>Collecting the green bins every three weeks who is going to deal with the maggots and the smells. We wash our bins and use plastic bags inside the bins and have still had them!</p>
2030	<p>Absolutely not! Living in a household of 4, where 3 of the residents are disabled and require care, the vast majority of our non-recyclable waste by volume is non-food. Moving to a collection every 3 weeks would mean the bin would overflow. This option is yet another example of councils overburdening the most vulnerable members of our society - the elderly and infirm. Unsurprisingly, this is the group with the smallest voice; a voice the council can easily ignore. Your conscience should prevent you from implementing this option, even if the monetary cost savings appear attractive</p>
2031	<p>I have no problem in theory with a 3 weekly collection, however, I have an 8 week old baby in nappies, so do require significant volumes of green bin space currently!</p> <p>I presume there will be a way to compensate for that?</p>
2032	<p>What happened to the other options listed in the papers? Why waste all this money on this so call consultation when you have you have already made up your minds.</p>
2033	<p>Caddy is a good idea but who wants any found waste incl packaging eg yoghurt pots hanging around for 3 weeks</p>
2034	<p>I would be concerned that some people would not bother to separate some food items before throwing them in the green bin and them not being collected for 3 weeks with the resulting smell, maggots and flies etc this would produce.</p>
2035	<p>3 weeks is far too long</p>
2036	<p>I'm pleased to be getting a food waste collection, although I have just purchased a food waste composter for my garden and wonder if this would be more economical in the long run for households to use this rather than send waste to be processed. A 3 weekly collection of the larger bin sounds fine to me without the food waste in it.</p>
2037	<p>It is bad enough having the green bin collected every two weeks, to collect every three weeks is an absolute disgrace. To suggest that one third of green bin waste is food is absolutely ridiculous, which idiot made this calculation. Food packaging is one of the worst problems, as they are contaminated by food leaving these items in a bin for three weeks to rot will cause worse smells and encourage flies and bugs besides the health risk.</p> <p>Why not tackle the problem at source and force food manufacturers to reduce packaging.</p> <p>I understand there were 12 options presented. Surely some of them have to be a better solutions than these ridiculous ones.</p> <p>My husband has a stoma, imagine the smell of human waste after 3 weeks!</p> <p>Finally what about the staff collecting the waste? Have you no respect for them.</p>
2038	<p>Option 1 240litre Green bin - THREE WEEKS!</p> <p>This will just increase the problem of flies and maggots in the streets as so many people that have no front garden leave their bins at the front of their properties these days. So common these days here in Birkenhead to walk along the street and see maggots and flies on bins - even worse with those that have no lid on them but the residents don't want to spend money on a new bin.</p> <p>However, option 1 is the lesser of two evils as many people will just carry on doing what they do today - chucking ALL waste (food, dry, recycleable) into their green bin without even bothering to put this rubbish in plastic bags. The result is overflowing wet, smelly, fly and maggot ridden, 240litre green bins.</p> <p>As I am the local "bin fairy" who tries, in vain, to control the situation by washing out and disinfecting an average of 4 bins per week I feel that I am well qualified to give an opinion.</p> <p>STOP PRESS: just seen my over-the-road neighbour (and friends) carry an old large 6-foot dining table over the road to throw it into the alleyway behind my property, not HER alleyway - it's now blocking MY alleyway!</p>

2039	<p>Keeping the current green bin will be more economical but many people will not like it only being collected every 3 weeks. If the outside food bin is lockable how do the collectors get at it. I hope the food bins are strong as squirrels and other animals can bite holes in plastic bins. Even without food there can still be rubbish in the green bins that will not last for 3 weeks. We will need proper information about what constitutes as acceptable food for the new bins.</p>
2040	<p>I think collecting food waste is a good idea. We will be fine with three weekly collection. I would rather keep my big green bin than reduce the size of it. Seems such a waste of money to replace with smaller bins but I agree that old bins missing lids make the area look unsightly. Rubbish blowing everywhere due to this is a big problem in my area as these people store their bins at the front of their homes. My neighbour stores her bins at the side of my home (I am an end terrace) so I am slightly concerned it will become even more of a dumping ground for her. I think people with small children using nappies might struggle with the three weekly collection.</p>
2041	<p>If the green bin is collected every 3 weeks it will become very smelly especially in warmer weather from plastic food trays and plastic cheese/meat/veg wrappers that cannot be placed in the grey recycle bin.</p> <p>What happens if the small lockable food waste container cannot hold one weeks worth of waste, were does it go then - not in the green bin as it will smell.</p>
2042	<p>Either option is poor with regard to the green bin. Collecting food waste separately is a very good idea but if a small green bin can be collected every two weeks, why can't a large green bin be collected every two weeks. I assume the lorries will have to be adapted to smaller bins, which will cost more - on the face of it, it doesn't really make sense.</p>
2043	<p>Prefer option 1 but I do not agree with having to separate food waste as it leads to flies and could attract vermin.</p>
2044	<p>This option will not suit many households because of the three week green bin cycle. The green bin will still contain many perishable items.</p>
2045	<p>As a elderly person living on my one the amount of food waste is very small, if any. So an extra bin would be a waste of space for me.</p>
2046	<p>We have very little or no food waste - certainly no where near a third of our general waste so a seperate food collection would be a total waste of resources. This would make no difference to our amount of general waste which would be putrid and dangerous to health( soiled nappies and dog muck bags) after 3 weeks.</p>



2047	<p>1. I do not want a caddy inside my house, whether with a liner or not. I don't have space for one in my kitchen. Food waste needs to go straight outside and should not be kept in the property.</p> <p>2. How will you supply additional liners?</p> <p>3. I am also away a lot (travel), and the food caddy could sit for some weeks before being put out for emptying. This is very unhygienic.</p> <p>4. I would prefer to continue with the large green bin and have three weekly collections. However, this means the food caddy couldn't be collected on the same day as another bin, as there wouldn't be another bin to collect it alongside one week in three.</p> <p>.</p>
2048	<p>Personally I would be happy with a 3-weekly collection since there will be nothing decomposing in the bin. However I am a single person and this might not be adequate for a family. I would prefer this to a small bin because of the occasions when I have family staying.</p> <p>I think an indoor caddy and extra outside container will be a nuisance but it would seem we have no choice here for economic reasons.</p>
2049	<p>I have no desire to have a vermin attracting box outside my house - it is an appallingly bad idea.</p> <p>If you want people to waste less food then educate them.</p> <p>We waste very little if any food and things such as vegetable peelings are put in the compost bin and still need a fortnightly emptying of the green bin.</p> <p>We are strongly against this ,would hardly find any use for a food waste bin and would expect a rates discount if the green bin emptying rota was changed.</p>
2050	<p>This would be preferable as you would still have greater capacity for green bin usage, overall.</p> <p>My only concern with the idea of this, is that, like the brown bin, you decide to charge us for using the green bin in the future. For us the brown bin is a necessity not a luxury as would be the green bin.</p>
2051	<p>No point in retaining large bin for three week collections, particularly if they are wearing out. More bins means more unsightly clutter.</p>
2052	<p>Three weeks is too long for the green bin, it will start to smell.</p>
2053	<p>Will you continue to supply liners for the bins after the introduction or are you reliant on us to buy. My view is you should supply.</p> <p>As we have to store additional bins and space is a premium I do not want to keep the larger bin.</p> <p>I'm concerned about rodents as food will attract them even if the bin is sealed. Are you going to increase pest control as it will need to increase.</p>
2054	<p>option 1 is the lesser of the two evils</p> <p><b>WE DO NOT HAVE FOOD WASTE</b></p> <p>The answer to YOUR problems lie with the grey bin</p> <p>other councils permit more recyclable products, ie. tetra packs, different types of plastic, believe it or not the general public can read and decipher recycling symbols, probably better than the idiots in Wallasey Town Hall</p> <p>Stop playing politics and get your act together</p>
2055	<p>We currently fill the 240 litre green bin with household rubbish and very little food waste, we would struggle with a collection every 3 weeks and we would need to make trips to the tip on a regular basis.</p>
2056	<p>As I live in a ground floor flat option one or two is acceptable to me</p>
2057	<p>This would be our preferred option.</p> <p>Although I would like to state that we are not happy with this change at all. My parents have had this for a while and hate it, it's smelly and very unhygienic especially when you have pets and/or children. However it seems you will be doing this no matter what response you get. We are being forced to choose between a rock and a hard place!</p> <p>If you follow this option maybe you could use the money you will have saved not having to produce smaller green bins to allow us to have our garden waste collected for free. Ridiculous that we pay council tax yet have to pay extra to have our brown bins collected!! I've Never lived anywhere before where a council does that, nice little moneymaking scheme for you there isn't it!</p>
2058	<p>In our case the Green Bin will be overflowing by the third week so I assume extra bags next to it will be collected.</p> <p>I can see this leading to an increase in fly tipping which is already happening now.</p>

2059	This would work
2060	The concept of a collection every third week is bad news. Trying to remember will be a nightmare. For this reason, I would reluctantly opt for the smaller bin - and keep to a fortnightly collection.
2061	I dislike the idea of having a week in which I have to pull a full green bin, full grey bin and full food container down my alley. Alternating green and grey weeks is much more convenient.
2062	I agree to the weekly collection of food waste as I, along with many others, do not like the fortnightly collections with food waste in the green bins, especially in the summer. It is good that the end product will be used for electricity production but as for using methane to power vehicles I would be concerned about that as methane is a more powerful greenhouse gas than CO2. I do not have much food waste but there is always some eg fish skins which smell very quickly. Raw vegetable material not used goes in my compost bins.
2063	Having experience of the indoor food waste bins I say YUCH - slimey bags difficult to extract from bin and tie up!  Keep existing 240 litre green bin. Having a re-issue of smaller bins and disposal of 240 litre seems an unwarranted expense. and not eco friendly .  I always anything put anything goint into present green bin in a bag that can be recycled.
2064	FOOD WASTE 1. I understand the need to reduce waste but one answer does not suit all. I live in a retirement complex with communal bins which are housed in bin shelters, if we have an extra bin are you going to cover the cost of enlarging the original bin shelters?  2..Also I have a very small kitchen and no room on the worktop for any more utensils and do not want any more clutter on the floor.  3. Also in the terraced streets I pass there is already an eyesore with the amount of bins without adding to it.
2065	I bag all my food waste in my green bin I dont want another bin for my food waste its making more work for me what if I forget to put the food bin out every week it will be there for two weeks why dont you leave things the way they are and providing house holders with bin liners isn't that going to cost money to the council not a very good idea
2066	The green bin already attracts flyies and if you happen to go on holiday and miss a pickup it stinks.
2067	Do not support - why should I have to have a food waste bin? I will never use it as I don't waste food and compost any that can't be frozen/consumed
2068	What happens to the waste products from the food waste and brown bins? Could a percentage of this not be given back to interested residents as garden compost/fertilizer. That way everyone potentially gets something
2069	Do not like the idea of collecting food waste inside the house as we not only have a small kitchen and would struggle to find space for it we have also had problems with mice in the recent past and do not want to encourage a return of this.  I prefer the status quo with incentives for more recycling and less waste. If this were to happen and the 240 ltr bin retained it would only need collection every 3 weeks.
2070	Good for families with kids.
2071	I would be concerned at a three weekly collection for our green bin as this will also contain bags of dog excrement, I am a puppy walker for Guide Dogs For the Blind and part of the pups training is to "spend" before leaving home so as not to foul whilst out on a walk. We recycle as much as possible but would like to recycle more food packaging, eg plastic or polystyrene meat containers, tinfoil, plastic packaging.
2072	This means huge extra expense to provide the caddy and liners and lockable food waste container and it will cause confusion for household users as well.
2073	3 weeks is too long for collection of green bin
2074	We think this is a very good idea. Cannot believe some people do not recycle properly.
2075	This means everyone separating food waste from the rest and would everyone be clear about the definition of this. I can see the benefit of food waste being recycled elsewhere for useful purposes but considerations have to be understood such as the space needed for additional appliances and where it should be stored. I would prefer to retain the larger bin although it is fair to say that it is rarely full.

2076	<p>what will hold a lot will hold a little. yes I would like to keep my existing 240 litre bin, these bins have been manufactured and paid for and it would be a ridiculous waste of hard earned council tax payers money to scrap our original bins and then have the expense of paying for smaller bins.this is a false economy.However I am not happy of the thought of only three week collections.More items should be recyclable, for example rigid plastic food material packaging example soft fruit containers, plastic egg boxes tetra packs.drink cartons, more would be recycled if the council extended its items list</p> <p>As a retired couple we waste very little food and we compost so 50% of our waste bin does not contain food waste See</p>
2077	<p>We only put the bin out every month anyway. It might be difficult to remember which is the correct week to put it out, and it would be 6 weeks if missed.</p> <p>We don't believe in food waste or waste of any kind, we have our own compost so can recycle vegetable peelings etc, and generally recycle almost everything, charity shops and other organisations take a lot. Much left-over food can easily be made into soup or puddings as appropriate.</p> <p>Perhaps more money should be spent on that sort of education.</p>
2078	<p>The food waste collection on a weekly basis is a good idea but I think the existing green bins should be kept in place. I live in a block of six flats and we only have 4 green bins between us. The downside of this is that the bins will only be collected every three weeks. We would need to have a fresh look at our bin situation altogether.</p>
2079	<p>It all sounds very simple but I have a small kitchen probably like a lot of other people and no where to put a food caddy. Very difficult also having rotting food smelling in a small space. If a small food bin could be clamped on the inside of the green bin and removed when needed for collection it would help? There would be no need therefor to change the size of the bin? Cheaper for the council also?</p>
2080	<p>I don't want either option you are basically enforcing us to choose two options but with no option to remain as is, which is what I would prefer. The bins for the average family 2 adults 2 children are already full in the two weeks it takes you to collect so now your saying every three weeks which to be quite honest ours would be overflowing onto the street, this is not acceptable we pay our taxes for you to provide a decent service but what your actually trying to do is make us do the work of the recycling plant, I'm sorry but if you lead a busy lifestyle there is no way I'm wasting more of my time making sure my rubbish goes in the correct bins etc it's bad enough as it is!!!</p>
2081	<p>Where on earth do you put these extra caddies if you haven't got the space? How does a large family manage? Leaving waste food for only one week will encourage vermin, foxes, maggots etc. How are people with mental or physical disabilities expected to manage? A relative of mine has a hot meal delivered daily in foil containers, who is going to scrape any remainders into a kitchen caddy then dispose of the containers? The poor lady can barely walk and hardly knows what day it is! We should be receiving a weekly bin emptying service! Keeping the borough clean and sweet. The hefty fine that may be imposed if 50% recycling targets aren't met are being imposed by who? If it's EU regulations I thought we had Brexited?!!</p>
2082	<p>Not acceptable. Introducing a kitchen waste collection will not reduce the waste in my green bin enough to have it collected every 3 weeks. Introducing a better recycle scheme would be a better idea as most of the content of my green bin is items which can be recycled but Wirral refuse to take it - unlike other local councils.</p>
2083	<p>Our green bin is quite often full on a 2 weekly basis and as we have guide dog puppies (my wife is a puppy walker) the bins do contain a lot of bagged dog excrement. The smell after 3 weeks would be very unpleasant and I would be very concerned about the hygiene of this. We do not have very much food waste, (peelings and other compostable matter including tea bags and coffee grounds go into our own compost bins and is recycled onto our vegetable patch).</p> <p>I would be very concerned at a move to 3 weekly collections for the green bins.</p>
2084	<p>I have a very small kitchen with very limited work space and I don't want another type of bin in my kitchen in addition to the bin I have which currently takes all my non-recyclable waste, this is only a small bin and i empty it every couple of days, I have very little actual food waste, most of my waste is non-recyclable packaging, such as yoghurt pots, and plastic meat/fish trays.</p> <p>I would not want meat/fish trays sitting in my bin outside my house for up to 3 weeks at a time, I do bag all my waste however I do feel it sitting for this length of time will cause the bin to become quite smelly, especially during the Summer months.</p>

2085	<p>I do not believe the additional capital costs involved are in any way justified. The further reduction in collection services are yet again providing a reduced service at increased cost.</p> <p>As these 'rules' come from the EU, and at some point we shall be leaving this regime, these changes seem premature.</p> <p>I already have, as will most, a kitchen waste bin, your proposal to clutter my kitchen with another item is unwelcome. As for the lockable receptacle, where is it proposed this should be placed? Many people have already cluttered up their frontage with existing bins and now another. They are unsightly.</p>
2086	<p>We have very little food waste. All of our vegetable trimmings, egg shells etc., are composted and we never throw away baked goods or out of date foodstuffs. We will therefore be leaving very little food waste for collection.</p> <p>Most of our general waste is composed of packaging material which is not currently accepted for recycling. A three week collection is therefore not a problem for us other than the difficulty of remembering the three week cycle of collection vs., a duo two week cycle.</p>
2087	No real change except having to remember when to put bin out
2088	I think option 1 is ok if your getting rid of the food every week then the bin wont have rotting food in it
2089	3 WEEKLY COLLECTIONS WILL INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF FLY TIPPING & OVERFLOWING LOCAL WASTE BINS AS PEOPLE USE THESE INSTEAD OF THEIR OWN
2090	My children no longer use nappies, but when they did I would certainly not have found it acceptable to have 3 weekly green bin collections. 2 weekly was quite frankly a health hazard. I tried washable nappies with my second child , but he got terrible nappy rash so I had to revert to disposable, which was 100 times better for his skin, as the gels absorb moisture better.
2091	Having paid my council tax to have my bins collected each fortnight, I would not be happy to have the collection put back to every three weeks. I am against option 1
2092	Waste of time council do not listen to residents views. Decisions already made as normal for this council. Go back to weekly collections.
2093	3 weeks between collections is a long time - if you forget one or miss one when you are away it will be 6 weeks. Even without food waste it's going to be pretty grim after that amount of time.
2094	I have a disabled daughter who generates more waste. This option would not be suitable for us. We barely cope now.
2095	Bad idea. Bins emptied 3 weeks will overflow and roads will be messy.
2096	<p>Please leave the green bins (size and collection regime) as they are at present. I am not always at home on my collection date so therefore the extra capacity means that I can leave my regular collection for another two weeks without running out of bin space.</p> <p>Additionally, if you operate a 2 - 3 week collection service for different capacity green bins, how will this work in practice. I do not think this will be easy to manage successfully and will be difficult for the 3 week people to remember when to put their bins out.</p> <p>I read your information and I do not agree with all of it. Moving to the smaller green bins will increase fly tipping. This will inevitably cost the council more assuming they bother to clean up the mess.</p> <p>Additionally, we will see more bins places outside with the lids open and rubbish spilling out making the Wirral a worse place to live than it is now.</p>
2097	We have foxes in our area, every night. If they ransack these caddies, who will be responsible for cleaning up the mess? Rats will enjoy any leftovers. So how secure will these caddies be?
2098	Seems to me that to avoid replacing the existing green bin is the most cost effective way.
2099	<p>My concern for this option is the size of the what you call the small indoor food caddy that you propose we keep in the kitchen. You have not given the information of the size of this caddy.</p> <p>I live in a small terraced house with a very small kitchen and I only have enough room for a recycle bin in there as this is were the bulk of my waste goes.</p> <p>Also I am concerned about the size of the lockable food waste container. I live in a property that has a back entry were all the neighbours keep their bins and the entry's due to council cuts are maintained less. This concerns me.</p>

2100	<p>All households are being informed through the media of the need to reduce food waste. I know I am. But the non recyclable rubbish is not reducing. Therefore I feel you would be wasting our council tax money by paying out for a weekly collection of food waste that is better dealt with through education to stop people buying too much food, and reducing the green bin collection will leave families with problems of what to do with their waste which will build up and be an environmental disaster. You have responsibilities to the people and environment of Wirral.</p>
2101	<p>You need to go back to school. If a third by weight is food then two thirds by weight is packaging. If the frequency of collection is pushed out to 3 weeks then the bins are going to overflow probably causing more fly tipping at more expense to the tax payer.</p> <p>NOT A VIABLE OPTION</p>
2102	<p>We do not need yet another receptacle for food waste clogging up our gardens or yards. I already recycle any food waste I compost non meat products and give any meat to my dog the only food waste I would have is the occasional meat bone hardly worth having all the extra non recyclable bags and container, I am sure I am not the only person to do this. Perhaps a better way to increase the amount of rubbish that is recycled is to expand the items in the grey bin to accommodate more plastics and allowing vegetable waste to be put into brown bins, for people who don't have gardens, I feel this would have a greater impact on our environment than waste that rots down quickly without leaving damaging residue. It would also help our areas recycling figures and you could leave bin collections as they are. This new collection just seems like a huge waste of time and money and a PR stunt.</p>
2103	<p>Do not like it. Would prefer to go back to a weekly collection</p>
2104	<p>We don't have much food waste. Fruit and veg waste goes to horses or our pets. We're happy to eat out of date food and careful with our shopping so very rarely throw food away. The only food waste is probably bones and remains of meat. It won't make any impact on reducing the amount of rubbish in our green bin. As a family of 5 we fill the green bin in two weeks. You need to look at supermarkets, take away restaurants etc and reduce the amount of plastic they sell you food with. Looks like my only options are either to stand at the end of the checkout and put my food in my containers and return all packaging as I buy it or a trip to the tip which is defeating the object of reducing waste.</p>
2105	<p>We have very little food waste. The majority of our green bin waste is plastics, such as food packaging, yoghurt tubs, cling film. All sorts of plastic. I would rather see an initiative to recycle plastic than anything else. At the moment I would choose option 1.</p>
2106	<p>I think the Council will have already made up their mind as to which way they are going? No matter what the Wirral residents say! There is a great mistrust of Politicians whether National or Local?</p>
2107	<p>Please see below</p>
2108	<p>Bin the whole idea take more in our grey bin including polythene and yoghurt pots try collection of batteries as well. When you sit down do your jobs properly then you will find out how poor your recycling is compared to other countries and counties</p>
2109	<p>Prefer this option purely because of the green bin size</p>
2110	<p>I do not want to go to a 3 week collection as I fill the green bin over a 2 week period, there are 3 adults living in my house.</p>
2111	<p>I think this option is best as it would mean the council not having to go to the expense of replacing all the green bins</p>
2112	<p>For either option it seems to me that your assumption that one third of waste in the green bin is food. I, and the people I know, waste very little food. I do, however, think that collecting it separately is a good idea as it is then not such a complete waste. Could you not consider expanding the range collected in the recycling bin, at present I take mine to Sainsbury's in Upton. WHY CANNOT WIRRAL DO THE SAME. It is obviously an available option. The facilities must be available.</p>
2113	<p>We are proud that we have no food waste as we compost vegetable matter and are careful to manage our menu so that there is no other waste.</p>
2114	<p>problems with decaying food flies and infection. difficulty in separating waste food from containers.</p>
2115	<p>I think it absolutely ridiculous to suggest putting food waste into a caddy justifies a three weekly green bin collection. The amount of food we dispose of is minimal compared to our other waste. We have medical waste daily following my wife's treatment for cancer and pain management and absolutely need the green bin collected two weekly and kept to its current size, there are four adults also in our household. Supply a food caddy if you must but I demand that we keep the green bin collection as it stands!!</p>
2116	<p>I do NOT want a three weekly collection as remembering the collection date would be too difficult. Also, there would be less room to accommodate yet another (lockable) bin.  Actually I would rather NOT have a food recycling bin.</p>
2117	<p>Any reduction in refuse collection will lead to yet more fly tipping. I see evidence daily in my local park of people dumping domestic rubbish in or near public bins. We pay a lot of council tax and deserve a hygienic and effective refuse service. I oppose any move to 3 weekly collections or reductions in bin size.</p>

2118	This is to me a complete waste of money. Most left over food can go into freezer and as a couple we do not have any food waste as most people in my area are elderly and were brought up not to waste food. As most people we still have an unused small brown caddy that was given to all a few years ago as well as a brown bin, how many people use this. The Wirral is becoming ugly as we have too many bins left out, this can be seen very often. Leave things the way they are and put the money to fixing pot holes and cheaper NHS parking.
2119	prefer this option
2120	Think public will need time to deal with more complex routine and lockable containers. What percentage of households will bother? Some will just stick food in green bin. 3 weekly should be OK for green bins. I really do believe we need this food recycling.
2121	I would NOT like a 3 weekly collection
2122	like the idea of keeping the larger green bin and think 3 weekly collection would be ok
2123	IN THEORY THIS IS THE BETTER OPTION FOR PEOPLE WHO CARE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT. REDUCING THE SIZE OF THE GREEN BIN WILL ONLY CAUSE MORE LITTER AND DIRT IN THE STREETS AS FOR SOME PEOPLE IT IS STILL NOT BIG ENOUGH!!
2124	Do not want more bins in kitchen or outside they take too much space.
2125	This option may contribute to worsen bin storage problems where off road/street space limited.  Option 2 with reduced green bin size appears more practical.
2126	Seems reasonable
2127	This option is fine with keeping the larger bin but if it's collected every 3 weeks it will mean occasionally it will clash on the same week as the grey bin and is this a good idea? It is better with having the larger bin as occasionally you need the larger space for some rubbish and households with more than two people in the house may find a bin smaller not suitable.
2128	Gosh no thanks
2129	this makes no sense to change to 3 wks, i do not have that much food waste to make a difference to change to 3 weekly collections.. most of my waste is from packaging from shops that you do not recycle, nappies from grandchildren,.. am i also to tell friends and relatives to take their waste home with them when they visit due to my bin overflowing
2130	I prefer this Option.
2131	I don't have a problem with this as my green bin so rarely has much in it that I could leave it for four weeks anyway. I think recycling of food waste is an excellent idea. My daughter lives in Cardiff, where they have been doing this for some years, and it works well. Most of the waste that I put in my green bin is food waste in biodegradable bags.
2132	We prefer to keep the existing size bin although we do not put food in it. We compost our food and so would not use a waste food bin.
2133	We already compost our food waste and use a sink waste disposal for non compost able food. I am concerned that the proposed caddy and food bin will attract pests, foxes, rats etc. Our green bin is not usually full after 2 weeks. Our grey bin is always full after 2 weeks. Is there an option to increase the amount of grey bin waste collected or the frequency of grey bin emptying?
2134	3 week collection unacceptable.
2135	Why can't we have free sturdy food waste bags to put in the green bin and leave all bin arrangements as they are.
2136	We actually throw very little food away but as it would be kept separately anyway would prefer to keep the larger bin.
2137	As we recycle all possible compostible waste we will not benefit from much reduction in the contents of our 240 ltr green bin This option would be our choice..
2138	Currently struggling with the once-a-fortnight green bin collection cycle (normally full after just one week), and don't put a lot of food waste in it, so changing to once every three weeks will not improve my households waste/recycling, in fact it would have a detrimental affect.

2139	<p>I honestly think that the council has got this one wrong.</p> <p>The food waste i agree with but not the two options.</p> <p>More fly tipping will happen , more abandoned bins , vermin will be a issue.</p> <p>Why cant the council just make garden waste free again and update what they can recycle , more items such as yoghurt pots , marge tubs , foil , food trays ??? other places do it why cant we follow surley that would help reach your 50%</p> <p>And as for reaching the 50% now we are out the EU why do we have to follow the 50% by 2020???</p> <p>regardless of what the public say you wont listen and have all ready made your minds up.</p>
2140	<p>fly tip vermin open tip very clever council</p>
2141	<p>Not ideal but better than option 2. Not sure how practical this is as a 3 week collection will result in rubbish being left next to bins and will create hygiene and fly tipping outcomes.</p>
2142	<p>The most cost effective option for the council, won't have to pay out for new bins and can reduce frequency of collections saving in labour and costs all ways. Gives people 60 litres more waste space over a 6 week period vs option 2.</p>
2143	<p>Personally our food waste is the least amount of waste that we throw out. For green bin waste products it is down to packaging that is unable to go into the grey bin. Eg. Food packaging etc.</p> <p>If there is no other option and we are being FORCED to choose then this is the better option out of the two.</p>
2144	<p>I live alone I have very little food waste and do not wish to have yet another bin outside my small house to attract foxes rats cats etc I already have a small green bin I wish to opt out and am disappointed at this proposal</p>
2145	<p>This is unsuitable for my family's needs. We do not have much food waste so a food recycling bin would make minimal difference to the amount of waste in our green bin. Three weekly collections would be insufficient to deal with the amount of waste we generate, particularly as we have a baby in nappies so a lot of non recyclable waste as a result of that.</p>
2146	<p>Could manage with this option and may settle for this one.</p>
2147	<p>Food waste recycling good idea. Moving green bin to 3 weekly is terrible idea, increase incidents of fly tipping.</p>
2148	<p>Why not allow food waste to be put in brown bin</p>
2149	<p>I think changing to 3 weekly collections is a bad idea. Residents have smelly waste which is not recyclable; for example, sanitary items, cat litter, empty pet-food pouches, to name a few. Bins would become objectionable.</p> <p>It's often confusing at the moment to remember which bin is due for emptying. A three week cycle would cause confusion. If you miss putting out your bin you would have to wait six weeks which is not acceptable.</p> <p>A smaller bin, emptied more frequently would be preferable.</p> <p>However, I think it is much more important to address the problem of non-recyclable plastics which comprise a large amount of our green bin waste. Perhaps the council should invest in plant which could cope with moulded plastic food containers and foil.</p> <p>We have a compost bin to deal with peelings and vegetable waste. We don't have a lot of food waste. We have a brown bin for garden waste.</p> <p>I suggest you spend the money on recycling plastics which currently go into landfill when they could be recycled.</p>
2150	<p>Option 1 is quite simply unacceptable. It is imperative that the Green bin continues to be emptied every two weeks as it is now.</p>

2151	I think this will not work and people will dump more rubbish in the streets, and we will have more flies and vermin, and terrible smells. alot of people in heswall area and pensby, thingwall are pensioners, and we will find it difficult to have caddy bins. 3 bins are enough already, we have voted to move out of europe so why do we still have to keep to europe targets in relation to our household waste. i think it is totally illegal to implement these new ideas, and it will be a big disaster and waste of money to bring these ideas in.
2152	This seems the best option - leave the current green bin EXACTLY AS IT IS IN SIZE because the expense of producing smaller ones for households will only impact on the overall costs - and make a nonsense of your attempts to make savings [IT'S NOT ROCKET SCIENCE IS IT???.].....  However, WHY is there a charge for having an extra brown garden waste bin anyway? Isn't the whole point of charging council tax to have ONE single charge to pay for ALL council services? I have never heard such utter nonsense. To me this amounts to extortion! Sort yourselves out!!!! Otherwise you will soon be charging each and every one of us printing costs for all the leaflets and publications you send us into the bargain!!!.
2153	This would be our preferred option as we dispute the Councils claim that a third of the average green bin contents is food waste - our green bin generally contains nowhere near that amount of food waste and having a new smaller green bin seems an unnecessary expense for the Council! With no food waste in the standard 240 litre green bin collections every THREE weeks would be acceptable and would also benefit larger families who would fill a 140 Litre bin in less than one week.
2154	These bins will be full of maggots in the summer. Some of my neighbours bins smell disgusting after 2 weeks as it is. People who put cat litter etc in will have maggots & flies galore.
2155	No thanks I do not want a bin with used food sitting in my kitchen another stupid idea from a council who love wasting money.
2156	A 3 weekly collection is not workable - I already fill my green bin in 2 weeks. I also fill my grey bin and gardening bin meaning I am recycling 2/3 of my waste already. I don't throw much food away except peelings - certainly not 40% of my green bin!
2157	Doesn't sound good, harbouring food waste in small containers will cause hygiene problems and encourage pests.
2158	TIME FACTOR -- 3 Weeks is too long. Plastic and foil packaging for food is NOT currently recycled by WIRRAL.After 3 weeks, contaminated by food remnants, in hot weather, this could be a health hazard. BRISTOL COUNCIL recycle it. Why not WIRRAL? If ALL food packaging were recycled, then 3 weekly green bin collection may be feasible. (Otherwise --NO!! ) COST-- It would be cheaper to KEEP 240 litre bins, even if not full, than PAY to replace them with smaller ones.
2159	We have two babies in nappies and do not like the idea of dirty nappies sitting in the green bin for three weeks. It does not seem hygienic.
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2161	Option 2 better for me
2162	Do not want a food caddy we already have a problem with mice which makes me ill we certainly do not want to encourage more vermin in area I will not be using this bin
2163	No consideration is taken for house hold size as a family of four adults we are not disposing of a lot of food waste. We also have a brown bin unlike many of our neighbours who now dispose of garden waste in the green bin. We have a small kitchen where space for an additional bin is unrealistic. We need a service were the large green bin is emptied fort nightly. We will not even use the tip at bidston as the last two visits resulted in having to replace tyres on the car due to picking up nails. This one size fits all house holds is prescriptive and unreasonable.
2164	Disgusting, food smells very quickly The back alley where I live is disgusting at the moment,hate to think the state it will be in if bin collections get fewer.It is hardly ever cleaned and who is supposed to clean up the dog muck/sh.. There is hardly any space in some of these smaller houses for recycle bins as it is,how do you expect us to find room for more,should we put them outside on the pavement and block the walkways ,making the borough look scruffier than it is?



2165	<p>A 240 litre bin is surely a necessity for families with young children. A neighbour with just one child aged three, constantly has an overflowing bin even with a two weekly collection - a three weekly interval would be horrendous.</p> <p>Have figures for food waste just been plucked from the air? Where do they come from? I cannot believe that a third of waste is food.</p>
2166	not happy about the 3 weeks green bin or having an indoor caddy , you seperate the stuff yet again were doing your work
2167	I am not in favour of a 3-weekly bin collection.
2168	This option sounds a good idea for families and if food waste is being collected every week, the a collection every 3 weeks for the green bin, should be sufficient.
2169	<p>for a 2 person household, 240 green bin is already too big, so smaller bin would be better.</p> <p>Keeping to fortnightly collections is easier to remember which bin week it is, and would help larger households if they have a smaller bin.</p>
2170	<p>This is a health hazard. Despite having the bin cleaned each time the bin is emptied and using bin liners for the rubbish, there are maggots present during the hotter periods of the year, this will be worse if only emptied 3 weekly.</p> <p>There is likely to be an increase in fly tipping. The system should stay as it is, it is so simple!!!!</p>
2171	I think your assumption of one third of a greenbin contents being food waste is absurd. 95% of our green bin contents is non recyclable plastic wrapping. We throw away very little food waste as most is compostable. We throw away no meat products only fish skin and bones which amounts to 5% or less. Finding a better way of disposing of non recyclable plastic packaging would be more useful.
2172	Not in flavour of the 3 weeks for the green bin. Good food waste will be weekly.
2173	<p>As a resident in Oxton, we were part of a pilot scheme to recycle food waste a few years ago, but this system was apparently not found to be viable and was discontinued. Why should it be any different now?</p> <p>A 'small lockable food waste container for outside' means yet another thing to find space for in a convenient place that is also discrete to avoid being an eye-sore.</p> <p>Why are plastic food trays, yogurt pots and foil not recycled like they are in many other places?</p> <p>Why do Wirral residents have to pay for their brown bins anyway when they are free in many other places?</p> <p>It will be very confusing for elderly people to work out which bin is to be collected on a particular day, even with a calendar.</p>
2174	Three weeks is too long to have nappies in a green bin.
2175	There is no point in us having a food waste service. We need a green bin 2 weekly service.
2176	Appears to be a reasonable idea. It may encourage people to be a bit more stringent about their recycling. It is annoying though that items which are supposed to be recyclable are not able to be recycled in the Wirral scheme.
2177	<p>1 - where is the absurd figure of 40% food waste currently in the green general waste bins coming from? I can say that categorically we do not have anything close to that. Off the top of my head, which is where you are getting your figures from, our green bin has at the most, 5% food in it.</p> <p>2 - The - keep your existing bin but it will only be collected every three weeks option - is obviously based on the erroneous 40% figure, which doesn't make sense.</p>
2178	<p>A collection every three weeks would be a nightmare. A three week cycle is just too difficult to keep on track of and I am very concerned I will get confused and miss it meaning my rubbish will be hanging around for 6 weeks.</p> <p>Every two weeks is easy because you alternate grey with green - its either one or the other. If it was the first week of every month or a similar pattern that may be easier to remember, but I just can't see how I could keep on top of every three weeks - it's just too irregular or random.</p>

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2180	<p>Neither option is welcome. 52 weeks divided by 3 multiplied by 240 litres bin capacity = 4160 litres</p>
2181	Totally unrealistic option when you have a large household. 2 babies in house= large amount of nappies. To have green bins emptied 3 weekly is unhygienic and will cause maggots and flies etc.
2182	I think a weekly food collection using a sealed container is a good idea and would be more hygienic reducing spills and smells in the green bin. I would prefer option 2.
2183	Not acceptable outside food waste container has not got wheels.
2184	<p>As usual with all these initiatives they will be successful in the areas occupied by, generally speaking, those higher socio economic residents who have an environmental conscience.</p> <p>You agree that fly tipping will be increased and mention that you have been successful in tackling alleyway dumping which has largely been addressed by alleygating in older residential areas in the towns. You do not address the increased costs and resources that will be needed to address flytipping or how it will be policed.</p> <p>Neither do you address the cost implications of collecting food waste weekly from all houses in the Borough.</p> <p>Maggots, flies and vermin will become more of a problem through people failing to maintain good hygiene standards in their separation of wastes.</p>
2185	Unacceptable.
2186	This is not a feasible option to have the green bin collected every 3 weeks as most people will continue to put waste food into the green bin which will lead to health and safety issues. It is far too complicated and difficult to operate the proposed food waste collection especially for elderly people and families.
2187	I worry that 3 weeks would encourage rats etc and smells and maggots in the summer so not a good idea.
2188	This would be the better option for us. Sometimes in two weeks we barely fill the green bin halfway.
2189	Concern in respect of the potential health risk associated the food waste proposal as it is very dependent on people ensuring the food waste is correctly disposed of. Our food waste is significantly LESS than the figures quoted.
2190	Not suitable. All dirty packaging will be in this bin as they can't go in recycling. (Washing would not be a green option) three weeks is too long to leave this in warmer months. Also you say 30% of green bin waste is food items. I would think that this maybe by weight but certainly not volume. Three weeks is too long for the size of this bin.
2191	About 90% of the waste which we put into our green bin is non-recyclable plastic containers and used kitchen towels. Uncooked waste fruit and vegetables are recyclable for home compost. We dispose of only a small amount of uneaten cooked food. Therefore a three-weekly collection of the green bin would be inadequate for our needs, as it would be full at the end of two weeks after collection.
2192	Not happy about using bin bags and then put in a container. Not sure if this will be sufficient in size and may attract vermin.
2193	Green bin being every 3 weeks would be confusing.
2194	We do not put food a third by weight in our green bin, it is mostly packaging and empty plastic food containers that you can not recycle.
2195	I do not want an indoor caddy in my house, I don't want ugly clutter on my worktop and don't want to keep it in a cupboard, hate the idea. Just one more bin to clutter up my home
2196	I'd prefer this option. I've noticed there's a lot of recyclable products that you don't collect. Isn't there a way to add all recyclable products to the grey bin?

2197	<p>We wish to retain the present large green bin and will use the food waste bins when provided.</p> <p>There is no need to waste council money changing the current green bin as far as we are concerned.</p>
2198	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Even without food, three weeks is too long an interval. Food trays will be in the green bin.</li> <li>2. Our kitchen is full of units and machines, so we have nowhere to put a food bin.</li> <li>3. We waste very little food, so this bin will contain mainly just peelings etc.</li> <li>4. We are not satisfied with your dismissive comments that the present recycling machines cannot deal with so many items that really should be recycled. This should be a real priority, because having to throw so many recyclable items in the green bin is a major disincentive to people's belief that recycling is important. In our view this is more important than food recycling. I am fed up with throwing out tetra packs etc etc.</li> </ol>
2199	<p>I am totally against this.</p> <p>Shortly after 1995 when I moved into the Wirral the Council introduced a small brown bin for waste food collection I never met anyone who used it .</p> <p>What the Council fail to realise is other materials that go into green bin which if not collected for 3 weeks will cause real health issues</p> <p>These are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disposable Nappies young families</li> <li>bagged Dog Excrement</li> <li>Fast food wrappers</li> <li>Food contaminants via Frozen food containers</li> <li>Medical Waste Bandages etc.</li> </ul> <p>Not collecting the green bin for 3 weeks will be an absolute disaster and for families the smaller green bin option wont work</p> <p>I know the council has targets to meet but this is not the way to do it</p> <p>I am supporting the campaign by Stuart Kelly all I want is the Council to think this one out carefully</p> <p>Also how much is it going to cost to provide the waste food bin and the smaller green bin what is it going to cost us the ratepayer</p> <p>Please feel free to contact me anytime to discuss</p>
2200	<p>I have no strong feelings on either option but would back Collection Option 1</p>
2201	<p>It is important to know the additional cost to the Council of making this change before a considered comment can be made</p>
2202	<p>Since we had our baby, the green bin has been much fuller than before with nappies. We already put all our food waste in a compost bin in the garden - so will not reduce our general waste by much. If our green bin is emptied only every 3 weeks, it will be constantly overflowing during the third week.</p> <p>Also, a collection every three weeks will be more difficult to remember than every other week. The risk of missing a collection (due to being away or because we forget that the green bin is collected that week), so having to go 6 weeks between collections, would be a huge concern</p>
2203	<p>We currently recycle our food waste via a home compost. Despite this our green bin is always full after 2 weeks. It is not food that is filling our green bin, it is mostly packaging that cannot be recycled and our children's nappies. Our bin would be overflowing if it were collected every 3 weeks. We would not use the food waste containers given we have a compost at home.</p>
2204	<p>I am not happy with the intent to reduce collection of the Green bin to once every three weeks. The reason for my objection is that it ignores the diverse population of the borough with many different sizes and types of families. Someone living on their own would I am sure happily manage with a three week collection, those with families of three or more would struggle. Those with small children and babies would definitely not manage and those with medical needs would also not manage on a three week collection. A one size fits all with a three week collection is therefore not one I would in any way approve of. An additional consideration is that it would increase fly tipping which is not easy to deal with and I along with many others already clear rubbish from my local area, I would not be able to do this if there were added strains put on my bin. A final consideration especially during summer is hygiene especially for those with babies and medical needs as a three year collection would cause immense strain for those with incontinence difficulties. I am happy to receive food recycling collection.</p>

2205	I like the idea of a food waste bin however every 3 weeks is not enough for the green bin. You need to recycle plastics for the amount to be reduced. I compost scraps, have a brown bin and I am careful with food and so it makes up a small proportion of my waste bin. My green bin is mainly full of plastic and is full very 2 weeks!
2206	I have very little food waste and what I have I put in my own compost bin.
2207	I find it ridiculous that the council is saying it has to increase the amount it recycle whilst the same council introduced the garden tax which increases the amount that goes to landfill. The garden tax should be abolished. The council spends money on all sorts of things that I don't use e.g. social services and education and yet the thing I do use - the garden - I am charged separately for!  With regards to options 1 & 2. The issue with option 1 is that 3 weeks is a long time to wait to have our bin emptied that contains our grandchildren's nappies.  With regards to option 2. A small bin may not always be large enough  My preferred option is option 2 so long as all people who have nappies including grandparents can have a large bin.
2208	This option means that each household will have a blue bin collection each week, a grey bin collection every fortnight, a grey bin collection every other fortnight, and a green bin collection every third week. This is complicated and will confuse many households.  Wirral Council must pay some sort of levy to MWDA, what pressure are WBC bringing to bear on MWDA to broaden the scope of items that could be recycled are currently are not. It is not enough simply to pas the buck to MWDA, this authority acts for the Mersey regional councils, the councils should be driving this not passing the parcel. Authorities elsewhere in England manage to recycle a lot more than we do currently e.g clean plastic food trays, window envelopes, plastic film/bags,
2209	I do not agree with a food recycling collection. We don't all have big kitchens! In my kitchen there no room for a dishwasher or a fridge, and there certainly is no room for an extra bin, even be it a small bin. The floorspace is already cramped enough. In addition my food waste is minimal and our green bin is usually only about half full anyway. I think collecting the green bin every 3 weeks is out of the question. Rubbish would be standing around for too long.
2210	This sounds like the best option to me.
2211	This is the better of the two options. However it is still a nonsensical idea.
2212	1-Will you pay for an extension to my kitchen as I do not have room for anything else in there as my kitchen is very small? If you supplied me with a caddy it would probably end up in the green bin. 2- I work full time and mainly eat in work so dispose of very little food waste as I don't normally eat at home. 3- Collecting the green bin every 3 weeks is leaving the door open to infestation from rats/maggots etc.not to mention the smell.? 4- Will you provide suitable products to keep the smell down and deal with potential infestation? 5- I fill my green bin every 2 weeks if you will only collect every 3 weeks will you collect additional black bin bags.? 6- How much will this cost.? Surely a better option would be to talk with retailers to supply more products that have packaging that can be recycled in the grey bin. 7- Do you really think that people will recycle food waste? I have seen grey bins full of normal waste that should be in the green bin and feel that this would increase. 8 - I am hoping to move soon and this is another good reason to move out of the area. 9 - This is not a viable option.
2213	If 140 litre bins can be emptied every 2 weeks why can't 240 Litre bins?
2214	I do not want another bin think we have enough and think cost too much in this time of tight budgets.
2215	I am not at all happy about reducing the green bin collections to once in three weeks. While I compost most of my food waste the packaging still has a certain amount of food attached when it is disposed of and after 3 weeks this will still smell. I am by no means old or incapable but I would find it difficult to keep track of a 3 week cycle, whereas now I have an easy system of always putting the newly emptied bin to the rear, leaving the one to be emptied next at the front of the line

2216	<p>WHY WIDNESS !  How is that going to improve waste on the Wirral  Do we get any benefits from all this waste  Good old Widness driving their busses around on our waste  and soil improver, are they going to ship that back to us,,at what cost,,I don't think so  We seem to be paying to help Widness to become green</p> <p>How Much Food Waste Do You Think We Throw away  A third in weight Not in my House</p> <p>Why not leave things as they are and try to encourage people to recycle more.</p> <p>You must have lowered the garden waste collections by charging</p> <p>Will the new food bin be on Wheels  because according to you it's going to be quite heavy  With a third of the weight from the green bin  I will not be carrying out to be emptied will pensioners  Have help to move them. More money ..</p> <p>When will the Wirral see any benefits .....if any from this.</p> <p>So to sum up  We are going to help Widness with their gas, soil improver.</p> <p>New Green bins have to bought for everyone</p> <p>New food caddies plus lanners</p>
2217	Three-weekly collection, especially in the Summer, is a concern with regards to hygiene. Our preference would be for a smaller bin but more regular, two-weekly collection.
2218	The best option for us as I don't believe we waste anything like the 33% you consider is the normal household average.
2219	This would not cause me any problems, but it might cause problems to people with families. The food waste caddy sounds like a good idea. I am in favour of any kind of re-cycling. I prefer option 2.
2220	Making bins smaller won't make people recycle. The poor areas with social problems such as rock ferry and Birkenhead will be littered with rubbish and there will be rats. Way to go Wirral council.
2221	This is a crazy idea ill thought out by town hall boffins, it is bad enough getting green bin emptied every 2 weeks let alone every Three weeks. This proposal is all about penny pinching it will be messy time consuming and a smelly process,who wants smelly food lying in their kitchen all week! Stop this nonsense now and use the council tax payers hard earned money on repairing the roads and street cleaning in the borough.
2222	<p>What size is a "small lockable container"?? We anticipate that based on food waste now that we would use certainly more than one bag a week so I hope the lockable container is bigger than the "food caddy"</p> <p>We do not support three weekly collections. Considering that most meats and fish come in containers, either plastic or polystyrene, or plastic bags, they will have to go into the green bin. Three week intervals will result in smells and infestations. Not an healthy option.</p>
2223	Prefer option 1 to option 2
2224	Seems like a waste of money creating new bins. There are still god knows how many brown bins not being used. Where do they all go one day?

2225	I think this is a disgusting idea which will encourage flies and maggots especially in the summer months, also think a lot more could be put in grey recycling bin except that some things are not on list of recycled items such as foil and tetrapaks i think alot of people dont recycle things because they are not sure what to recycle. But if i have to choose I think if collections are to be 3 weekly then the larger 240 bins need to be kept , I recycle as much as I can and my green bin still fills up before the fortnightly collection , I think with a family a small bin is too small.
2226	I would like the green bin to be collected more often because even though it will not contain food waste it will still contain food debris such as bloody meat packets etc that will attract flies and produce maggots. We have had terrible trouble with maggots in the past even when the waste is bagged and the bin is cleaned.
2227	i do not want this option as i do not waste food and require no more ugly bins on my property. we have foxes in my garden and food waste will only encourage them more. lots of food packaging cannot be recycled and will stink after 3 weeks. a better option would be to contact the makers of the packaging to encourage them to change the packaging so it can go into the grey bin. this food recycling was introduced at my mother in laws town in scotland a while ago and hardly anyone puts food waste out for collection so it was a complete waste of money and should be stopped soon.
2228	sounds fine and would be our preferred option.
2229	Both options sound good for households who bin all their food waste. We dont have much as we have compost bins in the garden. we dont usually fill our green bin every two weeks, but, if we were away on holiday we could have to wait up to 6 weeks if the green bin was collected every three weeks.
2230	You seem to think that we have unlimited space for all these bins, i'm sure people living in terraced houses will find this a problem. A greater provision of collection centres for recyclable items which cannot be put in the grey bin should be provided, used to take my drink cartons to Tesco at Bidston but this facility appears to have been withdrawn. I don't always have time to take these to the tip. A campaign for greater awareness re recycling is required.
2231	Why can every other council manage to empty green bins every two weeks and still food recycle
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2233	I wouldn't put a food waste caddy in my kitchen, it is a small kitchen and keeping food waste there does not appeal. The food waste bin would have to be in my garden so needs to be able to withstand the elements and be pest resistant Inc cats (belonging to my neighbours). Moving to three weekly collection for residual waste but leaving recycling collection every two weeks would mean every 6 weeks the two would take place in the same week. Presumably this doesn't cause a problem? I think moving to three weekly will inconvenience people and cause irritation, if a family go on holiday when their residual waste bin was due for collection they'd have to wait 6 weeks in total for a collection and probably run out of room in the bin.
2234	Very pleased to have the food waste collected, but I prefer Option 2 for bin size and collection.
2235	I would like to stay with this option and have the green emptied every three weeks.
2236	Our green bin is full after 2 weeks. Even if there is no food in our bin, I predict our waste will not fit in over three weeks. This is because there is a huge amount of non food waste that this council are not recycling. Foil, tetra cartons, yoghurt pots, butter and margarine pots, plastic takeaway trays, plastic food trays, foil food trays, plastic bags and on and on! We quite often don't need to put out our grey bin as it's only half full. Please increase the items that are recycled so we can fill our grey bin! Or change grey bin to every 3 weeks, not the green bin.
2237	I pay my taxes, so I will be keeping my green bin
2238	No way. We are not doing EU bidding or yours.
2239	By leaving the bin collection for 3 weeks if you miss the collection for any reason, it would be 6 weeks before the next collection which is definitely not acceptable!!
2240	like the Food Waste collection ones a week because at the moment the green bin smells after a week before collection, don't like the change to the green bin collection, 3 weeks is too long a period for emptying.
2241	I don't like the idea of keeping food waste indoors and know for sure that our food waste is minimal, but if I had to choose I will prefer this option. Guess we will just have to make regular visits to the tip instead. This won't reduce my waste and won't increase our recycling to be honest. We are really keen recyclers already.
2242	i would like to keep the 240 litres bin and not the smaller one

2243	<p>All our food waste goes on the garden compost heap.  Our Green Bin is almost full after two weeks.  We use the Grey bin with everything that is recyclable.  The Brown Garden Waste Bin collection is most suitable for our current needs.</p> <p>IE. The current arrangements are most suitable for our current needs.</p>
2244	disagree strongly as the green bin is full to bursting in 2 weeks
2245	<p>I think the food waste collection is a great idea, as long as it stays a weekly collection as, without other non-recyclable waste it will start to decompose faster.</p> <p>However, changing the green bin to 3-weekly would make collection ridiculously complex. Now residents know that collection is alternated fortnightly and it could get confusing if this was accepted. This change would mean some weeks would have 3 or 4 (if brown bin collection is the same day) bins out per household.</p> <p>I'm happy to continue paying for the brown bin collection as it is fair that those of us with gardens pay more than those without.</p>
2246	<p>We do not have much food waste due to having a compost bin, a dog and skills with left overs such as soup. We do have lots of packaging however and fill the bin after a few weeks. Three weeks would be a huge problem if we missed a collection due to holidays etc especially as our collection is on a Friday</p> <p>I</p>
2247	I dont mind which option but but prefer option
2248	Leave it as it is never waste food no need for another bin
2249	If people re- cycle properly a smaller bin would be enough , but to be emptied every two weeks. Better than everything sitting in a bin for three weeks .
2250	Rediculous idea.
2251	Don't need food waste to sit outside for three weeks as there is already a serious fly and maggot infestation which is out of control. A bin that needs a new lid and we will be charged for this. We also pay for our bin to be cleaned four tightly and we still have a major problem.
2252	I think three weeks is too long between emptying even without food waste.
2253	I live in a family of 4 of which 2 are younger than 4. We already struggle with the current allowance and a reduction would cause my family a lot of problems. I do not agree with the proposals.
2254	<p>It is difficult to say which would be better. I would prefer to keep the larger green bin but am concerned about the smell as I have grandchildren who are in nappies, if it wasn't collected for three weeks.</p> <p>Maybe it would be an advantage to have a trial run by delivering the food bins first and let the populous try the 3 week collection before it is set in motion. Also it would save on the cost of new bins before it was found to be advantageous, or have they already been purchased?</p> <p>This is my view.</p>
2255	Option one should be tried first, time will show if the larger green bin is needed. Doing option two first could lead to more rubbish circulating around housing areas, produced by those people who don't connect with what is being achieved. Only when it becomes obvious what green bins are not being filled would I consider Option 2
2256	<p>I have no intention of bothering to separate my rubbish any more than I already do, as I think the current system is perfectly adequate.</p> <p>My elderly mother lives in St Helens which has a food waste collection system and I regularly see food waste littering the roads in her area.</p> <p>I do not want to receive a food waste container, as I will not use it.</p>
2257	Prefer to keep the larger green bin with a 3 weekly collection
2258	we dispose of very little food waste,there is a substantial amount of packaging material deposited in the green bin which could be recycled.we feel strongly that the two weekly collection should be retained.
2259	Worst option for residents. So we've got one bin (food) every week, two bins (grey and brown) every two weeks, but different weeks, and one (green) every 3 weeks. Stupid. Now FOUR bins to fit in the drive. Nope. Why can't the brown and new food bins be merged? It's all organic biodegradable matter isn't it? How much garden waste gets put in green bins and ends up in landfill? Sort that out first.
2260	We would prefer this option ie to retain the existing green bin.

2261	This is ridiculous, we do waste food and therefore, we would be disadvantaged by this suggestion. A two week collection is bad enough but a three week one is unacceptable, what do we pay our council tax for? We already pay for a garden waste collection which is not good value and doesn't run in the winter even when the weather is mild.
2262	If ALL food waste can be recycled 3 weekly collections would be ok
2263	We don't want to have our green bin only collected every three weeks because even with a two week collection the stench from the green bin is absolutely disgusting.
2264	I'm voting to keep things the way they are.. If not improve them, coming from another Council.. I'm astounded the the wirral Council community have to PAY for their brown bins! We already pay an extortionate amount to the council, a lot of the money paid goes towards WHAT? The police, fire service.. Come on, there have been more cuts to these services, however you're still charging the same amount of council Tax.
2265	We think 3 weeks is too long to wait for the green bin to be emptied and we hardly have any food waste.If we he'd to choose it would be option 2
2266	It is certainly not true that a third by weight of our green bin is food waste and I am sure it is also not true for any pensioner household so that would mean that close to a half of the green bin of households with children must be food waste. I can't believe this statistic is correct , so I am sure a carefully selected figure has been plucked from somewhere to support your case.□ Our house produces almost no food waste, it is virtually all packaging that can't be recycled. We don't buy food we won't use and don't cook food we won't eat.□ It would be a good idea if the council asked for suggestions to increase recycling rates, someone may well come up with a very good idea that could be implemented.
2267	I used to live in Manchester and they operate a system whereby you put the food waste in with your garden waste  I think you should keep the larger bins and continue collections every fortnight  In our household we have minimum food waste
2268	To suggest to leave nappies and dog dirt in the green bin is unhygienic, do not approve this idea at all.
2269	That sounds like a good option, less bin replacement costs and less collection rounds so I presume this is the cheaper option. We seldom fill our bins and am happy to have a3 week rota. Not concerned with smells etc as smelly waste will have gone separately. Are they degradable liners? I don't want more plastic bags in the system.
2270	This is not a good idea I have a disabled child and I am a woman so we have hygiene waste which is not recyclable nor food waste this being left for 3 weeks would be disgusting and a hazard!!!!
2271	If the larger green bins are kept & households have more food waste than the new container can hold will they be able to put any overflow into the green bins without incurring a fine? How would what individual households do be monitored. I know people who have never recycled properly, how can this be improved. I am concerned about fly tipping as neighbourhoods aren't kept as clean & tidy as used to.
2272	Although you say you will supply some liners with the new bin do we then have to supply them ourselves when these run out. If this is the case it is going to cost the residents more money again to get rid of the same amount of waste. You have already stung us for the collection of green waste and we now have to pay extra for that. How much more is it going to cost us on top of everything else as these liners are not cheap to buy. Where are we supposed to keep these extra containers. How much more of your job do you want us to do.
2273	this option is preferable for my household - having children there unfortunately is a lot of food waste so we look forward to having food recycling
2274	Due to owning four dogs and disposing of their waste in the green bin. A three weekly collection would not be sufficient because of the smell for us and our neighbours.
2275	Whilst a Good idea in principle, I already have 3 large bins which are at the front of my property and to have morw bins will look unsightly in addition to having no room.
2276	I prefer this option.
2277	some of us have to take our bins to the end of a row of houses as many as 20 houses the small bins will last about one collection then they will be stolen ,kicked down the road ,stolen or lobbed through our windows by drunks or gangs of teenagers and when they disappear you will charge us for the missing bins if you need money that badly put the rates up did i vote you????? encourage more people to recycle we are already being stiffed for the brown bins.earn your expenses for a change
2278	3 week collections are just not hygienic, and I am one of the public who does sort their waste.
2279	Prefer this option as most of our non recyclable rubbish is packaging not food.



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2281	We don't like this option. We prefer option 2
2282	I think this is a retrograde step and will ruin a system that is running perfectly well and after three weeks during the summer period it will be very smelly green bin!
2283	I don't mind this option so long as I get to keep my 240 litre green bin
2284	I don't like the idea food waste attracts vermin and flies no matter how well it's done. I feel the Wirral is short of money in other areas and this is just another poor change. More fly tipping will be seen as it goes on already and not collecting every two weeks will make this a lot worse. I am not in favour of these suggestions.
2285	Option 1 would be acceptable
2286	Hi it's about time Wirral councilers look after the needs of the people of Wirral for the real things. Streets not cleaned roads not repaired don't blame the gov when you have 22 councilers we don't need shoeorning people into made jobs monthly news letters don't need it will go into the already overfilled bins that will not take which end up all over the pavement you look after yourselves in your golden palace with your noses in the trough you lot make me so angry
2287	Unacceptable, my household has very little food waste but our green bin is still full every 2 weeks. It would not last another week between collections. I can't keep bags of waste around the house for a week because the bin is full, it's unhygienic.
2288	Lets hope applies go all types of housing and not just private dwellings who seem to take responsibility for these council initiatives.
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2291	A 3-week collection cycle seems a bit too long, especially if you were on holiday and it ended up being 6 weeks between collections. If my grandchildren are staying with me a lot of nappies go in the bin, and I would prefer a 2-week cycle. As I live alone, I do not usually need a 240-litre bin.
2292	I think this is a definite no. Green bins also contain soiled nappies, dog and cat waste and food. Will the debris for this be classed in food bin? Also, in my household we have very little food recycling, so I say no. Food caddy indoors? - No thank you, imagine the smell etc if you have small kitchen. Lastly, having to pay for brown bins is a disgrace. If you have a small garden like I do and no means of going to local tips its an outrage. We pay enough in Council Tax.
2293	Completely against it - prefer current collection service
2294	Agree with this option
2295	If the green bin collection is changed there will be more waste dumped on the street, the borough is a disgrace with litter and bags of rubbish dumped around the streets, the grey bin could possibly be changed to three weeks.
2296	Food waste flushed down toilet. XS waste delivered to Politburo
2297	We have 2 dogs for our left over food so providing a food container won't change the amount of waste enough to warrant collections every three weeks. I think this is a silly idea. The food waste collection needs to be run alongside the current system to see what impact it really has on the green bin collections.
2298	Three weeks is too long especially in long summer months
2299	We waste very little food at all. Most of the waste in the green bin is material that still cannot be recycled according to your web site. Our green bin is almost full each two weekly collection so a smaller bin will be unacceptable. I used to compost and my compost heap would take two years to fill with food waste. I have no room for an indoor caddy and will not be using it. If you only collect every 3 weeks then my bin will be overflowing. My neighbour's bin overflows even on a two week collection.
2300	How heavy will the food waste container be? Can it be wheeled or will it need to be carried to the front of the house? What happens if you go away on holiday? Will it get very smelly?
2301	both options are a waste of time, you used the brown bin for food waste last time that did not last
2302	A three weekly collection is only an acceptable option if you are unable to supply a green bin of 160 litres for Option 2 ( see my reasoning in that section below) . Option 2 will not work with a green bin of less than 160 litres capacity.
2303	Would like to stay the same cannot see any point in change

2304	<p>I think the food waste collection is a very good idea to increase recycling and help protect our environment. I think though that having the caddy liners and lockable bins are essential in order to protect from pests.</p> <p>I would have a slight concern re pests in the green bin if it is only collected every 3 weeks</p>
2305	Difficult to remember when to put the green bin out.
2306	3 weeks would be six weeks if you miss a collection which can often happen. Also we would then need space for 3 big bins and the food box.
2307	3 weeks is too long to wait for green bin removal particularly in the summer.
2308	Use the money raised from the sale of the food waste to keep the larger green bins collected every two weeks. A three week collection will be a health hazard, and a small bin will be unsuitable for a family of our size... if my small bin fills up I will bag up any extra and leave it outside the town hall for you to do with as you please. Council tax is already too high! Look at reducing the ridiculous salary paid to the top council employees to fund this...
2309	<p>Disgusting. Fair enough recycling food waste and having that collected every week (for recycling/renewable energy reasons) but all bins should be collected every week. Even if means council tax going up £2 a week .....I would rather live in a clean safe environment in 2016 than go back to the dark ages.</p> <p>The Wirral has thousands of pensioners and vulnerable people who cannot understand the bins as they are now let alone another two bins and different collection dates.</p>
2310	Happy to keep the green bin and have a 3 weekly collection.
2311	This option is just fine
2312	Collecting green bin every 3weeks is too long.
2313	I think it is a disgrace. I have three children in my house and we generate more waste. We also have a hungry puppy so very little food goes to waste, she will even eat potato peelings. We need the green bin emptying more often not less often. What are you doing with all the council tax I pay you? Perhaps if less trade waste was being dumped in the household site from out of transits and flat backs then we would be recycling more. But then we don't want to spoil backhanders do we, we just want to persecute the hard pressed taxpayers to meet a green target that is being abused by trade waste.
2314	<p>I would not want a bin which contains unrecyclable food packaging for example in my garden for three weeks.</p> <p>I would therefore not be in favour of option one.</p> <p>We must be the only country in Europe at the moment whose bins are left unemptied for two weeks and I think this is unacceptable.</p> <p>There should be purpose built bin shelters where people can take their separated waste, and the food waste should be collected every day.</p>
2315	<p>Reducing the green bin collection from every 2 to every 3 weeks would mean reducing the weekly collection from 120 litres to 80 litres. The food waste bin, if collected weekly, would therefore have to be at least 40 litres so as not to provide less total collection volume. It is not stated anywhere how big the food waste bin would be.</p> <p>The longer time between collections would worsen the hygiene situation, especially in summer.</p> <p>There will be confusion about whether to put out the grey bin, the green bin or both bins (every six weeks)</p> <p>My household creates much less food waste than it does waste from recyclable items which currently are not collected. This includes mainly plastics in the form of containers and food wrapping. A far better way for WBC to achieve it's recycling goals would be to allow us to recycle more.</p>
2316	there will be many who will not adhere to the routine of separating food from household waste, therefore there will be problems with a 3 week collection for green bins. So not feasible.
2317	<p>How is this going to work when some people's green bin isn't big enough for the fortnightly collection even though there will be a food waste collection weekly? What happens to the overfilled bin as the bin men don't always empty bins they think are too heavy, not closed? What size is the waste food bin going to be and what will the costs of making these new bins and the smaller kitchens bins be, also what will the cost of making the bags to go in the kitchen bin and supplying them be. Also what will the extra cost of the waste bin wagon going round with extra men to collect the bins be?</p> <p>What happens about people living in flats how will it work for them whether they have the large industrial bin or each flat has their own?</p> <p>There was a really good idea at Bidston Tip where they had something that burned the rubbish but nothing came of it and the chimney to it was it was pulled down. What is the matter with getting something up and running that would burn much of the waste so it could be used for fuel, with a glorified catalytic converter to keep the smoke contained and burnt until there was nothing harmful in the air</p> <p>This has been trialed elsewhere and not worked how do you think it will work here?</p>
2318	dont like the idea of collecting food in the kitchen as we tried this for compost bin and found it was most unpleasant in a small kitchen in hot weather.

2319	do not agree with only two options, I think that more people will start illegally dumping black bin backs full of rotten food right across the borough
2320	<p>We have little or no cooked food waste. Raw vegetable waste is composted at home and we do not throw away food if it is simply past it's BBD. Used teabags are emptied and the contents recycled at home (NB it is important to remember that 99% of tea bags are NOT compostable as they are made of polypropylene, a fact unknown to most people).</p> <p>We would hardly ever have cooked food waste so another bin and caddy would be total waste of money, as would the purchase of further recycling wagons! Talking of which, extra wagons ( you surely will be buying more than one or two plus crews of course) carrying Wirral refuse up motorways to Wides and back on a regular basis, has got to be far more expensive not just at point of purchase but for years to come. We would seriously question whether this exercise will give the council the resulting increase in recycling it requires.</p> <p>The expense in collecting all large bins and replacing them with small bins is plain daft! Are you going to recycle all the larger bins? If so where and when? We think that whilst this idea may have some merit, these two options are not the answer. Why not look at recycling tetra packs and plastic containers with printed logos and writing on as Sainsburys does? Or recycle aluminium foil as they do in Sefton?</p>
2321	We have very little food waste, the majority of general waste makes up the bulk of green bin deposits and therefore the 240 litre bin would be too small to contain the general waste accumulated over three weeks. The grey bin is full to the brim every two weeks.
2322	<p>This is our preferred choice. Removing food waste should deal with issues such as insects breeding during hot spells.</p> <p>The food caddy system is good news.</p>
2323	I think of the two options option 1 seems to be the best, however I have 2 x240 green bins as I am disabled and require a larger amount of rubbish to be removed (Due to daily visits from district nurse) will I still get both of my green bins emptied ??
2324	Leave things as they are we have a excellent system don,t change it'
2325	<p>Don't see why it can't be collected every 2weeks as usual.</p> <p>You need to prevent garden waste being disposed of via the green bin.</p>
2326	We would like this option, thankyou
2327	<p>OK but green bin should be collected weekly. My food vegetable waste is composted little else is wasted.</p> <p>I do not want any more bins.</p> <p>These options are ridiculous as they are based on EU regs which we will not be subject to thanks to a 17 million + referendum that seems to be unnoticed by WBC.</p> <p>The whole recycling mess is based on the UK Government wishing to cash in on EU money to avoid Landfill (Look up Netherlands which had a problem) which is not a problem in this country as landfill actually preserves open spaces.</p>
2328	<p>Hello Council members.</p> <p>Since you have asked, I thought that I would give you my opinion about waste collection.</p> <p>1) I agree with the idea of collecting food waste separately</p> <p>2) Collecting the 240 litre green bins every three weeks is also good. It has the possible extra benefit of reducing your fuel consumption by not having to make so many journeys.</p> <p>3) Households should be discouraged from putting ANY bin out for collection unless it is actually full. There seems to be a selfish mentality of " I am paying for it to be emptied so I am going to put it out and get my money's worth".</p> <p>I frequently do not put out for collection for up to three due dates at a time. Unless it is full, I do not put it out. I have the view that it makes life easier for the men collecting the rubbish, who have a difficult and unpleasant job of saving us all from being inundated with our own rubbish.</p> <p>I often see cardboard boxes placed in people's grey bins, without being flattened and compressed first. I would like to find a way of punishing these lazy, selfish people. Perhaps by charging them extra Council Tax.</p> <p>The brown bin subscription service is a fairer way because, why should the people who do not have a garden, and therefore do not require a brown bin, subsidise those who do.</p>
2329	3 weekly collection may cause problems with smells and overflowing bins but would be cheaper than providing everyone with new bins
2330	Would prefer not to have 3 weekly bin collection service

2331	The bin collection as it stands is not enough never mind changing it to 3 weekly with the same size bin! We struggle as it is with all the packaging that cannot be recycled despite them having the symbol! This would be the better of the two awful choices we have proposed and are not what we want or need. Yes, we welcome a food waste bin but you should be looking at sorting out better recycling so less packaging goes in the green bin instead of worrying about the little food waste we have!
2332	No objection to food waste collection. But unhappy about yet another container for outside houses. The street scene already is blighted by proliferation of bins outside properties. No matter the size of this container it is another container. I feel three weekly collections of green bins is a backward move.  Do not like Option 1.
2333	doing the maths this is a slightly better option - but in my view not acceptable, we have enough issues with maggots and smells in summer without increasing the time between bin collections.
2334	I do not want this option .
2335	I have no need for a food waste container.All uncooked food waste is composted.All cooked food is eaten any excess food can be reused for another meal or fed to the dog. Where are people expected to store these containers we are overloaded with bins as it is. As I have mentioned I have no need for the food containers so I do not have to keep them on my property the responsibility for them will be with the local authority.
2336	I do not agree with the food collection at all. Wirral should be doing more to recycle plastics not just those that take the form of a bottle. Recycling plastics would be far more beneficial to the environment, would reduce significantly the amount of waste in landfill and would also help meet the target you have been set. Why is this not under consideration? Buying yet more bins is a complete waste of tax payers money and the energy used to produce more sets of bins and dispose of the first set can hardly be considered good for the environment. A little bit of joined-up thinking would be good please!
2337	Good idea all in favour
2338	We normally compost our food waste - potato peelings, brassica leaves etc. There are occasionally a few bones. We buy no more than we need so a weekly collection of food waste would be of no use to us. If people were encouraged to do likewise there would be very little waste. Whilst we normally have only a small amount of general rubbish there is the odd occasion when there may be more than normal so I would like to retain the large green bin. I'm not sure about every 3 weeks though
2339	The only food waste I put in my green bin are meat bones rarely and fish skins 1xweek. The rest is composted. A food waste bin would be a waste of time for me and I would like to keep my green bin on a fortnightly collection.
2340	Not really happy with large bin being collected every 3 weeks
2341	I think the council are an absolute disgrace.
2342	Have large household so would opt to keep 240l green bin & reluctantly accept 3 weekly collection. Suffer badly with maggots in heat on a 2 weekly collection, so a weekly food collection a plus. Can't make 'roadshows' so would welcome viewing ' kitchen food caddy plus outdoor caddy' on website.
2343	rubbish
2344	Neither option is sensible. Its disingenuous to say increasing recycling when using unnecessary money to either buy more bins if use smaller green bins or if keep existing ones buy new food bins. The extra bin lorries for food waste are driving to Wigan so increasing our carbon footprint regardless of cutting the green bin collection. there are plenty of ways to increase recycling and sustainability without imposing this ridiculous system in a council that is woefully failing in providing existing services and unable to manage taxpayers money properly. Cutting vital services instead of managing spending properly. We should expect a minimal bin collection fortnightly and have fee brown bis. The current system has already seen an increase in fly-tipping.
2345	Preferable to Option 2.
2346	I am very unhappy that my green bin will only be collected 3 weekly. I do not have a lot of food waste at all. This is most disappointing Wirral council.
2347	This isn't a good option a 3 weekly bin collection service is too long to wait.  I do not throw a lot of food out and i do not like the idea of putting food waste outside to many pest.
2348	Ridiculous to collect a bin every 3 weeks We should all stop paying council tax to keep bloated councilors in the splendour that the keep themselves in.

2349	every 3 weeks is insufficient
2350	<p>Food waste is not the issue in our household. If food waste is separated out, it will not significantly alter the volume of waste in our 240l green bin. We would not be able to cope with a 3 weekly collection without an additional bin [there are 2 adults and 4 children in our household]. What would make the difference would be a proper plastics recycling scheme i.e. ready meal containers, margarine tubs, yogurt pots, tomato containers etc, although that would be at the expense of our grey bin, which, during the 2 week period between collections I currently have to stamp down as many as 3 times in order to fit everything in. Therefore, we would need an additional grey bin to cope with the plastics!</p> <p>It has always struck me as strange that other councils recycle a much greater range of plastics than Merseyside - Telford and Wrekin for one. These days plastics are used for packaging everywhere - not only hard plastics, but films. Surely this needs to be addressed as the first priority. The world is drowning in plastics and plastic particles. A long term strategy MUST START with full plastics recycling. If this were done, then there would be hardly any waste left that was non-recyclable i.e. food which could be recycled in a small bin - and then, what else? Dust from vacuum cleaners, hair from hairbrushes - I'm struggling to think what else. So we go from the current arrangement of one green and one grey bin to two grey bins and one small green bin for [maybe] food waste and all the other non-identifiable bits and pieces and, more importantly, you have reduced your landfill bill by probably over 50%. I don't know what full plastics recycling would cost, but it is surely better to go to the expense of that than to continue to send it to landfill where it will do untold harm and take up a huge volume.</p> <p>In my opinion, your proposal is short-sighted and short-term and heading off in the wrong direction.</p>
2351	<p>Do not want food bin as no waste food is put in the bin.</p> <p>Currently, if the green or brown bins are only half full at collection time they are not put out so that the bin men do not have to stop for them, people should be encouraged to do this (therefore sometimes when bins are collected they have 4 weeks worth of stuff in ,so usually 3 weeks would not be a problem, but it would be difficult to remember the day of a 3 weekly collection)</p> <p>It is difficult to avoid food container waste as supermarkets use this more and more, so it is found that quite a volume of rubbish is taken up with this un recyclable stuff. Action should be taken see that the supermarkets do not use such wasteful packaging.</p>
2352	<p>I have done a trial and separated my food waste from green bin usual waste. As I live alone my food waste is very low. I would be happy to go with option 1</p> <p>I would rather keep the 240 litre bin and have it emptied 3 weekly</p>
2353	<p>Excellent idea separationg food waste . This option may benefit larger households. Assume we'll have an individual option to size green bin.</p>
2354	For me collecting food is not an option we recycle all food waste on to our compost heap.
2355	Good idea as long as the food waste container is air tight
2356	<p>I think food recycling is a good idea - I'm happy with the arrangements for this</p> <p>I'm happy for my current green bin to be collected every 3 weeks. (I'm very much against all the bins being replaced before each one has worn out - it would be a dreadful waste of energy and resources already used to create them)</p> <p>Is there useful advice that could be given about how to deal with, for example dirty nappies/ incontinence pads which might be in a green bin for 3 weeks, to reduce people's anxiety about small etc?</p>
2357	Keep the large green bin.
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2359	<p>I do not know where you have got the figure that a third of waste that goes into the green bin is food. That is a made up figure. We as a household very rarely waste food. If we have any leftover vegetables or fruit this goes into our garden compost bin. We very rarely put food into the green bin.</p> <p>What does go into the green bin are containers that will smell, dog waste, etc and I am not prepared to only have our green bin emptied once every 3 weeks because of some mythical figure the council has made up on food waste to suit their idiotic ideas. If you want to recycle more waste - recycle tetra packs, margarine tubs, etc. Stop wasting council tax payers money on silly ideas that just wind up the people of Wirral.</p> <p>We do not want this stupid idea.</p>
2360	<p>A three weekly collection of the green bin would not suit me ... I can foresee that it could be overflowing and where then do we put the rest? For those who have no access to 'the local tip' due to being non drivers, that leaves no option for excess waste material. It is my opinion that those less sensitive to environmental issues would find a way of fly tipping if they had this experience of too much waste and nowhere to put it. At certain times of year, especially Autumn when everything needs cut back, the green bin has to deal with excess of garden waste, adding to the problem of having too much and too infrequent collection.</p>
2361	<p>Not to keen on a 3 weekly pick up to green bin</p>
2362	<p>Both options will make no difference to the way we dispose of waste as we rarely place food into our green bin and so there will be no change in the percentage of waste we recycle which is probably already in the region of 90% by weight. We will not use the new blue bin.</p>
2363	<p>Any move away from the fortnightly bin collection rota will be a mistake It will cause confusion if nothing else. And is in fact merely a reduction in the level of services provided by the Council. If we need an increase in Council Tax to maintain services then come out and say so. There's nothing wrong with the proposals for waste food which is a good idea if organised with health and hygiene in mind.</p>
2364	<p>Not keen as there is still stuff that is likely to smell in the general waste (for example empty plastic food containers still contain traces of the food) and will be worse after 3 weeks.</p> <p>If we put out food bin (every week), recycle bin (every 2 weeks), and general (every 3 weeks) - that means that every 6 weeks we are going to put out all 3 on the same day - I live at the end of a close and the kerb round here is crowded enough on bin days - stick them all out together and you may as well just build a wall of bins across the road. And definitely more confusing for people about which goes out when</p>
2365	<p>I would like to keep it as it it now. If I have to choose it woul be option 1</p>
2366	<p>Rediculous idea to have food waste collected separately just leave things the way they are!!!!!!!!!!!!</p>
2367	<p>We throw very little food out so do not understand how this can be warranted. The bins are fine the way they are - if anything you should concentrate on allowing more items into the grey recycling bin.</p> <p>Also there are quite a few foxes in the area so the smell would attract more vermin.</p>
2368	<p>This is my preferred option from the options provided. However, I have some concerns over the 'bags' provided for the food waste- are the bags biodegradable? Could we not just put the food directly into the containers provided and rinse each week?</p> <p>Will we be given dates for collection of green bin as collection every three weeks will mean collections coinciding with grey bin collections on occasion and it could get really confusing...in fact in some ways a 4 weekly collection would be easier to remember. However, if you forgot to put out the green bin or you were away on holiday, it could get very messy, whether a collection took place every 3 or 4 weeks - 6 to 8 weeks is too long to not have bins emptied, even if there is only rubbish not taken by food or recycling collections....</p>
2369	<p>TO EMPTY THE GREEN BIN EVERY 3 WEEKS IS TOTALLY TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE AND NOT AN OPTION THAT SHOULD EVEN BE CONSIDERED. THE SMELL THAT WILL BE CREATED FROM BINS LEFT UNEMPTIED FOR THAT LONG WILL BE DISGUSTING, THERE WILL BE FLIES, MAGGOTS, - NO, THAT SHOULD NOT BE AN OPTION.</p>
2370	<p>O.k but not brilliant. Some families will need several caddies.</p>
2371	<p>It is a stupid waste of our council tax and it was very disconcerting that residents were not consulted and will remember when we vote for the council</p>
2372	<p>I don't think that the amount of food waste we produce will warrant a weekly collection. There will still be a lot of waste to put in the green bin &amp; a 3 week collection may cause problems. A lot of packaging is put in the green bin if it is not clean.</p>
2373	<p>Please see my comments on Optio2.</p>
2374	<p>Good idea. Saves on the expense of new bins straight away and fewer collections per year, also a saving.</p>
2375	<p>As my house is on a corner it is sometimes not collected as its missed. If this is the case then my bin would never be collected for almost 2 months. I know certain areas on the wirral where food waste was being collected separately but this never took of for the rest of the borough. Although in my household we recycle almost everything certain households do not. Do you not think that this may encourage more vermin, flies and more bins to be stored on the paths/gardens.</p>

2376	This sounds like a reasonable option although I'm a little concerned that it will be difficult to remember which week is collection week and that, if we miss it, then it will be 6 weeks before the rubbish is collected.
2377	keep existing bin We make our own compost so all our peelings fruit and veggies coffee grounds etc go in our compost bin. However we would still use food wastage bin Good idea .
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2379	Out of the two options, I believe this to be the better option. Residents should be encouraged to dispose of less waste and a less frequent collection of the waste bin should help accomplish this.
2380	Neither option is a good one. Why so few choices. What about people with medical conditons that have to put waste in green bin and mothers with babies - dirty nappies. How degrading.
2381	this is no option for the people of the wirral.this is totally not an option.i would not use this service.i will not use any caddie in my kitchen,or any lockable food wast container outside.
2382	I think this is the best option, why pay to change all the bins currently in use, surely that money could be better spent on other things.
2383	Three weeks is quite a long time to have bin collected. If the householder is on holiday it could easily be six weeks.
2384	Ridiculous - A small caddy will be filled in a day for people who don't live out of a freezer and cook fresh food & veg. I fill a carrier bag a day with my veg waste. People will continue to use their green bins and 3 weeks is far too long to have to wait! 2 weeks is too long and there are only 3 people living in my house. I have to take some of my waste to the tip already. This will lead onto rats and god knows what else.
2385	If this goes ahead, we don't see the need for a large green bin. As someone who composts a lot of waste, the smaller bin would be preferred. Fortnightly emptyiing is preferable to avoid bins becoming smelly.
2386	Unhygienic
2387	most times after two weeks being in a communal collection all the bins are full and we could with extra bins
2388	I currently have a small green & grey bin will they be upgraded to account for the longer periods between collections. I have very little food waste at present
2389	I don't particularly want a separate food bin as there is very little waste food in this house as peelings etc go on the compost heap. I am concerned that if food bin is missed collection for what ever reason it will encourage maggots and flies to increase even.more.
2390	1. I am not in favour of either option. The 'free' brown bin collection should be reinstated before any consideration is given to expending the huge amount of money on the 'food waste' collection proposals. 2. Rather than concentrating on food waste, consideration should be given to providing a bin to take all plastic products. Plastic products make up by far the largest volume of waste in my household.
2391	I am struggling with fortnightly collections as my mother who lives with me is incontinent, pads/pants half fill my bin every 2 weeks and the rest of our rubbish completely fills it! I can hardly move it with the weight of these as it is! I already recycle all paper, tins bottles & clean cardboard containers & everything that can be recycled. I will not be ale to manage with 3 weekly collections!
2392	I have no objection to a small caddy for food waste and assume the locks are opened by the refuse collectors. The concern is reducing the green bin to a three weekly collection. I have tiny grandchildren in nappies and although they do not stay at my house more than once a week, I would worry about flies and smells over this time span. Perhaps substituting the grey bin to a three weekly collection instead of the green bin, might solve this issue. Do people really fill the grey bin over two weeks? I certainly don't and I recycle plastics, glass, paper and cardboard.
2393	I agree with the idea of food recycling but I do feel a three weekly collection for green bins will pose problems for families who have young children. The issue of soiled nappies being around for three weeks needs to be considered very carefully as it would impact on all residents ie. smells, flies and rats etc.

2394	As long as u fascist hounds don't unleash the dogs of war every time I put a banana skin in the wrong tricycle cyclical system I will comply or face the hungry games after u lousy totalitarian lot have fined be all my banana money Lol col! Aug wiedersehen and zeig heil du est nein mein feuhrer! Lol col! :) Meanwhile as slightly loonie bachelor given the choice between Auschwitz with personal miniature bun and keeping our current usable bin I vote this option coz your Auschwitz Hitler youth bin will just get kicked around the road by the teenage fascists while their tattooed lookalike coppers hide at pub closing time!
2395	This is my preferred option because it means fewer waste collections, green bin, throughout the year. Therefore less cash for the Wirral resident to pay out to the council.
2396	I would rather have this option.  Currently I don't need to take the green, grey or brown bins out every collection day. I don't wish to have to start taking the green bin out more often because it is smaller.  If residents only take their bins out when necessary, the bin men would have fewer bins to empty on each trip (in theory!).
2397	Like this option, agree that if food waste is separate , green bins will not fill up as quickly and so every 3 week collection will be ok.
2398	I prefer this idea
2399	The only thing with this is the smell after 3 weeks!!! it is bad enough after 2 weeks!!!
2400	we are happy with no change
2401	Not a good idea food caddy will have to be unlocked for collection easy access for rats mice dogs cats and three weekly collection not very hygenic leave as it is
2402	I am a keen recycler and this sounds great. However, this raises more questions than it asks. I presume we pay for this pleasure? What cost for the caddy and lockable bin? Will we have to keep buying the liners too? 'Small indoor caddy to collect waste food' - so if i keep this at floor level, the dog will be in it. If I keep it at kitchen counter level, I dont feel this is very hygenic - liner or not. The lockable outside caddy for collection - who unlocks this? Because if householder does the night before collection, could be encouraging foxes and other vermin?  All in all though, a decent idea.
2403	I have very little food waste any I have goes in a wormery composter so do not want or need any more bins. My green bin is always full after 2 weeks and would not take 3 weeks rubbish. When the brown bin was introduced by the council we were told the contents would be composted and sold to to offset costs,what happened to that.
2404	I would go for option 1 as I would want to keep my 240 litre bin as I have just paid £47 for a new one as when I moved there wasn't one there in working order.  I would like to think if the majority go with option 2 for 140 litre size I would get a refund on my 240 litre green bin.
2405	We rarely have any food waste as we have two dogs. We have used this system before when we lived in Derbyshire but they took a lot more in the re-cycling bin (which we didn't have to pay for!). We had a small indoor caddy for food waste - this we wrapped in newspaper (being bio-degradable) and placed in our recycling bin. Our main concern is we already have three bins which are clearly working properly. We are lucky in that we can store our bins out of sight of the road but they look so ugly when they are all visible. I have heard that your recycling system cannot take certain things. Animal waste is, quite rightly, also a big issue on the Wirral. We have two housecats who use a litter tray and two dogs who we clean up after - can you advise on the correct was to dispose of this waste.
2406	Surely these targets for recycling are EU based and therefore no longer apply as we are leaving the EU. I think a far better idea would be to reinstate the free brown bin collection thus ensuring the garden waste that now goes to landfill in the green bin is recycled instead. I would also suggest getting rid of the co-mingling of recyclables in the grey bin and instead offering recycle boxes for households to separate their own glass / paper / plastic. It is criminal that Wirral Council currently do not offer a facility to recycle tetra-pak cartons and other food plastic packaging that ends up in landfill but is easily recycled. Surely this alone would allow it to hit its 50% target. All that said, I do believe a food waste collection is a positive step and would prefer to keep the original green bin.
2407	I would be quite happy with this



2408	this is our best option our green bin is normally full so smaller won't do, we waste hardly any food, peelings teabags skins etc go to our own compost which we use , the food recycling bin will never be used except for the occasional chicken bone
2409	This will not be my option.
2410	I would like to keep the existing 240 ltr green bin but have it emptied every 2 weeks. I cant see the point in giving smaller bins to be emptied every 2 weeks.
2411	Leave things as they are
2412	I do not agree with option 1 due to the costs that will be involved that we as residents will ultimately have to pay for
2413	I really don't want my rubbish sitting around for THREE weeks - that would be disgusting.
2414	No. I do not accept option 1 or 2. Revert to the Green, Brown and Grey bin collections to be included in my council tax payment as originally was the case. If the brown bins are reverted to their original inclusive status then people would use them and this will clearly reduce the quantity of waste for disposal from the Green bins.
2415	I strongly disagree with option one. As the government now recommends that all councils should offer a weekly bin collection the idea of moving from two weekly to three weekly should not be an option.  We have very low levels of waste food disposal, certainly less than 10% of the green bin capacity! The suggestion for food recycling bins appear to be ill thought out. Much of the waste in our green bin is non-recyclable plastic based packaging that comes as wrapping from goods or food products. Too many of our food products are over-packaged. I am sure that over fifty per cent of our green bin is filled with such items  We manage to fill at least 75% of our grey bin each fortnight despite many so many plastic items not being recyclable.
2416	Food Waste: Collecting separate Food Waste seems it could be a messy smelly operation. We will need a plentiful, readily available, supply of liners, whether free or available for purchase on a not-for-profit basis. Please provide the physical dimensions (L x W x H) of the two containers  Green Bin: Initially it would be better to keep the existing 240 litre Green Bin, collected every three weeks. Then review and seek opinions after one or two years. The smaller green bin might be insufficient, or might turn out to be much larger than needed. If all the messy smelly stuff goes into the Food Waste collection it would not matter if the Green Bin were collected only three-weekly.  Grey Bin: increase the type of materials that can be put in the Grey Bin so as to increase the % recycled as much as possible. Improve the Bidston operation so that more types can be recycled and handled at Bidston.  Packaging: Please be aware that as the pressure to reduce the amount of packaging material takes hold, the quantity of material to be recycled will reduce, and this will reduce the % recycled. In the future it will be more appropriate to look at the total weight recycled or going to landfill, not percentages.  Brown Bin / Garden Waste: Continue as before, but please do not increase the charge above £35
2417	I do not agree with moving the collection of the Green bin to every 3 weeks - this can prompt people to start fly tipping/using other peoples bins because theirs become too full.  From my own experience my Green bin does not get full with mainly food waste but other items that are not suitable for the Grey bin.
2418	Have experienced food collection systems similar to this proposal in operation in other local authorities in the Midlands and Yorkshire so can see benefits. Retaining the existing green bins will provide more flexibility in capacity when needed.
2419	Prefer option 2.
2420	i have no preference. Either option is acceptable.
2421	I only have a small green bin which copes with two weekly collections.

2422	<p>Keep the fortnightly collection of the green bin. This will save having to destroy all the old bins.</p> <p>If you introduce new green bins they must be of the sturdier plastic not like the new thin green plastic bins which blow over in the wind.</p> <p>Reintroduce the free brown bins as this will increase the recycling of garden/waste to compost. The argument was that some people in flats and smaller houses were subsidizing the people with larger gardens. This was mostly untrue as people with larger gardens tended to have larger houses and therefore were paying much more in council tax for little extra benefit.</p>
2423	There is a real problem with maggot infestation with the 2 week collection. There will still be food soiled items going into the green bin. I do not want additional boxes for food around. I will cancel brown bin collection and dump overspill material with garden clippings when I go to the tip.
2424	<p>I feel dreadfully sorry for the families with children who might have their bins collected every three weeks.</p> <p>We are retired and do not have that much rubbish.</p> <p>We also have a wormary and never put any food, peelings etc in bins for collection.</p>
2425	Preference for option 1
2426	I think it is a brilliant idea it should have happened years ago !!
2427	Option 1 not viable how do the elderly carry bins outside unless there are wheels. 3 weekly collection no way, too long to leave rubbish
2428	I am happy to retain the 240 ltr bin and have three-weekly collections.
2429	<p>One more bin! We've already got three. While one third of rubbish by weight might be food waste, what about by volume? Most of the bins on my street are already full at 2 weeks.</p> <p>How secure will this food waste container be? I live across the road from a farm and don't need any more reasons to invite little visitors.</p>
2430	I think a 3 weekly collection would cause problems, especially if you were away the week the bin was due to be collected.
2431	Do not agree with 3 weekly collection
2432	OK
2433	<p>Being an OAP I have very little food waste - certainly not enough to make a difference to the contents of the green bin. I could manage with a smaller bin but families could not.</p> <p>An awful lot of garden waste goes in green bins because people won't pay the charge for a brown bin - would this now be fly tipped if it wouldn't fit in a smaller green bin?</p>
2434	<p>What are the details behind not currently achieving the re-cycling target? Is the failure across Wirral or related to certain areas within Wirral not achieving the target? If there are areas not achieving the target then actions should be put in place to bring the failing areas within the target. I am concerned with collecting food waste in a small receptacle to be maintained is not hygenic. I am sure this has been tried previously and failed.</p> <p>Efforts should be put in place to educate and ensure the current requirements are followed and not carry out what appears to be more of cost cutting exercise.</p> <p>I assume council tax will reduce if the service is reduced? We are already paying separately for the brown bin collection.</p>
2435	I don't want a food caddy sitting in my kitchen attracting flies and smelling. I am paying more each year for council tax yet get less in the way of services. I want my bins to stay the same size and for collections to continue as they are at present. Ideally I would like to see weekly collections reinstated.
2436	<p>First . How was the target of 50% obtained , a guess ?</p> <p>The putting of a bin of any sort in my kitchen would be extremely difficult as the kitchen is only 6 foot wide without cabinets , with cabinets its 4' wide . Presently the refuse bin in the Kitchen can smell depending on the type of scrap food inserted .</p> <p>The present Green bin is fine for two weeks, in the summer we have had maggots even with everything packed in bin liners and the bin being cleaned after emptying .</p> <p>Not sure if these comments are a waste of time as decisions have already been made . I hope the Decision is right as there will be no way to return without a great expense . Being an Industrial Engineer I hope you had employees who have experience in these changes and not just unqualified counsellors</p>
2437	A 3 weekly collection is out of the question for young families, as the space saved by food collection will not make up for the 33 percent loss in bin capacity

2438	<p>I don't like the idea of green bins only being emptied every 3 weeks, as items like fish wrappings would get smelly and attract vermin.</p> <p>By careful shopping, date control and disliking waste, our food waste is negligible, so the food bin &amp; caddy will be superfluous for us. Veg peelings, tea &amp; coffee grounds etc all go in our composter anyway.</p>
2439	<p>Def think people have so much wasted food because things are sold 3 for 2 and so on . People buy the larger amount because it is cheaper but unless you eat everything within a few days it all goes off So it ends up in the bin</p> <p>Why can't we go back to cheaper prices for one item It would also solve the obesity problem .</p>
2440	<p>I dont think 3 weeks is often enough, nappies already smell in our bin after 2 weeks.</p>
2441	<p>I believe things should remain as they are now. If you use option 1 then at least the council will save lots of money not having to replace the green bins with new smaller ones.</p>
2442	<p>We already recycle a lot of our food waste through a composter bin. The only food waste we do not put into the composter is fish and fish products, banana skins and fruit stones.</p> <p>As we eat fresh fish several times a week, the collection of our green bin every three weeks would be inconvenient, as the fish causes the bin to have an very unpleasant smell, particularly in the summer!</p>
2443	<p>Option 1 and keep larger green bin. Already subscribe to garden waste scheme.</p>
2444	<p>Space in my kitchen and outside is very confined for yet another bin, however small, is just another headache. I wonder where this will all end in years to come with maybe more bins ! A lot of people in Wirral do not live in big houses with large kitchens and gardens to accommodate all these ideas/plans.</p>
2445	<p>Refuse option 1</p>
2446	<p>I do not have the room for an indoor caddy, it would have to sit on the kitchen worktop taking up valuable space. I also do not want a container outside to add to the existing line of three bins.</p> <p>Our food waste is minimal and the green bin is always full so we would still have a need for the green bin to be collected every two weeks.</p>
2447	<p>More education on food waste is required not food recycle bins. This will only lead to an increase in vermin in areas where people leave there waste in the liners outside the house. If you have to, by all means go to a 3 weekly green bin collection, or reduce the size of the green bin, but the idea of food waste bins is a really bad idea</p>
2448	<p>If we are to have the inconvenience of a caddy taking up space in a small kitchen whichever option is chosen, then better to have smaller green bin collected 2 weekly, it would be confusing trying to remember which week to put green bin out if 3weekly.</p> <p>It would be helpful if this site had indicated the size of the food collection bin. A chicken carcass, cauli leaves and vegetable waste, together with all other waste food could become quite bulky, what happens if this bin is too full?</p>
2449	<p>Better option as we do not recycle much food in the refuse system at all</p>
2450	<p>Food waste is minimal - we cannot afford to waste it.</p> <p>We need to keep the existing green bin for our household, but 3 weeks is far too long.</p>
2451	<p>I agree with the recycling policy. Just worried about the additional plastic bags for foods if we are recycling to save the planet and reduce waste should this be done using plastic. We have an extra bin for medical waste from an elderly relative leaving the weeks for 3 weeks will not be pleasant and iencourage flies and vermin?? also the impact of another bin on the front of the property we already have four large bins</p>
2452	<p>See comments on Option 2</p>
2453	<p>The green bin fills quite quickly with non- food waste such as margarine tubs, tetra- paks, fruit and vegetable packing etc. This could become insanitary during warm weather if the collections were less frequent.</p>
2454	<p>Prefer option 1. Option 2 would require additional expenditure to buy smaller green bins. I'm sure the council could find better ways to spend the money. for example the paving and frontage of West Kirby Concourse.</p>
2455	<p>We have virtually no food waste, any food waste tends to be items we put in the compost bin which was another scheme the council asked us to take up and pay for.</p> <p>Then we had to pay for the brown bin and now we have to reduce the usage of the green waste bin which for families is an awful decision.</p> <p>So when the reality of the cost of the new scheme kicks in we will no doubt be asked to pay for this as well. Well done Wirral Council.</p>
2456	<p>I prefer to keep the 240 litre bin for general household waste -</p>

2457	<p>I already pay for the garden brown bin. this will not work across the wirral, with differing housing. this food bin will cause more bacteria in most homes. therefore causing more illnesses. I want the green bin to be collected every two weeks, which seems the lesser of the evils of bin collections. this whole idea will cost more in the long run, financially and for health reasons. the people of wirral pay enough taxes for less services.</p> <p>I am sure all residents are agains this idea.</p>
2458	<p>What are the capital (and other ongoing collection) costs for this and option 2 and how would that impact on other (non collection) services.</p> <p>I consider that the option that would cost least in terms of capital cost and ongoing running costs must be the one that is adopted.</p>
2459	<p>This idea doesn't sound too bad to me, as our household could cope with a 3 weekly emptying. However, we hardly have any food waste. This is because I'm extremely careful about what I buy, plus we have a compost heap in our garden which any fruit or veg peelings to into.</p>
2460	<p>Not applicable to me as I already have the small green bin.</p>
2461	<p>Option 1 is a good idea.</p>
2462	<p>Not sure about only having the green bin emptied every 3 weeks</p>
2463	<p>Three weeks is too long especially in the summer</p>
2464	<p>I am disabled how do I get</p>
2465	<p>This is not an option for this household as we are already full and overfull every two weeks and this is not due to food waste which is so minimal that it is a worthless and expensive exercise to separate it . Could advise a small container in the top of the bin or attached to it should you wish to take food waste out of the green bin. On no basis should we have to endure three weeks of household waste on every property.</p>
2466	<p>I think the 3 week green bin collection is problematic. If the collection is missed that's a 6 week wait for the next collection.I think that is too much.To compensate you aim to keep the larger green bin, which is also a cheaper option "- no replacement green bins. but this is not, in my opinion the best, tidiest and most efficient option.</p>
2467	<p>This option is not suitable - 3 week collections are unacceptable nor do I wish to have yet another bin.</p> <p>You may wish to revisit your declared recycling figures, Bidston Moss waster reception centre boasts of 66% recycling!</p>
2468	<p>My main concirn, being disabled, I am on the assist list for bin collection, and they don't collect the bin for me. This mean yet one more thing I have to deal with. Which ever way you look at it, disbite all you're good intentions, fly tipping will increase. Not everyone is a good citizen, trying to keep the area clean. Yes, something has to be done about waste. But, please try to remember the 'little people' caught in your plans. The large bin's will need to be kept, to cut down on tipping.</p>
2469	<p>I would prefer this option</p>
2470	<p>No good leave it alone</p>
2471	<p>I think 3 weeks is too long a gap especially if a household is on holiday during their collection week, it could be 6 weeks before being collected.</p> <p>fortnightly collections would be better</p> <p>As you will be providing a lockable bin for food waste could this be extended to lockable bins for the recycling waste too</p>
2472	<p>How many caddy liners will we get? will we have to pay for these when your supply runs out? What if a household produces more food waste than will fit in the box? will the box be easy to manoeuvre?</p> <p>I think this option will be harder to accommodate those households which have nappies or medical waste meaning they need more frequent collections</p>
2473	<p>With a weekly collection of food waste, a 240 litre green bin is no longer required as it will rarely be filled. However the nature of waste that we put in the green bin means that if it is only emptied every 3 weeks then it could become a health hazard, particularly in the Summer.</p> <p>I DO NOT AGREE WITH OPTION 1.</p>
2474	<p>Bins need to be emptied at least once a fortnight this would be horrendous and it will encourage fly tipping we struggle now with a fortnightly bin collection it would be a disaster</p>
2475	<p>I think that the current system needs to operate properly before any new system is started.</p>
2476	<p>I am very much in favour of recycling &amp; I do recycle. My only concern is once it is implemented the council will move the goal posts &amp; collect less frequently.</p>

2477	don't see how this is going to work. The food is collected weekly apparently with the grey/green bin. If the grey bin is collected fortnightly and the green every three weeks, surely that means that there will be a week when no bin is collected. It's defeats the object therefore if only food waste is collected - total waste of resources. Also collecting food waste was tried many years ago in certain areas of Wirral and we were given a small receptacle to collect food. After a few months it was disbanded as unworkable - what makes Wirral think it will work this time? Having the green bin collected every 3 weeks is a diabolical idea - the smell/maggots/flies are bad enough after 2 weeks.
2478	We have some dogs so have no food waste and even so our green bin is full after 2,weeks we need another rubbish container from the council like we need a hole in the head
2479	A 3 week period between the emptying of the green bin is too long, we use to have our rubbish taken every week, now you are proposing every 3 weeks!  Food packaging which will be one of the main deposits in the green bin has a smell and too leave it for 3 weeks is too long.
2480	I would prefer option one, although is only 2 adults living here we have grandchildren visiting regularly and still manage to fill the bin. I am all for recycling food, although we do not have a lot of food waste, my sister has lived in Somerset and now Dorset and both Counties have recycling food bins.
2481	I do NOT support this. We have no room for additional bins. We currently get maggots in the bin with 2 week collections so 3 weeks is even worse.  I will not vote for any councillor that supports this option.
2482	Good idea food waste collected weekly separate to rubbish. Still want 240 L green bin but still every 2 weeks. Collecting batteries every 2 weeks like wales would be good. Feel garden waste collection should be free. There should be a bulky waste collection free one day a month to collect large items cookers fridges sofas beds. This would reduce fly tipping and increase recycling. We used to have ERIC but discontinued and was brilliant.
2483	We are in favour of option 1 as far as it goes but we think there should be more items able to be put in the grey bin.Also we think many of the green bins still have considerable life left in them and should continue to be used for some years yet. A 3 week collection should be adequate for these but perhaps it could be given a trial run.
2484	This is my preferred option as it is important to recycle as much as possible, including food waste. I think it will be better to keep the existing green bins (and not have to cover the expense of providing all households with the new smaller green bins).
2485	Preference would be for option 1. If all food waste is being recycled there will be no issues for us with the green bin being emptied every 3 weeks.
2486	Our family (2 adults and 2 children) are committed to recycling and ensure everything that can be recycled is placed in the grey recycle bin.  Our green bin is virtually full for every fortnightly collection, the small of amount of waste food that would go into the food caddy would not create enough space in the 240 ltr bin to cater for a collection on a three weekly basis.  Would the council accept bin bags left in the road for every green bin week?
2487	Good idea food waste collected weekly separate to rubbish. Still want 240 L green bin but still every 2 weeks. Collecting batteries every 2 weeks like wales would be good. Feel garden waste collection should be free.
2488	Emptying the green bins every 3 weeks will lead to families having overloaded bins, perhaps even overflowing. This could then lead to increased fly tipping. Also, why aren't the bin men required to put bins back in a tidy manner, we are asked to put ours out in a neat way.
2489	We prefer option 1 as the existing green bin hardly ever gets full even if we miss a collection, and also there is no need to replace any bins with the added cost that would entail.It is just a pity we cant recycle more as some councils do ,margarine tubs for example
2490	Option two seems far better two for a household of two and wld be fine for us.s
2491	Three weekly collections for a family of five with nappy waste isn't enough. I lived in Cheshire west under similar scheme and area was inundated with pests
2492	Good idea to do food recycling providing that your outlet is sustainable and you have a back up plan in case it isn't. Its my experience that recycling processors can change their methods, standards, protocols etcat any time and this could negatively affect the service you provide.  Three weekly collections wouldn't work for us as a household as we have a young baby which seems to generate more waste which needs to be disposed of more regularly.
2493	I believe this is the best option for recycling. Using existing resources reduces spending and waste.

2494	What about the unhygienic non-food items that would stay in green bins for three weeks e.g. disposable nappies, takeaway food packaging etc?
2495	This option is not suitable for any body with children or looking after children as the bin fills quickly and would be overflowing before the third week arrived. In hot weather, the bins would be smelling badly and have insect infestation, which would cause a health hazard to the household. Mean while I do agree that separating the food waste could be done, while still keeping up the fortnightly collection of the green bin. So the green bin idea is unsuitable.
2496	No. Mainly because of space requirements with additional food bin.
2497	3 weeks is far too long to wait for collect. Also if you were on holiday and missed the collect you would have to wait 6 weeks. I do not throw out mush foo at all and if you are going to collect it weekly surely it is going to be very much more expensive. Why replace a large bin for a smaller one in good condition surly you should just wait until the bin needs replacing any. This seems to me a very expensive way of doing things.
2498	not acceptable as too long for green bin collection and food hanging around for a week very worrying too
2499	An acceptable option, but not our favourite. General waste will by definition be less, due to the introduction of food recycling, and so a smaller bin should suffice. Existing bins are 20 or so years old and in any case probably need replacing. If the Council does have additional funds to buy the new smaller bins then it makes sense to replace the old bins.
2500	Without food festering in the green bin, a three weekly collection would be OK, however for a young family who put nappies in the bin or dog owners with the poop bags this might prove to be a week too long. My other worry would be, could we manage not to overfill the green bin even if we do recycle food?
2501	Delighted you are again going to recycle food waste. Three weeks on green bin is then fine.
2502	I would not like the green bin emptied every three weeks. We eat mostly fish.....the packaging begins to smell and is not recyclable. I try to rinse it before it goes in the bin, but it is not possible always to clean it sufficiently.
2503	I think this is the best option. Cost wise, it would save having to buy and distribute the new bins, collect the old ones and get rid of them. Environmentally, re-use, reduce, recycle! Also to reduce green bin collections to every 3 weeks would be cheaper and more environmentally friendly! My one question is though, are we able to put any compostable products into the food waste or only food?
2504	Because of the waste produced by a medical condition, the proposed collection of the green bin in 3 weekly cycles is totally inadequate for our household. It is of crucial importance that our service remains every 2 weeks. This is essential.
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2506	We would rather continue to have the bigger 240 litre bin, so would choose option 1.
2507	As the council has already made up its mind over food bin I want my larger green bin to be used as over time you can put more non recyclable items in it than a smaller one
2508	Unacceptable. Inconvenient.40% of the contents of my green bin is NOT food waste. Already plagued with maggots during summer months. Is it possible to opt out of council refuse service and arrange collection via a private company?
2509	I prefer this option, as unless my maths is wrong, it means more refuse is collected across the year. Nearly 2 x 240ltr bins emptied extra.
2510	The option is the best for us if you have to change the existing exceellant system. It is a pity that we cannot recycle food packing, butter containers, yohurt tubs etc, also my daughter lives in North Wales and they have a weekly used nappies collection which is a great reduction to her waste bin as she has 2 toodlers
2511	I would prefer this option.
2512	Don't like every 3 weeks
2513	option one seems best depends how big food caddy is and outside bin
2514	Would prefer NOT to change at all.
2515	Most people these days do not waste food. They cook only what is needed so we do not need a food bin. Most rubbish is placed in green bin as it is not recyclable. Therefore larger green bin should be used. I suggest you bring back weekly collections. as council services are greatly reduced as it is so what do we pay for?? Councillors wages and expenses and employees expenses for travelling between sites. Private sector employees do not have the same luxury.

2516	<p>I think this option would work. If food waste is being picked up weekly then there should not be a problem with smells or flies around the green bin. If we keep the existing green bin then there would be a saving of the refuse collection budget.</p> <p>My only concern is that there are no details relating to the size of the lockable food bin or the food caddy I think this information would be helpful.</p>
2517	<p>This could be a preferred option, however having moved to the Wirral from Manchester, we have experienced directly these dreadful changes to bin collections directly, and indeed this was a small factor for us moving away from such "money saving" schemes. Most people do not have the expansive square footage to the footprint of their properties as most local authorities in general seem to think.</p>
2518	<p>An absolutely stupid suggestion - obviously put forward by persons not in the real world! how many of our Councillors run or are part of a busy household-cooking and clearing up after daily meals ?. I chose to have a small green bin years ago because I live alone-and it has never become smelly because I wrap anything which may be a problem and hose my bin out after it has been emptied. It is always full by collection day and certainly would not be large enough for a family.</p> <p>Do Councillors still get free or subsidised meals when attending Council meetings? At least they don't have to get rid of their own potato peelings -there is a large council bin ! Our Council needs a few busy housewives or husbands to have their say - from the real world ! I have a near Neighbour who is on the Council, He receives Council mail delivered regularly by a driver in a large van ! Those small kitchen waste vans could be collected by this transport on the way home !</p>
2519	<p>A three week collection is too long and rubbish will accumulate on the property.</p>
2520	<p>Food does not make up 33% of the waste volume for this household (Adding another week to the collection cycle assumes it is)</p> <p>The 240Ltr bin is too small now and has been since day one with a two weekly collection. This household will require two for a three week cycle.</p> <p>Collecting every three weeks is therefore a daft proposal for family homes.</p> <p>This proposal will simply create further problems for the people you are supposed to be providing a service to..</p> <p>Will the council continue to provide liners perpetually?</p>
2521	<p>We have a smaller bin 140 litres and virtually no food waste so this would lead to a very full bin over three weeks due to non recyclable items</p>
2522	<p>This new system is just ridiculous where do you think the majority of people are going to store all the bins inside or out for that matter. I hope you are not considering charging us for all this messing around. We are not getting a proper service from you for the money we pay.</p> <p>I will be signing the petition to stop these changes to our bin collections.</p> <p>Your time would be better spent sorting out the roads properly not just fill in the hole and presume its sorted only to fill them in again a month later, cutting the trees along pathways (am just glad I'm not partially sighted or blind) and clearing the litter.</p> <p>This is not the way to get re-elected</p>
2523	<p>surely this option would save you money, less pick ups, less wagons on the road, less fuel used, less manufacturing of new bins, less waste of existing plastic bins, all greener points, no ? the 3 week collection would not see bins spoiling if food was not in them, and the original 240 litre would surely stretch to 3 weeks worth of refuse if food waste was not adding to filling it.</p>
2524	<p>This is the better option as total capacity of refuse is greater with the larger bin</p>
2525	<p>I feel that a 3 weekly green bin collection is not frequent enough for hygiene reasons, smell and attracting vermin.</p>

2526	I dispose of very little food waste. Anything I have which is suitable, is composted. I would therefore prefer to keep the same bin size, and would hope that there will be no issues with refusal to empty the bins, if they are overflowing after the 3 week period, as I find my green bin is relatively full after 2 weeks.
2527	I live alone,so a smaller green bin (140ltr.) wold be fine.
2528	I don't like the idea of rubbish being collected every three weeks.
2529	You say a small lockable food waste container for outside - how small will this be? How many keys are produced?
2530	The cost of supplying these extra bins is not economical as the lockable bin is not thief proof and is easily stolen. We no longer have to meet EU recommendations or rules by 2020 and the whole new scheme becomes unnecessary. To concentrate on educating people to waste less would be more to the point.
2531	My view on both alternatives is that Britain voted to leave Europe so we could escape micromanagement of our lives. The Landfill Directive and its system of fines will not apply once we leave. People with a financial or ideological attachment to the present regime should not be encouraged to think their tinkering can continue unopposed; councils such as Wirral should not now insist on imposing further controls and pretending there is no choice but the alternatives proposed. Present arrangements are as complicated and time-consuming as most citizens can tolerate.
2532	We would prefer Option 2
2533	Seems best as no need to replace all the green bins so maybe saving money in the ever stretched budget
2534	Would prefer 2 weekly green bin collection.
2535	Willing to try, but if no feasible would we be able to return to fortnightly
2536	Preferred option
2537	I would be happy with option 1, however I compost most of my food waste, and what I don't compost, would go in the food waste container which is to be collected weekly therefore I would not have a problem with offensive green bins.
2538	I compost all food waste and don't require yet another bin.  I am quite content with the current arrangements for green bin collection
2539	This appears to be the best and most cost effective and possibly cheaper than option 2.
2540	Every 3 weeks is almost impossible to remember. It's much easier to remember green, grey, green, grey as a pattern.
2541	make to many fly tip
2542	I do not waste food I only buy what I need perhaps the council's energy should be re directed to educating people in their shopping habits & supermarkets ending their BOGOF schemes, I do not need yet another bin in the drive way so no to food collection. Perhaps you should start providing real services to the community like heath, education etc instead of what size of bin we have.
2543	No choice at all as far as I'm concerned. Looks like the Council have money to spend from a separate development budget, and are determined to spend it, even though it offers a detriment to the current service.  I certainly don't throw out 7kg of food a fortnight as I only cook from scratch, hate to waste food, and I can't believe a few peelings I would normally add to my compost heap will make any difference. And, I don't want the addition of two extra bins about my property when I already have four!  Surely far better, more cost effective, and environmentally friendly to make the brown garden waste bins free. I currently pay for two garden waste bins, even though I am a pensioner, because I couldn't manage my garden without them. However, I feel a lot more than just 40,000 households across the whole of the Wirral would use this service if it was free and the recycling target of 50% would easily be achieved by volume alone.  The choice between the two options equals misery, cost, and inconvenience, but I suppose option 1 is marginally more preferable than option 2, if there has to be a change - though I would prefer none at all.
2544	Excellent idea to collect food waste as this should cut down the amount of waste going to landfill. As a far amount of waste which goes in my green bin is food waste I think the larger green bin could be dispensed with. A 3 weekly bin collection won't create a health/hygiene problem as some will argue as it is food waste that causes most of these problems and that will be collected every week.



2545	<p>1. Both these schemes might be fine for residents who have large kitchens and a decent sized garden, but for residents living in an area without those facilities, this is hardly ideal.</p> <p>2. Waste that can't be placed in the food waste recycling bin and would now be placed in the green bin, is (potentially) still likely to smell after 3 weeks, especially in hot weather.</p> <p>3. Surely the targets being quoted are directives from the EU - if we are no longer going to be a member, then why do these targets (and the fines that are being quoted) still apply?</p> <p>4. For many years we had very little, if any, tipping of rubbish (and larger items) in the entry to the rear of our property. Since a charge was levied to remove large items, this has increased dramatically and if green bin emptying goes to a 3 week cycle, I have no doubt this will increase again. As I am reasonably community spirited, I often pick up bags and small items that have been dumped in the rear alley and place them in our green bin (if there's room), but there isn't likely to be room if we go to a 3 weekly cycle.</p> <p>5. Why hasn't a 3 weekly cycle been considered for the grey bin? These bins (on average in our immediate area) never seem as full on collection day as the green bins.</p> <p>6. The brown bin should be free to over 60's.</p> <p>7. With both of these schemes the biggest problem (certainly in our immediate area) is the basic ignorance and bad manners from some residents, who dump their rubbish in other people's bins, dump bin bags straight into the alleyway and basically don't give a damn about the local area or the environment.</p> <p>8. And finally, with all bin collection services - where bins are being collected from alleyways, are you going to ensure that the refuse collectors put the bins back into the alleys, rather than leave them on the pavements, making it dangerous for less physically able individuals to negotiate their way about? If I'm around I bring all of bins back into the alleyway. Should I apply for a job?</p>
2546	This is the option we would prefer.
2547	As I live in an apartment, I cannot give an opinion until I've discussed the matter with the other residents.
2548	Where are we to keep these extra bins ? Have already got a small brown caddy from the last time you tried This and what gives you the right to tell us what to keep in our kitchens we don't all have the space
2549	I prefer option 1 as 2 is a rubbish option, but where do people without gardens and small houses store all these bins ?
2550	<p>I think this system will be quite confusing for older people. I am one of those!! Although the thinking 'which one or two plus your food waste caddy is it today' may help the old brains. In the rotation of bins it will sometimes mean putting brown, green and food waste bin out on the same day. It is already a problem trying to negotiate the bins ( when emptied) strewn across the pavement.</p> <p>I do not favour this one for the above reason.</p>
2551	<p>As a household we produce very small amounts of food waste but would have the inconvenience of finding somewhere in the kitchen to store the indoor caddy. Outside space is limited and we have already had to provide storage for 3 bins; a 4th would certainly be unwelcome ( this is our property not a council storage depot!). The green bin at present is filled with massive amounts of waste which cannot be recycled including yogurt cartons, tin foil, window envelopes, plastic muti packaging wrappers. It is full after 2 weeks, to extend the period to 3 would be unacceptable.</p> <p>As stated our property has limited storage space : what about residents who live in house shares, flats, terraces without gardens - do you really want the streets of Wirral cluttered with a rainbow collection of bins : so much for STREETSCENE and keeping Wirral tidy!</p>
2552	No, i will not tolerate having my bins emptied every 3 weeks, wirral council is a disgrace
2553	I agree with the food waste collection. Could the liners for the food caddy be biodegradeable to avoid more plastic being put into bins?

2554	<p>I would like to keep the larger green bin. Only a couple of full bin bags fit in the smaller bins and this is just not appropriate for families with children, especially when children are using nappies.</p> <p>It will also save money by avoiding the need to remove all existing green bins and replace with new, smaller ones.</p> <p>I have no idea where we will keep a smelly food waste bin in our small kitchen where we have no counter space and do not want to keep it next to where we prepare food.</p>
2555	there maybe a problem finding safe places for all these big bins, especially for people who have no access to the rear of their property
2556	recycling would increase if you didn't charge for brown bin.
2557	Three weekly collection not a good idea.
2558	I consider that the three week window for green collections is too long.
2559	<p>We do not want general waste left on our property for three weeks. It is unhygienic, increases the risk of foxes, rats, and other such undesirables visiting the property. It will require us to manage our waste over a three week period rather than two week.</p> <p>We ask the Council to encourage the use of wormeries or similar to reduce food waste.</p> <p>We do not believe this option will increase the amount of waste recycled and is a simple cost cutting measure.</p>
2560	<p>I believe it is wrong to charge for my brown bin. Do dog owners pay or contribute to the filthy habit of leaving their mess on pavements and other public places? Do drunks and vandals pay towards the cost of policing and hospital care.</p> <p>No problem with the proposed changes.</p>
2561	<p>Food recycling a good idea.</p> <p>But a lot of the waste that goes in my green bin is packaging that Wirral Council do not recycle, ie tetrapack; plastic packaging, etc.</p> <p>We also have medical waste which will not be very pleasant if left for 3 weeks!</p>
2562	<p>I don't use the brown bin but the 2 remaining are very useful to me and my family.</p> <p>We have 1 child in nappies and we are currently ttc, our large dog is our food waste disposal unit but they both produce a lot of waste. For this to only be collected every 3 weeks would be very smelly and possibly problematic.</p> <p>Also , we live on a one way street ,our bins left on the pavement as we have no space in our (upstairs) garden. For another bin to be added to the possible hazard would be unwise.</p> <p>I feel that a lot of parents and dog owners share this view, but I do understand some may just not like change in case they mix it up (like when the grey bins were introduced).</p>
2563	I think it is a good idea with regards food recycling weekly, however collecting the 240litres bin every three weeks in my opinion would be a problem for households with more than two in a family. Its fine for me and my husband as we are pensioners and we personally would not generate the same amount waste. as a large family
2564	We don not like either option as we have compatively little food waste, however, since we are forced to choose this would be our preferred option. We have quite a lot of non recyclable waste e.g shredded paper, food contaminated packaging (often larger than the food it contains), non recyclable plastics etc and we wonder if we are going to have to do the council's job for it by taking excess to the tip and thus incurring waste of fuel and emitting unnecessary additional pollution.
2565	The GREEN bin is the most important bin to me and should be collected weekly I do not need a food waste bin
2566	As I live in a block of flats containing 5 individual flats in all, and my neighbours barely know what day the bins go out, it would be awful to go to a green bin collection every three weeks. I like the idea of recycling, but I don't think this food recycling scheme would work for flats or for people who don't know what a recycling bin is in the first place.
2567	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Retaining existing green bin is far preferable because to remove them creates a huge amount of plastic waste and incurs great expense in building thousands more new bins.</li> <li>2. 3 weekly green bin collection is absolutely fine because there won't be any food rotting in them.</li> <li>3. Weekly food waste collection is great.</li> </ol>
2568	Where I used to live (Flintshire) we had food recycling and was disappointed when I moved to the Wirral to find this wasn't available. It was no problem to our household (2 persons - no pets). I do not object to general waste being collected every three weeks even with a smaller bin, without food waste the bin will not smell. Provision may be needed for larger families.

2569	<p>Most of our food waste goes into our compost bin.  Very little, eg cooked or raw meat, fish skins, fats and cooked vegetables go in our green bin.  Happy to have green bin collected every 3 weeks.  Would like to recycle more in grey bin as Cheshire does.  We subscribe to garden waste.</p>
2570	<p>Keep the current green bin and collect every three weeks as the cost of replacing them will be high and with no food waste it will be ok to collect less frequently.</p>
2571	<p>Option 1 is fine.I prefer to keep the larger bin ( just in case ). 3 Week collection is no problem.</p>
2572	<p>As Wirral has an increasingly ageing population., eg. the road I reside has 25 dwellings, eight 2-3 bedroom bungalows and 17 four bedroom houses with only three children under 16 yrs. The majority occupants are retired.</p> <p>Obviously the smaller green bin option is preferable.</p>
2573	<p>The green bin being collected every 3 weeks is not acceptable. It's bad enough that they are only collected every 2 weeks. They smell bad not long after they've been emptied, even worse during the summer with the heat. also, most people put their bins out at night so it's likely that they'll put the food caddy out at the same time. Has any thought been given to nuisance youths who will probably find it funny to steal them? Break them open and throw the contents around? It's bad enough that they find it funny to knock over bins, so nothing's going to stop them from attempting the aforementioned behaviour. The system that we have currently only just about works, I personally don't think it's an improvement. Plus by giving people caddy's you're putting them in a position where they will have to find space for it, and in cramped households, that can be difficult. People will probably still put their food waste in the bin because it's easier to throw it in the bin with other waste.</p>
2574	<p>Option 2 would be my preference as I would happy with a smaller green bin and more regular collections</p>
2575	<p>Ridiculous option. Small food bin for a family of 4 will be full in about 2 days. What do I pay council tax for! I expect a 2 weekly empty as currently provided. WHERE IS THIS OPTION!</p>
2576	<p>Not happy with a 3 week collection so I would prefer a smaller Green bin</p>
2577	<p>I'm not pleased about a three weekly collection but would prefer that to having a smaller bin.</p>
2578	<p>Do not want the food waste containers as when we had them before caused a increase of flies</p>
2579	<p>In principle I am in favour of recycling food waste. The lockable caddy would need to be of sufficient size. The three weekly cycle will be harder to remember but would save the Council the cost of supplying new green bins.</p>
2580	<p>Makes the most sense. If everything goes well, you can always introduce the smaller bins at a later date.</p>
2581	<p>This seems the most sensible option and will reduce added costs of replacing our existing bins and reduce the collections which impact on the environment</p>
2582	<p>I prefer this option as my green bin is in good condition. I do not like the environmental impact and waste of having to dispose of these bins.</p>
2583	<p>I think collection of the green bin every 3 weeks would cause problems for the average-sized family.  It would also be a problem if you missed the collection (for example due to being on holiday). This new arrangement would mean waiting 6 weeks overall for the bin to be emptied rather than 4 weeks.</p>
2584	<p>You need to make concerted efforts to persuade recyclers to include the like of yoghurt pots etc as these do take a considerable volume in the green bin. These ARE recyclable but are considered not good value. This attitude needs to change. It will save even more volume of waste in the long term. If you go out to find the firms you will find them! This will make a smaller green bin more viable.</p>
2585	<p>Prefer to keep large bin with three weekly collection.</p> <p>What exactly constitutes food waste? For example are banana skins and potato peelings classed as food waste?</p>
2586	<p>We totally support any changes which will improve recycling. Do have a concern over proposed change of green bin size as we don't generate a lot of food waste anyway. Having said that we a more than happy to split food waste and have green bin collected every three weeks.</p>
2587	<p>I am concerned about the green bin only being collected every 3 weeks - my bin is full after 2 weeks and I don't throw away much food waste - I compost as much as I can - I have 2 cats at my home and most of the waste in the green bin is used litter that is bagged up if the green bin only gets collected every 3 weeks how am I expected to dispose of this waste ? My neighbour has 2 small children and their bin is full after 10 days so what do they do to dispose of nappies etc . I think that you should educate and encourage residents to properly recycle their waste as I am sure that a lot of people put recyclable materials into their green bins, also if you allowed us to recycle a wider range of materials such as margarine tubs, yoghurt and drink containers then your recycling targets may be able to be met.</p>
2588	<p>This option sounds fine to me. Don't use brown bin not enough garden waste</p>

2589	Keeping the 240L bin is the preferred idea BUT surely every 6 weeks the green AND grey bin will need to be emptied on the same day. How will you handle that AND the mass of bin outside waiting to be emptied on that day.
2590	We waste very little food, some weeks almost none apart from potato peelings and inedible fruit skins; our green bin largely contains vacuum cleaner dust, food packaging waste and other non-recyclable items - we would therefore view a three weekly collection as unacceptable as especially during the summer this would begin to smell quickly - it is already an issue at two weeks.
2591	I prefer option 1
2592	We just could not manage on a three week collection as we only just manage on the existing arrangement. We look after four grandchildren three to four days a week and consequently need the large bin and collections as currently provided . Should we be forced to change this would mean numerous visits to a local tip which is costly as we live on a pension and as we feel others are in the same position it would increase emissions throughout the borough.
2593	We already recycle our food waste through our garden compost, which we use for fertilizer.  We have eight people in our household, although some of them are now at universities in term-time. Both our 240L green bins are usually full within two weeks, even though we already exclude food waste. If green bins are collected every three weeks, then we will sometimes have to make special tip runs.
2594	Seems like the cheaper option as people would keep their existing bins so no need for further expense. However, if your family has children in nappies, you eat a lot of processed food or use items with packaging that cannot currently be recycled etc 3 weeks may be a long time to wait to get your bin emptied.
2595	Our kitchen is too small to house any form of food recycling container. Moreover we have little to put in it anyway. We have a compost bin and most of your listed items (vegetable waste teabags egg shells go straight in there. We use a small Morrison's plastic mushroom container to collect it in (which is 'free' and replaceable every time we buy mushrooms) that we empty as required. Pity you don't recycle them.  We have minimal food wastage as we eat what we cook and visiting grandchildren are expected to do the same.  What we do throw away, but could recycle in our previous home in Nottinghamshire, include yogurt cartons, milk cartons etc. Why don't you do something about that?
2596	3 weeks in a hot summer will definitely increase smells, maggots and flies. From a hygiene point of view this is not acceptable in 21st century. I understand there were other options but apparently the council does not choose to publish them- why? Not acceptable.
2597	I already opt in to the brown bin collection scheme. I have a family of five, we recycle as much as we can already. There has already been times this year when waiting two weeks for the green bin to be emptied has resulted in the bin being infested with maggots. For a family of five a two week collection is not enough. Every three weeks is unthinkable and would result in dirty stinking bags being left on the street.
2598	Three weeks is a long time between green bin collections as there will be: oil and some food residue on packaging.
2599	Think the whole idea is completely idiotic. But a better idea than scrapping all the large bins and paying for smaller ones.
2600	There is no One Size Fits All. We currently compost all our food waste, so neither option would favor us. If the green bin collection goes to 3 weekly, then people who miss a week will not have their green bin emptied for 6 weeks.
2601	Food waste - we produce almost no food waste! Left overs are used up in subsequent meals. We do not over-buy. All peelings etc. are composted for use in the garden. Caddy and Container would have no use.  Green/Grey/Brown Bins - OK. Green bins hanging around for 3 weeks may cause problems of smell or infestation particularly a problem for those who are unable to store their bins far from their living area.
2602	Caddy for food waste was provided a few years ago but not a success and abandoned. This will be costly and a complete waste of public money. Green bin collection every three weeks will be a health hazard and no saving but an increase in cost due to the weekly food recycling collection.

2603	<p>I live on Morecroft Road, Rockferry in a terraced house. Its become clear that where there are terraced houses, people are more likely to leave their bins outside the front of their house, rather than make the journey from their back garden/yard and down an entry and out onto the road on bin collection days. I am not one of those people but I have many neighbours that do this, one like me who has a big family has 4 bins and all 4 sit outside of their house. The road is full of filthy, stinking, overflowing bins. There are still people in the road who also don't seem to know what is recyclable and what isn't.</p> <p>The thought of all these bins being left in the road for 3 weeks and the addition of food containers concerns me and I feel that if you decide to take this route then you also need to enforce a rule of NO bins in the roads except for on bin collection days. If not then I think you'll find the overflowing bins will become an even bigger health concern and also an eyesore.</p> <p>I have family living in other areas that have received food caddies to help with food recycling, but no longer use them. The novelty soon wore off when they'd had enough of the smell of rotting food in their kitchen coming from the caddy on their work top.</p> <p>I empty my kitchen bin into my green wheelie bins every two days that contains mostly waste food and I'm not convinced the food caddies will be very practical. I imagine I'd need to empty it every day and the outdoor food container is just something else to add to my already 4 bins in my back garden.</p>
2604	<p>I strongly disagree with a 3 weekly collection of green bins. Waste collection every fortnight is too long in my view and a weekly collection should be restored. Leaving waste in bins for 3 weeks will lead to an increase in smells and pests. We have children in nappies and the thought of not having the bin emptied for 3 weeks is extremely unhygienic. I think the council should focus on increasing the types of plastic we can recycle into the grey bins such as plastic bags, envelopes with windows etc. Recycling needs to be made easier - having to wash empty containers sometimes means people throw things into the green bin instead of putting it in the grey bin. Whilst the desire is often there to recycle, with increasingly busy lives it can be too time consuming. This principle will apply to food waste recycling too. The number of bins is an issue to - 3 bins and now a 4th for food. Where are people who live in terraced houses supposed to store these?</p>
2605	<p>Agree, as we compost our green waste any way and don't waste food at all it would be no problem.</p>
2606	<p>3 weekly collection is not viable. In our household there is no food waste. We compost here and feed the birds if there are left overs. We cook from scratch and left overs make bubble and squeak. Our green bin has been collected today and was almost full after 2 weeks. There are still items of packaging which cannot be placed in the grey bin. Address packaging issues. I have paid for years for the brown bin. We pay council tax try collecting tax which is unpaid and owed.</p>
2607	<p>OK</p>
2608	<p>I don't mind having a kitchen caddy or any amount of bins in varying colours but I do object to the green bin being emptied every 3 weeks! Totally unacceptable. All bins (with exception of grey recycling bin ) should be emptied EVERY week. I have dirty nappies and cat litter placed in the bin every day and it would be absolutely disgusting to have this there for 3 weeks. I support recycling but not if it is introducing more problems and dirty habits.</p>
2609	<p>As an owner and director of a local care provider I have concerns with the proposal of the green bins only being collected every three weeks. My company currently provides personal care for customers who are nearing the end of their life, part of this support involves continence care. In some cases this involves large volumes of incontinence pads, catheter bags and stoma bags being disposed of in the green bin. If the bins are only collected every three weeks there will be a large build up of bodily waste decomposing in the green bins close to residents properties. I am sure that families with young children will also have the same concerns with the disposal of nappies. If the council proceed with three weekly collections I think Wirral residents should see the introduction of clinical/ bodily waste bins which will be collected on a more regular basis. The current situation ensures that those residents disposing of large volumes of bodily waste products such as incontinence pads etc are entitled to a second bin therefore these residents will have two full green bins awaiting collection every three weeks which I feel is unacceptable .</p>
2610	<p>Food waste. This would be a complete waste for me as I live alone and my diet does not allow me to have food waste.</p> <p>Green bin. This will make no difference to me as I have little waste as it is and find it difficult to fill it in two weeks.</p> <p>Grey bin. I am happy with the current arrangements.</p> <p>Brown bin. I pay for the use of my garden waste bin but have found that since you introduced the payment despite the fact that I am one of 6 houses with gardens I am the only one who uses it.</p>
2611	<p>When 1 of 2 options is being forced upon you, neither of which you want this cannot be classed as a choice this a dictatorship. To keep the status quo would be an option; to have weekly collections of household rubbish is another option. This would be democracy not Stalinist dictum. The reason I dont want option 1 being forced upon me is that the 240 Lts existing green bin cannot take 3 weeks rubbish when food items is such a small percentage of its volume.</p>
2612	<p>I think both options are wrong we have paid for a further green bin as we are a family of 5 with a baby in nappies we cannot deal with the waste we have now, again further disease and illness will be spread by rats and flies due to this badly thought out decision!</p>

2613	Seems ok but I have little green bin waste now and very little food waste plus compost what I can so probably not your target market
2614	<p>3 weekly collection is not acceptable. I pay to have my bin cleaned each time it is emptied, I securely bag everything that goes into it and it still smells unpleasant by the end of the second week, with minimal food waste. That will only become more of an issue if collections go 3 weekly.</p> <p>My recycling bin is usually virtually full after 2 weeks, as is my green bin.</p> <p>Better to expand what can be recycled. The amount of food packaging that other areas of the country will quite happily recycle, such as plastic yogurt pots, margarine tubs, plastic meat/vegetable trays and so on, this area will not accept, so it has to go in the green bin. This kind of waste makes up a fair proportion of most peoples green bin rubbish. It is very shortsighted not to include this aspect as an option to consider. This should have been explored properly by the council before even thinking about making changes to green bin collections.</p> <p>Having food waste caddies will not completely eliminate food waste - what about packaging that has traces of food on it? Unless you are going to expect everyone to wash every single food container (polythene bags, cardboard boxes?) before disposing of it - which is hardly environmentally friendly, given the extra water that would be used - there will still be some traces of food waste in the green bin, which will smell extremely unpleasant by the beginning of the 3rd week, particularly in summer. Having weekly food waste collections may help, but it won't completely deal with this issue.</p> <p>In my opinion, the action the council should take is as follows :- proceed with issuing food waste collection and put out to tender the recycling contract to include expanding the list of acceptable items that can be recycled here. Leave the rest of waste collection alone until you have secured an appropriate contract for recycling and proved that food waste collection actually works to reduce what goes to landfill.</p>
2615	<p>We would prefer option 1.</p> <p>We are happy with the food collection being every week as this will stop the green bin from smelling.</p> <p>We are happy to keep the large green bin and have it collected every 3 weeks.</p>
2616	When 1 of 2 options is being forced upon you, neither of which you want this cannot be classed as a choice this a dictatorship. To keep the status quo would be an option; to have weekly collections of household rubbish is another option. This would be democracy not Stalinist dictum. The reason I dont want option 1 being forced upon me is that the 240 Lts existing green bin cannot take 3 weeks rubbish when food items is such a small percentage of its volume.
2617	<p>In a six week cycle two weeks just grey one week just green two weeks neither and one week both.</p> <p>I will never remember which is which.</p>
2618	Neither of the 2 options is suitable: We already compost nearly all of our food waste so only a very small amount goes into the green bin. Even so this is full most times on the 2 weekly cycle: a smaller bin and/or a 3 weekly cycle would not be sufficient for our general waste.
2619	<p>3 weeks is not often enough. Even fortnightly is not sufficient, particularly in this hot weather, and I have had maggots in the bin.</p> <p>With regard to food bins this is a hygiene issue. I do not want rotting food in my kitchen or in a bin outside. And the idea that you will supply food liners.. I thought you were trying to reduce the number of plastic bags used?</p> <p>Leave things as they are.</p>
2620	Yet another bin in the kitchen and yet another outside is not practical. We throw out little in the way of food but our green bin is usually close to capacity after 2 weeks, neither scheme would suit us particularly well. 80 litres of capacity per week is marginally better than 70 - but obviously not as good as the present 120!
2621	I have serious concerns regarding keeping dirty nappies in a bin for up to three weeks and the health issues this may cause.
2622	Option1 is the most sensible .It is my belief that most well managed families do not have any sizable quantities of waste food.A smaller green bin is most likely to give rise to problems of complaint and perhaps be a reason for illegal tipping due to the large quantities of plastic wrappings and containers that households gather these days
2623	<p>I prefer this option.</p> <p>However with all the extra expenditure either of these options will incur, I hope it is not another ruse for the Council to make charges for removing waste in the future as in the case of the brown bin.</p>
2624	The targets that Wirral is trying to reach, were set by the EU : Therefore , they are no longer relevant anyway! The "fines" that the council is afraid of incurring, cannot be imposed, if the UK exits the EU.
2625	This is the better of the two options - but not ideal. We are a household of 6 or 7 (one at uni) and actually have very little food waste - we compost things which are of vegetable origin.We do have 2 bins of each sort, since originally we had lodgers in part of the house - now it is one big extended family.
2626	Green bin will be to big for us

2627	I think you should keep the bins as they are. I do not need a small food waste bin. I compost all my peelings and that type of food. I have very little cooked food waste. You should sort out exactly what can be recycled. The list you provide is not accurate enough.especially as regards tetra type cartons, yoghurt cartons, plastic type cartons strawberries, grapes etc are provided by supermarkets.
2628	I prefer option 2 as I don't think collecting the green bin every 3 weeks is a viable option in my opinion.
2629	We prefer this option as the greenest as it will save collection time and fuel energy. We are passionate re-cyclers and compost our own vegetable etc food waste. We have little waste in our green bins so a collection every three weeks would be no problem.
2630	If as in option 2 the green bin will still be collected every 2 weeks why can't our existing green bin be collected as usual or are the council going to waste more money and buy smaller lorries for the smaller green bins,
2631	Other than peelings and tea bags I have very little food waste, most of the waste in my green bin is packaging and plastics that can't be recycled like tetra packs and yoghurt pots. While I realise that many households have more food waste I personally don't feel I have that much but am happy to use the weekly food recycling collection service. I am a little concerned that my green bin will overflow in 3 weeks
2632	We do not have much food waste so having our green bin collected every 3 weeks would be a complete nightmare. We'd end up having to go the tip with our overflow. I pay over £3,000 council tax per year and would not expect to have to do this.... We always do out but for recycling, this option is not the answer.
2633	Does the council think we are all stupid. This option is a scare tactic 3 weekly bin collections if you dare not choose our preferred method.
2634	I am very much in favour of recycling food waste but I don't believe I have as much as 40L each week? This is the difference between a 240L bin collected every 2 weeks and every 3 weeks. I would also like to know how we would recycle food packaging which is contaminated with food?
2635	we would prefer to keep things, as there are. if anything, its are grey bin thats never full? so maybe the grey bin. every 3 weeks. we have no room for bin in the house. older people won't be able to lift. the food bin?
2636	This system would suit our needs
2637	All veg/fruit waste is used in my own garden compost. VERY little food waste is put in the green bin, certainly no where near the amount you quote. Changing the green bin collections to 3 weekly would cause a problem as it is almost full after 2 weeks with a family of 4.
2638	3 weeks between collections is too long.
2639	We have very little food waste. Food is eaten! We have a compost heap for all vegetable waste. Most of our green bin is filled with packaging materials which cant be recycled. Therefore, our green bin it is likely to be overflowing between weeks 2 and 3.
2640	Food waste bin is a good idea. We would prefer NOT to use this option as our green bin is old and has already had years of food waste in it.
2641	I think it's great! Better for the environment all round
2642	On balance, I reluctantly favour this option. As requested by the council some years go, I already recycle food waste with the use of a compost bin in the garden, and have purchased a small indoor caddy for use in the kitchen the contents of which are then transferred to the compost bin.  I already fill my green bin every two weeks - and am worried that the present bin will overflow in the third week before a collection.  I do not like the thought of yet another bin. Where am I to store it ? Our streets are already strewn with bins outside so many houses. They are an eyesore.

2643	<p>Is it not a better option to stop charging to empty the brown bin, which would then encourage garden waste to actually go in the brown bin rather than the green bin? (Most people who I speak to still use their green bin to dispose of garden waste, rather than pay to have their brown bin emptied, as this is allowed anyway so why pay to have the brown bin emptied?). Surely the weight of garden waste is far more than the weight of food waste?</p> <p>I'm ok with the idea of the food waste bin, as long as we have a regular and constant supply of liners for the food caddy. I recall the (failed) pilot trial in Wirral several years ago, and it was really disgusting having rotting food in your kitchen. I also drove past the food waste lorry in the summer and the smell was the worst thing I've ever experienced.</p> <p>Might as well keep the existing green bins to save costs and empty either once a fortnight or once every 3 weeks, ours is barely half full anyway (although we are expecting a baby so this could change).</p>
2644	<p>I will make very little use of a Food Waste bin - only for veg. peelings if that is permitted. I hardly throw any food away and think these levels are just a disgrace. People's general inability to plan for meals and their ludicrous attitude regarding 'use by' dates just appalls me. Where is general common sense? Throwing good food in the bin is truly sinful.</p> <p>The existing green bin is far too big, even for collections every 3 weeks. The size just encourages people to be more wasteful. I would be happy with a smaller green bin and a collection every 3 weeks. No Food Waste Bin.</p> <p>If the technology was extended for grey bin recycling so that things like crisp packets and plastic food containers could be put in that would make a huge difference. If that was the case I would hardly need a green bin at all!</p>
2645	<p>Do not agree to Green bin collection every three weeks or the introduction of food caddies, which I find totally disgusting. It will be my intention to have a waste disposal unit installed. Obviously if collections every three weeks are introduced the public should receive a reduction in their Council Tax ! One wonders what we pay for..especially as originally the garden waste service was foisted upon residents but was accepted as it was free but we now have to pay extra.</p>
2646	<p>Once again the Council is playing its normal game of wasting OUR money. There is absolutley no need to change the waste collection as it stands now.</p>
2647	<p>Three weeks is to long to wait to have a bin emptied as this will still attract fly's</p>
2648	<p>Very good idea, but you need to engage with folks and reeducate them.</p>
2649	<p>Another bin now four in total outside our house.semi detached and terraced house don't have rear access it makes the streets look untidy and simular to waste tips</p>
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2651	<p>It's quite acceptable; I throw very little waste food out and only put out my green bin when it is nearing full anyway. This can be once a month or even 6 weeks.</p> <p>I hope that the new lockable food bins will be easy to bring to the roadside, or on wheels?</p> <p>The only concern I have would be knowing the routine of the collections - one every week, a grey one every two, brown every other two and then a three weekly green bin collection does sound rather complicated. How will the council cope with the logistics of this and will a calendar be provided to help the householder know the schedule?</p>
2652	<p>Sounds great. Keeping the green bins at this size will reduce the risk of fly tipping.</p>
2653	<p>I've already sent some comments. These are subsequent thoughts. If you decide to retain the 240 litre capacity bin which probably I would as I do not produce much food waste my green bin will be emptied every 3 weeks. Say my neighbour went for option 2, their 140 litre bin would be emptied every 2 weeks. How will that work in practice. Seems like our bin collection days will only coincide once every 6 weeks and there will be 2 weeks every 6 where the green bin collections must be made on 2 consecutive week to accommodate the 2 or 3 weekly cycles. How does this save council money?</p>
2654	<p>How will this affect people living in flats? Currently where I live there is a struggle for tenants carrying a lot of items that can be recycled down the stairs with no lift to the bin shed. Can something be given to tenants living in flats such as a small box or bag that will make it easier to carry recyclable items down to the collection point. this box or bag can then be left in the kitchen and I can put my recycable item straight into to with any problems. I would even be happy to take the elderly tenants recycling down as long as we are provided with an appropriate container to put it in. This service needs to also be accessible for people living in high rise flats.</p>



2655	Waste collection is in danger of being unnecessarily complicated, with too many receptacles. Some people, especially older residents, may be confused by the different collection dates and frequencies. The collection of food waste will be smelly especially in hot weather (I collect mine in sealed bags). Also different households will have different ratios of food to general waste. I think 3 week green bin collection will be too long for many people, especially larger families, who have a large proportion of non-food general waste.
2656	I have virtually no food waste, except for tea bags and egg shells. The current green bin is just big enough for my household, being collected every two weeks. I really can not see that having to collect the small amount of "food waste" in a box then in another bin will be nothing more than a nuisance. In my situation it will hardly result in a saving of space in the green bin. Reducing the general waste collection will cause a smaller green bin to be totally inadequate.
2657	Think our household could manage with 3 weekly green bin collection. A calendar of collection dates would be very useful.  Future recycling for tetra pak type cartons and yoghurt pots would be really good.. Currently take cartons to recycle point at the local Tip and yoghurt pots to supermarket recycling.
2658	Do not support this option.
2659	I reject this option as unsuitable
2660	Weekly food collecting is perhaps too frequent although I understand problems of rotting/smelly food-possibly ensure caddies are airtight. We do not have food waste as we have a compost bin. Maybe you could offer a compost bin rather than a caddy to properties with a garden but this would perhaps make it difficult to assess if targets have been met.
2661	I do NOT want my bin left for three weeks.
2662	Good idea, saves the cost of new green bins.
2663	I do not wish the green bin to be collected every three weeks.
2664	our green bin is always full to the top and we quite often have a bag or two which we cannot fit into it on the collection day, we always have food waste completely sealed in bags before it is discarded but still have flies around the bin area, even with food waste not being put into the green bin I think three weeks is far too long before being emptied. What will happen to people who have dogs and are responsible and pick up any poop put it into a bag and dispose of it into the green bin, is it to be left there for three weeks,
2665	I have always considered that fortnightly collections of food waste is retrogressive and unhygienic. A potential danger to public health. SO I applaud this decision.
2666	I would favour this option. My only concern is what size will the indoor caddy be as we have very limited space available in our kitchen?
2667	Fine. Will agree to whatever saves the council money and achieves their recycling targets.
2668	it is too long to wait 3 weeks to empty the green bin
2669	3 week is too long for collections
2670	I don't have a lot of food waste & any I do have is mostly fed to my garden birds so I would need to keep my 240 litre green bin but it would still need to be collected every 2 weeks, I also think changing collection weeks is going to upset many people as they won't remember which bin to put out & when.
2671	I am all for Recycling and I really don't mind whichever option. I think that either one will make a significant difference.
2672	Good option happy to comply as long as no one puts food waste in green bins
2673	I would like to keep my large bin and have it emptied every 2 weeks as always, I don't have a lot of waste food in my bin but need to empty cat litter in it and after 3 weeks think this would be very smelly
2674	If it must change, this is the better option. I do not want a smaller green bin.
2675	How is this saving money? Every household gets an indoor caddy, an outdoor lockable bin + liners. The Biffa truck still has a weekly run, every 3rd week collecting both indoor & green large bins. What about households that already fill a large bin to maximum capacity every two weeks? We do not want a small bin! We do not have enough food waste for a weekly container collection. We eat the food we buy! We are not happy that these changes are being imposed on us! We have signed a petition against these changes.

2676	I do not think 3 weekly collections will be good for anybody ,especially people with babies[nappies] It will lead to more fly tipping which has increased since the charge for brown bins has gone on I would not like a bin in the kitchen with rotting food in it but I do not have much food waste anyway.
2677	Once every three weeks is too infrequent for the green bins. Recently in the warmer weather I have had maggots and flies in my green bin. This is unsanitary.
2678	I don't want yet another bin, I've already got 3. Where am I supposed to keep all these bins!!!!!!!
2679	I prefer this option.
2680	We live next door to a unregistered bed and breakfast who put out two Green Bins every week (10 Melloncroft Drive). I put out one green bin sometimes once per month. We do not generate much waste. I feel that businesses such as these should be charged extra for their waste removal. Especially as they are also benefiting from paying 75% Council Tax for single occupancy. Separate food bins will not work as efficiently as the Green bin.
2681	Weekly food waste collection is a good idea. I would welcome your idea of having my own indoor waste bin and a separate outdoor waste bin collected weekly  I do not want my existing full size General waste (green bin) collection to be changed to 3 weeks. This will cause litter problems, smells and pest issues caused by waste accumulating, especially in warm weather. Keeping a full size general wate (green bin) will not encourage people to recycle waste, but to be lazy and put everything in their green bin as usual without separating their waste.  I want my full size recycling bin (grey bin) emptied every 2 weeks as now  I pay for and use my garden waste (brown bin) and am happy for the garden waste to continue on its existing 2 week collection
2682	Unacceptable, take a look at the French system were much more is recycled milk cartons various plastics etc. This is a lazy proposal. We should be recycling much more of the landfill waste more regularly not just cutting the collection service.
2683	For my family this is the better option . My parents have been doing this for years in wales
2684	I would be happy with option no. 1 as I don't want the council to use more money to buy new smaller green wheelie bins when we already have one. I regularly only put the green wheelie bin out once a month, I find I do not have a lot of rubbish after 2weeks, so wait until it is full to put it out.
2685	Charging for the brown bin was in effect imposing a tax on people with gardens.  Food waste collection long overdue.  I do not agree with proposal to move to a three weekly collection.
2686	We think having a bin for food waste is a good idea. What isn't a good thing is the 3 weekly collection and a smaller bin is ridiculous. Keep the green bin we have and save money in changing the size. At least with the present bin maybe the 3 weekly collection would work. We have absolutely no complaints about your teams of the men who empty our bins. They are good. Overall please keep the 2 weekly collection.
2687	Not very good. We can't manage on fortnightly green bin collections.
2688	Keep green bins collection every two weeks. Contact runcorn, thermal, prossing, plant, they burn everything, then sell the ash. ?.
2689	I prefer staying as things are at present - it's getting more confusing for older people to adjust to. A small indoor caddy is just another vessel to find room for in what is already a small kitchen.
2690	I am truly surprised that you think 1/3 of the waste in the Green bin is food. This certainly is not the case in our house as any food that has gone off is composted, with the exception of meat which is given to the cats and dog. I am aware that not every house will do this but surely the cost of providing extra bins to houses for food outweighs the cost of keeping with the status quo?

2691	<p>As a family of 4 I don't believe by the small amount of food waste from our household this will support a 3 weekly collection of the green bin.</p> <p>We recycle as much as we can and I find that the majority of what goes in our green bin is a rediculous amount of non recycling packaging which infuriates me as it is still so much.</p> <p>I believe we will end up with a surplus amount of bagged rubbish needing collection on top of the green bin.</p>
2692	<p>My bin stinks already during the summer months and have had to sanitise it twice to eliminate maggots</p> <p>3 weeks sounds appalling</p>
2693	<p>I do not agree that within our household that a third of waste is food. We waste very little food indeed, perhaps only 10%. The majority of waste is packaging and babies nappies.</p> <p>I strongly believe that less collections will result in more litter, which is already at a disgusting and embarrassing level within the borough, and fly tipping which I have already reported twice recently in our street alone.</p> <p>Improvements in 'grey bin' recycling may help. I believe that people are confused as to what to put in the grey bin and would rather continue to use the green bin than receive threatening notices that the grey bin has been used incorrectly or have the items taken from the bin and dumped in the street, as I have witnessed.</p>
2694	<p>Do not agree with this idea.</p>
2695	<p>Voting to keep green bin 240litre, and collection every three weeks. It will cost too much money to change all bins. A better listing and understanding of what should go in green bin. So many people not sure, guidelines are not clear enough.</p> <p>Do not fancy new food bins, but will certainly make everybody aware of their waste. I have thought hard of what waste food we have, buying less and more often could be the answer. Is the large pack better value, or not, as we throw some away.</p> <p>Lots of food for thought you might say. My shopping list will be different this week. Time you stamped down on the shops producing packaging too.</p>
2696	<p>I am opposed to smaller green bins and 3 weekly collections. We have major problems in the Wirral as it is with maggots by the 1000s in summer when the bins are collected fortnightly so would b a serious health issue also in my area we are inundated with foxes who regularly rummage and search in the already overloaded green bins!!!! Concerned Council Tax Payer!!!!!!</p>
2697	<p>leave well alone and if you do change stop the charge for the brown bin neston and willaston do not charge so why us. a lot of people in my road put garden waste into the green bin so they don't have to pay I pay for my garden waste perhaps i am mad and being a pensioner i find this charge is wrong.</p>
2698	<p>Don't like this. Even with food waste removed, the remaining items in the green wheelie will start to smell after two weeks. In addition, the three week collection will upset the "every alternate week" cycle which we have got used to.</p>
2699	<p>Don't agree. Think the green bin should stay the same or be collected every week. Two weeks is pushing it really!</p>
2700	<p>Three weekly General rubbish collection I feel is unacceptable.</p> <p>We don't have a decent size recycling bin (grey) because of vehicle access issues,and much of what could be recycled ends up in out green bin because of lack of capacity.</p> <p>As for garden waste....we have NO brown bin and have to visit the local tip/recycling centre with all our garden waste,or pay someone to dispose of it for us.</p>
2701	<p>This is rediculous, the green bin should stay the same size, and should be collected every two weeks the same, and give people the caddy for the food and collect that every week also.</p> <p>It is horrendous that the green bin is collected every two weeks during summer - flies and rodents are rife! The air is pungent with overheated waste... It is all good and well saying the food will be collected every week in the caddy however what about dirty nappies? Dog waste? Both go in the green bin, both will be sat there for 3 weeks?! Have you ever smelt a nappy when it's fresh? Never mind after 3 weeks of festering in heat. I'm appalled. We pay council text to remove our rubbish and yet being given an ultimatum of either smaller bins or a longer wait for collection. This is unacceptable! Mabe if you target manufacturing companies who over package products with non recyclables that would be a better use of your time.</p> <p>Proposing these new layouts is only going to lead to the Wirral becoming a dumping site.</p> <p>I for one am extremely unhappy with the poor choice of options!</p>
2702	<p>Excellent Idea</p>
2703	<p>I dislike both options - but out of the 2 choices, I d rather have my bins emptied sooner rather than later particularly in the summer so option 2 is preferable</p>

2704	I have to run my household on a tight budget therefore we don't waste food. We already suffer with flies and maggots when our bin is emptied fortnightly so don't take the piss and make it every 3 weeks!!!!!! Does the food that is recycled get sold on like the garden waste that we have to pay extra for???
2705	This one sounds more cost effective. Why waste money giving everyone a new smaller bin. What will happen to all the old bigger bins? Will they go to landfill!!
2706	Strong preference to keep larger green bin - but for it to be renewed. I am regularly completely filling it fortnightly and only a small proportion of it is food waste.
2707	Once every 3 weeks is too long between collections especially for people who have young children in nappies
2708	I think 3 weeks is too long to wait.
2709	Approximately half of our green bin is filled with packaging that Wirral will not recycle such as yoghurt pots etc. I am aware councils where I am originally from in Cumbria do recycle these items. If you start to recycle these items, the recycling figures will improve so you need to look to increase the items that can be put in the grey bin. We do throw away a small amount of food but no more than 5%...I really cannot comprehend a Councillor's statement that the average family's green bin is 40% food! The rest of our green bin is used nappies and a bag of waste from cleaning our guinea pigs out. We would have to make regular trips to the tip to dispose of excess waste which defeats the object of reducing waste going to landfill
2710	I would prefer a large bin to collect my food waste rather than a separate small caddy. I am worried that a 3 weekly collection will get confusing and I will lose track of when the collection is due. A fortnightly collection is easier to remember.
2711	Seems a good idea, we should be recycling more food waste. Am still undecided as to whether I would cope with a smaller green bin so would probably stay with Option one rather than two for that reason to start with. You should give a FREE option to request a smaller green bin (say six months after you start collecting food waste) so that households can see how much space they need. Plastic liners would need to be provided on an ongoing basis for the small food waste bin. Are these liners going to be recyclable??!!
2712	This is the better option
2713	I think you should leave well alone .As a house holder I know too well the problems with the 3 recycling bins our community currently use . Having discussed this very subject with family and a large circle of friends NOT one person was in favour .
2714	Food collection weekly is a good idea but leave green bin service as it is
2715	Totally unacceptable for a family. We already fill our green bin EVERY time and have very little food waste. This is a complete misuse of our council tax tantamount to theft.
2716	This risks maggots etc
2717	I already have 2 bins in my kitchen now you are saying have a 3rd one to collect food separately - we don't all have space in our kitchens for this internal bin  if you swop green bin to 3 week collection doesn't that mean additional collections if that's on 3 week cycle and grey bin in on 2 week cycle and food waste on weekly cycle
2718	I consider Option 1 to be the lesser of two evils. Will the Council provide the food waste bags on a weekly basis, or is the intention for the initial issue to be made, and thereafter the property occupier will be responsible. Bagged Dog waste is to be deposited in which Bin?
2719	This seems to be the sensible option. It does not involve the cost of supplying every household with a new smaller bin and a 3 weekly collection should be adequate with no food waste going into the bin. Many people with large quantities of other types of waste visit the tip anyway.i realise this is not possible if you have no vehicle but this is a fairly small amount of people probably mostly elderly and there is usually someone willing to help out at times when this is necessary. No system can be perfect for everyone but I would definitely opt for option 1.
2720	I am very interested in this idea and I am eager to start. I think the green bin may still need to be emptied on a regular basis.
2721	I think collecting every three weeks is not a great option, likely to smell.
2722	Where does council tax charge go?! Why are these forced "options"? How long before monthly collections? Eric Pickles stated everyone is entitled to weekly bin collections so why isn't that being adhered to?! "consultation" isn't that at all and Council has already decided/dictated outcome therefore pointless exercise!!!!!! Brown bin charge shouldn't be imposed regardless as other councils don't eg (Cheshire West) FARCICAL!!!!
2723	Why? We still need green Bin collecting once a fortnight. I would be happy to comply with this if you kept the green bin fortnightly

2724	Preferred option as green bin is full every 2 weeks without food waste
2725	3 weeks is a long time to have soiled nappies in a bin for those with young children. Would this not cause a significant smell? If nappies were also collected separately, which I have read about happening in other council areas, then this would not be such an issue.
2726	Better option would be to stop collect green bins so you could get 100% of recycling. You don't even offer free brown bins, SHAME on you thieves and lairs!
2727	For us this would not be a good option as we have 2 babies and lots of nappies so our bin is full by the 2 weeks. We barely have any food waste so wouldn't make a difference we would still have a full bin after 2 weeks
2728	I'm concerned about maggot problem we have now on a 2 week collection
2729	Either option really but money would be better spent on increasing the things that can be recycled in the area rather than paying for more new bins.
2730	It will mean another bin taking up space in the garden. If this comes about I will not renew my brown bin subscription.
2731	I don't have the room for indoor or outdoor bins/caddys. I have 2 bins in a small kitchen and 5 big bins outside including brown! I DON'T WANT or NEED anymore!! I don't have the room!!!
2732	Don't use brown bin, live on my own, and pay more than enough rates, don't need food container, and won't use, waste food either goes in the compost bin (vegi stuff), the rest goes on the garage roof, and the seagulls hover it up. Green bin should be emptied once a fortnight. The grey bin could be emptied once every three weeks, as common sense tells you, that less waste goes in the grey one. Garden waste can go in the Green bin, does it not rot down? By the way, people who live on their own should get more than a 25% reduction - my 6 bins are never full, and I don't want any more, and won't use them, and it's an excuse to increase the rates for even less service than single people are getting.
2733	OK as long as guarantee of max 3 weeks and no missed collections. Big bin is needed in case we are away or forget to put it out.
2734	As we have very little food waste - peelings etc are composted - I can see that our household would have little use for a food caddy. Would it not be better to recycle more plastics e.g. margarine tubs etc and waxed drinks cartons. What guarantee is there that this food waste collection won't go the way of the first one for which we were part of the pilot scheme. We still have the caddy we were provided with for that. That didn't last very long.
2735	As a single household there's not much food waste so will I still need the caddy and does this include teabags and bread
2736	I think this is a complete joke. The green bin being collected every two weeks is bad enough as my neighbours use theirs to store their dog poo in and the amount of flies and the increase in rodents in the area has trebled in the last two years. If you go ahead with this ridiculous idea I fear the situation will only worsen.
2737	What sort of food waste
2738	All will end up in green bin anyway
2739	Not happy with what council offering green bin every three weeks also have mice due to neighbours so not happy with the option
2740	I am happy about the new provision for food waste. I would prefer to use my larger existing green bin, for flexibility in amount of waste when people come to stay, but continue to have it collected every 2 weeks to keep smells down, especially in the summer. Our bin is still in good condition, so not replacing it would save you money. The amount of waste we would put in this bin should normally not be any more than in a smaller green bin, as you predict our waste would decrease by a third by using the food waste bin. (In option 2 you are willing to collect the smaller green bin every 2 weeks as you do now for our larger bin.)
2741	I have my own compost bin and two dogs, so there is very little food waste disposed of in my green bin.
2742	We have very little food waste so find the whole idea of a caddy in the kitchen an unnecessary nuisance. Collections at 1, 2 and 3 weekly intervals would lead to confusion and mistakes. Provision would have to be made for families with babies nappies and/or medical waste which could not wait for 3 weeks before collection. The 50% target was set by the EU so will not be enforced. However, we are keen recyclers and do fill our grey bin.
2743	There are four adults in my house and after two weeks the large green bin is completely full of swing bin liners containing mainly food PACKAGING. The liners are all sealed to keep the bin from smelling and I wash out the bin just once a year. Apart from tea bags our actual food waste is negligible. To reduce the bin size or extend the collection dates will be a disaster for most families. I think to make the grey recycle bin collection every three weeks is a much better idea and would be more acceptable and manageable for most households.
2744	Sounds like a reasonable suggestion

2745	Should be no charge for green waste should remove brown bins recycle them they plastic to many bins already it's a eyesore now another small one with container outside that ludicrous more invertation to vermin leave it alone the new ideas not thought out out the cost would increase extra rounds more fuel more shifts more pay more pollution silly leave it alone
2746	This is the preferred option, basically because the second option gives us a bin smaller than two-thirds of the existing bin size. However, I would like to know more about the survey carried out that concluded a third of green bin waste is food. EG what was the sample size? What steps were taken to make sure the survey was representative? Is the surveys method and results freely available?
2747	How big is the food bin? Are any foods excluded? What about raw meat etc etc Like idea that is lockable against vermin Think should consider end of road collections such as in Portugal.... that go underground!! For quicker collection rounds
2748	Ridiculous to suggest a green bin collection every 3 weeks - the bins will be overflowing!!!
2749	Many kitchens don't have space to keep bins will the council continue to provide plastic bags also as a country we have done stopped using carrier bags because of land fill what happens to the plastic from the food waste?
2750	No thanks. Have two small bins (grey & green) both need emptying twice weekly. I have a small food waste bin in the kitchen all ready, don't want another. If one is imposed on me, it will not be used as intended. Will make a good tool box perhaps.
2751	I allready opt in to the brown bin collection scheme.i have a family of five,we recycle as much as we can allready.There has already been times this year when waiting two weeks for the green bin to be emptied has resulted in the bin being infested with maggots.For a family of five a two week collection is not enough.every three weeks is unthinkable and would result in dirty stinking bags being left on the street.
2752	Just leave things the way they are it's bad enough already!
2753	I do have any food waste so do not need a small indoor caddy and I would not be happy only having the green bin collected every three weeks.
2754	I prefer option1. Seems to be a better option.
2755	I feel that moving to a 3 weekly collection just because you have need for a larger bin is a kind of punishment for creating more waste. For example I have 2 cats and a dog who create waste in litter trays, the garden and through shedding fur I have very little food waste as I eat in work. Why should a household like mine have to put up with a green bin that will begin to smell after a week never mind 3.
2756	I do not throw food away so cannot see the benefit. What is the basis for offering this option? What data do you have to support the need for a separate food waste collection. I prefer this option and the retention of the larger green bin
2757	We have 15 bins from Beacon Parade flats on West Drive's pavement they are left all over the place and rubbish is not always in the bins - I tidy it every week because I live here and it looks a mess.  Where would you store Beacon Parade bins and all the extra bins in areas where there are flats.  On a personnel level I don't want to have a food container in my kitchen we tried this some years ago it didn't work.
2758	I already compost most of my food waste and still manage to fill my green bin every fortnight. So this doesn't sound great.
2759	the current system works, I don't want it changed at all. surely you ought to be targeting local businesses and corporations for meeting quotas. I am not happy with your option 1 proposal.
2760	Complete waste of time.. If you are lucky we may produce 1 kg of food waste per month. Food waste in our green bin amounts to no more than 1% by weight. If you want to increase the proportion of waste recycled then make it easier / cheaper to recycle garden waste. At present we mainly use our green bin to take excess garden waste.
2761	Not happy with this option as I think green bin collection even without food products should be no longer than 2 weeks. My concerns particularly relate to disposal of nappies which if left for 3 weeks could be very problematic.

2762	I wouldn't use the food waste container to recycle. I've previously lived in Cheshire and it was pretty disgusting using this bin so I didn't take part. I think 3 weeks is too long to have waste waiting for collection. It sounds like a health hazard to me.
2763	I don't mind as long as you reduce my council tax in proportion to the reduced service. Otherwise leave it alone.  If you are reducing it then obviously this one makes sense.  240l / 3 weeks = 80l a week 140l / 2 weeks = 70l a week  Why are you even offering the second option?
2764	The green bin does not always get filled up before collection so it is already large for the capacity need in our house. I would prefer a smaller bin especially as we will have another bin to accommodate. I think collecting food waste is an excellent idea.
2765	My question on both options is why can't the council just be open and honest with the residents of the Borough. The underlying reason for this change is to reduce cost. A number of other Authorities have already started food waste collections I would be intrigued to know what the level of waste collection was I would very much doubt it met the targets anticipated if it did why isn't this data being used to prove its acceptability/success. Instead of collecting food waste it would also make sense to educate people in reducing it at source, why are we now creating so much - waste food collection in one department and food bank in the next great use of Council Tax monies.
2766	We do not have food waste. We do not shop at tracks and therefore not subjected to multi pack offers which generates waste. Once every two weeks we have a roast chicken so there is a carcass to dispose of every two weeks. We have experienced food waste collection in another authority. It was not used by most people and for the most part ignored. The recycling bags for food do not work. They fall apart and degrade too quickly.  We already occasionally take household waste to the tip so extending the collection to three weeks will mean we will go to the tip more often. It's not a hassle for us as we pass the tip every day.  You should be looking at using a recycling company that can take shredded paper and other packaging we can't put into the recycling bins.
2767	Excellent idea. People need to be encouraged to recycle more and put less rubbish in the green bin. If the bin is only collected once every 3 weeks, people will need to recycle so that they don't over fill their bin.
2768	3 weeks is far too long between collections and more bins / caddys we already have 3 bins which in some areas clutter up fronts we will be struggling to access our front doors soon and when we do get in yet another caddy to house inside oh joy ! I presume with the home owner now recycling more we will get a reduction in council tax.
2769	Two weekly green bin collection is already unacceptably long without extending it further to three weeks.  In a household that struggles to produce much food waste due to low income, there will be less reduction than the 30% suggested reduction - and little or no change to the increase in flies/other vermin that has already been caused by the change to two weekly.
2770	I think this is the preferred option and prevents the waste of large green bins which presumably would be costly. Also asking us to decide on an unknown as we are unsure at present what will go into the green bin.
2771	Food waste being kept in an indoor caddy was an idea inflicted on us several years ago in didn't work! Collecting the green bin every 3 weeks would encourage more vermin and flies. Fly tipping would increase putting an extra strain on council budgets. Some weeks you have more waste than other weeks, some weeks the bins are full, some weeks half full. The present collections are just about right for small families. Other than the £40pa for brown bin which is robbery. If you only use your brown bin collections 5 times a year costs £8 per collection.  I Would Totally Regect Option 1
2772	Really good that we'll be getting weekly food recycling. Regular bin emptying only every 3 weeks would be too infrequent - especially for those with nappies to deal with! If this is the option the council go with then provision for those with a high number of nappies / otherwise will have to be clear and free of charge.  The other issue with option 1 is having one bin on a 3 weekly cycle and another on a 2 weekly cycle is a bit more confusing for people, as some weeks you'll have one bin, some weeks both together and some neither bin.

2773	Prefer the original green bin to remain we already have a small brown bin in kitchen to put peeling of fruit and veg then we transfer this into our garden composter other cooked food waste we bag up and put in green bin the suggestion of a smaller green general bin we don,t think will go down very well
2774	As a mother of two children who are still in nappies (the youngest will be for at least another 18months or so) I already have issues with flies even though I double bag all nappies and bleach my bin regularly. 3 weeks for nappies to be sat in a bin is going to really increase flies/maggots and possibly rats.
2775	Only full bin in our house is brown bin so either option is good for us. We will go with the majority. Our dog gets any food scraps and we try not to throw away any food.
2776	I would think that collection of the green bin every three weeks would prove difficult to large families. As I do not have a great deal of food waste I feel that weekly collections would be a waste of resources.
2777	As a single householder this proposal would not affect me much at all, so I would be happy if this adopted.
2778	Dont agree with reducing collection to every 3 weeks
2779	I don't think a food house hold waste Will work. It will cause flies/maggots/ vermin and three weeks collection is going to cause more fly tipping and unhygiene problems As a rate payer I would defiantly not be happy with the three week collection. Two week collection can sometimes cause problems were I have to take my black bin bags to the local tip. I have heard that this has been tried in other areas and also caused to many problem so I would be dead against it.
2780	Keeping the collections as they are at present.
2781	This would not work with a baby as I have to throw out lots of smelly nappies and it is at its limits at the end of the 2 weeks I couldn't like to think what the smell would be like after 3 weeks
2782	I think that even without the food waste, there's a danger that the bins will smell if they're left for three weeks.
2783	I think 3-weekly green bin collections is unacceptable. There is already a major problem with flies and maggots with the current 2-week regime. Are the council prepared, with more staff allocated to tackle environmental health issues if a 3week collection is implemented? I suspect they are not. Will there be a constant supply of caddy liners to households or is this something we will have to purchase separately? Yet another stealth tax like the fee for garden waste brown bin emptying.
2784	This is the best option, although I do not like it. I want to keep my large green bin. I very rarely put food in the bin.
2785	This investment does not incentivise people to separate their food waste so wonder how uptake of this is going to be encouraged?  Would prefer option 2- it can get confusing remembering when a 3 weekly collection will be due. Apart from peelings/egg shells do not throw much food out so think its limited usefulness personally. Really don't like the idea of a recycling container with waste food substances sitting in my kitchen- smells etc. It is not clear how many liners will we be supplied with and how often we can change them?
2786	Ridiculous and disgusting! I struggle with a 2 week collection as it is with a family of 5 one of which is in nappies and we have pets!! Our food waste isn't what the council have estimated as we don't waste much food at all. The neighbours won't be happy with the smell coming from our bin particularly in the summer. It is bad enough now!!
2787	If all food waste goes not a separate caddy then obviously the green bin won't fill up so quickly, however I'm a little cautious of option 1 in relation to baby nappies and elderly person's continence pads, so i don't think 3 weekly collection is viable. I'd rather go for a smaller green bin and 2 weekly collections.
2788	Food waste = maggots / flies especially summer time. Green bin 3 weekly collection suppose we'd have to compact it as much as possible.
2789	I don't like the ideal of having what is basically a slop bucket in my kitchen. It is very unhealthy and disgusting. I have been in homes that have this system and it is like having a compost in the kitchen. It is very smelly and stomach churning. Money would be better spent improving what can be recycled from the grey bin.  I do not support either option.



2790	3 weeks is too long before the green bin is emptied. It would be better if the grey bin went to 3 weekly. People who are incontinent already struggle.
2791	I do not agree with 3 weekly collections. Already on the 2 weekly collection there are flies and maggots around especially In warm weather. You are risking the public's health and wellbeing by leaving waste for 3 weeks.
2792	we in our household do not have much food waste and yet our green bin is still full after two weeks so we would have a build up of excess rubbish
2793	Absolutely ridiculous, for starters I would not leave any food leftovers sat in my house, although that is a very minor point compared with the suggestion that we, as a family of 5, can cope with a 3 weekly collection! We already struggle with fortnightly and quite often have to take rubbish to the tip as our green bin is overflowing. The suggestion that a 3rd of our waste is food is absolutely ludicrous. We are very careful with food and there is very little waste. Do I have to now start washing every non recyclable thing before putting it in my green bin due to the fact it will sit there for 3 weeks now!
2794	Surely the correct approach is educate people about ways of reducing food waste - not making it part of a routine.
2795	we do not have any food waste each week only enough to fill a small plant pot in a YEAR. My wife has a medical condition so the green bin is full every fortnight where will the extra weeks rubbish go?
2796	I don't see a problem with waste food collection, but to change the green bin for a smaller one and only have it collected every 3 weeks is a mistake. If the green bin is full after 2 weeks would the council collect it if asked with out charge?, if not then I think it would be wrong to change the fortnightly collection
2797	Seems a limited approach is being adopted. For example in the USA you can take your recycling material to a central point and receive a nominal cash reward. ENCOURAGES recycling, the apparent object of this exercise. Households could 'opt out' of collections, saving costs.
2798	The green bin only being collected every three weeks would cause a real problem especially with the amount of dirty nappies produced in our household. During the hot months we get maggots in our bin anyway and this would be an even bigger problem if it was collected every third week even with a food waste bin !!!  Surely it would be better to have the grey bin collected every 3 weeks !
2799	No No No to a further bin albeit you state will be smaller. The Wirral is becoming an eyesore, with some streets full of wheelie bins on the pavements, and making walking the pavements difficult.  Inside caddy's.....think of properties which are already cramped in kitchens. In my opinion a really bad move. I personally don't want another bin or a caddy in my kitchen!!  Residents of Wirral want a clean environment, but I'm afraid that in areas, things are far from appealing, especially in terraced house streets.....think again please!!
2800	Agree with Option 1. I have no problem with a three-weekly cycle for collecting my Green bin. I already wash out all food containers and don't waste much food. It would be useful to collect peelings, tea bags etc in a caddy for disposal.
2801	Not acceptable please remain as present We very strongly oppose any changes and we pay a high amount of Council Taxes and do not wish for any changes what so ever
2802	I don't believe the estimates of 40% of green bin waste being food are anywhere near accurate. Many people are now using the green bin for garden waste to avoid the compulsory charge of £35/£40. If the brown garden waste bins were free again this would reduce the landfill waste considerably. Calling the garden waste collections a 'Club' is laughable, it is simply an ill-thought out revenue exercise that has backfired badly with so many residents refusing to pay and adding to landfill by placing their garden waste in the green bins. Option 1 is not going to appeal to anyone.
2803	Don't mind recycling food but putting green bin to 3 weekly is not acceptable. With a family of four and often friends/family visiting we often have a full bin and to change it to 3 weekly would mean using more binbags sitting outside attracting vermin.
2804	keep the 240 litre bins there is going to be a lot of fly tipping which is a problem in the rock ferry area already
2805	This won't meet our needs with the green bin at all. We are child minders and we need a full sized bin and it emptying every Two weeks as we have nappy changes every day and also a child who is double incontinent due to disability. Our bin is always at bursting point after 2 weeks. The food waste is minimal that goes into the bin as we shop every other day for fresh produce and use it up. I also don't want another bin in my front garden I have three already and really don't want a fourth or even a fifth
2806	Definitely NOT. I have dogs and I bag the dog waste and put in green bin. No way is that staying in the green bin for 3 WEEKS !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

2807	<p>First you need to think about the issue more broadly, not in the present simplistic way.</p> <p>In the United States for example you take recyclable material to a reception point and receive a nominal cash payment - an incentive to recycle, saving collection costs.</p>
2808	<p>We are very careful not to waste food and home compost most of it therefore a weekly food collection is pointless for us. I don't think it is acceptable to reduce emptying of green bins which may contain dirty nappies, used sanitary products, pet waste etc to 3 weekly. You need to be doing far more to facilitate the recycling of plastic packaging (from margarine, yogurt pots, ice cream tubs, plastic bags etc) and tetra paks which are far more detrimental to the environment than organic food waste.</p>
2809	<p>I don't like the idea of keeping the same size green bin and have 3 weekly collections.</p>
2810	<p>Don't like this idea, and I put most waste food in a waste disposal unit.</p>
2811	<p>This is waste of money. I don't need waste bin as I have a compost bin.</p> <p>We have two children in nappies. So you expect smelly dirty nappies to stew for three weeks.</p>
2812	<p>I don't see the point of keeping the 240 litre size green bin when the food waste container becomes available.</p>
2813	<p>Only a small proportion of the waste in our green bin is food waste. The rest of the waste is more general: non-recyclable packaging; nappies; bedding for pets; etc. The bin is full for every collection so it is difficult to see an increased collection period working. However of the two options this one would be the better for us.</p>
2814	<p>We have very little food waste. I am concerned that changing the size or frequency of collection of the Green Bin will become an issue. Our Green Bin at 240 litres is full after 2 weeks and removing any food waste would not give enough space for an additional week's general waste.</p>
2815	<p>Happy with this option</p> <p>I have little food waste - Leftovers, if any are eaten next day. I was brought up to clear my plate so no plate scrapings. Peelings etc go in compost bin. But you are welcome to the little food waste I generate!!!</p> <p>I don't see need to replace bins, and surely a 3 weekly collection of 240 litres would be cheaper than a 2 weekly collection of 140 litres, though potentially gives users option to send more to landfill (80 litres/wk vs 70 litres / wk)</p> <p>Will liner bags be issued on a regular basis??</p>
2816	<p>We have a waste disposal machine for food waste and still fill the green bin on a 2 weekly basis. Have first hand experience of 3 weekly collections (green bin) in North Wales and it's not satisfactory.</p> <p>Birkenhead will end up with rubbish just dumped, who is going to clear it up.</p>
2817	<p>I am not keen on option one</p>
2818	<p>The current system appears to be working fine in General. Food bins WILL cause smell and vermin problems, despite some comments that it is not a problem, we all know it is. The 2020 Government target is unrealistic as other councils admit and could well be changed or scrapped.</p>
2819	<p>This option appears to be the most sensible as well as cost effective. It may cause a small issue for some larger families, but generally I would think a 3 weekly collection with a 240 litre bin would work.</p> <p>I do think that some time needs to be spent on educating the public on how to cut down on the amount of food wasted.</p>
2820	<p>I think this sounds like a viable alternative and may even reduce food waste in the long run as people realise how much they're actually throwing away</p>

2821	As with the introduction of the brown bin payment option, I notice an increase of people who refuse to make this payment visit the local environmental waste center to dispose of their garden waste. This has surely put more pressure on these centers and the introduction of having a three week collection for the green bins will put even more pressure on these centers as general public will have to on occasions use them more frequent to dispose of general waste also.
2822	We generate almost no food waste. The only items that currently go into our green bin are occasional egg shells, a few meat bones, and fish skin. All vegetable peelings, teabags/leaves and other green waste is composted at home. There is therefore no benefit to us to have a separate food waste collection. Our green bin is currently very rarely more than half full, and therefore we could easily manage with a three-weekly collection.
2823	A three weekly collection is NOT acceptable. I do bag all my waste but not everyone do. I fear An increase in rodents and foxes.
2824	I do not think that any bins should be collected at more than two week intervals,
2825	I feel that three weekly collections of the green bin would not suit our household and I would prefer to see Option 2 adopted, whereby a smaller green bin is provided, but emptied fortnightly.
2826	preferable, good idea re food waste, keep green bin current size
2827	This sounds like a good plan.
2828	I would choose this option
2829	Not my preferred option. Some food waste may have to be placed in the green bin e.g. a meal with a heavy milk or oil base. On that basis, particularly in the summer months it would be preferable for the green bin to be collected fortnightly rather than three weekly. However if it is significantly more expensive to collect every two weeks (and also factoring in the additional environmental impact from the more frequent collections) would still support this approach. The collection of food waste is a positive and long-awaited step forwards.
2830	The only food waste I ever put in the green bin is the occasional chicken bone. There would be no point in my having a food waste collection.
2831	My concern is with the food bin. What happens when we are on holiday? How pest-proof is the lockable bin? What about the smell and health risk? For public health reasons the waste should be collected from the lockable bin and the collectors issued with master keys to allow this to happen.
2832	I think three weeks is too long to leave household waste.
2833	I would prefer to go with this option.
2834	don't know where you get this figure of 36% from does someone go through every green bin I would say inthis household food is not wasted and would be afigure of 5% or less.our green bin is full every 2 weeks so not an option.havent we heard of brexit eu dictates will be useless in 2 years.
2835	All makes sense
2836	Think I like this one best but worried about chicken packaging etc smelling after three weeks.
2837	I have no room in my kitchen for a small indoor caddy- and I definitely would not like to keep food waste in the kitchen.
2838	As I am all for recycling as much waste as possible the thought of another 2bins however small does not appeal to me but I would rather that than 3 weekly collections.
2839	I feel that the green bin collection should still be collected every two weeks due to the high amount of packaging that is still not recyclable.
2840	We recycle most things make our own compost and have no food waste as we buy sensibly. I am aware of other households having a lot of waste but having yet another bin is ridiculous. Many houses do not have the space to keep all these bins and streets are looking more and more untidy and like bin alleys than streets. Having more sorting to do will cause many people confusion and there will be more contamination of other types of rubbish. Three weekly collection will encourage vermin and flytipping despite what you say. You only have to travel on the train to Liverpool to see the state of the side of the tracks from flytippers and the council do nothing to clear that mess up!!
2841	Not a good idea for those of us who have to dispose of dog waste and nappies! The bin will be very smelly in the summer after 3 weeks! I t is not hygienic.
2842	Starting the food waste collection is unlikely to decrease the amount we put in our green bin as tea bags, egg shells, unused salad items etc. are already composted by us and not put in the green bin. We have a relaxed attitude to best before dates; the food would have to be very out of date before we threw it out without checking its condition.
2843	If you go for this option then householders will need another bin for outside to store the food waste correctly otherwise this will only entice rats, vermin and foxes

2844	<p>I do not have any food waste. Food is either eaten or composted. There would be nothing to put in a food waste container.</p> <p>I use my green bin to supplement my garden waste bin, especially in the Autumn when I collect leaves blown across the road from the Arno Rose Garden. At this time of year, two bins collected every two weeks are insufficient. Therefore, I would like my green bin collected every two weeks as at present and not have a food waste bin.</p>
2845	<p>We have very little food waste, generally just tea bags so we would definitely want to keep the green bin at the current size. Education for people to waste less food would be more useful than reducing collections, particularly as our green bin is usually full with the current 2 week collection so am concerned about the frequency of collections reducing.</p>
2846	<p>The biggest problem I can foresee with a 3 week collection is for when you miss one. Working out what bin day it is will be much harder when there isn't a rolling pattern such as like the current every other week one bin or other is out. The confusion of three weekly for the green bin will be met with great irritation.</p>
2847	<p>I am nervous about the 3 week collection for green bins (albeit minus food waste). That's a long time for Summer months, but I can see what the Council is driving at.</p>
2848	<p>Dont spend money changing all the bins.. like the idea of moving to 3 weekly green bin collection</p>
2849	<p>Three weeks is too long to have food containers lying in bins in Summer</p>
2850	<p>This would be my choice.</p>
2851	<p>I'm assuming the liner bags are bio-degradable or do we have to empty the food waste into the food container?? Would rather keep the 240 litre bin too. Slightly concerned how heavy the food waste container will weigh at the end of the week???Are containers on wheels or do we carry them out to be collected??</p>
2852	<p>We have two green bins, we need the two.will we still be able to have them.</p>
2853	<p>We are a family of five and produce very little food waste. I think another collect is a waste of resources bring back free brown bin collection to increase recycling. I pay for my brown bin collect. I recycle everything I can. A few households don't care about recycling fine them and increase recycling this way. As collections are made check the bin if not correct fine the household. Two week collection works will for us.</p>
2854	<p>I currently have a smaller bin so would not want to increase the size of my bin as my current smaller bin is suitable for my needs.</p>
2855	<p>I agree with the need to recycle food waste, we recycle our canteen waste at work and achieve almost 100% recycling of our total waste across the business by finding the right waste mangement providers. AS long as the outdoor containers are secure then no problem. Domestically, in theory the reduction of (food) waste going into the green bin should give an extra weeks capacity. We generally fill our green bin every two weeks so will need the full capacity and would be ok with this proposal. I would like to know how the quantity/percentage of food waste was calculated.</p>

2856	<p>Firstly : Neither of these proposals are acceptable as I strongly object to ther enforced Food Waste Proposal contained within both sections.</p> <p>My comments.</p> <p>Wirral Council suggests 'that we have a responsibility to improve and protect our environment', by achieving a figure for recycling of 50% by 2020 and that food waste can be turned into fuel. Good news indeed, but the aims and objectives of Environmental legislation is not to focus on waste management alone but also on the enhancement and improvement of the environment in which we as residents live. This whole issue however seems to be clearly focused upon financial issues, food waste, and by telling residents what is good for them. It certainly fails to ignore the aims of Environmental legislation and its implied intensions which is not designed to apply discriminative factors nor reduce services, in this case by reducing the size of bins and extending collection schedules making it increasing harder for larger families to cope with waste management issues. In such cases I can only predict that 'Fly-Tipping' will increase significantly costing the Council more. Other question have not been answered to the satisfaction of the community either , and the presentation of only two options both containing ' Food Waste Issues 'is unacceptable . If we are to support improvements and future protection our environment I would respectfully suggest that this Council should direct their attention under the 'Environmental Umbrella' to improving the environment in which Wirral people live by resolving issues which attract higher priorities for Wirral residents, other than the introduction of a fourth bin effectively expecting householders to turn their kitchens into a smelly and unhygienic, waste management centre . I am sure more acceptable ways of reducing waste by 2020 can be achieved without attracting further controversy and would urge Wirral Council to reject this scheme for what it is worth 'Rubbish ' and to retain the existing 240 litre Green Bin and to retain collection in its present format.. Thus then applying the aforementioned considerations to focusing upon those issues, which are according to the press , considered more important to the people of Wirral such as animal fouling, fly tipping, litter, graffiti, pollution, noise , destruction of grass verges, and many more in order to further improve our environment.</p>
2857	Have you thought about the smell on Wirral if we leave nappies, dog poop bags (for those who bother to bin them) festering in green bin for 3 weeks.
2858	Option 3 - don't change the green bin size or collection - the streets are going to be full of rubbish
2859	<p>We do not have a lot of organic waste so we do not want to leave rotting food in the house overnight in order to fill the caddy so we would empty the caddy every day. will we be given enough bags to do that?</p> <p>We prefer to keep the fuil size green bin because it will be picked up in 3 weeks but to empty the smaller bin for the same amount will take 4 weeks.</p>
2860	I welcome the food waste collection. I am however concerned that not all people will separate food waste and existing green bin collections on a three weekly basis may create health hazards. I prefer option two.
2861	What is food waste? Do you mean veg peelings or rind. All my leftovers are used the next day or boiled for stock. Packaging that is not recyclable is the problem.
2862	We already have a problem with maggots. This is going to make things worse and be a health hazard. I have young foster children and their health may be affected.
2863	Accepting that all households are different, the amount of food waste that we put into the bin is negligible, because we compost all our own vegetable waste. We also carefully separate material which you do accept for recycling in the grey bin. Your proposal means that we will have to try and accommodate separate additional recycling containers with very little benefit to you, and none to us, and will have reduced facilities for green bin waste. While our green bin is not full to the brim every time, it comes close, mostly with supermarket food wrapping, non-recyclable plastics (eg yoghurt pots) and other non-recyclable material. Your proposal is ill-conceived, and is a reduction in services provided, under the guise of improving recycling rates to achieve an arbitrary percentage. It is also likely to increase fly-tipping as households cannot fit all their waste into the reduced service. This applies equally to option 2.

2864	<p>Immaterial to what we say (or anyone says) the ten man cabinet of Wirral will decide the outcome that will be made , regardless of what comments we make, as they do with everything else !!</p> <p>How do you justify the extra cost of carrying out these plans when the council continually advocate a shortage of funds ?</p>
2865	I would choose this option if you also included additional items that could be recycled such as other plastics, yogurt cartons and tin foil. If you did not expand the categories of waste that could be recycled in the 240 litre green bin then I would choose option 2.
2866	Green bin every three weeks. Utterly preposterous! How can this be seen as CONSULTATION. If the Council had got it right in the first place the Bidston recycling plant would be able to better sort the grey bin materials and thereby improve our recycling rate.
2867	<p>Absolute garbage. Our food waste is limited to teabags and eggshells. Who on earth can afford to waste £60 on food - that's just nonsense.</p> <p>You can't change the present recycling so we have to settle for a further reduction in service.</p> <p>Knowing you won't listen to reason this is the preferred option.</p>
2868	Preferred option, if it has to go ahead.
2869	<p>The issue of food waste is almost irrelevant to us as we very rarely have any.</p> <p>With regard to option 1 we will need to retain our 240L bin but even with only two people in our household three weekly collections will be inadequate. I do not know how on earth larger families will be expected to cope.</p>
2870	<p>I would prefer option 1 because even though my 240l green bin is often not full when it is emptied fortnightly I feel that the smaller 140 green bin may not be big enough for any larger items I may wish to dispose of.</p> <p>I love to recycle and am pro the food collection but I am wondering if the weekly collection of the food bin, provision of liners and bins may not cost too much money. What will happen if I forget to unlock my bin on the day of collection?</p>
2871	3 weeks is far too long to wait to have the green bin emptied. If for any reason a collection is missed ( holiday, over slept , absent from home for any reason it would be 6 weeks before the bin was emptied. I have very little waste food that goes into my green bin. Cat litter , nappies, takeaway food cartons , encrusted cardboard (unable to recycle) lying in a bin for up to 3 weeks. I dread the smell and flies. I also think people could be confused as to collection date on a 3 weekly cycle.
2872	We prefer option 2
2873	It will be very difficult to have the green bin emptied every three weeks. My green bin is full after 2 weeks due to the large amount of non-recyclable wrapping from supermarkets etc. The idea that you keep a lockable food waste outside in a hot summer is ridiculous. The smell will be terrible and attract vermin.
2874	<p>Disgusting, two weeks is bad enough. THREE!!</p> <p>And what happens if you miss a collection then? SIX weeks worth of rotting waste...</p>
2875	I reject this option as it is unsuitable and I feel that you would be more likely to hit your recycling targets if the brown bins were reintroduced as free for all householders as before 2010.
2876	I do not agree with this, I do not wish to have a food bin .
2877	I agree with the principle of a separate collection for food waste, however I object to the idea of spending money on replacing the existing green bins with a smaller version of the same thing. The new food waste collection should be scheduled for once per week, but the existing fortnightly collection of existing 240l green bins should continue.
2878	<p>I do not want to store food waste in my kitchen in this caddy, it will smell and lead to infestation. If there is a lockable container for outside- this could easily get blown away, I have difficulty preventing my bins from blowing away i the wind at present and households throughout Wirral will loose these keys&gt; I hope these are odour proof as cats and wild animals will target these.</p> <p>Can you not provide another smaller bin for food if you really must do this? I do not have that much waste for this to be effective. whatever happened to environmental and waste reduction education- encouraging households to consume less?</p>
2879	Fine for single occupant but not for large families.

2880	I prefer this option because if you change the size of the bins this will result in lots of bins being surplus to requirement. Collecting every 3 weeks will save on fuel and help the environment.
2881	Rubbish stop changing !!!
2882	don't waste my time,keep it as it is.i don't want a weekly food collection
2883	I recycle most of my food waste already as I use a compost heap in the garden so don't think either option will have much of an impact on me or my family. The only downside is that the collection cycle will become more complicated - easy to rembrred at the minute that grey and green bins are fortnightly
2884	Green bin collections every three weeks will lead to unacceptable smells from bins that contain cat litter, dog and other pet waste and nappies etc. Two week collections essential. The main problem with Wirrals poor recycling record is the payments required for brown bins as so many people are putting plant waste into green bins. I have virtually no food waste. A better option would be to have a comprehensive recycling centre at Clatterbridge, where people could take more items.
2885	Retain existing 240 litre bin and have collection every three weeks. Food recycling is an acceptable arrangement.
2886	It will be more confusing to put your green bin out every 3x weeks
2887	a 3 week collection of the existing 240 litre green bin is UNACCEPTABLE.  Option 1 is NOT accepted.
2888	We would go with option 2
2889	If the council would save money by not having to replace all household green bins, then I would be happy to go along with option one. Although I do like the sound of a smaller bin as storing 3 bins can be a big problem for households.
2890	I prefer this option of keeping the larger bin and having it collected every 3 weeks. Food waste is the main reason it needs collecting regularly for hygiene reasons, so this need will be reduced but having a large bin is always handy.
2891	Giving two options will logistically more expensive and more collections, if half the addresses choose option 1 and half choose option 2 , and thus increased pollution from diesel collection wagons which seems to defeat the objective, I believe you may need to rethink this and offer only one option.
2892	total madness
2893	We do not fill either bins . we do not have food waste, only peelings which goes in my composter on the garden. its the younger generation who waste food.
2894	Iwould use a smaller bin for my food waste as I only half fill the green bin at the moment .There are only three people in our house but it must be difficult for large families
2895	3 weeks is too long to collect green bin
2896	We would prefer to keep the larger bin. Weekly food waste collection a good idea.
2897	the re cycling targets are too much and are not sensible, more balance is needed between the health of people and recycling,Acheiving targets set by who ? will mean more maggots more flys more bins and more refuse workers where is the sense in these proposals.Filth and disease await,Rats Mice Foxes await.A small "INDOOR" Caddy ha ha ha get real who will keep stinking food waste in there hot kitchens it will be left outside and vermin will drag it out all over Wirral.Whoever came up with these proposals should be ashamed of themselves I bet they havnt got a house full of children REDICULOUS IDEA,Give us the service we are paying our council tax for.
2898	No problem with this. I already have two compost bins on site and recycle a lot of the food. As long as there is no smell or fly problems the three week collection is acceptable.
2899	for are house hold we would have very use for a food waste collection because we have very little food waste.
2900	We feed the vast majority of any waste food to the chickens hence no food waste, as there 6 of us living as an extended family we fill the green bin each week. We recycle all our garden waste either as chicken food, compost, chipping, or logs for the wood burning stove in winter so do not need to use the brown bin.

2901	<p>To my understanding, this arithmetic presented is fundamentally flawed. The nationwide suggestion that every Green bin contains 7 kg. of food waste has been proved to be "unlikely".The same is the suggestion that this 7kg of food waste equates to 80 litre. In volume. It might do! And it might not. Either way the council is faced with the same expense. Adding the "food" bin will be expensive and have a doubtful outcome. A fraction of this expenditure on education will have better outcome. The cost of collection of a 140 ltr is the same as that of a 240ltr bin give or take a fraction of a penny. But if you alter the schedule or volume to be collected you will cause a multitude of HSE problems for the residents, regardless of the doubtful findings of the authors of this paper. This problem merits a rethink.</p>
2902	<p>As we don't have a lot of food waste, at the very most egg shells and a chicken carcass, all vegetable waste being composted, we cannot understand why people in Wirral are wasting so much food especially when so many people are reported to use food banks. Which makes us wonder if people are getting free food they are throwing it away as it has cost them nothing. As this is being imposed on us and forcing us to have four bins for which we have to find storage we reluctantly prefer Option 1.</p>
2903	<p>3 weekly is not enough what about people with nappies yuk this could lead to fly tipping</p>
2904	<p>There will be a small number of residents who are ecologically and environmentally aware who will use the small food waste bin /and or increase composting (like myself ) - but I have a large garden. However, I do not believe that the majority of residents will have the time or inclination to use a weekly food waste collection. I suspect that many residents would prefer to use the large green bin. With a three weekly collection, this will lead to a substantial rise in rats, other vermin and flies and headlines on the BBC and national press about Wirral being the dirtiest Borough in the country- really good for marketing and tourism!!</p> <p>Not a very clever suggestion at all.</p>
2905	<p>I think that this would be suitable for my household.</p>
2906	<p>Three weeks for collection is ridiculous, increased flies, rodents, smells etc due to soiled nappies, feminine waste products, etc. Lots of households have to keep their bins by front doors so the smells etc would cause illness etc. Take a look at the Grey Bins and learn from Runcorn Council that there are many many more items that can be recycled efficiently, yoghurt pots, ready meal containers, plastic of any description etc etc etc, thereby reducing what goes to landfill. Stop spending money on surveys and use some common sense. The people of Wirral do not cause excess waste, it is because WBC only let us recycle limited items.</p>
2907	<p>The weekly amount of green bin waste will therefore effectively be reduced from 120 litres/week currently to 80 litres/week. I presume that the new food waste bin will therefore have a capacity of 40 litres/week so that the overall waste capacity being collected is the same.</p>



2908	Is this to conform with EU regulations, I thought we had just kicked them into touch, why are we still observing their regulations, the majority of the Country has said NO.
2909	3 weeks is too long for a green bin collection and will lead to maggot infestations
2910	<p>We are a family of two pensioners, we have two garden waste bins as we have a good sized garden and most collections the two bins are almost always very near full.</p> <p>Our green bin is usually half to two thirds full.</p> <p>A collection of the green bin every three weeks will have little effect on us, especially if we use a food waste bin.</p> <p>Happy to use a food waste bin, as long as a continuous supply of food waste bags are provided ( friends in Scotland who hav this system found they had to provide their own food waste bags after a short while)</p> <p>And also that the outside food bin is lockable, and therefore safe from predators, and the weekly collection is guaranteed to continue at that rate.</p>
2911	<p>why does it say at bidston tip that you are recycling 65% of what is taken there and also what about collecting all the grass cuttings of the grass verges that are cut instead of letting it go down the drains and blocking the grids,the next thing will be to try and charge us like you are doing with the brown bins,i would like to know also how much it is going to cost the counsil to transport this waste to widnes and what benefits it will give to the residents of wirral.Do these councillors live on a different planet than the residents of Wirral as we are no longer members of europe so how can they fine us for recycling.Myself and a few more of my neighbors cut the grass outside our fronts to make it look a lot more respectable than when your grass cutters come and cut and blow the grass all over the place and let it go to hay and look a mess but we get no thanks from the counsil for this so why should we help you in your recycling.I look forward to your reply to my response</p>
2912	<p>keep the existing green bin size,uniform with the others, as there will be much less food waste, there will be minimal risks of maggots, saves the council having to spend money to replace all the bins.</p> <p>Your existing bin in the kitchen plus a caddy and a further bin outside, seems a bit much, would the money be better invested on that machinery that can identify the yoghurt pots etc which can't be recycled at the moment.</p>
2913	I think it will be very confusing to residents to put the green bin on to a 3 weekly cycle. I can see the reasoning as their will be less going into the green bin but with the grey and brown bin collections remaining as now it will be hard to remember when to put the green bin out. Happy to have a food recycling bin collected weekly
2914	it does not matter if you emoty a binevery day or every month the fact is the same amount of waste will be produced by the household andfly tipping will become common place especialy for the people who cannot afford a car and get to the tip. Once again i must congradulate you for making what is already a depressing place even worse
2915	Yes fine, except Christmas and new year is always a huge challenge so perhaps that needs a thought for communities to deal with as the food waste is a bit different to normal amounts for most families
2916	I think that a three week collection could prove very confusing leading to people missing their green bin collection.
2917	<p>how much money will I receive for our contribution towards the gas</p> <p>where do I put the maggots</p> <p>green bin or leave in food waste bin</p> <p>why change the size of the green bin, this will incur extra cost to tax-payer</p> <p>if as you say we will produce less green bin waste why change the size of the bin?</p> <p>are the wagons going to be smaller with shorter hoists?</p> <p>if so who is providing the cost for the new smaller wagons?</p> <p>have you ever smelt a compost like the one you want us to keep in our kitchens?</p> <p>I have worked in houses that have this scheme and the smell is horrendous and none of the householders agree with the said scheme</p>
2918	Support this but would propose a smaller inside waste caddy. Green bin should be made smaller for storage as less going in.
2919	<p>Our household hardly has any food waste as we compost our peelings etc., but if we are going to have to have it then a weekly collection is desirable.</p> <p>I have no problem with the other points.</p>

2920	I,think this plan is a waste of time.Will anybody read these comments,iff they do can you email me back please so i know my comments have been noted.
2921	not a viable option - the green bins will be overflowing before their collection date
2922	I would be happy doing this but I feel that a lot of people won't be bothered with this as it is a lot of messing & think food waste will end up on the streets. I think we are better staying as we are now .
2923	Do not want a 3 weekly collection - difficult to remember which week the collection is
2924	Good idea in theory, problem for me as with many people, my kitchen is tiny and there is no surface space for food caddy. Also, my kitchen is in the front of the house so running out to scrape waste food etc would be embarrassing. There is no floor space either. Apart from that I welcome the idea.
2925	3 weeks for green bin too long
2926	3 weekly collection is a terrible idea. I've a household of 5 (2 in nappies) and two dogs. The bin would be over flowing and attracting flies and rats if not emptied fortnightly at a minimum. We already recycle everything possible and compost all possible food waste.
2927	I do not like the idea of food waste collection because I think it will encourage rat, mice or other infestation. If it has to happen then I think I will go with current size of green bin with a 3-weekly collection. Would appreciate a new bin as promised in the change over info.
2928	As dirty disposable nappies and dog muck are a common feature in many green bins it would just exacerbate the current problems with smells and unhygienic conditions by collecting only every 3 weeks. Poor binmen! Whilst it is clearly a good idea to recycle food waste it may be problematical for those who already have insufficient space for bin storage and there will no doubt be a need for an extensive and costly publicity campaign in order to ensure compliance.
2929	As dirty disposable nappies and dog muck are a common feature in many green bins it would just exacerbate the current problems with smells and unhygienic conditions by collecting only every 3 weeks. Poor binmen! Whilst it is clearly a good idea to recycle food waste it may be problematical for those who already have insufficient space for bin storage and there will no doubt be a need for an extensive and costly publicity campaign in order to ensure compliance.
2930	We do not like the suggested move to 3 weekly collections. Likely to cause confusion over which week the collection is due - current arrangement of weekly collections alternating between the green and grey bins is easy to remember. Presumably with a 3 weekly collection of green bins and 2 weekly collection of grey bins, some weeks both bins would need to be put out on the same day leading to congestion on the pavement/overspill onto the road
2931	We do not like this option, no benefits from the change. Maggots will grow.
2932	We compost all are kitchen waste - easier as vegetarians. Usually the green bin is not full after 2 weeks but sometimes it is. There are many people who will just dump excess rubbish, or put it in the grey bin. I wonder how people with 2 babies in disposable nappies would cope?
2933	Preferable. Although not ideal. Time will tell?
2934	As dirty disposable nappies and dog muck are a common feature in many green bins it would just exacerbate the current problems with smells and unhygienic conditions by collecting only every 3 weeks. Poor binmen! Whilst it is clearly a good idea to recycle food waste it may be problematical for those who already have insufficient space for bin storage and there will no doubt be a need for an extensive and costly publicity campaign in order to ensure compliance.
2935	Better option. more space for garden waste in green bin.
2936	This is a less expensive course of action, not requiring the cost of replacing all the green bins.
2937	The food waste container sounds a good idea but I think a three weekly green bin collection is not a good idea.If it was a family that has a lot of waste and nappies.I think the the charge for the the garden bin is bad enough but the subscription has gone up this year.I do subscribe because I have too I have a lot of garden waste and don't have the means to dispose of it any other way.If the garden bin was free there would be more recycling.
2938	I am very, very unhappy with both options We very rarely put food in our green bin so therefore feel,that we are unlikely to use the new food bin My mother lives with me is over 90 years of age and incontinent - I need the green bins for this waste. I feel that your proposal,is a backward step and would welcome your suggestion on how reducing my bin size and collection weeks is going to help me A) as a career and B) and how this is increasing recycling?
2939	DISAGREE WITH BOTH OPTIONS. DO NOT HAVE TIME OR SPACE TO SORT REFUSE OUT.

2940	<p>We have only a small amount of food waste as most of it goes into our compost bin to rot down. However happy to use a food bin collected weekly.</p> <p>if a small green bin can be collected fortnightly why not continue with the exisiting green bins collected fortnightly and replace them with smaller bins as they wear out. There will still be smelly waste in those bins eg dog waste and disposable nappies etc.</p> <p>Any capital resources should be used on a pooled basis across Merseyside (first job for the new Mayor!) to enable all the plastic waste to be put in the recycling grey bin which will easily and quickly improve recycling rates.</p>
2941	<p>Three weeks is too long to wait for green bin to be emptied. given that food waste is going in a different bin, a reduced size green bin will be fine.</p>
2942	<p>No I think three weekly collection it too long. &amp; I think people will get confused about which bin to put out on the day of collection</p>
2943	<p>I don't want either option. I don't want another bin and certainly not a "caddy" in the kitchen. Please reconsider carefully.</p>
2944	<p>I don't think a 3 weekly bin emptying would be wise there will be still food item packages in the bin attracting flies etc Where are people supposed to put 4 bins?? It's an eye saw with 3 sitting outside the front door</p>
2945	<p>We have very little food waste. This consists of teabags, egg shells, apple cores, banana skins and some peelings. We never waste food. We recycle as much as possible via the grey bins, charity shops and freecycle. A member of our household has a medical problem which means that our green bins are fuller than ever before and until the NHS can find a place on a waiting list this will continue.</p>

2946	<p>You have poorly presented your options to enable you to state that there is a clear majority in favour of either option 1 or option 2. What you haven't presented is any facts on tonnages or cost.</p> <p>My preferred option would be introduce food caddies but stick with 2 weekly collections. I have cat litter to put in my bin which will be absolutely stinking at the end of three weeks despite it being tied in a plastic bags.</p> <p>You also seem to take the totalitarian stance that we cannot or do not recycle. I recycle as much as I can but still have plenty of general waste due to packaging that you don't accept as recyclable!</p> <p>Part of your shortfall comes from the way YOU have awarded the waste and recycling contract.</p> <p>You have identified what can be recycled based upon what your contractor, Biffa, can recycle and not on what is recyclable.</p> <p>The following are not allowed in your recycling bins( but they are in South Yorkshire):  Foil  Foil Food Trays  Biscuit Tins  Recyclable Food Trays  Shredded Paper  Tetra packs  Wax Cartons</p> <p>All of these are recyclable but you reject them from the recycling bins and then wonder why your targets are not being met!</p> <p>The only reason can be is that Biffa's MRF cannot recover them.</p> <p>Although segregation at source is the best option we should be further segregating the glass and tins/cans from the card/paper. There would be less contamination and you would make a better product. I understand how MRF's operate and there would be a cleaner and faster throughput if the material wasn't mixed.</p> <p>You also don't give householders the option of putting textiles in a bag with the recycling bin. Any textiles therefore go into the general waste and if any of it was recoverable then it probably wouldn't</p>
2947	I have little or no food waste. As a pensioner I have a limited amount of money to spend. I do not buy food and waste it.
2948	This will encourage people to waste more food, we don't have sufficient food waste in our house to justify a food recycling collection. Shouldn't you be encouraging people not to waste food at all rather than providing a service for throwing it away ? This is an awful idea.
2949	<p>I don't like the thought of my green bin standing around for 3 weeks, especially in the heat, as we have dogs and the dog waste goes into the bin (and there is a lot of it!).</p> <p>I also don't understand why only 36% of household waste is currently recycled - are you saying that some people are not using the grey bins correctly and throwing things away that could be recycled? Maybe people should be fined for putting recyclable items into the green bin.</p> <p>Do we have to pay for the liners for the small indoor caddy?</p>
2950	<p>I presume that the lock facility is merely to prevent animals accessing the Food Waste?</p> <p>And - I do not think that we bin very much food at all.</p>
2951	This option sounds sensible.
2952	<p>As a Wirral ratepayer of some 55 years and hopefully for some time to come I expect those elected to the various departments that make the decisions on our behalf to do the very best for us all but if cutting down on collections is the answer you can expect 'fly tipping' to occur by a minority of the population which means quite obviously more work for those who have to collect and dispose of this discarded rubbish. I sense a veiled suggestion that some charges may occur in the future for these services as they have done for the collection and disposal of garden waste (of which I subscribe to two bins). It is quite a decision to have to put before the population of Wirral a percentage of which are elderly and have some difficulty absorbing the decisions of the Wirral Council.</p> <p>There is also the accommodation of these Bins as a lot of homes are not equipped with sufficient space to accommodate them. I suggest that instead of aiming to project the recycling of waste program, that some consideration be applied to the present day needs and how we all feel having our spaces taken up with large and ungainly equipment i.e more bins!</p>

2953	<p>With the green bin collection already being every 2 weeks - to reduce this to three weeks and reduce the size of the bin is ridiculous. This reduction should be reflected in our council tax charges to compensate for the lesser service/3 wkly basis and reduced size bin. The green bins are overflowing already, smelling bins and attracting flies. People are fly tipping all over the streets and if you are have no transport to the Waste Disposal sites you have a backlog of rubbish in your garden, smelling and attracting flies/maggots .</p> <p>I think there is enough recycling and these bins do not need to be emptied so frequently as there are no perishable items. You should only be reducing the recycling bin service to every 3 or 4 weeks but have the green bins emptied weekly. I wonder who is really benefiting from recycling, households make it possible for producing recycled goods yet we get charged back for plastic carrier bags in the supermarkets. This new scheme for the green bins is not unexpected. The quality of Services will continue to deteriorate whilst our council taxes continue to increase each year.</p>
2954	KEEP green bin as same size and every fortnight
2955	I object to 3 weekly collections of anything - it is far too long and will be a difficult cycle to keep to. What am I paying my council tax for??
2956	This would definitely be our preferred option as we don't have any food waste whatsoever,We feed the birds in our garden,we also have a wormery and a compost bin that between them dispose of all our waste food . The 240 ltr green bin is also ideal for us because although we are a two person household we have lots of grandchildren who come to visit and create quite a bit of waste
2957	<p>we put very little food waste in our bin. a 3 weekly collection for our existing green bin will undoubtedly mean it will be overflowing.</p> <p>if this option is chosen, what happens to my overflow items?</p>
2958	<p>We are quite happy to recycle our food waste using the new system</p> <p>With a 3 week collection for our existing green bin.</p>
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2960	I do not feel the food waste collection will be of any use to you figures or to the environment. And will definitely be a problem, especially during the summer, with flies and vermin. I also feel that emptying green bins every 3weeks will bring more and more flies and vermin to our areas. How cost affective is it to collect and transport out of area the food waste? Will this eventually cost each resident more money like the brown bin does? I have family down south and they have all their bins emptied every week and food recycling is optional. How come this Council want to do less and charge for brown bin collection. I would not choose this option and if I had the choice I would not have food waste collected.
2961	Very happy with our waste and recycling collections. Much simpler and less complicated than other areas of country. Food recycling is positive step forward. Would prefer Option 1
2962	We need WEEKLY green bin collections! nappys, incontinence pads, sanitary pads, all in MY bin. get a grip. Make the grey bin monthly, after all no one puts much in it. And don't give us the old "EU regs argument" we have voted OUT. We pay our council tax and even pay for garden waste bin!!!! come on WBC hear the people.
2963	Collecting the green bin every 3 weeks will make things more difficult to remember and the bin will smell even worse
2964	Absolute rubbish, we do not generate that much food waste anyway to be collected every week and to then collect general waste every 3 weeks is a disgrace. both options are NOT acceptable.
2965	I think every 3 weeks is too long and waste will build up.
2966	unacceptable !
2967	<p>We don't generate much food waste. Most of our waste is from plastic packaging that can't be recycled. Also, our disabled son uses a lot of moist toilet paper which can't go down toilet as it blocks pipe, so we have a lot of soiled toilet paper which can get smelly. We also have waste from rabbit cage. When we first got rabbits, we could put spent bedding in the brown bin and recycle it with the gardening waste. Any likelihood of that system being reinstated?</p> <p>Not happy with any change, but would prefer option 1 to option 2.</p>

2968	<p>I live in a property of 3 flats One of the flats does not recycle so this 3wk green bin will be a huge issue as he (single man) fills the bin in 2wks at Christmas his bin overflows with no regard to cleanliness</p> <p>Secondly I have a baby so I use more of my green bin for nappies but I fill my grey bin every 2wks and I welcome more opportunities to recycle</p>
2969	<p>A three week collection for green bin is too long. Good idea to recycle food waste separately</p>
2970	<p>In my household, food waste contributes very little to my weekly waste, infact there is barely any food waste. The peelings, teabags and none cooked food is composted and used on my vegetable plot.</p> <p>The major contribution to my weekly waste is polyolefin packaging materials which are in themselves extremely recyclable albeit MWDA do not appear to be equipped to do so. I note that in your questions and answers section, you indicate that the decision to upgrade the sorting equipment needs to be taken by MWDA in agreement with other Merseyside councils. I also note you have chosen not to provide cost comparative information to show the difference in cost between implementation of either of these schemes and the cost to upgrade the recycling sorting equipment. This is disappointing and misleading.</p> <p>For me it is quite clear that the money needs to be spent by MWDA on upgrading their equipment, if necessary, Merseyside councils could contribute towards this cost and then much less recyclable waste will be sent to land fill. It is actually quite shocking that MWDA have not yet brought themselves up to this status as there is actually very little food or packaging material on the supermarket shelf that is designated as unrecyclable these days, Yet I am constantly frustrated by the amount of recyclable material I have to dispose of in the green bin, rather than in the grey bin, simply because our waste handling company simply cannot handle such materials. They need to update their equipment in line with today's Environmental policies and objectives on recycling.</p> <p>If packaging manufacturers can contribute to environmental standards by utilising only recyclable materials, then it is the waste handling companies who need to also do their job to ensure they can handle these materials.</p> <p>For these reasons I reject both of Wirral Council's proposed schemes 1 and 2.</p>
2971	<p>I WOULD HAVE TO CHOOSE THIS OPTION IN ORDER TO KEEP MY 240 LITRES BIN. BUT I DO NOT THROW AWAY FOOD BECAUSE I MANAGE MY FOOD CAREFULLY. I AM A PENSIONER AND COULD NOT AFFORD TO WASTE MONEY.</p> <p>MY GREEN BIN HAS MORE GARDEN WASTE IN IT NOW, THAT WAS WHY THE BROWN BIN WAS PROVIDED BUT SINCE YOU HAVE NOW STARTED TO CHARGE FOR IT I FOUND I CAN NOT AFFORD THIS IT IS LIKE A RATE INCREASE.WHY DON'T YOU CHARGE FOR COLLECTING FOOD WASTE. THE COUNCIL WAS GOING TO MAKE COMPOST OUT OF THE BROWN BIN WASTE. I HAVE BOUGHT THREE COMPOST BINS FROM THE COUNCIL AND MAKE MY OWN COMPOST. I CAN'T MAKE COMPOST OUT OF ALL MY GARDEN WASTE WITHOUT SHREDDING.</p>
2972	<p>At the present the whole block of 6 flats use 2 or 3 at most of the Green Bins, and only a few of the residents put these bins out, so this will cause a problem, for me and the others who actually care about keeping the communal area tidy.</p> <p>You will need to re-educate people, as many throw anything in any bin, so how will you monitor the food bins?</p> <p>Where will the locked food bins be located as it is already a chore wheeling out the bins to the pavement. There is not enough room on the pavements at present, so the introduction of these locked food waste containers could be a cause for concern, these could lead to insurance claims increasing, through pavements becoming more cluttered and people having to move into the road to pass these 6 mini food containers.</p> <p>In hot weather maggots and flies may also increase, also the individuals who don't care, may cause neighbours to be invested by flies and maggots.</p> <p>Also will we have to separate cooked and raw food waste? As these decompose at a different rate, also you can not compost cooked food, as already stated by you the council, on the use of composters. You should provide composters free of charge so the raw food and grass cuttings can be recycled.</p> <p>Also the public bins on pavements, may get used these instead, if peoples' waste becomes too much for their own bins.</p>

2973	Concerned about the size of the food waste and when the food starts to decompose in the warmer weather. Also green bin will begin to smell during weather if collected every 3 weeks. You should consider stopping or reducing the cost of the garden waste subscription and maybe more people would use it as I know some people who do not pay the subscription put their garden waste in the green bin
2974	not as good an option as option 2
2975	We already compost raw fruit/veg waste. We have very little cooked food waste. A lot of emphasis now is on careful meal planning to keep down household costs as well as encouraging healthy eating and cooking from scratch. So theoretically there should be less food waste. However the fast food trend remains a reality and there is plenty of waste from this!
2976	Living alone very little food waste is binned (perhaps lettuce stalks banana skins potato peelings) but little else.
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2978	We go for option one. Our 24 year old green bin remains functional and un-damaged. Unnecessary expense to change to a smaller one. Very much in favour of food re-cycling. Thank you.
2979	Living alone very little food waste is binned (perhaps lettuce stalks banana skins potato peelings) but little else.
2980	This idea was brought in some years ago I still have the small brown caddy provided, how do you know it will be more successful now? I would prefer to keep my large bin as I think that for a council that says it must save money and cut services how can you afford to replace every bin as well as provide caddies and lockable storage to every house? .
2981	Only 2 adults live at our property and have little food waste each week, but our green bin containing food wrapping and other non recycling packing and it is always full each at collection day. I feel changing to 3 weekly will cause many problems!!! We also have foxes & cats living close who visit every night and other wild animals close, therefore having a waste food bin outside on our front drive will cause again, many concerns/problems. Why is our council again making changes which are not necessary. Maybe more services should be used on removing all the weeds growing on our pavements, which is disgusting and replacing broken flags where pedestrians walk and don't need to worry about falling over.
2982	this is a ridiculous proposal without first trialling the food waste collection with the existing bin size and collection periods. If this was trialled over a 12month period this would give the householders chance to evaluate for themselves, the 2 options proposed and make an informed choice.
2983	This option will result in overfilled bins infested with maggots and attract vermin and larger pests eg foxes which are prevalent in our area.  I find the option of a food waste small caddy is unexpectable, I do not want the smell of rancid food in my kitchen.  I do not think the idea has been thought through properly, but in the end the decision has already been made and this is just a PR stunt. I pay for a service of current collection as listed, if the council wants to change the system will I receive a rebate? Also what happens to the money received by the council from the recycling companies? Probably pays the scandalous wages of the senior council members (of which there are too many of!)
2984	Ridiculous and clearly not given much thought. Most if not all food containers are non recyclable. I throw away very little food but I have a lot of plastic food trays and containers. I fill my bin in two weeks. Until you start recycling more plastics, very few of us will be able to cope with a three week collection or a smaller bin. In addition I put at least twelve empty cat food pouches in the bin every day. After the weeks those are going to stink.
2985	This option is more preferable as occasionally have larger objects that need disposing. I am however interested to hear how the collections will work on the weeks that grey and green bins coincide with each other.
2986	Living alone very little food waste is binned (perhaps lettuce stalks banana skins potato peelings) but little else.
2987	I don't like this. Three weeks is too long, and we don't need the big green bin.
2988	Don't like the thought of food waste straight into bucket. Have tried it before. The stink is awful and encourages nasties prefer to wrap up.
2989	Most weeks most people's bins overflow, so there will be more rubbishy in the streets than ever. Sounds like we are reverting back to the dark ages.
2990	How can you justify collecting green waste bins every 3weeks? I don't think is the answer at all, it should be decided on how my people live in a particular property as to how much waste will be accumulated, then a correct bin size can be allocated to that property, as some people/families have more waste than others, not to mention the flies and Maggots that it will start to arrive!
2991	We would like to keep large green bin. 240 litres. Changed every 3 week.
2992	i think option 1 is ideal for me living by myself sometimes i only put my green bin out monthly as my bin is never full after 2 weeks, but i worry about there being maggots in the waste food stuffs. keeping the same size bin at present is a better option for people like myself who live alone or pensioners as we dont have as much waste and can miss a collection due to forgetfulness, so there would be enough space in the bin for 6 weeks due to no food stuffs being present.

2993	It seems any choice we make either option 1 or 2 I feel we pay enough council tax so leave well alone we should have a choice not a either or option by yourselves
2994	I am elderly and living alone so having a 240 litre green bin emptied every 3 weeks would make it difficult for me to move the bin. It is heavy enough after 2 weeks.
2995	Surely it would make business sense to increase the number of items that could be recycled even taking into account the additional on cost, as long term it would be beneficial bearing in mind that targets will always increase until you reach the desired 100% ?
2996	I would prefer option 2
2997	This option is my preference , I would prefer to keep the larger bin.
2998	I do not want items other than food standing around in a green bin for three weeks due to health and safety issues. The thought of the smell of decaying items in a bin for this period is un acceptable and will increase the risk of flies, rats etc.
2999	As long as this really has been thought through, and the food recycling will work, then I would say it sounds extremely sensible. I cannot see that a three weekly collection cycle would be a problem for the green bin, as without food in it there would be nothing to go off or smell. In fact, it might well be an improvement, as with the current system, if you are away and cannot put out your bin on the right day, then food refuse is waiting for a month to be emptied.
3000	Yes please to this one
3001	I wouldn't like to wait 3 weeks for a bin ti be emptied. If for any reason we missed the bin emptying date the waste would sit around for 6 weeks.
3002	I support this
3003	It would make more economic sense to leave the existing bins and either collect every two or three weeks what ever is decided. If the food recycling works the current green bins will be less full. If it doesn't work at least the bin will have sufficient capacity and you won't have to spend money on new perhaps undersized bins. As you have already said, it is your intention to empty the food bin weekly at the same time as other bins, you seem therefore to have already decided to have fortnightly collections of the smaller green bin.
3004	I am lucky enough to have a waste disposal which takes most of my food waste. Therefore I dought a smaller green bin would do. If I had to I would put up with 3 weekly collections but I'm sure this wouldn't be sufficient .
3005	We hardly throw any food out. My kitchen is very small, I don't have the space for a food caddy, neither do we have the space for an extra waste container. Sorry, it's a no starter in our household. I would much rather be recycling yoghurt containers and plastic food packaging.
3006	I don't want another bin in my kitchen, even a small one! I have a smallish kitchen and already have two bins for recycling and the usual kitchen bin. Definitely don't want this option!
3007	Happy with option 1
3008	The idea that a food waste collection will automatically reduce what goes in the green bin is incorrect. We try to avoid wasting food and therefore what goes in the green bin, is mainly waste that you say can't go in the grey bin, which includes shredded paper and certain food cartons. The separate food waste collection is a total waste of time and will do nothing to help you reach the targets. In order to meet the recycling targets you should be increasing the type of waste that can be recycled. Plastic bottles couldn't be recycled 20 years ago but now we all know they can be reprocessed for making things like fleeces. Whilst everyone is being encourage to re use supermarket plastic bags what about all the other plastic/polythene bags we receive as packaging. We "joe public" can only recycle what you provide facilities for. You need to get your act together to find new ways of recycling.
3009	We need to be able to put more items in the grey bin , food packaging etc. Also drinks cartons , you can take them to the recycling centre in West Kirby , why can't they be recycled from the grey bin? Every three weeks is too long for green bin emptying even without food waste. In my experience of having a daughter in Bristol with the food waste bin it is a very messy inefficient system and it is very easy to get maggot infestation in hot weather especially if you miss a week. These measures will not greatly increase the amount recycled , leave well alone but increase the range of items that can go in the grey bin. I hope you listen to people this time not like the parking charges fiasco which must have cost the council (or us the council tax payers) thousands of pounds.
3010	For people with babies who have nappies as part of their waste, this would not be sufficient. There are numerous none food items which cannot be recycled that would fill bins.  During the warm weather, there are already maggots breeding in the waste bin and this would only get worse with bins left for three weeks.



3011	Option one will be better for me, as food will be kept separately to the other stuff in the bin, which is what causes most of the problems during the warmer weather, eg: maggots, flies etc.
3012	Since implementing charges for the brown garden waste bin, the people who failed to pay & dispose of garden waste in another way must corrupt recycling figures, eg, heavier green bins!
3013	No thanks As the green Bin is too small at present and I find myself taking two trips a month to the tip 4 people on house and the bin is full after a few days as well as therapy bin It would be a waste of time to have a good waste bin as we do not as a rule waste any I will keep the large green bin and would like to request another one
3014	I am sceptical about the suggestion that one third of waste in green bins is good waste. It isn't in this household. Our green bin is full when collected now and a three weekly collection would not meet our needs. I also believe that there will be an increase in fly tipping with a reduced service. Personally, I am not happy with the idea of storing food waste in the kitchen and then in a small bin. Our large dogs would have a field day.
3015	Food is biodegradable. It does not need a separate collection. Moreover Wirral Council can't even recycle the plastics and other items that should be going into recycling bins in the first place. Get what you've started doing correctly first then move on.  This scheme is inconvenient and no-one will use it!  If you must bring this scheme in then the size of the bin should depend on the size of the household. Over two people? Allow them a larger bin. Two people? smaller bin size is fine.
3016	Weekly food waste emptying is necessary.  I have an issue with the smaller lockable containers. Are they sturdy/weighted? I think people are unlikely to stick with the food recycling program if their lockable containers are small enough to be blown down the road and easily damaged or broken.  You mention that caddys and liners will be provided by households. How will additional caddy liners be dispensed to households? Will households have to purchase additional liners or will they be provided at zero charge to residents (as a service paid for by the council tax)? Why are the liners not biodegradable?  I think emptying the green bin every 3 weeks will cause issues because at present it is either the green bin or the grey bin. It is my opinion that people will struggle to cope with simultaneous 2 week collection for grey bins and 3 week collections for green bins.
3017	There is little consideration for hygiene and where on the property food waste is to be stored, particularly when the weather is hot and where there are small children.  How secure are the bins and how easy are they to be moved or vandalised?  3 weekly collections are likely to lead to confusion.
3018	Three weeks sounds too long to leave waste collection.
3019	There is little consideration for hygiene and where on the property food waste is to be stored, particularly when the weather is hot and where there are small children.  How secure are the bins and how easy are they to be moved or vandalised?  3 weekly collections are likely to lead to confusion.
3020	I would prefer to keep the larger green bin - there will be no food contamination - & the larger bin allows larger /more items to be collected whilst reducing the number of journeys required by refuse vehicles & consequently reducing costs & traffic disruption .

3021	Wirral COUNCIL TRIED SEPARATE FOOD COLLECTION YEARS AGO AND IT ALL FAILED AS FAR AS I CAN REMEMBER. WHAT MAKES ANYONE THINK THIS WILL WORK? HOW WILL YOU MONITOR FOOD WASTE IN THE GENERAL WASTE BIN? WILL THIS NOT JUST ENCOURAGE EVEN MORE FLY TIPPING? GET BACK TO FREE GARDEN WASTE COLLECTION SO PEOPLE DO NOT PUT RECYCLABLES INTO THEIR GREEN BINS
3022	Why are you wasting your money on new wheelie bins and new food waste bins, when the money could be put for priority things like fixing pot holes in roads. A 3 week collection is out of order, it has gone from weekly, fort nightly and now you want 3 weekly. I suppose in a few years it will go to monthly.
3023	I worry at the green bin emptied every three weeks I can envisage a trip to the tip in between times. I do not have a lot of food waste.
3024	If all food waste (including cooked) can go in, I'm OK with every 3 weeks
3025	I think that Option 1 is the right one.
3026	Think it is a disgrace, is this all the council can come up with????? What are you being paid for, obviously not for thinking, great for stupid ideas and wasting money. We pay council tax which should include all bin collections, but you have the cheek with the brown bin to call it a 'Garden Waste Club' should be "how to get more money out of people club" If the council was run better and not corrupt and didn't waste money as they do now, We would not be in the situation we are in now. Grey bins should be every 2 weeks, brown weekly during spring and summer and fortnightly Autumn and winter. Green bins should be weekly. People are going to be dumping rubbish, we will get flies and god knows what else. I don't want a stinky food "CADDY" in my kitchen or more stuff to store outside. Wake up council and start TRYING to think of sensible solutions..... These are not solutions for a family, fine if you live alone!!!!
3027	I live in a block of 18 flats with large communal recycling and general waste bins. The new proposal would not work here. We require a 2 week collection. There is no space within each flat to contain food recycling bins. The kitchens are very small. 3 weekly collections would definitely not be appropriate and disgusting.
3028	Don't want another bin
3029	Like the idea of a weekly food waste collection (although we compost a lot of our food waste). Ok to have a 3 weekly collection as long as this is not the more expensive option in the long term.
3030	I very much like the idea of a food waste collection on a weekly basis. At present, if I miss one general waste collection, then the food waste in that bin is hanging around for 4 weeks, which is both smelly and unhealthy. For me personally, living alone, I have no preference for a 2 or 3 weekly collection of green bin, or on its size. Whichever is going to be most cost efficient, but takes needs of larger families into consideration.
3031	The food waste idea was trialed when the brown bins originally came out . The indoor caddy caused small flies in the home and was disgusting . The green bin already causes flies etc durikng the summer months at 2 weeks and what are we supposed to do at Christmas ? I often fill my grey bin so if the green bin will be collected less often then start emptying the grey bin more. Personally I think packaging from retailers shoulkd be targeted and not households. Animal waste is constantly ignored/ not considered. Give us more poop bins on the streets then I wouldn't need to fill my bin with it .
3032	this is ridiculous. I have pet waste and medical waste so surely this is not healthy...
3033	more bins need more room to keep them.Perhaps expand the drive,garage to accommodate.more maggots &bad especially in the summer
3034	I do not have 30% food waste and would not welcome a three weekly cycle on the green bin. Difficult to keep track of and missing a collection would mean 6 weeks of smelly waste!
3035	You do not say how big the blue food bin is, but I have assumed it is 23 litres by googling other local authorities. My calculations show me that over a 6 week period, this option would remove a maximum of 6,181 litres of rubbish, made up of 480 litres in the green bin (2 x 240 emptied every 3 weeks) plus 138 litres in the food bin (6 x 23 litres emptied every week). This is significantly less than the 720 litres I would currently have removed (3 x 240 emptied every 2 weeks). I support food recycling but think you are being disingenuous by not saying that overall rubbish removal will decrease. Most people will not work out this calculation, and you have not given them all the figures anyway. However, it is still a better option than option 2 (see below).  I also feel that Wirral Council should remove old Christmas trees in January, as whole trees and not expect people to chop them up and put them in the brown bin. We are paying for garden waste removal and many of us cannot use a saw or axe (especially older people/women). When I lived in Liverpool this service was available and it is disappointing that Wirral do not offer it.
3036	Rejected as unsuitable
3037	I don't like the idea of the green bin being emptied every three weeks

3038	<p>Food waste - we do not have much food waste as our kids are taught to eat all their food and not to waste it. We also compost what we can to use in our garden. We only have small kitchen which barely has what we need in it and do not have the room for anything else let alone a caddy/bin.</p> <p>Green bin - I want to keep my original bin but the fact that it won't be collected for 3 weeks is ridiculous. We have maggots as it is already since the fortnightly collection was introduced.</p> <p>Grey bin - we recycle everything we can and never just throw things away to be taken to the rubbish tip.</p> <p>Brown bin - On principle we have never signed up to this service as we pay enough council tax as it is plus I think it's a disgrace that non subscribers don't get a reduction in their council tax.</p> <p>In a nut shell ,it will cost a lot of money to issue further bins/caddy's to households at the expense of the tax payer.</p> <p>The council tax goes up but households do not receive the benefits</p> <p>The council is pressuring households and trying to make them feel guilty, it's not us that has set out these goals that the Council have to achieve they and the Government have done this to themselves but want to pass the blame for not meeting targets on to us.</p>
3039	<p>We compost most of our food waste and put very little in our bin. We would prefer to keep our larger bin as we empty our kitchen bin 3 times per week and all our waste is tied up in liners. Not sure the small bin will be sufficient for our needs . We compost all peelings fruit tea brags and coffee grounds so will have very little food waste besides this. Our kitchen bin is 25 litre so 3 bags per week is 75 litre smaller bin may not be sufficient.</p>
3040	<p>Totally unsuitable and reject the proposal strongly.</p>
3041	<p>Have the council considered Health and safety issues? Foul smells of rotting vegetable, which if left even for a week,will allow flies, maggots, encourage rats, mice and other vermin, which in themselves carry infectious diseases. Even if the container is sealed, there can still be various insects who would thrive in such conditions. If it is unduly hot, then the process of multiplication of micro- organisms would be accelerated with unpleasant results. Consider the elderly, who are vulnerable to infections and those on medication which suppresses their immune system. Of course we are only human and inadvertently putting waste in the wrong container would cause further problems,shall I continue? Think again before Pandoras Box is accidentally opened in more ways than one.</p>
3042	<p>Not happy with this option but the better of the two. As a family of 4 we do our best to recycle as much as possible. To have to wait 3 weeks for green bin to be emptied is absolutely ridiculous and I can see it leading to more flytipping a rubbish piling up on our streets and green areas. I am positive it will also lead to more insects,vermin and disease as 3 weeks is a long time to leave items that cannot be put in new food bins. There is also a serious fire risk with the built of waste in green bin, the Fire Service is suffering greatly with the cuts without putting more pressure on its diminishing resources.</p>
3043	<p>240 L bin would be better for our household.but worried about collection every third week because the bulk of our waste is non recyclable packaging and not food waste !! we put the small amount of our food waste in a composter.</p> <p>Our current green bin is always full and we have a least one extra tied bin bag which we sometimes put into our next door neighbours bin if they have room.</p>
3044	<p>We have a family member with a colostomy. Whilst these bags are securely wrapped we would not want to move to a three weekly collection.</p>
3045	<p>What a waste of money. I wish to keep my existing bin. I throw very little food away except chicken bones occasionally. We only have a small kitchen and have no room for an extra bin. I am sure that many older residents living in small bungalows will be in the same position as we are.</p> <p>A smaller bin for families with young children is not a sensible idea as the bin already provided is not big enough.</p> <p>If a system isn't broken why change it just to meet a target that was not sensible in the first place. Why ask us when the council have already made their minds up. It would be money better spent if the council invested in better sorting equipment for Bidston.</p>
3046	<p>WHAT RUBBISH! you suggest that 50% of waste in the green bin is made up of food but then say that we will be provided with a SMALL lockable container for food waste....to be collected weekly. Are you planning to collect the flies, maggots and other pests that will be attracted by week-old food waste (locked containers won't help here)?Food waste needs to be collected DAILY. AS such the council should provide centralised, shared collection bins (eg one or two per street) where food waste can be dropped and collected DAILY.</p>
3047	<p>Prefer option 2</p>
3048	<p>Would prefer to keep existing size bin with three weekly collections</p>
3049	<p>Babies nappies every 3 weeks eeeeeeee...What is classed as food waste is this everything edible?</p>

3050	This comment is levied at both suggestions. I guarantee that my general waste is not made up of one third food waste. We waste very little food as we buy conservatively and cannot afford to waste food. Additionally, what food waste we have would generally be fed to the dog, therefore minimising food waste and saving money on dog food. My thoughts would be for better education of those people that don't recycle, those that throw everything into the green bin. Also, looking at my bin earlier, I noticed that it contains mostly non-recyclable food packaging, empty meat trays, biscuit wrapping, polythene wrapping etc. Anyway, I appreciate that targets need to be achieved and this is a step in the right direction as there is a focus on it. I'll opt for option 2, though can you imagine dirty nappies potentially being in a bin for 2 weeks and 6 days...ugh.
3051	As far as I can see, Wirral borough council are giving Wirral residence another employment, all be it a job "WE" the Wirral residence don't get paid for because I am sure our separated recyclable waste will and has been sold on to third parties by WBC lining thier pockets at our expense, if these proposed changes do not reflect in Wirral resistances council tax I apose future changes !!!
3052	Prefer this option.
3053	A small lockable caddy will not sufficient for Normal quantity of food waste even if collected weekly and 3 weekly collections of the green bin are not sufficient. We pay for our rubbish collection and deserve a better service not worse
3054	Keep the same green bin and continue to collect every 2 wks...the amount collected will reduce anyway bt this will save the cost of replacing bins and add flexibility favouring young families who have much more general refuse on a regular basis.
3055	The problem will be that a lot of my waste is non recyclabe, like yogart cartons, butter containers and plastics of the same materials and they go in the green bin.
3056	Need to be left alone 2week gap is enough
3057	I really don't want a change in the current policy and I certainly don't want a bin placed in my kitchen to collect waste food with a change to 3 weekly collection of my green bin which is in poor repair and smells after 1 week, never mind 3 weeks.
3058	Not acceptable
3059	Have you not heard we've voted to leave the EU . STOP using outdated legislation to justify your personal agenda. This is nothing more than a farce on spending public money to try and achieve an unachievable target. Question one : what's the cost of replacement bins. question two: will recycling the existing bins help you achieve you aims and objectives. you are elected to serve the people of wirral not to become a member of a dictatorship..  STOP THIS FARCE NOW..
3060	What capacity will the lockable outdoor food waste container be? This might have a direct bearing on our views here. Re green bin capacity, 240 litres every 3 weeks = 80 litres per week, so option 1 is preferable/more practical.
3061	The separate collection of food waste is unacceptable and not the right way to solve the problem of wasted food. The council would be better off focusing on making Wirral an example of best practice by educating consumers to only buy/cook what is needed and to educate retailers to reduce packaging. If those twin objectives are achieved then bin will automatically be less full with out the problems associated with yet another Wirral council scheme dreamed up just to make it look like someone is doing something useful. Leave the bin collections as is. Spend the money on educating consumers and retailers, not on more plastic (bins) what a counter productive waste that would be, scraping thousands of plastic bins. I don't pay me council tax for it to be spent on stupidity. As a side issue, food waste counts of only a tiny % of my household waste. Focus on packaging reduction and make a more impactful contribution to the environment. Do the maths.....
3062	The current system works for 2 week collections an dmy bin is often full at the end of 2 weeks so am concerned about 3 weeks - we waste very little food so I cannot see that that a food collection would help
3063	Option 1: I prefer as you keep the 240 litre green bin and the council don't waste money replacing all existing bins. But, I don't agree with the change to a separate Food Waste collection.
3064	Not everyone has space for more containers in their kitchen!! How big is this new container anyway?

3065	Happy to comply with recycling food waste. Would prefer to keep the large green bin with 3wkly collections.
3066	Preferred option of the two on offer.
3067	3 weeks too long
3068	Very unhappy about the proposal. We have very little food waste & feel this is unnecessary.
3069	The collection of the food waste is not a problem as long as it stays to one week collection and is not going to be a chargeable service. However, the problem for is the 3 weekly collection of the green bin. This is totally unacceptable, dog waste untouched for three weeks is too extreme.
3070	Preferred option if I had to choose one of them  However I would prefer for the bins to remain as they are. I would be interested to know Wirral's recycling percentage against the rest of the country and what the rest of the countries targets are. Is Wirral's excessively high? How much is this going to cost the council tax payer compared to changing the recycling target, at a time when other council facilities are being cut or streamlined.  I do not like the idea of only collection every 3 weeks, but hate the idea of a smaller bin more.  I do not overly like the idea of an extra food bin in my kitchen, it may not fit well, or may look ugly. I currently already do my best at reducing food waste by only buying amounts of food I need and using left overs in other meals. Maybe council could ask supermarkets to look as offering smaller portions, more loose food and less buy one get one free offers.  I also currently have so much garden space taken up by the 3 bins I own, I dislike the idea of having a 4th!
3071	I feel this is a good idea, but I don't generally through a lot of food away. I am concerned that a 3 weekly collection will mean my green bin will fill up fast.  I prefer option1.
3072	You need to give more info on what is 'food waste.' If it includes for example chicken bones and egg shells, then I will have more than if it is salad that is going off. I have very little food waste.  As a lot of my waste is food containers that are not recyclable I would prefer my waste collected every two weeks as longer increases the smalls and attraction to flies and vermin.
3073	Where do I put my daughter's soiled nappies? or is it perfectly safe to have festering nappies left in a plastic box for 3 weeks on top of cat litter?  What is stopping households purchasing a secondary green bin to use?
3074	This seems the lesser of 2 evils but a lot of people will still want the larger bin.but don't really like either option . But when does the council take any notice of residents.?
3075	I think the collection of food on a weekly basis is a very positive move as the smell generated by the green bin having to wait a fortnight for collection is terrible. This said, personally I don't believe our household could cope with a 3 week collection for the green bin as it's not big enough now and the removal of the food waste will not generate that much more room in the bin as cartons etc will still be going in..
3076	I have no objection to option one, there is nothing wrong with my 240 litres bin and I think it would be a waste of money to change it for a smaller one, but then I am a single Occupant so don't have a great amount of waste.
3077	I prefer this option as I think it is very wasteful to change the large green bin. Some councils have a food recycling bin which fits in the top of the large green bin thus saving space. I am concerned about the size of the food waste bin? Can we have dimensions. Overall most of our things from our household are recycled. Encouragement of composting could also help matters
3078	The collection of Green bin every three weeks is unacceptable. Food containers will make the bin smell which will be worse in summer and attract animals.
3079	I don't think that our household generates that much food waste. Would like to keep the 240 litre bin and would prefer that the green bin is still emptied on a fortnight basis.

3080	We do not throw away much waste food so a weekly collection might not be needed. If the Green Bin is collected only every three weeks it will no longer alternate with the Grey Bin collection. That will make it more difficult to keep track of which week it is. Will it not also result in two bins being collected on the 3 same day some weeks?
3081	Yet another bin will create more clutter on our streets and pavements. Where are people who haven't got large driveways suppose to store them?
3082	Food kept in caddy may smell. Children won't put right waste in right bin.Space inside for storing food caddy?
3083	Option 2 is preferred
3084	Seems we have come full circle in once again collecting food waste which Wirral only did for short time, there appears little difference between the two options, to save cost of replacing green wheelie bins then assume there not recyclable? Then only ever so cautionary air towards option 2 but overall not convinced. And as some one who recycles with brown bin feel that we shouldn't be charged for additional brown bin maybe Wirral could assess potential good recyclers on individual basis.
3085	Prefer Option 1 as presumably this will be a cheaper option for the council (with fewer collections).
3086	I have no particular issue about option 1 it seems manageable to me.
3087	Leave the bin collection as it is now. We've had "food waste bins" before (pig bins in the 1950's - very smelly with flies), they didn't work then and they won't work now. What do we do with food waste when the food waste container is full? If you want to save money, cut the amount of councillors by half.
3088	Every 3 weeks is too long to wait for bin to be emptied, used cat litter, used sanitary pads etc!!! Also a neighbour used my brown bin without permission,under this new scheme, this is going to happen a lot more often, how can this be prevented? Also people would get confused when to put the green bin out.
3089	We are not in agreement with this idea preferring the status quo ie green bin collection fortnightly and retaining our 240L green bin. From our point of view: We recycle all our waste in our 2 garden compost bins We are subscribed to the Brown bin collection service. We are diligent in our use of the Grey bin The real problem is the supermarkets and the amount of plastic that cannot be recycled. The Council should be putting pressure on them to be more responsible with their packaging. We do not waste food as we buy carefully on a daily basis and eat what we buy. We would prefer that the public money being spent on this exercise were used for initiatives that will benefit Wirral residents such as keeping Girtrell Court open, expanding the library service, offering better services in the community for those suffering mental or physical ill health.
3090	This option cuts green bin collection capacity from 120 litres per week to 80 litres per week, which is barely enough & unfairly punishes people who do not waste their food. Once again everybody has to pay the price for the actions of a minority who waste their food.
3091	Think this is too long for a bin to go unemptied but like the food waste idea
3092	I prefer this option
3093	The problem is that so many items do not seem to be acceptable in the grey bin. The Council needs to have a rethink on what it can accept in the grey bin. I am happy to wash containers. Yes I can separate out food and I am happy to do that but (usually) plastic items with traces of food that cannot be put in the grey bin will be lying around for three weeks which is not acceptable. Also the volume can be substantial (supermarkets/manufacturers) so I am concerned about losing capacity. However this option does allow more capacity to be collected (2X240=480 in 6 weeks). Of the two this is preferable but is in no way acceptable. I never have a clue which bins are due for collection now either as you have stopped sending out the annual card. I have to look what my neighbours are putting out. We have busy lives, we don't all have time to be logging into the Council website.
3094	I have no preference between the two options and no objections to either
3095	Too hard to keep track of 3 weekly collections
3096	Don't like it. 3 weeks collection too long and will cause confusion. Waste food collection will encourage foxes and rats

3097	<p>We have VERY little waste which would go in such a bin, maybe some chicken bones all else is composted or eaten. A small bag would be sufficient.</p> <p>Our green bin is half size anyway, but two weeks is the very limit between emptying.</p>
3098	<p>What's the cost benefit analysis conclude.</p> <p>I personally don't want any more containers,the current volume and space taken up is far too great.in my case the grey bin is far too large for its purpose.rationalise and simplify the whole lot.</p> <p>Have you looked at other schemes successfully used elsewhere in the country for ex incineration to size reduce,compacting to size reduce.your proposal feels like it's passing the problem down the line and adding complexity people don't want.i suggest these additional containers will be step too far for most people,as I said earlier people want simplicity not complexity.i would be prepared to put food into a disposable bag but still put into the green bin for sorting by you before disposal.</p>
3099	Dont like it. 3 weeks collection too long and will cause confusion. Waste food collection will encourage foxes and rats
3100	<p>No, do not want option 1.</p> <p>A smaller bin and collected 3 weeks is too much. The council and waste collectors need to start collecting and recycling more plastic products that is what fills the bins not food waste. I already compost my peelings and fruit and veg leftovers.</p>
3101	Dont like it. 3 weeks collection too long and will cause confusion. Waste food collection will encourage foxes and rats
3102	I welcome the recycling of food waste, the only problem I forsee is that if the green bin collection is every three weeks people will loose track of when the green bin will be collected. It is much easier to remember every two weeks with the grey bincollection on the other week.
3103	Dont like it. 3 weeks collection too long and will cause confusion. Waste food collection will encourage foxes and rats
3104	Are these changes proposed or a done deal? Who has set the target of 50% recycling by 2020?
3105	I don't waste enough food to fill even the tiniest bin. Food is expensive enough without wasting any of it. My existing green bin is already full after 2 weeks as it is.
3106	Dont like it. 3 weeks collection too long and will cause confusion. Waste food collection will encourage foxes and rats
3107	<p>This system is now in place in Bury Manchester and is fine if there are only two in the household but anyone with a family are going to be in a mess , I know as my son lives in Manchester with his family and they have been over run with maggots and mice which have actually chewed through the bin and got inside which with the children is a health issue . I really dont see the need for all this, I also see the brown bin is now creeping up in price it has been £30.00 till now if paid on line but is now £35.00 I wonder how much we will eventually ending up paying.</p> <p>Also what a waste of money to replace green bins for a smaller bin what will you do with all the bins we have now.</p>
3108	<p>The whole idea is daft!</p> <p>smells in kitchens and outside will be aggravated.</p> <p>Flies rodents foxes birds etc will have a field day.</p> <p>If you insist on depleting the services we get and pay so much for, then this option is the worst</p>
3109	<p>What about nappies or ladies stationary in the heat?</p> <p>The main problem we have is that the recycling bin is full then we have to use the green bin.</p> <p>Be easier if you emptied grey and food weekly then can reduce the green bin down.</p>
3110	Either of these options suit, so we would like the Council to choose the most cost effective of them.
3111	I don't think any changes should be made to the green bin collections as families are struggling as it is. I don't believe that a third of our waste is food waste.
3112	<p>I don't accept option 1. I don't want rotten food in my kitchen all week. I don't believe that 40% of waste is food.</p> <p>I certainly do not want a three weekly bin collection. If Wirral is not recycling enough it is because you are not providing recycling services for the full range of recyclable items.</p> <p>I pay for a waste collection service that I expect at regular intervals. I am not a waste management operator; I pay you to do this.</p>

3113	my only food waste is peelings which go in my garden compost so I wouldn't use the food waste service. emptying green bin 3 weekly would be fine for me as I live alone.
3114	I think this is the more cost effective of options instead of having three new bins
3115	Not too sure about this.
3116	Lesser of two evils. We need the larger green bin. Can't see the need for a food waste caddy. Encourage people not to waste food. Brown bin should be free.. We will need more recycling places to take our own wastew
3117	I opt for this option,solely because replacing the green bins will be very costly..and 3 weeks should be manageable as long as wasted food is weekly,so bin should mainly be only for plastic and nappies
3118	I don't agree with a food waste bin. This was tried a few years ago and didn't work. Why would it work now? A three week bin collection is too long. What about people with babies or elderly people who use incontinence aids? The bins will smell terribly, especially in the summer.
3119	Fine by me, no problem, I usually only put my green bin out once a month, I keep the bin clean, it does smell slightly but not enough to cause a problem Can't understand moaners about having it collected once a week.
3120	This would suit me more, I don't throw a lot of food away so keeping the big bin and moving to a 3 weekly collection would be better than what's outlined in option 2.
3121	It is far too confusing to remember to put a bin out every 3 weeks especially as you do not now issue a printed collection schedule and expect everyone to be able to access this information online.
3122	Concerned about leaving three weeks between collections more because some residents will a) not separate food waste and b) have overflowing bins c) have a large family and therefore more waste waiting for collection
3123	I am reasonably happy with this option with 2 adults living at the property. However, I am a childminder who looks after up to 10 children before and after school each day and I do tend to have a lot of food leftovers. What size is the weekly food waste container, and should it not be large enough is there an option for a larger one? How many liners will be supplied for the small indoor caddy and how easy will it be to obtain more bags, and from where?
3124	What is the problem with collecting a 240 ltr bin every 2 weeks when you are going to collect a 125 ltr bin every two weeks, We hardly have any food waste and families with two children will have nowhere to put their waste, I have voted Labour all my life but you come up with some ridiculous plans.
3125	Happy to support option 1 - retaining bigger green bin. Important to go with most cost effective option
3126	best for us
3127	OK WITH PROPOSALS FOR FOOD WASTE AND STATUS QUOI FOR GREY AND BROWN BINS, BUT VERY UNHAPPY IF GREEN BIN ONLY EMPTIED EVERY 3 WEEKS.
3128	I have no food waste. Plastic etc is in green bin. Important that this is kept same size. Very bad idea to reduce number of collections...will lead to more fly tipping and spoil environment.
3129	Green bin collections every three weeks is unacceptable, and will, I am sure, lead to more fly tipping. The present system is bad enough, particularly in the summer months.
3130	I do not have ANY food waste. I budget for my shopping so do not have any food waste. But do have a fullish green bin every 2 weeks. The packaging for food appears to be most of my waste. I do not think that families will be able to cope with 3 weekly collections. My daughter lives in Hertfordshire and there food waste goes in with the garden waste..... Like ours used too!!! Why don't we go back to that way?
3131	In theory it all sounds good.  I would want to keep the large green bin in case our waste volume doesn't change.  In our family we waste very little food. I'm sure this varies between families  The real big problem is the items we buy that are non recyclable. drinks cartons and plastic food containers etc  All other bins are OK
3132	I prefer option 2



3133	<p>This sounds like the best option!</p> <p>Without food waste the only waste that people need to put in their green bin is plastic food wrapping, polystyrene packaging and the occasional other non-recyclable item.</p> <p>I'm puzzled as to why the council's grey bin collection does not allow certain plastics such as margarine/butter packs or yoghurt/cottage cheese/chocolate dessert etc cartons. These must be recyclable because I take mine to the recycling area at Sainsbury's in Upton. But I bet I'm in a huge minority!</p> <p>Also, why can't waxed drinks cartons (AKA Tetra packs) go in the grey bin? These also must be recyclable because I take mine to Clatterbridge WR Centre. Again there must be hundreds of thousands of these going into landfill.</p>
3134	What sort of food-we already recycle vegetable matter as compost
3135	I wouldn't be too upset if this is the overwhelming choice but prefer option 2
3136	Making the system so complicated will I feel make people less likely to recycle. This is a poor idea badly thought out and another example of this council after getting more money from residents. We are avid recyclers well over 50% so spend more effort on changing peoples habits instead of these hairbrain changes....
3137	I am happy to use a food recyclable bin but do not agree with the green bin going to 3 weeks. It should remain at two. The green bin will still contain food wrappings which will be contaminated with decaying food.
3138	Would be happy with either option
3139	No agreement to green bin collections on 3 week basis not to having an additional bin in my house for food waste bin
3140	My complaint would be about having the food bin in the kitchen, cumbersome. I think I would prefer to remain with the larger bin, even though the idea of food recycling is a good one.
3141	<p>3 weeks is too long to wait for a bin collection. Food is much less important to recycle than plastic</p> <p>The Environment Agency urged waste authorities to operate kerbside collection schemes for recyclable plastics as far back as 2001, yet in Wirral we still don't have them. Also local authority premises such as Youth clubs and community centres do not have separate bins for recyclables. Efforts would be much better spent on this. Food degrades, plastic does not.</p>
3142	preferred and cheaper as replacement of all green bins not needed
3143	<p>I would welcome the opportunity to have a weekly food recycling collection, I do recycle alot of my waste via composting on my allotment. I would not like to have three weekly collections of the green bin. If I forget one week, I would then have to wait six weeks for my bin to be emptied. I would find this unacceptable.</p> <p>Due to composting materials myself, I do not subscribe to the brown bin collections, but would like to know what happened to the free compost that you used to be able to collect from WMBC? Have we have a return of this service in return for agreeing to the changes you are proposing?</p>
3144	I am not keen on having a collection every three weeks, too long.
3145	What sort of food-we already recycle vegetable matter as compost
3146	We do not need a large green bin as we have very little waste, but we still feel a 3 week collection is to far apart.
3147	we have enough bins without another one in the house and a lockable waste container for outside totally ludicrous
3148	I.am appalled at the thought of having the green bin emptied only once in three weeks it is bad enough having them emptied two weekly as during spring and summer it does'nt matter how well you bag your rubbish and clean and disinfect bin it still absolutley stinks and gets maggots in it. And as for supplying smaller bins most people struggle with room in green bins and it will end up having more flytipping. Im all for being supplied with small bin for food waste but please dont change our existing collections.
3149	I think this is the best option out of the two, however i am very unhappy with the idea of it being collected every three weeks - as it will smell horrible and there will be LOADS of maggots which could cause infections - putting more strain on our NHS! - stomach upsets, nova virus, c diff and many more!!
3150	I do not agree to 3 weekly collections of the green bin nor do I agree to having. Food waste bin provided by the Council in my kitchen.
3151	Most homes have limited space and the imposition of an indoor caddy will give many householders significant health and hygiene concerns as to how and where to safely keep a caddy out of the reach of children and/or pets. Outdoor space is also at a premium and the introduction of yet another bin is likely to create access difficulties and possible fire hazards. There will be occasions when a householder will be faced with having all 4 bins emptied in the same week/day leading to bin congested pavements and excessive pedestrian hazards.
3152	Do not like the idea that the green bin will be collected only every three weeks

3153	<p>No. Disagree</p> <p>Keep green bin to fortnightly collection and keep 240ltr collection.</p> <p>I strongly recommend that you rethink this because it will lead to more people dumping rubbish in the entries, as this is a problem for the entire between Larch Rd and Willmam. Also people that have pets or babies will end up with smelly bins resulting in flies and rodents.</p> <p>I work for a wholesale in Birkenhead, we have a plastic shrank wrap/plastic bag style of plastic that our customers are allowed to bring into us. Why can't you offer a service for a wider range of plastic to include bread bags crisp packets yought pots.</p> <p>Also why are we not able to recycle foil?</p>
3154	I am in favour of this option.
3155	I do not agree to a change to three weekly collections of the green bin and I do not agree to having an additional bin for food waste on my kitchen
3156	Do you not think we have enough bins with out another bin placed in the kitchen. What about the cost for all the 1.40 litre bins
3157	With consideration of families with babies and very young children requiring disposal of nappies, other people of all ages with medical problems requiring the disposal of surgical dressings, sanitary items, cholesterol {Stoma} bags, and the elderly, who may require the disposal of incontinent wear, how does the Council foresee the disposal of this material and in which receptacle is it expected to be placed for collection bearing in mind the frequency of the collection service and the danger to health of long-lying waste.
3158	What happens to the polybags once they are split at the digester?
3159	Do not agree with the 3 weekly collection, from time to time will have nappies to dispose and this would not be agreeable and this with other matter as it arises. All other aspects look ok
3160	A food collection only is a complete waste of money and resources. A slightly smaller green bin collected every 3 weeks should adequately suffice. A food only bin would only attract vermin and flies.
3161	What happens if food waste exceeds the size of this lockable container. This is yet a further bin to store on the property. Given that additional vehicles and collections are required, I am not convinced this is a greener option!!!! Recycling is of course admirable, but only if the overall carbon footprint is positive and it makes financial sense. Meeting targets for the sake of it does not necessarily mean the council is being greener.
3162	<p>Every 3 weeks is not enough . It is not only food waste which rots, smells and attracts rats and flysheet. Nappy and dog waste for example. For those who exist on pre-prepared food and meals, there will not be a great deal of food waste and the amount in their green bins will not be significantly reduced.</p> <p>Also, I'm not convinced that presenting this proposal primarily in terms of council targets is very likely to get the general public onside - if that really matters to you.</p> <p>I understand there were five different possible schemes presented to the council to implement this proposal. Why are we only being asked about two?</p>
3163	Concerned about yet another unsightly bin outside the house. How big would the lockable bin be? Would it be a permanent fixture attached to the property? If not it could easily be stolen.
3164	<p>Food</p> <p>I do not have any waste food, any potatoes peeling etc are put in my compost bin.</p> <p>Green bin</p> <p>Grandchildren nappies will not last 3 weeks in the bin. My bin is not very pleasant now and it will not be collected until next Wednesday</p>

3165	<p>Could see larger families overflowing the green bin, as many seem to do already on a 2 weekly collection.</p> <p>Still not sure that separating 'food' from general waste would leave sufficient space for one extra week of General rubbish.</p> <p>What would the statistics be if the Green bins were collected every 2 weeks and the Grey bins collected every 3 weeks.</p>
3166	<p>I think we should keep the existing green bin and continue with the two weekly collection. How much food do you think people throw away to justify changing to three weekly collection for General rubbish. If you sort out the recycling of some plastics and tin foil and other throw aways a smaller bin may be justified but as things stand with Wirral recycling I would say no to three weekly collections. Why go to the expense of changing a perfectly good bin for a smaller one? Waste of my council tax if you ask me.</p> <p>I think a bin for collecting food waste is great for the environment and reducing landfill. Other councils already do it without the changes to bin collections. Food store outside in small containers raises concerns about vermin especially at times of celebration, birthdays, Christmas etc. Changing General rubbish collections to three weekly is a big no no from me.</p>
3167	<p>I fail to see the logic behind emptying the Green bin every three weeks. Why not keep it at 2 weeks and thus avoid the expense of changing to small bins.</p>
3168	<p>If green bin is a third food waste, keep the existing bins with the 3 week frequency . I find it difficult to believe there is so much food wasted . We compost green kitchen waste and only bin inedible such as bones . Perhaps campaign to get people to buy sensibly. Do we need indoor caddy? A stout plastic bag that can be tied should suffice.</p> <p>Why only plastic bottles accepted when so much fruit now in plastic punnets that can be same type of plastic as bottle?</p> <p>C</p>
3169	<p>I think households should be given the option to reduce their green bin size depending on the size of their family. I rarely fill my green bin as I live alone , but some neighbours fill their bin to overflowing and still don't have enough room.</p>
3170	<p>We own and live in a flat on the top floor in a block of six flats.</p> <p>It will be most impracticable to have 18 lockable bins outside in the car park, we already have 18 green bins, 6 grey bins and four brown bins also the smell and infestation likely would be unacceptable.</p>
3171	<p>I do not have any food waste as I eat what I buy and compost fruit and veg waste</p>
3172	<p>I have no need of a food caddy as the majority of any food waste is composted. The miniscule amounts of cooked food waste is thrown to the birds. Food packaging fills the green bin and can sometimes include some that will have been around raw meat and fish. This will still decompose and smell if left for three weeks especially in summer</p>
3173	<p>I object to any change to the current collections and wish the current service to be maintained.</p>
3174	<p>Now we are out of the EU there is no reason to change collection services.</p> <p>The British government can change rules now so that landfill is not rationed.</p> <p>Perishable items cannot be left in a bin in a hot summer for 3 weeks e.g.</p> <p>Cutting to 3 weeks will mean people with babies will have nappies left rotting in bins for 3 weeks.</p>
3175	<p>I like the idea of more of our waste being recycled. However, my family do not produce very much in the way of waste food. I use a compost bin for all fruit and veg peelings, and I recycle left over food into new recipes for the next day. Also, we live on a tight budget and are not in the habit of purchasing food and letting it go off and then binning it.</p> <p>Having four people, two cats and two dogs in my household, we fill the green bin up to the top every two weeks without having thrown away any waste food. I am therefore unconvinced that a three week cycle for collection of the green bin will benefit me. I will be left with excess bags of general waste that the bin men wont take.</p>
3176	<p>Even if food waste is collected weekly, there are still things that are going to go into the green bins which smell. I, like many other people, have cats which do not go out, which means they use cat litter trays. If left for 3 weeks, especially in warm weather, bins are going to smell. This also applies if someone in the home is elderly, and incontinence equipment is used. Could turn out to be a health hazard. Is the cost of implementing this scheme worth it?</p>
3177	<p>This just a way for the council to force people to have to pay to have their garden waste to be disposed of. This will encourage rats and foxes to rummage in bins and create a health problem. What on earth are we paying our council tax for. The system at the moment works well. I see no need to mess around with it.</p>

3178	<p>Sorry, but this is a ridiculous idea. My mother does not require a weekly food collection and will never need it as we do not have food waste.</p> <p>Emptying the green bin every three weeks is a scandalous suggestion - I just cannot understand who thinks of these ideas as none of it is based on common sense.</p> <p>I live in the County of Conwy and they have the food waste collection which does not work well, people do not waste food to the extent of what you are suggesting. We have an alternative collection of grey bin and green bin - this works well. May I suggest Wirral thinks again and follows a sensible collection of bins.</p> <p>To leave the green bin collection for three weeks is just asking for more problems such as vermin, over filling of bins, fly tipping and just the smell in the Summer months would be quite unbearable.</p> <p>Please, re-think these ideas, I feel very strongly for my mother as a resident of Wirral and for all other Wirral residents.</p> <p>We have enough bins, no more please - especially for food waste, we would not use them for this purpose. A caddy in the kitchen will not be used and neither will one for outside - just a waste of tax payers money.</p> <p>I doubt our suggestions will be listened and adhered to, consultation very rarely has a positive outcome for residents. The Council will do as they wish. I may sound cynical but I am certain of one thing, this is an unwise move.</p>
3179	No. Forget the food recycling, we don't rarely, rarely throw any food out, keep things as they are
3180	<p>I would much prefer to keep the current system.</p> <p>If I have no choice but to accept the food caddy system then I prefer option 1</p>
3181	<p>Best of the two options by far.</p> <p>Still annoyed about having to pay for my brown bin collection though and Interesting enough at the time it was cited that not all Wirral residents have gardens and do not make use of the collections. Well I do not use drug or alcohol services subsidised by the council so make these wasters pay for them.</p>
3182	Disagree with food recycling proposal. I recall this was tried before but there were horror stories involving maggots etc. Also having four different types of bin is inconvenient in terms of space etc. plus having to remember when to put which bins out which is already tiresome. Prefer other options to be considered.
3183	Awful! stop charging for brown bin more garden waste will be recycled instead of people putting it on the green bin. Keep the 2 week collections of green bin and don't change the size as it's a waste of money. Give food recycling bins and collect them on the same day as the grey ones. Sorted!
3184	Not interested, as a family of four plus a cat we waste very little food and the reduction in fortnightly green bin collection is unacceptable as an awful lot the residents on my estate have overflowing bins already. This would be a disaster for my local area.
3185	I see that the Council base the change to 3 weekly green bin collections on the assumption that 40% of the green bin waste is food. This is nonsense, my bin contents are greatly in excess of 60% non food non recyclables. I had 20 years' experience in the Waste Management industry and the figure of 40% food is a gross over estimate.
3186	Either option seems fine - if no food waste is in the bin then the contents should not rot/smell/get maggots etc.
3187	We prefer this option because we keep the big bin
3188	happy with both options but would probably prefer to use whichever was more cost effective.
3189	Not sure the idea of three week collections for the Green general waste bin is a good idea. There will still be items in the green bin that could attract vermin etc. and an increase in flies.
3190	I'm worried about the dog poo in my green bin being stinky or getting maggots.
3191	I think the green bin should be more often around holiday times like Easter, Christmas and Bank Holidays
3192	<p>Have you thought to check with the Public Health people about this business of what used to be called pig bins? We don't want our houses to be full of flies or other vermin because of this?</p> <p>Secondly, there is between very little and no waste in my house - I lived through the war, so no waste by and large, and brought my family up on a very small budget, so ditto. Why don't you just educate the spendthrifts instead?</p>
3193	Preference is for Option 1, providing food waste IS removed weekly
3194	<p>I think this absolutely ridicules. I have 2 bins in my kitchens and won't put another extra bin in the kitchen.</p> <p>The same outside, halve of the garden takes up with 3 bins and with bin nr4 it looks ridicules. Just cut your waste back and use the bins we have.</p> <p>I won't use the food waste bin, waste of time, and space.</p>

3195	Fine by me - keep existing green bin - empty every 3 weeks - do new food stuff every week.  Sounds OK.
3196	I don't mind whether it is Option 1 or Option 2, we took part in a trial several years ago, but it was abandoned because the waste could not be properly reheated to kill of bacteria. We do compost fruit and vegetable peelings already but there are some things we do not put into compost, so we would use the Food Waste system. We already have a small Green Bin as we have only a couple of bags of waste each fortnight.
3197	I'm not keen on the idea of a 3 weekly collection, however, supported by a weekly food collection this would probably be okay. That said, I hate the thought of a 'food caddy' in the kitchen - not quite sure where I'm meant to put it as I'll still need a bin and I'm not one of those lucky people who have a separate utility room so that it can be kept out of sight. Keeping food waste separate is also a good idea though as people will have a better idea of just how much they waste.... And may just amend their shopping habits!
3198	Having moved to the area from the South we were surprised by how behind Wirral was compared to our previous Council. There had been a food collection there for a number of years and also a much wider range of plastic and tetrapacks were recycled (including yoghurt pots, plastic food trays spread containers, etc). I do not believe a three weekly collection for the green bin would be appropriate.
3199	Better than option 2, and no additional costs by replacing green bins. Tough to do for a house with 5 people in though...
3200	I concerned that a 3 weekly collection is too infrequent. If we miss a collection for whatever reason we would have to go 6 weeks between collections. However, i would prefer to keep the large bin. We already hot compost our food waste and food waste is a tiny proportion of our waste.
3201	Green bin collection every three weeks seems ok as long as all items that have short life span (decompose rapidly) eg. food, are collected weekly.
3202	Collection of food will definitely be the cause of more pest infestation.  What will it cost to transport all the food waste to the aerobic digester in Widnes (shame the council didn't try this with the digester at Thingwall which was built hardly used then demolished). , What will it cost to replace all the larger bins and what will happen to these?
3203	Only emptying the green bin every 3 weeks will not be suitable for most families as it is bursting full after only 2 weeks with little food waste in it.
3204	Why not keep the green bin fortnightly collection as I can see very smelly bins being left for three week causing a health hazard. Perhaps make the grey bin collection every three weeks as these bins should only contain recycled products and ask customers to wash out tins etc before putting in bin. Perhaps if you conclude you need an extra bin for food waste why not have this collected at the same time as the green bin but put in a separate compartment on the vehicle, councils in the south work this way.
3205	Most of my waste is not food. I would like my green bin emptied every week and free collection of garden waste (that's what I pay my Council Tax for).
3206	Would prefer to keep larger bin
3207	It is totally ridiculous to expect large families to have their bins emptied every 3 weeks. As a family, we have recycled everything we can since we received the grey bin. The vast majority of contents in our green bin is food packaging, which Wirral Council currently does NOT recycle! How can a household of 4 adults and 1 child manage with 3 weekly bin collections when we already struggle with fortnightly collections?
3208	I think the green bins should still be emptied every other week.  People who have small gardens and choose not to pay extra for brown bins use the green bin for garden waste and non recyclables. Many people are unable to get to the tips to dispose of rubbish so the green bin is essential.  Were are we meant to put the indoor caddy? I already have a bin for recyclable items under the sink and a general bin in the kitchen.  My kitchen will look like a recycling centre as does the outside of my house. .
3209	Food packaging will still attract flies, also will start to smell after a few days.
3210	I do not want a food recycling bin, I feel they are unhygienic. I do not want a 3 weekly collection for the green bin, but want to retain the larger bin. I DO NOT think the current system should change.
3211	Fine if used properly.

3212	Stay same as we are at present. Don't like idea of leaving smaller boxes outside on main road, blowing around on windy days and school children knocking them about. Confusing for elderly.
3213	I live in a sheltered housing scheme. I am quite happy to recycle as much as possible and do (though I find plastics you can and cannot very confusing!). However some of our tenants are very elderly and some have dementia and I am not sure they will put the food waste in the right bin. So I think you will find food in the green bins in our flats and in summer the smell could be very bad if they are emptied every 3 weeks
3214	Well looking at the photo of the new bin , there has been no thought for those of us who are disabled. Or any thought for the elderly, thanks Wirral council.
3215	It is not acceptable to pay rates and only have waste collected every three weeks and have to pay extra to garden waste collected (Presumably garden waste recycling was so successful the council could not cope with the amount to be recycled and the charge was introduced to compensate for this.. The council would do better to accept more for recycling such as shredded paper and more types of plastic such as foodtubs, yoghurt pots etc. This is something that councils in other areas do without a problem and something that should have been investigated more thoroughly before investing in equipment that cannot cope with these types of recycling. We have very little food waste and items in the green bin are those which this council cannot recycle such as the plastic and shredded paper mentioned above. Will the "lockable container" be placed outside for collection or will only the liners be placed outside and therefore be available for animals to tear and be blown by the wind?
3216	A lot of potential recyclable materials like yoghurt pots etc are not being recycled by those people not willing to recycle. If the automatic machinery would be improved to recycle more then this would have a greater impact on recycling in the Wirral area and, in my humble opinion, help far greater toward reaching the 50% target of recycling by 2020. I think 3 week rubbish collections are increasing environmental risks with less people wishing to have odourous bins so may increase the likelihood of fly tipping. Also, instead of paying to change the bins, it would be useful to make all brown bins available FOC for those who cannot afford this to prevent garden waste ending up in bins. I think there should be an option for free compost bin and/or free garden recycling instead of garden waste for those who already compost or to encourage this for those who don't. This will save on costs supplying food waste bins and collections of those.
3217	Absolutely rediculas. People like myself with large families, already struggle to reduce waste to cope with a two weekly collection. Food waste cannot take up more than 1 10th of a 240l bin...why then reduce it to half the size? Collecting every 3 weeks suggest one could fill a bin solely with food within 1 week. Are these the best ideas WBC could come up with!?!?
3218	Thing this is fine if used properly, but what about the households who have nappies incontinence pads , or large no,s living in households .
3219	Every green bin will end up stinking by the 3rd week
3220	The current green bins are far too big. Keeping them at this size but increasing the time between collections will mean that bins become smelly and unhygienic in warmer months.
3221	Council rates have risen for 2016/2017, if the council are seriously looking at keeping these increases at low levels how is this weekly food collection to be funded. Residents complian about hygiene i.e maggots, flies etc, would it be more appropriate to carry on emptying the green bin every two weeks and the grey bin every three weeks. Have the council had any conclusive feedback from other councils on any increase in rodent infestations etc when residents started using this recycling system. I understand that we have to increase our recycling but feel that this is just another bin to make our areas around the wirral look untidy. I would like the council to make public how our performance compares with other councils/European countries.
3222	Still think green bin should be collected 2 weekly. Have seen this operating other authorities and not impressed. Smaller bins blown around in bad weather.
3223	Overall I would welcome more recycling and think option 1 may work for most places. However, I would suggest that for a major increase in the recycling rate ALL packaging (including foils, food containers, cups etc.) must be recycled, i.e. not only restricted sorts of plastic, glass and cardboard. I believe that this point may be more relevant than the food waste, and it would not require the introduction of a third (or fourth, if the brown one is included) bin. Note that in many other countries all packaging is recycled, so I do not see why this should be impossible in Merseyside.

3224	As stated the green bins are looking tired and may need replacing soon anyway therefore this seems to be a suitable time to invest in the smaller bins. Removing the food waste also removes the possibility of rotting food which may lead to flies and the inevitable consequence - MAGGOTS!!
3225	i think bins t be emptied as it stands as i have my wife and disabled child who use incontinence pads as it stands we have 2 green bins because of the high use of incontinence pads thank you
3226	Stupid idea. Just moved back to wirral, from outer hebrides where they do this. The stink is bad. No one used the cady after amonth. Most people ended up confused and used wrong bins. We had 4bin types. Must just ended in general waste and tipping became common, as the councils smart ideas failed the real community.
3227	I do not want yet another bin to store at my property and yet another day to remember what is emptied and when. Its also bad enough the green bin is only emptied every two weeks now you propose to make it three! You want me to keep a food bin in my kitchen which will encourage ants, no thank you
3228	I think you should just leave the collection service as it is now and do the food recycling along side it Don't understand why all green bins need to be changed what an utter waste of money, I know the council are having to make savings but this is ludicrous. Not everyone will do this and you can just imagine what the place will look like with bins overflowing therefore encouraging vermin which costs the households to get rid of I live in a terrace street where already it can look a mess with all the wheelie bins where would an extra go?
3229	I have a tiny kitchen so would like to know where I am supposed to store this indoor caddy. With 6 people in this house hold, and many houses here in the same situation a 3 week collection is just not possible. I hardly have food waste due to having to watch money. There are also maggots throughout the streets every 2 weeks as it is.
3230	We think it is a total disgrace that we don t have the right for a weekly rubbish collection and adding to this to extend the collection dates ,as in in your proposal,if it wasn t so serious would be a joke.
3231	We have very little food waste, so moving the green bin to 1 in 3 weeks will lead to the possibility of it overflowing and the food waste bin will be used very little, and he far from full when it is emptied.
3232	Yet another stupid idea, a 3 week collection for disposable waste is ridiculous, completely unsuitable
3233	I would suggest that the problem is not whether to have a smaller green bin ,or, a larger green bin ,but where to put yet another bin [for food waste] outside-not to mention, a "small indoor caddy" in the kitchen. The bin storage space available outside some properties is limited as is accessibility to bin store areas. The objective of increasing re-cycling is understandable but the cost of this to residents in terms of irritation and visual clutter is has not been factored in.
3234	If food is to be collected weekly I would not need the same size green bin even if it was collected every three weeks.
3235	IN OUR OPINION OPTION 1 WOULD BE PREFERABLE
3236	It's wrong that we pay such high council taxes for this poor service, bins will smell, rubbish will be dumped in streets. Overall it will probably cost more to clean dumped rubbish than it does for legitimate rubbish removal, or perhaps the streets will not have the dumped rubbish cleared... now that would save money.
3237	I am all for recycling, and already compost as much waste as I can. I am happy to accommodate a food waste bin, However, probably due to the composting, there is no way that on third of our waste is food waste, and I find the notion of having a general waste bin emptied once every 3 weeks unacceptable.
3238	It is shocking to imagine that you think this is a good idea! But it is obviously something you are going to do regardless of council tax payers opinions!!
3239	I think this is the best option. the green bin should comfortably hold waste for three weeks as long as the food caddy is used correctly.
3240	This seems reasonable. I think most people's concern would be food only attracting rats.A weekly collection would help.
3241	This is the preferable option. All of my non meat/fish food waste already goes onto my compost heap with other garden waste, so I'm unlikely to contribute to an improvement in your statistics! The statistics are, anyway, meaningless unless you include the waste that is recycled within the householders garden (grass cuttings etc. as well as food waste).





3257	At present, with 5 adults in the house, option 1 suits our needs right now, but once our adult children move out option 2 will be better for us. So in the long term we definitely subscribe to option 2.
3258	this is the. only option for us. would prefer current system. we do not have much food waste.
3259	We think that all collections should be on the same time cycle. If not there could be some confusion.
3260	People put their rubbish out to be collected the night before rather collection is due, ie if the collection is a Monday the rubbish goes out on a Sunday. If the food waste is going in liners, is this not going to attract foxes and other animals to roam the streets and open the rubbish bags, leaving the food waste over the pavements and people gardens. Who would then clean up all the mess, would this not also attract more flies and maggots?
3261	I have no problem recycling food waste. However, my food waste is minimal and certainly DOES NOT equate to 100 litres and my green bin is full @ fortnight. So, a collection every 3 weeks will mean i have more waste than my bin will hold. Will lead to more fly tipping and /or visits to the tip. It's ridiculous.
3262	HAVING YET ANOTHER BIN IS NOT ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY . IN TERRACED PROPERTY BINS ARE LEFT OUT IN FRONT OF HOUSES .IF THE NEW SMALLER BLUE BIN IS NOT LOCKABLE DOGS ETC WILL GET INTO BINS AND THEREFORE FOOD WASTE WILL BE STREWN ALL SO REDUCING THE FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION OF THE GREEN BINS WHICH WILL BE GETTING FILLED OVER A 3 WEEK PERIOD WILL ONLY HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT. THE TARGETS SET BY THE EU ARE UNWORKABLE AND THAT IS WHY WE ARE LEAVING .
3263	prefer to have green bin collected fortnightly
3264	OK but prefer Option 2
3265	I do not agree with the option of green bin waste being collected every three weeks...I think there should be a continuation of the fortnightly collections on health & safety grounds.
3266	I prefer this option as I hardly throw any food waste away. This is my choice of options.
3267	Ok
3268	I don't believe any bin should be hanging around for 3 weeks. During the hotter months maggots are common in the bin and its unacceptable.
3269	We have no strong views either way but overall would be quite happy to retain the existing larger 240 litre green bin, and have it emptied every three weeks.  It is a shame that more items cannot be recycled in the grey bins as this is an easy thing to do and would obviously boost the recycling target. We take items that cannot currently go into the grey bin - mainly certain items of plastic - to the recycling facility at Sainsbury's, Upton, and if there were more of these additional facilities available in other areas too, then there would be less rubbish having to go to landfill. Is this something that the council can discuss with whoever runs that recycling area ( in particular with regard to the plastic items that can be taken there) as it would ultimately benefit the council and the environment by extending the recycling opportunities.
3270	Good. Brown bin should not be subscription. Could be included with food waste (non meat) as with other councils.
3271	Option 1 seems the best option and would be happy to go with this
3272	Sounds like the cheaper option for the council (and therefore me in the long run) as no new green bins will need to be bought.
3273	Never heard of such nonsense if you think we will be keeping waste food in the house then think again. People have pets and children who love to rummage through bags and cause a mess. Unless you provide one bag for everyday of the week so it can be immediately transferred out then it's never going to work. All that will happen is it will still be put in sealed bags and put in the green bin or maybe a better idea direct into the brown bin as garden waste will create gas as well as food. Do us all a favour don't bother creating more greenhouse gases producing yet more bins and more bags.
3274	I would rather keep my 240 litre green bin, and have a 3 week collection, I think the food recycling bin is a good idea.
3275	I am sure this food waste collection has been tried before and failed so why try again. Would it not be better to expand the recycled grey bin to accept plastic food cartons, heavy duty plastic bags etc that have the recycle symbol but which are not accepted at present and the likes of Tetra packs that also display the symbol. Surely this would be a better way of increasing the recycling percentages.
3276	i am concerned because i live in a flat and i'm not sure how the neighbours will get on over this. not sure they will cooperate
3277	I reject this option as unsuitable as the green bin is always full after two weeks and we do not waste food so we would not benefit from having the small indoor caddy. Your proposal is totally unsuitable and needs a complete rethink.
3278	Seems very good can't wait for it to start.
3279	NO NO NO I do not want a food waste bin in my kitchen or outside. In the summer the flies will be a health hazard
3280	This would be my preferred option, as a 100litre reduction in my bin would be a significant loss, as my food waste for 2 people isn't that much
3281	Please keep the larger bin and collect every 3 weeks

3282	I don't agree with the new proposals and want to keep the present collections.
3283	I would love to recycle more in my grey bin but the food and packaging from house hold goods,tin foil, cartons, tetra paks etc aren't recycled on The Wirral! This means that lots of landfill is taking recyclables. Not good enough. Keep the big bin or give us more options to recycle at home please.
3284	I do not normally put any food in the bin, so there will be no reduction in the waste in the green bin. If you change the collection to three weeks, the 240 liter bins will have 1.5 times their present contents. I am not sure how full they get at present.  Questions. I buy cat food in pouches, and the empty pouches go in the bin. Will this be affected by the changes? Which bin will be correct for the empty pouches ?
3285	Wouldn't it cost more to supply caddy,liner and collection. It will not work it's ok if just got two people but when you have a family the bins are full. I don't think it is food waste which if we stopped putting in would make much difference. It is the other stuff that can't go in the grey bin. I think you are going to have a lot of fly tipping
3286	I would prefer option 1. My mother in law lives in Huyton ( Knowsley MBC ) on her own. They have bin collections every 2 weeks the same as Wirral, Household, recycle and garden waste.My Mother in Law requested 140 litre bins instead of 240 litre as she was having difficulty moving them. However there are many occasions when there is not enough room for her waste as the bins are too small.  Also i would like to comment that Knowsley MBC was one of the first Councils to introduce food waste containers,but stopped not long after, as it was a waste of time.
3287	Sounds ok, but not happy about the 3 weeks for the green bin. !! if some of the public not to fussy on which bin, the food will be left for 3 weeks !!!
3288	I would prefer to adopt option 1 and retain the larger green bin as part of a three week collection cycle. With the correct home cleanliness of the green bins there should be no health issues, disinfect the bin after each collection and use wheelie bin liners.  Whichever collection option is chosen we will still have additional food waste bins to contend with, these could essentially replace residents kitchen bins so the number of household bins inside the kitchen will not necessarily increase.
3289	I am concerned at some perishable items staying in the green bin for three weeks. Most items would need to be securely bagged.
3290	this sounds like a bad idea because of the amount of rubbish one household can generate in 2 weeks could you imagine how much there would be after 3 weeks plus it would smell if there were other items in the bin(nappies for example) which would still encourage maggots to live inside
3291	I would not like to wait three weeks to have my green bin emptied. By this time the smell would be terrible, especially in summer. There would also be flies, which are a nuisance around the bin. I have already had a problem with maggots last summer. I have a cat and use cat litter for her tray. This may attract the flies.
3292	I would prefer this option.
3293	we only have a small green bin. We do not require a food waste caddy as we do not waste any food.We buy what we need and cook the amount we will eat. We have a compost bin for all our veggie peeling. you should not be encouraging people to throw good food away. if people do that then they obviously have more money than sense.  To keep a waste bin for three weeks before collection is not good enough. The council is going to waste yet more money buy bringing in these extra collections.
3294	I like the food waste collection idea, as long as the outdoor containers are properly sealable to deter vermin. Its been done in North Wales for ages without any issues and I don't know why we haven't introduced it sooner. Will we get buy back from Widnes if they are using our waste to power their vehicles? I have very little waste other then food stuffs and packaging so a once every three week collection would not make a massive difference to me. Packaging could still cause health issues - rotting meet packing etc. if not treated properly. The bins could also be heavier for some people, elderly etc.
3295	This has to be the cheapest option as funding smaller green bins for every household would cost a fortune. For this reason I would choose option one.

3296	Ridiculous if you want to increase recycling leave green & grey bin service as they are and reintroduce the brown bin service - redirecting considerable rubbish from green bins back into brown ones. So simple - even simple enough for a Wirral Councillor to understand if only they were prepared to listen
3297	Happy with either but would go for the most cost effective
3298	I have 3 bins and don't want another one. Not everyone has room to have an indoor caddy on the kitchen surface and room to store a lockable food waste container outside, and the smell of food will attract vermin.
3299	I would prefer keeping the green bin collected every 3 weeks.
3300	no more waste bins. enough is enough.
3301	Would prefer this option as feel that getting a new green bin out to everyone is Wirral is not environmentally friendly in the first place and will also be costly. Every three weeks for a green bin collection seems a very long time though...especially for those with children wearing nappies and suspect there could be health and hygiene implications. Our family do not throw away much food apart from a few peelings and so we would have to squash down the contents of our green bins whether the bin gets smaller or the time between collections increases. Shouldn't Wirral be improving the recycling of Tetra packs, yogurt pots and aluminium foil in our grey bin too?
3302	IF YOU CAN'T AFFORD THE £40 BROWN BIN CHARGE WHAT ARE YOU SUPPOSE TO DO WITH GARDEN WASTE ?NOT ALL OF IT CAN BE COMPOSTED. I SUSPECT MOST OF THIS WILL BE DUMPED ON OUR STREETS .
3303	I think option 1 is a very good idea I support the decision ms Taylor of eastham
3304	I disagree with option 1.  I think a collection of the green bin every 3 weeks is not enough. Even though food waste will be elsewhere, containers in the green bins still contain food products etc, therefore collecting every 3 weeks is unhygienic.  I think the green bin should be collected every 2 weeks.
3305	I don't mind - both are fine by us - happy to go with the majority. I feel cross with the whiners who demand the right to be lazy and who don't seem prepared to work with the rest of us to reduce waste. Please stick to your guns on this.
3306	I am not interested in a food waste bin.. I have very little.... I compost all my veg and fruit peelings, fallen fruit and flowers.. Plus anything suitable.. like shredded paper, egg boxes.
3307	This is ridiculous- all you're going to achieve by this is fly tipping. Green bins bring collected every two weeks is the absolute minimum. I do not put 40% food in my green bin and I already compost my green waste.
3308	I fail to see the financial viability of either option. It seems to me that you are spending for spendings sake since the money, I assume, is available from elsewhere (see note below) - the Daily Mail reported on this and of course got the facts wrong. I think that you have the facts askew as well - there is NO WAY that there is 15lbs of waste food in our green bin every fortnight. There are only two of us in the household and I would say that we could cope with either "option" BUT if we have my son home for a while with his girlfriend neither option would be viable in my view and would cause people to start abusing the system by mixing and matching bin usage. You really do need to think this through at the "Worst case scenario" and quite frankly it does not bode well in my view. Is this a bit of a wheeze ? because your logic seems to be that full of holes that I do wonder.  see your note from the FAQ section on the website: 'We have capital funding we can use on an 'invest to save' basis as a result of reallocated Waste Development Fund, so this will not impact on the wider council budget.'□
3309	Option 1 appears to be the more sensible, cheaper option but I have concerns re: people who have disposable nappies. It would not be very hygienic leaving bins for 3 weeks even after 2 weeks the bins are very smelly.
3310	I strongly disagree with the 3 week collection of green bins. This will cause a considerable increase in flies,maggots, rats etc. I also would like to know where you get the figure of a third of food waste, this seems a very high proportion.
3311	My concern is for the smell of the food collection... however feel that this is the best option.

3312	<p>If the council were to make brown bin collections free on a fortnightly basis and allowed food waste to be added to the brown bin as well (this makes excellent composting material) there would be no need for extra food bins and extra collections of these food bins thus saving substantial amounts of money. In addition the amount sent to landfill in the green bins would be substantially reduced as the majority of Wirral residents now put all their garden waste into the green bin.</p> <p>Wirral Council have brought this problem upon themselves and expect all the residents to pay for it.</p> <p>I personally did not wish to have smelly waste bins only collected every 3 weeks nor do I want smelly food bins (I already compost all my food waste) left lying around to attract vermin and animals. I DO NOT WANT OPTION 1</p>
3313	<p>We have very little food waste as I don't believe in wasting food, our bin would be virtually empty so what a waste of time collecting it every week !!!! I compost any vegetable matter we do have and I would suggest the council encourages every household to do the same.</p> <p>However, the waste we do have is sanitary waste, my mother is incontinent and uses pads for protection having to dispose of these fortnightly is bad enough but to have them collected every 3 weeks is totally outrageous and a clear health hazard.</p> <p>Wirral officers please have some regard for your elderly residents of which there are many.</p> <p>I do not support this option</p>
3314	I would not like to have anything in a bin for 3 weeks which will no doubt over time see council cuts that mean once a month collections
3315	I have moved back to the area from London having lived there for twenty years and still can't get my head around why bins aren't emptied every week like down there... I have finally got some outside space and really don't want my rubbish sitting around in it for weeks! I live alone and don't have much food waste so I'd prefer the council to look at adding other items to it's recycle list such as tetra packs, plastic bags, foil, etc
3316	<p>Don't like this option at all. Won't there be an increase in rodent activity with the separate food collection bin?</p> <p>Surely people should be educated to purchase less food: only what they are likely to use up.</p>
3317	Seems ok to me, quite happy to do this have done this before when I lived down south
3318	<p>Ok except for larger green bin to be collected every 3 weeks - could create a problem being left for so long in the summer months .</p> <p>The caddy and recycling food waste container outside is a good idea .</p>
3319	I have constantly used my food waste paper tea bags egg shells etc for the past 10 years for my compost heap so none of this goes into my green bin which will be full in 2 weeks time. Surely you should encourage supermarkets etc to use biodegradable products so there is less to go into the green bin.
3320	<p>If the council were to make brown bin collections free on a fortnightly basis and allowed food waste to be added to the brown bin as well (this makes excellent composting material) there would be no need for extra food bins and extra collections of these food bins thus saving substantial amounts of money. In addition the amount sent to landfill in the green bins would be substantially reduced as the majority of Wirral residents now put all their garden waste into the green bin.</p> <p>Wirral Council have brought this problem upon themselves and expect all the residents to pay for it.</p> <p>I personally do not wish to have smelly waste bins only collected every 3 weeks nor do I want smelly food bins (I already compost all my food waste) left lying around to attract vermin and animals. I DO NOT WANT OPTION 1</p>
3321	appears more appropriate for larger families
3322	I think this will cause a lot of confusion for some households and people will still bin food in these big green bins because that is what they are used too.
3323	Not acceptable.
3324	Optio 1 seems viable,the green bin would still be needed especially for larger familys.
3325	<p>I do not like the idea of separate food waste as it creates foul smells and maggots and the liner bags tend to split (I endured a similar food waste collection scheme in Cheshire West for 4 years).</p> <p>I prefer Option 1 to Option 2 as it affords greater weekly capacity (80 litres instead of 70).</p>

3326	Continued waste of taxpayers money on box ticking for council officers. The reduction of bin size does not equate to recovery of 7 kg of food waste and the cost of additional vehicles and roll out would readily meet any penalty payment in the years ahead (as you say in your intro, it is only a possibility that there would be a sanction for exceeding dumping limits so don't spend money until there is a sanction). the reduction in collection will lead to increased numbers making carbon wasteful trips to the recycling centres, which already add many thousands of kilograms of carbon to the environment, as any resident of the Borough can attest.
3327	this option seems cheaper as no new bins required, but don't see why the two week collection should be affected!
3328	The amount of food waste is a very small percentage of green bin waste,something like 1% therefore 1 Do not require separate bins and liners for leftover food  2 Reduction of green bin waste miniscule, food waste only accounts for approximately 2% of green bin waste,  3 why reduce size of green bin, when a bin has to be collected anyway.  4 adds two extra bins for very little return  5 90% of people against left over food bins  6 Whilst only 2 people live in our house, I know that the average household has 4.therefore require at least 2 weekly collections
3329	OPTION 1 I throw away very little food, I plan my meals so I am happy with the food caddy. I do not need the 240 litres green bin, should you wish to change that one.
3330	Green bin every 3 weeks is unhygienic, i have cats and kids their waste fills the bin, i couldnt wait 3 weeks, already having problems with maggots and that is with double bagging nappies and cat waste, i have no food waste
3331	Although this seems feasible we have one disabled adult who is incontinent and the nappies make up a significant part of our refuse and hence a 3-weekly pickup is not sufficient for us. Are there any allowances for this in the proposed system?
3332	Concerns that this option is causing residents to have yet another bin in their already small yards/gardens which already have to house 2/3 bins. If they do not have room to house the bins in their yard, it is another bin that is left constantly out in the streets as appears to have become the norm in my street, bins lining the narrow pavements. It would also be a concern that the additional bin will not be big enough or be assessed on the number/age of the residents in the properties.
3333	I already have two bins in my kitchen so a third one would be very unwelcome. I do not have much food waste so to sacrifice a fortnightly bin collection for a small bag of food does not make sense to me. I would rather keep the status quo. We already visit the tip every week to recycle our garden waste (we refuse to pay for something which was originally free). If you went to a three weekly collection for the green bin it would mean that we would have to make more trips to the tip. As we are frequently away on bin collection day, we usually end up waiting for four weeks to have the bins emptied. If you went to three weeks, it would mean that we could potentially have a full, smelly, maggot infested bin for six weeks What are you doing with our money? Wasting it!!!
3334	Yes this will be ok
3335	Unsuitable, green bins should stay as they are and be collected at no more than fortnightly intervals. I have to keep my bins on my drive at the front of my house and as I have pets my green bin has a lot of animal waste which I would not want sitting there for 3 week at a time.
3336	Think that the bin men should do some work my dad was a in man and used to go into people gardens and lift there bins and empty now they look to see if your bin is to heavy and walk away take photos lazy is all I can say
3337	Even with reduced food waste going into the bi, it will still be getting smelly by week 3.
3338	I have to arrange for a third party to take out my bins at the moment as I am 91. I cannot manage steps. I don't want a food caddy as this will increase further the inconvenience and I have no room for one in my small kitchen.
3339	Altho this all seems good I'd like to keep my two big green bins and I'd still like them emptied every two weeks my daughter has alot of medical waste due to her having cancer treatment. My bins are full to the top every two weeks as it is I do not want medical waste over flowing.

3340	<p>Three weeks is too long for green bin collections; not because of food waste, of which I put extremely little in my bin, but rather for babies nappies. Two weeks is already really unpleasant during warmer months. Three weeks would cause bins to really really smell (and that's already wrapping nappies in scented bags and then inside another larger bag!). The same is true for cat litter too; these two things account for a very large portion of my green bin waste. Having it sat for three weeks seems excessive.</p> <p>Add to this I feel I'd barely have anything to put in the food caddy other than tea bags and vegetable peelings (which more often than not go into compost rather than the bin!), they certainly don't account for half of my green bin waste, I'd estimate we're easily looking at sub 10% for those items.</p>
3341	<p>Option 1 would save money in that the current green bin will not have to be replaced but I can see it becoming a problem as people will get mixed up on when their collection week is.</p> <p>The food idea is a good idea, people only objection is the smell and vermin getting into bags, so long as the food outside bin is big enough and is collected weekly it should work</p>
3342	Good idea. When the 240 litre bin needs replacing only replace with the 140 litre bin. Thus saving on replacing every bin.
3343	I am strongly against any change to our bin emptying service. We pay our Rates to receive this essential service and we are already being charged to have our brown bin emptied, by becoming a member of the Wirral Gardening Club. What Club? I would love to meet the person who came up with that one. Also, who came up with the figure of 40pc of waste in the green bin being food, what a load of nonsense. I would dread to see the grocery bill of whoever it is. It is well known that a proportion of rubbish recycled by members of the public ends up at the tip. Has anyone tried to ask why, and what can be done to change that
3344	<p>in favour of anything which means more recycling. in theory there should be nothing smelly in large bin but there will be yoghurt pots, meat wrappers etc. perhaps they can be rinsed more thoroughly (using unnecessary water?!) would prefer this optin to smaller bin</p>
3345	Preferable to option 2, because bin is larger and same bins can be used - seems more economical option.
3346	This is the best option
3347	The cost of all the new bins and vehicles plus the pavements with bins outside all the time is awfull, continue with the old system but encorage people to seperate their recycleable rubbish better, this will increase the tonnage. I pay for the brown bin but I am considering canceling as the bin is not fully emptied most of the time due to compaction! I do not compact the waste so your vehicle emptying system is not fit for purpose, all my neighbours have the same issue, I wonder how many labels you have bought to stick on the bins? this will indicate to you the scale of the issue!
3348	Seems reasonable BUT my only personal concern is that as a stoma patient I have a full nappy sack type size bag a day of waste from changing my ileostomy bag - I guess a similar situation to parents with children in nappies but for me there is no option of reusables - we would find these supplies would make it difficult for our household bin to last for 3 weeks, plus there would probably become issues of smell.
3349	No option to remain, should be en option.
3350	Happy to adopt this system, but we recycle all compostable food waste (most of our food waste, in fact) in our own garden and reuse it, so we would probably only have a minimal amount of waste for the new bin.
3351	I strongly do not agree with any change to our refuse collection. We pay our Rates to receive this service, we have already been charged to have our brown bin emptied and have had to pay to join the Wirral Gardening Club. What Club, I would like to meet whoever came up with that one. As for 40 per cent of the rubbish placed in the green bin being food waste, what nonsense. I would dread to have the grocery bill of whoever came up with that figure. As you know, a lot of the waste recycled by the community ends up at the tip. Don't you think someone should ask why, and work to resolve this. The people of Wirral voted this Labour Council into power, if this goes through, I don't think many people will do so again.
3352	<p>Food waste collection a good idea. Keep larger green bin to save extra purchase expenses and collect every two weeks.</p> <p>What are you going to do about plastic which is main waste by bulk in our disposal portfolio?</p>
3353	<p>Excellent idea to have a food waste bin as that will compliment what i already do by composting all my green kitchen waste. I do feel that 3 weekly green bin collection is too long a gap and although we would manage as just a couple that families would struggle. why not look at the system that Cheshire runs. My mother is in Willaston and they have an excellent system including food waste weekly and general waste and garden waste alternate weeks. They also have a better recycling system which includes a lot more items and does not have to go in a mixed bin which must mean you have many contaminated loads.</p>
3354	This is my preferred option as I prefer the larger green bin.

3355	I live in the center of Birkenhead and only collecting the green bins every three weeks would be disastrous. Already with a 2 weekly collection we have overflowing green bins, black bin bags littering the streets and pavements. Carrier bags of household waste also littering the pavements. I appreciate what you are trying to do, but believe that it will not work in central Birkenhead. I am horrified to think what my living environment will be like, living surrounded by rubbish and rats.
3356	I believe that green bin collection every three weeks is not enough. I'm personally happy to make efforts to reduce my household waste, but would be concerned about smell - particularly as the parent of two children in nappies. My bin would have 20-day-old nappies at the bottom!
3357	This is my preferred option
3358	Not at all keen on 3 weekly green collection. Much easier to alternate green/grey, plus collections will coincide regularly which is a pain as you can hardly get along the pavement before a normal one-bin collection. Twice as many will be ridiculous, especially outside houses converted to flats! Don't use brown as do own composting and take anything excessive to the tip myself.
3359	3 weeks is no good if you have pets and children the stench would be vile!
3360	There are only two of us so never fill the green bin anyway. We have moved from Surrey and were used to putting food waste in a separate bin so think this is a good idea.
3361	Weekly collection of food waste is an excellent proposal. Three-weekly collection of general waste is not favoured because the interval is too long, especially with interruptions to service which occur at Christmas and some other public holidays.
3362	This option makes sense as there is no requirement to replace the current green bin at additional cost to taxpayers
3363	Too confusing to remember weekly, fortnightly and 3 weekly collection!
3364	How big do you think our kitchens and driveways are? We only just have enough space now and some people are not as lucky as us and don't even have a driveway! We already struggle with 2 weekly collections as a family of four and it's not food waste that is taking up the majority of the space!
3365	Options suggests choice why am I not getting choice of recycling food waste or not as I would choose neither we have been lucky for the last few years as the temperatures during summer have not stayed hot for to long but I can still remember the year when there were maggots in a lot of bins leaving food waste for a whole week in a locked container will never happen in my house
3366	3 weeks, especially in summer, is too long between collections
3367	As we already have a 140 litre green bin we prefer option 2
3368	Disgraceful. Every 3 weeks, especially in the summer is unacceptable. I recycle as much as possible but my green bin is still full at the end of two weeks.
3369	As a family of three, we already have to visit the tip once a week now with the present size of bin. To make the collections on a three week rota, or cut the bin size down would create more problems that it would solve! I am totally against your proposals, as I am sure the majority of households will be. It would be more helpful if pressure could be put on manufacturers to put less packaging on food and White products! We already pay more for the garden waste to be collected.
3370	A 3 week collection of the green bin would be unacceptable, and unhygienic, come next year I'll have 2 children in nappies, having this uncollected especially in the heat of summer even if bagged is not an option.
3371	3 weeks is a disgrace to wait for a bin collection
3372	a recent comment by a councillor that 40 % of a green bin is food waste is not correct. i would estimate that my food waste would come to no more than 10 %. It only consists of vegetable peelings, small bones fish skin etc. Also as we are now leaving the EU surely these waste recycling targets will become obsolete. Would it not be better to wait for the UK government to set its own targets. The green bin should stay at 2 weeks. Fly tipping is rife already ,not just in the back alleys in Birkenhead ,but in all the quiet lanes throughout the Borough.
3373	I do not want more bins or containers. We have no food waste. So no need to change. Typical Council pay more get less.
3374	1. Will there be an option to have more than one food waste container for larger households?  2. You should collect recycling weekly not fortnightly.  I prefer this option.
3375	No problem in theory; but in practice the majority of waste that goes in my green wheelie bin is related to my two indoor dwelling cats...can't recycle cat litter, so every three weeks would be an issue for me.
3376	Please define "Food waste" Is it potato peelings? etc? Apple core?
3377	More plastic bags?

3378	Large proportion of green bin is food so there will be no need for a large bin anymore. I would rather have a smaller bin collected every two weeks.
3379	I really don't mind any changes and will go with whatever
3380	I assume the recycling rates are an EU requirement so surely they won't apply in two years, after we've left. Irrespective of that point a green bin collection every 3 weeks or the the alternative of a smaller green bin will just mean I will have to drive to the tip with my waste which is both inconvenient and not environmentally friendly. The uncomfortable truth for the council is that a return to waste collection every week is what the majority of Wirral residents want.
3381	Food waste we have very little, if any at all, but would require a very definitive list what to put in the bin, far more than is given at present for the green and grey bins, but these could also be given a far greater lists what to put into each. The green bin should stay the same, any alteration will lead to an increase in fly tipping and extra costs. The grey bin should stay the same. The brown bin should be re-instated with free collection, this alone will increase the % of the councils waste requirements and extra revenue from the sale of same.
3382	This is the option that we would like to adopt
3383	The collections to local waste are poor as it is we have maggots crawling out of our bins on two weekly collection basis reducing frequency of collection is unacceptable.
3384	Food waste is minimal and would not amount to the 2k litre shortfall that the reduction in the green bin collection would amount to.  Collect food waste if need be but please leave the green bin as every two weeks.  My family of 4 regularly uses the local tip for refuse as their is not enough room in the green bin.
3385	I don't wish to change my bin collections, please leave them as they are now
3386	Smells/odours from outside food waste bin dring hotter days attracting flies etc. Do the lockable food waste container have a good seal to prevent smells/odours from escaping. From looking at pictures in the local paper that doesn't appear so.  If there are more people living in a household i.e 4 or more, they should be given a larger food waste bin as they'll produce more food waste.
3387	I will not be complying with your proposal. I will not be keeping food waste in my very small kitchen where there is no room for your proposed caddy. You need to remember that you are all public servants and the taxpayer funds your salary. There are far too many council employees, including councillors, and should savings have to be made, I, along with many others, would like to see fewer councillors on the payroll. These so called "green options" are a joke. You are just making the taxpayer, including the elderly and disabled, do your job for you. We pay for a service which is being reduced year after year - therefore it is only natural justice if the taxpayer reduces their contribution to council tax etc. year after year. A campaign should be started along these lines will have the support of most council tax payers in Wirral.
3388	I think this would be the better option, as I do not have a lot of food waste, but I do have a lot of general waste.
3389	I really don't like the idea of the green bin only being emptied every 3 weeks. The bins smell after two.
3390	Definitely a NO to the 3 week collection of the green bin. Smell especially in the summer can get bad, overloading at various times can be a problem especially for those households who do not throw away quite as much food - I consider our household to be way below the average. Would encourage fly tipping and throwing a lot of non-recycling items into the grey bin (easy to pass a quick check at collection by not having these items near the top).  I don't think the food recycling will work. It has been tried in the past as part of the brown bin. Storage of the container is a problem as nobody wants it on display and smell could be an issue too, as regular emptying could turn into an inconvenience and a nuisance.
3391	AS A HOUSEHOLD OF ONLY 2 PEOPLE OUR FOOD WASTE IS MINIMAL AND HARDLY TAKES ANY ROOM IN THE BIN AT THE MOMENT. HOWEVER THE EXISTING GREEN BIN IS GENERALLY FULL TO THE TOP AFTER 2 WEEKS WITH OTHER HOUSEHOLD WASTE. THEREFORE A COLLECTION OF LARGER GREEN BIN AFTER 3 WEEKS WOULD BE TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE AND CERTAINLY A SERIOUS HEALTH HAZARD. IT ONLY TAKES ONE GREEN BIN IN THE STREET TO ATTRACT FLIES AND VERMIN TO THE NEIGHBOURHOOD. AS USUAL WIRRAL COUNCIL, ANOTHER NOT VERY GOOD IDEA BY NOT VERY BRIGHT PEOPLE. OUR COUNCIL IS THE PITS!
3392	don't want to change
3393	I do not like the idea of food waste collection because I think it will encourage rat, mice or other infestation. If it has to happen then I think I will go with current size of green bin with a 3-weekly collection. Would appreciate a new bin as promised in the change over info.



3394	Dont agree
3395	don,t want option 1 or 2
3396	I think overall this is the best option as the funding can be used for something else to help the Council meet their targets. I think recycling food waste is a great idea and if people are doing this correctly the bin listed may not be big enough! If residents are encouraged to recycle more fully the current size of bin will be required - if they are not filled completely it just means its lighter to lift. I don't agree with using funding to replace all the current bins in use - the money should be used for some other action to encourage recycling The green bins should be collected every two weeks
3397	I have very little food waste as I compost all vegetable peelings, egg shells etc, hence there is little else left. Having general waste collected only every three weeks will cause environmental problems, currently in warm weather the bins can get full of flies and very smelly due to food wrappings.....fish wrappers, meat wrappers etc not a pleasant or healthy way to live. The introduction of this sort of collection would hardly reduce my waste. A better proposal would be to encourage suppliers to use recyclable packaging!
3398	We have very little of food waste and that is fruit which goes in compost bin
3399	I do not consider this option is an attractive proposition. To have non recyclable items left for 3 weeks is both a hazard to health (eg soiled nappies/ soiled cat litter etc) and would attract vermin.
3400	I cannot understand having a food bin, in the summer not only the smell will be revolting and the bugs horrendous, just more awful ideas from our over spending council
3401	why doesn't the council just leave bin collections as they are. IF IT AINT BROKE DON'T FIX IT
3402	We already have two swing bins in the kitchen for recycling green and grey waste and have no further room for another bin. Does the three week cycle for collection of the green bin take into account babies and young children whose nappies need disposing of and which fill a green bin within the present two week collection period. A fortnight of nappies and green waste currently fills completely a green bin. Even a couple without children can fill a green bin in a fortnight with normal green waste.
3403	do not need a food bin and want collection of green bin to stay the same, ie fortnightly!!!!
3404	I would prefer that you leave things alone we already have a serfit of bins when the garden waste and the green bins are collected together, we have some 10 bins outside my property because your contractors will not walk 20 yards to collect them from the respective properties, and then will not return them to their collection points.  These proposed small bins will attract the foxes who no doubt very soon will learn to upset them and leave food waste all over the place, which if it follows the current procedure of the current bin collectors will not be cleaned up other than by the property owners.  Just leave things alone!
3405	I would like to know how big this food caddy is. I will be missing 100 to 120 Litres of space for rubbish if you either reduce the green bin size or only collect it every three weeks. As it is I fill it every two weeks now, and I don't think the amount of food I would have to recycle would free up enough space in my green wheelie bin to be able to hold all my general rubbish that can't be recycled. Such a shame we can't recycle more plastic containers- they take up SO MUCH space in the green bin.
3406	Parents with babies and very young children can fill a green bin with nappies and green waste within the current fortnightly collection period. Couples and families can also easily fill or nearly fill a bin within the same period. An extra week to await collection will result in overflowing bins which will attract, dogs cats and vermin. Most people already have two swing bins etc in their kitchens to accommodate both green and grey waste another bin for waste food will simply not be welcome.
3407	I would prefer this option as I require a larger green bin as we do not have very much food waste. Although I would prefer to keep the system we have.
3408	I have had maggot's in my green bin for the past couple of months and everything is in bin bags and tied tightly so this will not stop that. I have a family of four and its not much food waste as packaging and rubbish that cannot be recycled in my green bin so to go down to a smaller bin every 2 weeks or a 3 weekly collection would not be a good idea. If it did go to a 3 weekly collection and my bin was full the binmen wouldn't take an extra bag if it was on top of the bin so what do you do?????
3409	As there are only 2 people in this household we have very little food waste and would not require an indoor caddy  We would be quite happy with collection of the green bin every 3 weeks

3410	<p>I think this could get confusing as some weeks it would only be a food waste collection and on others it would be all three bins on the same day.</p> <p>a six week cycle would look like this</p> <p>week 1 green bin and food</p> <p>2 gray bin and food</p> <p>3 food</p> <p>4 Green, gray and food</p> <p>5 food</p> <p>6 grey and food</p> <p>this would then repeat.</p> <p>more collections could be missed by residents increasing the risks of smelly bins, overflowing waste, fly tipping and increased customer dissatisfaction, our customer satisfaction rating is already a disappointing 46% lets try not to make it worse.</p> <p>However it would reduce the number of Green bin collections from 26 to 17 a year which must reduce the cost.</p>
3411	<p>Terrible suggestion - I have no space in my house suitable for a small indoor caddy which will smell depending on the food that gets thrown away. The tiny space I have in my garden is being filled up by bins. Fly tipping will increase.</p> <p>Forget the caddys and the other bin, supply household with "special food waste bags" that can go in the normal green bin and invest the money in the recycling centers to sort through the rubbish more efficiently.</p>
3412	Not in favour of leaving green bin for 3 weeks.
3413	This is too long a period between green bin emptyings. If you are on holiday for one of the emptyings, that will mean a period of six weeks between emptyings. After six weeks the bin would get too full and would smell.
3414	We are in a small terraced house with a very small back yard with no room for more bins. We would like to keep the large green bin with a 2 week collection. We have lots of wrappers from fresh fish & a 3 weekly collection would be unhygienic.
3415	<p>The food waste system has been tried before in Wirral and was withdrawn, so why would it work now?</p> <p>I can though see the positives of recycling food waste and what it can be used for.</p> <p>As food waste is of minimal amounts for most households including ours I don't think the size of the green bin and the collection frequency should be reduced.</p> <p>We always fill our green bin to it's capacity and reducing the collection from 2 weekly to 3 weekly would mean that we have to put rubbish in bags and either put out with the green bin and risk it not being collected or carry it over to the next collection causing an ever increasing backlog</p> <p>Finally, gardens are already overcrowded with bins, especially if you have a small garden or a backyard, so people are reluctant to add another bin in.</p>
3416	Prefer this option as smaller bin not big enough for general waste
3417	see if using food waste bins makes any difference to green bin getting full
3418	<p>Whoever dreamt this nonsense up should be sacked whether officials or councillors. To believe for one minute that the vast majority of us will use this "caddy" is delusional. The answer to more recycling is to impose penalties on those who do not use the correct bin etc.</p> <p>As a student of dodgy statistics I wonder where the lunatics in charge got the figure of a third by weight of food waste would equate with 16000 tonnes to be achieved by 2020.</p> <p>And if you haven't yet heard, there was a referendum recently to exit the EU where, no doubt, this lunacy emanated. By 2019 we will be out of the EU and such tripe will be consigned to the rubbish dump of history.</p> <p>I only foresee more illegal dumping/fly-tipping than ever before with the extra cost that entails.</p>
3419	This is getting outlandish. Are you encouraging the rat population? Odious smelly houses? You lot were supposed to serve the people not rule them! Why don't we all dump our food waste at the town hall in Wallasey, it's big enough!
3420	<p>Inhuman and unhygienic.</p> <p>I hope it doesn't happen.</p>
3421	Not ideal with a nappy wearing toddler but we could manage and there is a tip near by so really not a problem.
3422	dont like the idea of a food bin
3423	<p>How small is the outside food container? If you are expecting a large portion of the old green bin waste will it be big enough?</p> <p>My green bin fills up with non recyclable plastic which is difficult to squash. Surely this is where recycling should improve or is it that recycling food waste is more lucrative?</p>

3424	How heavy will the food waste bins be. I can see them blowing all over the place in windy conditions especially if they have to be left in the road overnight. My food waste only consists of peelings and the odd bit of salad ingredients.
3425	preferred option
3426	Opinion one as Christmas and bank holidays been taken in to consideration with these options.it doesn't matter how many live in the house it's how many keep coming and going grandchildren own children imreguler cater for four to five people a day
3427	It's a great idea but all that money being spent for food to be recycled will it make any money or do you have to pay the recycling centre to take it from you? Also I think it is unfair to make people pay to recycle garden waste when your willing to pay out to give all residents the ability to recycle food .We should all be composting and you wouldn't need to do this new recycling scheme
3428	I WILL KEEP MY GREEN BIN AND HAVE IT EMPTIED EVERY THREE WEEKS
3429	We are a family of five with medical waste and nappies. We currently fill our grey and green bin and have to stand on it to last the two weeks. I pay for a brown bin. We have a dog that eats any (which is little) food waste. The only food waste would be tea bags. A handful of tea bags in a separate bin will not make a difference to my green bin waste. I hate the idea of another bin in my garden, it is ridiculous! I want a fortnightly collection and the same sized green bin.  Get Government to legislate on packaging that can be recycled instead of residents and councils worrying about waste disposal.
3430	UNSUITABLE
3431	Recently a vote was taken to remain or Leave the EU. The Leave option was the preference of this Country. The 50% waste recycling by 2020 is a target set by the EU. As we will not be in the EU in 2020 we do not need to adhere to their targets. Bring back the free Brown Bin and do not go forward with the ridiculous idea of a Caddy.
3432	Collecting the green bin on a 3 week schedule and the others on a 2 week option will make it difficult to remember which bins to put out which week.
3433	i feel this would be more benifical to large familys, and what happens if the food bin over flows and would this liners being provided be on a permanent basis or would this be only for a set time then we have to provide out own?
3434	Another waste of Taxpayers money. Keep it as it is.
3435	I prefer this option to #2. By keeping the existing bin, the Council saves money by not having to purchase 2 new bins for every household, just 1. Moving to 3-weekly collections shouldn't be a problem as the bin should not contain perishable food now (though residents will have to rinse out food packaging to reduce odours in hot weather). And finally, by keeping the large bin, residents will still be able to dispose of larger sized waste on the occasions when they are decorating or tackling DIY projects etc.  Another area you could consider is providing composting bins for residents' garden and kitchen waste (vegetable peelings etc). This small step would also reduce your overall collection weight from each household and help towards reducing your problem at source. Just a thought.
3436	I don't think leaving the green bin for three weeks at a time would be hygienic, especially during hot spells when the likelihood of infestation of insects and rodents would be high.
3437	Too many bins.. the street looks a mess and we have 7 in the garden.. 3 flats on the site.
3438	I would prefer this option solely on the basis that the green bin capacity would work out as 80l per week, rather than 70l. As a family with 4 adults who throw out less than the average 7kg of food waste per fortnight and who fill the grey bin with recyclable items every fortnight then we will have a real struggle to fit the green bin waste rubbish in, once the new rules come in. Also, nice work having a target of 50% and a contract with a disposal authority which can't recycle items which would help achieve this target without inconveniencing the public.
3439	Happy with this option. Works well in other councils and friends I have spoken to who have this scheme have given great reviews.
3440	We have no issue with weekly food collections and fully support this, however we have two infants in nappies and we already have to use a neighbours green bin for our waste as we fill our bin quickly. As a household we have very little food waste so the introduction of the food bin would have little impact on how quickly our green bin fills. The idea of having dirty nappies sat in a hot bin outside my home for three weeks is frankly appalling. Not only it is unhygienic, in warm weather the bins outside our home and our neighbours' homes smell awful and the fortnightly collections already seem insufficient.
3441	I think this is the best option

3442	This option would work for smaller households who struggle to fill their green bin on a fortnightly basis. The fact that the food caddy is collected on a weekly basis should prevent smells from the green bin. However I think larger households could quickly have overflowing bins if left for more than a fortnight.
3443	Reducing the green bin collection to three weeks is a ridiculous proposal, the bi-weekly schedule is already a burden on many, leaving families with overflowing rubbish. I do not for a moment believe that by separating food waste from other rubbish, this problem will be in any way helped. Although, were the green bin schedule (and size) to be left untouched, and the food waste scheme implemented in addition to this, that may help the burden somewhat.
3444	Green bin collections every 3 weeks will confuse people, especially the elderly who will be confused as to when the bin is due to be collected. It is far easier to keep track of which bin is due for collection with fortnightly collections. Waste in the green bin such as nappies, sanitary waste etc sitting for 3 weeks before being collected is not hygienic and will potentially lead to odours and insect/ rodent infestation.
3445	<p>Our household subscribes to the brown bin collection: bagging garden refuse and taking it to the tip is inconvenient and adds another weekly car journey with more exhaust fumes - we're happy to subscribe to this service.</p> <p>Our household meticulously separates out items for the grey bin; we firmly subscribe to the concept of recycling.</p> <p>Our household, which consists of 4 adults, produces absolutely minimal food waste. I'd be amazed if it amounted to 2kg per fortnight, let alone the 7kg mentioned on the "Questions about the food recycling consultation" web page.</p> <p>At the end of each two-week cycle, both our green and grey bins are full to capacity. The green bin contains minimal food waste, as mentioned above. The majority of the green bin contents are therefore non-recyclable material, which I believe is where the root of the problem lies i.e. manufacturers decision to continue to over-pack with non-recyclable material plus the current technical inability to process such waste. Addressing these problems is where I believe that the Government should be spending what is possibly my tax contribution, although I can absolutely see the need to address recycling food waste - it's entirely sensible.</p> <p>Regardless of the size of the green bin and frequency of collection, I can therefore confidently predict that the result for my particular household will be: I will have to make a weekly trip to West Kirby tip to dispose of the excess refuse that won't fit into the small green bin over two weeks or the current larger green bin over three weeks.</p> <p>Obviously, I will be unhappy with this for the reasons stated above, and I can't help taking the view I'd be being penalized for having little food waste / manufacture's excessive and non-green packaging / recycling technology lagging behind the current reality. I'm lucky to have a car at the moment but what happens if, for whatever reason, I don't have access to one? What 'third' option would be available to a household with minimal food waste, and who don't want a change to the current green bin service? The answer, I know, is there won't be a 'third' option. But, as you've invited feedback on the proposal, I've given it to you and I fully expect that my view (which is quite likely to be shared by others) will be completely invisible, and thus ignored.</p>
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3447	Not hygienic to have a collection every three weeks - poor idea.
3448	If we are forced to change, although our preferred option is to leave things as they are, option 1 seems a better deal. We do not want a bin full of rotting waste food sitting in the kitchen, it is unhealthy smelly and takes up valuable space. Neither option 1 or 2 is what we and many, many others want.
3449	<p>While I understand the need for recycling, I live in a mid-terraced house and have to keep my bins outside on the pavement. This is because I refuse to wheel them in and out of my house over a cream carpet so I am steadfastly against yet another bin.</p> <p>Also where in Gods name am I expected to put this bin in my small kitchen?</p> <p>No....I do not want this to go ahead.</p>
3450	<p>There is no food waste in my household. The new scheme would be a complete waste of money.</p> <p>Currently there is so much film,thin plastic and other nonrecyclable materials that have to fit in the green bin that mine would be overflowing after two weeks.</p>

3451	I prefer to have more frequent green bin collections.
3452	Utterly ridiculous 3 weeks collection for a family of three with a small baby we need collecting more than 3 weekly! Plus having food caddys with old rotten food in my kitchen is not hygienic especially with young children who want to explore everything. You will end up with fly tipping and bins overflowing.
3453	I can only strongly agree with what was was printed in 3rd August Wirral Globe mailbox section "Give us weekly bin collections" we want green bins emptied every week.. No room for ANOTHER bin..
3454	I think option 1 would suit us best plus we can keep our original green bin instead of the extra cost to issue every household with a smaller bin.
3455	Prefer to keep larger green bin.
3456	I prefer this option. My concern is rats and foxes if food bins not locked.
3457	It is the green bin which needs more frequent collection to avoid odours. If a collection is missed then 6 weeks is a long time for refuse to be festering.  I would be unhappy about this moving to a 3 week collection
3458	I do not agree with any proposal to alter the collection of waste material under any circumstances. The way it is collected now is perfectly adequate and does not require altering. At one time the collection of garden was included in the council tax, but you found a way to get more money by charging for this. I have no more room to place another bin, that is not necessary.
3459	A good option so long as you continue to collect the 240 litre green bin every 2 weeks to go to 3 weeks would encourage flies and vermin. As we live opposite an allotment where rats etc abound I have had to request several times for your Rodent officers to call to lay bait traps etc. Now I just buy and bait and put my own bait points out. I can see if we go to 3 weekly collections the problem getting worse.
3460	I think this is a good idea esp the sealed bin what with the possibility of flies getting in and laying eggs leading to maggots. however I feel that 3 weeks is too long between collections. That's effectively saying food waste takes up half a green bin every two weeks which is not the case.
3461	I will be perfectly happy to accept Option 1.
3462	There is only me in the flat so if food waste is collected weekly the green bin won't be as full anyway so a three weekly collection should be fine. However this could get confusing for those of us who are easily confused anyway a fortnightly collection for one bin and a three weekly one for the other. Also i am conscious of the amount of plastic being added to our environment, would the bags for the indoor caddys be bio-degradable ?
3463	Leave things as they are. I trust that your staff will pick the new bins up from peoples property and not expect them to be placed on the pavements as with the wheelie bins. Also some may not have space to store an additional bin
3464	I think it is outrageous that you propose to collect every 3 weeks when the government has stated that they are aiming for weekly collections
3465	There is no food waste in our household. I would think that the most food waste comes from households who can't be bothered to eat it and discard it in the bin unwrapped. I presume that new bin lorries will be needed to collect the waste. Another waste of tax payers money.
3466	We had small brown bins for food waste but you stopped them, how will this be any different what is to stop you from stopping this one later on,
3467	No room for a food bin in my tiny kitchen and flat!
3468	We don't have a lot of food waste, as what we have gets eaten. It would just be occasional peelings. Our green bin contains a majority of packaging that cannot be recycled. We have a family household so emptying the bin every 3 weeks would be ridiculous for us.
3469	Our food waste is very little and the green bin is used for non recycled products. Waiting 3 weeks for a green collection would be not beneficial and a ridiculous idea.
3470	The Wirral average for food waste may be a third of the green bin but mine is nowhere near that. I compost all the vegetable and fruit waste plus teabags and coffee grounds so the only food waste that goes in my green bin is potato peelings, some slices of bread and plate scrapings with an occasional item that has gone seriously out of date from the fridge. I usually do not have enough space in my green bin for the non-recyclables in a two week period and have to sneak out early and find space in other people's bins on collection days.  I would support the food waste recycling but need to retain the same service for the green bin. Surely, what needs to change is the food packaging that we currently can't recycle?
3471	I don't have a lot of food waste as a lot of scraps etc go to family dog.  3 weekly green bin disposal is ridiculous, dread to imagine the smell from 3 weeks worth of soiled nappies and dog mess!
3472	Fully support food recycling proposals but every three week collection of green bin contents will result in a complicated collections schedule for householders and inevitably more missed collections and consequent instances of overflowing bins.

3473	Why can't the green bin still be collected every two weeks as I don't believe we throw away 100 ltr of food per two weeks
3474	This is my favoured option. Whilst for some of the year a small green bin would be sufficient there are occasions when the larger bin is required. I also feel that the initial cost of replacing all of the green bins is too much. Surely it makes more sense to replace the bins with the smaller one as and when the larger onw becomes unusable.
3475	I really think the existing system is fine, and have no wish to have a food waste bin in the kitchen. Have seen a similar schem in operation in another L.A.where a family member lives and it was neither popular or effective.
3476	I prefer option 1 providing the food waste is collected weekly as stated.
3477	Being a one member household I do not have much waste food if at all. So I do not approve of 3 weekly green bin collections.
3478	Neither of these options will be of benefit to myself as I have a small child and my green bin is always very full each time it is about to be filled I store food waste in the freezer at the moment until the bin is about to be emptied as the heat creates a bad smell! I have a small child so I have nappies in the bin my bin is stored on the front as its the only locaton it can be stored if the collections go from 2 weeks to 3 weeks the stench of nappies being left there for 3 weeks in the heat is something I don't want if anyone comes to visit my house and has to walk passed my bins, I obviously can't keep dirty nappies in the freezer to avoid this what do you recommend?!? Also the reduction in size of the bins is ok for one or two people households what about families!! This is an outrageous suggestion and another one which is helping me feel less and less connected to the labour party as it is their suggestion! I'm finding myself leaning towards Lib Dems who seems the only people talking sense on this subject!
3479	Although this option provides the biggest reduction it maintains a fortnightly collection, that however is the only benefit. It reduces general waste capacity by 41% I'd be surprised if there was a household on the Wirral who's food waste made up 41% of their general waste. The reduction is too great, the food waste bin should be brought in but the general waste bin should not be reduced in size instead greater education regarding recycling should be issued and trust placed in the general public that the food bins would be used.
3480	We think this is the better option for our household.Also bear in mind the two fundermental variables in ' The Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle' are position and momentum.
3481	3 weekly collection is a ridiculous idea. It is already a stretch for most people having fortnightly collections. The bins smell after a couple of days, in the summer months the smell will be unbearable.
3482	Would not want the green bin not to be collected for three weeks.
3483	I think it is a great idea to start collecting food waste again.
3484	I currently put my green bin out fortnightly whether it is full or not, but prefer this option.
3485	I am against this option as I think it will lead to increased smells due to green bins only being emptied every three weeks. Although food waste accounts for the majority of smelly waste for most households, by no means is it the only rubbish which smells. There are nappies and sanitary waste, which also have an unpleasant aroma. Also you are assuming that everyone will use the food waste containers, for example, the elderly and infirm often find such changes confusing and too complex to follow. Others just don't care.
3486	Can food waste and the green bin be collected every 2 weeks?
3487	In these times of financial constraints why waste money on replacing the bins, how much will that cost?  What will happen in bad winter weather conditions and extended xmas breaks. The smaller bin will be full to overflowing and your contractor will not empty it. Therefore i would suggest that there is an operational advantage to leaving the bigger bins in place?  The food waste bin idea is a good one however, as an addition to the current.
3488	Either option would be suitable for me, so which ever one is the cheapest for the council would be the best in my opinion.
3489	Currently, my green bin is overflowing when my collection day comes around. I recycle using both a grey and brown bin. I have food waste but my green bin is filled mainly with items which can't be recycled such as shredded paper, juice cartons, plastic packaging.  When the brown bins were first introduced, they came with a food caddy. Everyone gave up on them very quickly as they were smelly and not very pleasant!  I could not manage having the bin emptied every three weeks.
3490	This sounds a good option, however my concern is that we already have 2 green bins as my son is pump fed. So a collection every 3 weeks would be a concern with the extra waste his pump feeds create. Essentially how does this work for additional medical needs?
3491	Not my preferred option.

3492	Out of the 2 options this would be my preferred option. With a household of 2 we could probably manage with a 3 weekly collection, however I cannot see how a family with children would cope, imagine having a bin full of disposable nappies left for 3 weeks, the smell towards the end of the 3 week collection period would be extremely repulsive. I feel as noted below resources should be allocated in new processing sites, or maybe some form of incentivised scheme to increase use of the grey bin correctly.
3493	once every 3 weeks for green bin is not enough, needs to be fortnightly
3494	This fequency would be no good for nappies or for pet waste.
3495	I am happy to stick with this option as it is simpler and less likely to forget when to put bins out. Am happy with 3 week collection as there are only 2 people in the house so can manage with a 3 week collection.
3496	Would you like it having rotting food outside your house when it's warm and there is no way I want a caddy in my kitchen last time this was tried all it did was to encourage vermin where's health and safety now you only use this when it suits you!!!!!!!
3497	<p>FOOD - I throw very little away but as food is biodegradable won't it deteriorate in the 'Green' waste anyway?</p> <p>GREEN - I only put my bin out once every 6-8 weeks and it is rarely full.</p> <p>GREY - This I use a great deal recycling everything you allow. I buy foods in recyclable packaging though it is not possible for some yoghurt or butter/margarine containers - you need to find somewhere that will do this as these are basic foods. You don't recycle window envelopes which most of our post comes in nowadays, although I tear out the plastic most people can't be bothered understandably, this needs to be looked into as it won't change.</p> <p>With Fraud ever on the increase you will not accept 'Shredded' paper - why is this? I shred all financial information and have to put it in my GREEN bin which is ridiculous as it's paper.</p> <p>BROWN - I use and pay for this bin and allow my neighbours to use it - very good.</p>
3498	<p>The proposals are not directly applicable to us as things stand.</p> <p>Dawpool Farm has a communal bin system - 3 large refuse bins plus 3 large 'grey' re-cycling bins each emptied fortnightly. All the bins are normally full by the time they are emptied. We have no wheelie bins for any of the 21 households that comprise the site.</p> <p>Separating food waste from the refuse would help to reduce smells and vermin but we would need an extra large 'green' bin or individual 'green' bins for each house to do this.</p>
3499	<p>The amount of food waste which we have is negligible and the somewhat complicated caddy, liners, lockable food waste container system would clearly be quite expensive. As do many households we have a waste disposal fitted in our kitchen sink which we use for food scraps. Seems to be an unnecessary complication.</p> <p>We could cope with our green bin being emptied every three weeks but it would certainly be very full and probably quite 'smelly' during the warmer months.</p>
3500	<p>Dear Sir / Madam</p> <p>In my opinion the Council is incompetent &amp; appear to think Wirral residents are idiots. If you hadn't introduced a charge for the brown bin you would comfortably hit your recycling target of 50%. Lots of people simply put garden waste in their green bins (your fault!), thereby dramatically reducing your recycling percentage. This is actually about money and not about recycling &amp; that is reprehensible &amp; I will be writing to the MP about it.</p> <p>We hardly waste any food (we can't afford to!) but our green bin is still full every 2 weeks because we are a family of 4. Both options are unacceptable!! If collection moves to every three weeks &amp; weekly for a food bin, I assume the council will pick up the bill for increased vermin and insect infestations &amp; any illnesses caused by mould growth in the food bin??? I expect you to confirm this</p> <p>Thank you</p>
3501	we do not generate any food waste at all.

3502	<p>We currently recycle most of food waste as all our vegetable/fruit peelings, teabags and coffee grinds go into our compost bins. We also compost approximately 50% of our egg shells. We throw away a small amount of food waste each week, predominantly meat/fish bones, fish skin and some scraping from plates.</p> <p>We enjoy our meals made from left overs and use old bread, crust etc to make bread crumbs.</p> <p>Despite this we still virtually fill a 240 litre bin every 2 weeks. Most of our waste in the green bin is packaging material that cannot currently be recycled by the facilities available in Wirral.</p> <p>I therefore this option would be be totally unsuitable for my family.</p>
3503	I would prefer this option , as I would struggle with a smaller bin even though it would get emptied more frequently
3504	<p>I would be slightly concerned about waiting 3 weeks for waste to be taken, plus it would take up extra space outside with an extra bin to be accommodated! However, it would seem the more cost effective with bins not having to be replaced, so I would be willing to try this option first, but think it should be open to future review.</p> <p>With either option, my concerns are around where to fit the food caddy in our kitchen, and also whether the supply of plastic bags is going to be regularly replenished by the authority.</p>
3505	I'm 78 yrs old. I cannot cope with further bins to deal with. I don't like the idea of food waste lying around for a week. Have you considered the risk of vermin not to mention other health issues. It should be left alone !!!!! Why isn't there an option to leave things as they are rather than spend limited resources on this plan. I voted for labour to do important positive changes to people's lives. Not for this nor for numerous advisors to our professional staff definitely not for more bins
3506	I don't believe it to be a good idea to collect the green bin only every 3 weeks. This can not be an environmentally healthy option. Think about the bacteria that could reproduce from things like disposable babies nappies, pet faeces etc.
3507	I'm 78 yrs old. I cannot cope with further bins to deal with. I don't like the idea of food waste lying around for a week. Have you considered the risk of vermin not to mention other health issues. It should be left alone !!!!! Why isn't there an option to leave things as they are rather than spend limited resources on this plan. I voted for labour to do important positive changes to people's lives. Not for this nor for numerous advisors to our professional staff definitely not for more bins
3508	I'm 78 yrs old. I cannot cope with further bins to deal with. I don't like the idea of food waste lying around for a week. Have you considered the risk of vermin not to mention other health issues. It should be left alone !!!!! Why isn't there an option to leave things as they are rather than spend limited resources on this plan. I voted for labour to do important positive changes to people's lives. Not for this nor for numerous advisors to our professional staff definitely not for more bins
3509	I am happy with this.
3510	This is a suitable option and presumably a cheaper one as no need to provide a new bin and 3 week collection on green bin
3511	I would like to keep the larger bin
3512	Food wastage does not equal the same size of a green bin reduction! The food will smell over the course of a week, not only that to move to 3 weeks is ridiculous. By all means do a weekly collection of food waste but leave the green bit the same size (240l) and still collect every 2 weeks! The Green bin is full now after 2 weeks so taking a small amount of food wastage out will not resolve the problem!
3513	As A Chartered Waste Management Engineer and a Recycling Officer having Chaired many National Committees I consider the collection of food waste to be totally unsustainable with regards to saving the environment. The fuel used in transportation and post collection treatment far away any environmental benefit gained. It is a total waste of time and money.
3514	I don't agree with bins being collected 3 weekly
3515	<p>Keep the larger bin.</p> <p>We are ok with longer time between collection - this should also be a cheaper option.</p> <p>WHY IS THERE NO POLICY TO FORCE RETAILERS AND MANUFACTURERS TO REDUCE PACKAGING?? Over sized boxes, excessive wrappers etc? are all an additional cost and waste.</p>
3516	I like the idea of having a food waste bin as having a family of 6 and a house with animals, the only problem I have is having children with disabilities, that I would have problems with the green bin being emptied every three weeks, I have waste like soiled bedding, clothes, pads etc.
3517	GOOD



3518	A 3 week collection is completely unacceptable for the green bin. The separation of the food component from the waste will not make sufficient space in the green bin to allow a 3 week collection. This will inevitably lead to a health hazard resulting from other waste materials placed in the greens bins eg. excrement arising from pets, nappies which will now be difficult to dispose of in an environmentally and healthily acceptable way. This may well result in an increased fouling of public pathways and increased fly tipping of obnoxious waste .
3519	This is my preferred option. If I am away for the collection date and cannot leave my green bin out, I need the larger capacity to accumulate six weeks general non food waste. I usually opt to take some waste to the tip in these circumstances, but a larger bin will give more possibilities.
3520	As a house hold we have very little food wastage and feel that any changes to the present system would be a complete waste of tax payers money. Money that could be better spent on repairing roads etc  There is no way would I keep a food collection container in the kitchen!!
3521	Our green bin is always full by the time it's due for collection and usually smells as the lid won't close fully. So, a three week gap will be too long to wait.
3522	If you want to encourage more recycling and compliance you should be enhancing the current service, not punishing and blackmailing people for a service we pay for. Keep the service the same and add in the option of food waste recycling.  You started charging for brown bins and what a shock - although lots of people signed up - those that didn't started dumping their garden waste in the green bins and now the recycling targets seem a long way off..... you reap what you sow..... punish those people who pay for garden waste subscription and already recycle and some (like me) who already recycle food waste using a wormery by penalising them further with less frequent collections or smaller bins and you lose whatever goodwill was left and disenfranchise those people who you need on your side.  Be smarter - go back to the waste authority and find out why we can't recycle more of the stuff that can be recycled; tetra packs, 'softer' plastics, foil etc. Target non-compliance in those areas where you know it exists and help those people who live in flats but can't recycle because of historic space issues.
3523	I don't like this option as the green bin is not just for food waste but other stuff too. Three weeks is a long time to wait for the big bin to be emptied.
3524	How small are the small cadies a family of six can fill one quite quick.
3525	option 1 would be more cost effective as there would be no need to purchase smaller green bins.
3526	This seems the least worst option, though the food waste bins will take up space and be obtrusive both in our kitchen and yard. A clear colour coded calendar will I presume be provided for the "peel of bins".
3527	I DO NOT AGREE WITH ANY FORM OF VERMIN ATTRACTING LINERS OR CADDIES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
3528	I think it is about time food and grocery manufactures where made to use environment friendly packages. There is too much plastic. If we cut down on this we wouldnot have as much in our bins.  I thought we were trying to cut down on the cost of the bins, buying smaller ones and getting rid of the big bin is not cost effective.  Put the onus on businesse's to provide packaging that is environment friendly.
3529	we are concerned that a 3 weekly service would mean we don't have enough room in an existing green bin as we are not in the habit of throwing away large amounts of food waste we do however have a large number of tetra packs which are not recycled under current arrangements and also continence produce which also require disposal if this system goes ahead we would require a further green bin. we do however think that separate food waste disposal is an excellent idea we already subscribe to the garden waste service
3530	This option would be better for this household. I prefer to keep the 240 green bin.  I do not have a lot of food waste, so the bigger green bin is 95% other waste.  Best option would be just to add the food waste bin and keep the 240 bin every two weeks.
3531	I'm 78 yrs old. I cannot cope with further bins to deal with. I don't like the idea of food waste lying around for a week. Have you considered the risk of vermin not to mention other health issues. It should be left alone !!!!!
3532	I have compost bins so I don't want food waste box and bin thank you.

3533	This would be our preferred option. I am assuming by keeping the existing bins it would be cheaper since the council do not need to exchange all the current green bins to the smaller volume ones.
3534	This option is fine by me, as I don't think that my green bin is full every two weeks. That might be because I always compost my food waste and I always recycle every item possible. You do need to check that this option is manageable elsewhere though as I'm not sure whether the food waste would mean that the brown bin collection can reasonably move to every three weeks.
3535	Please see next section,don't know how would cope with a three week collection as other people in the area obviously not far as we have locked alleygates are putting their rubbish in my green bin so if they were collected 3 weekly then the problem would be even worse at least we can just about manage now
3536	I can see lots of stealing of bins going to happen. The council should be going around and fining who is failing to use the bins correctly and leaving them on the pavement. The two weekly collection needs to remain as flies are a big problem around here also bins without lids in area as landlords are too lazy to replace them from having undesirable tenants.
3537	I already have a smaller Green bin. If this changed to 3 weekly collection then we would perhaps need a BIGGER bin. Like the food caddy idea
3538	What do I do with the waste from the third week, my bin is not 40% food waste.
3539	you all ready have loads of flys and vermin around and you will have more the bins will be overflowing in 3 weeks. I dont have food waste so a bin would be useless to me, and take up too much space in the kitchen ,people cook to much food and then dont eat it, hence food waste better to address this first.  out of the two options this better the old way would be even better a COLLECTION EVERY WEEK
3540	We are generally supportive of collecting food waste. However, 3 weeks for the green bin is a long time. Some items will undoubtedly go in this bin which will smell over time (eg food wrappers). There is also the issue of remembering to put it out. Remembering weekly is easy, fortnightly is alternate, but 3 weekly will be forgotten often. It doesn't sound like this option suits the customer. The other issue is the reduction in bin volume. Green bin waste is almost entirely packaging that cannot be recycled (by volume). Reducing collections will cause more bins to overspill.
3541	Reject it.
3542	I personally find this to be very confusing with one bin collected weekly the next every two weeks and the last every three weeks. If I miss any of the collections I will be left with a mountain of smelly waste that I can not dispose of for another three weeks, or rubbish sitting outside my home for SIX WEEKS and the knowledge that if my bin is overloaded it will not be emptied and I may receive a warning.
3543	As occupiers of a first floor flat, we have only green bins used as described above under the heading 'Grey bin' and otherwise a large grey metal bin accessed by a chute for all other waste including food.  The capacity of the metal bin and the green plastic bin is adequate for up to three weeks collection.
3544	I already have a small food caddy supplied by you years ago and compost most of my food waste. I don't want an extra bin outside my house. I think a 3 week collection of the green bin is not often enough.
3545	Total waste of money! Better collecting for food banks instead.. Relatives do this on Sefton .. Smelly, time consuming and dosnt help the environment that much anyway in reality .. Not impressed
3546	Three weeks is too long between collections.
3547	How big is the caddy? How many liners do we get? How big is the small lockable food waste container? Is the small lockable food waste container on wheels?
3548	ok with food waste collection, happy with the 240l green bin
3549	Option 1 for for my household would make it difficult to find enough room for the additional bin, but I do agree that we need to provide a service for the disposal of food waste.
3550	I think option one will lead to bad smells and flies as the waste decomposes. Option 2 is better

3551	I think option 1 is an excellent suggestion. If the food stuffs are collected separately then it won't matter that the green bins are collected every three weeks as there won't be the risk of maggots etc. Keeping the current size bin makes sense because there will still be the same amount of packaging to dispose of and for miscellaneous items which can not go in the green bin. I do think though that restoring the garden waste collection for everyone would help boost Wirral's recycling figures.
3552	I am extremely worried by the proposal to reduce the general waste collections to only once in every three weeks. As a two person household we ourselves generate very little waste but my biggest concern relates to the many households who use their green bins for the disposal of nappies an other clinical waste. Fortnightly collections are difficult enough but, in my opinion, any extension to the time between collections would result in a greatly increased risk to public and environmental health. There have been occasions in the past when I have felt that your 'public consultations' have been a case of merely following procedure prior to implementing an already chosen plan, but on this occasion I would seriously urge the council to look very carefully at all the implications before making what may be a shortsighted decision.
3553	Can understand the necessity for more efficient recycling, and this seems to be a reasonable way of achieving it, but would be concerned for smaller households with limited space for an extra bin.
3554	I put most of my food waste into my compost bin so there is likely to be just as much waste going into my green bin. It is usually almost full at the end of a fortnight so three weeks with a smaller bin is unacceptable to me
3555	Am happy to keep our 240 litre bin and have it collected every three weeks. With no waste food in the green bin, keeping it for an extra week shouldn't be a problem. We don't ever fill the bin (only two of us ) but happy to keep the same bin...should last a few more years yet !
3556	Whilst understanding that the Council has failed in its recycling targets - partly due to charging for garden waste - this is not the way forward. Increasing the collection of these new bins to once a week will increase costs out of proportion to the gains. Anyway hasn't the Council heard that we shall be leaving the EU soon and will not be subject to their targets. GET REAL and give us more options, I understand that there were 10 options originally but the arrogant Councillors think we do not need more than 2.
3557	Keep the 240 litre bin and collect every three weeks
3558	I prefer this option. I am pleased that you will be collecting food waste on a weekly basis
3559	This idea sounds stupid. I do not have that much food waste and therefore this option is impractical.  This scheme sounds like it will cost me more money as you are introducing a weekly food collection service
3560	I dread to think what bins full of nappies, dog faeces and other such things will smell like after three weeks in the sun  I'm all for collecting food waste for recycling, however, where are people going to be storing all these bins? Houses with smaller gardens/yards will struggle.  People should also be better educated, I have very little food waste. Fruit, veg and egg shells are composted, bones make stock. If food has past it's best before date but smells and looks fine it gets eaten or frozen. I can always use my leftovers.
3561	The 240 liters bin should be available to those who request it I support a weekly food recycling
3562	Very much in favour of the food waste option. On balance would opt for the 240 green bin collected every 3weeks.
3563	The only difference between the two options; existing green bin collected every 3 weeks or smaller bin collected every two weeks. Neither of these options are acceptable. Waste food in a locked container might keep out vermin & flies but it won't keep out bacteria which will decompose the food. At best this will cause bad odours but worse likely to create bio hazards. The householders will be exposed to these bio hazards when they attempt to clean the containers leading to probable health issues. You need to think again.
3564	I do not want a caddy and liners at all as I very rarely throw away food - I do, however need my green bin emptying at least once a fortnight.as it would be overflowing after 3 weeks. I foresee a lot more fly tipping if this happens.
3565	3 weeks far too long, surely a health hazard? What about nappies?
3566	I do not want another food only caddy in my kitchen. I wish to stay the same. I do know that a lot of people do not even bother to separate grey/green items. Goodness knows what use is there in issuing another caddy. I think it is a WASTE of Council money. Unless all the public recycle responsibly then neither option is viable!

3567	<p>I do not like this idea as I think 3 weeks is too long a gap even though I have virtually no food waste as I compost what I can.</p> <p>A 2 week cycle is easy to remember I think a 3 week cycle will be confusing for some people.</p> <p>If you would like to reduce the waste in the green bin I think you should make it possible to recycle more in the grey bin not just making it available at recycle centres, for example waxed cartons, yoghurt pots and recyclable food trays.</p>
3568	<p>The Council trialled food recycling a couple of years ago and ditched it - so why introduce now when presumably it didn't work during the trial. Providing yet another, ugly, waste container will be yet another eyesore for many houses. We actually compost most of our food waste, so what is the point?</p> <p>Obviously decision already made - but would prefer to keep 240litre bin rather than waste money on new, smaller bins and it's better to have extra space in a bin than not enough! 3 weekly collection fine.</p>
3569	<p>the option green bin twice weekly or three weekly couldnt you just ask the one question instead of involving options and repeating them.</p>
3570	<p>Something should be done to make residents put their bins away. It is very unsightly to see them on the streets. There is also a danger that in windy weather they get blown into the road!, will the small waste food caddy be heavy enough to withstand high winds! Providing small caddies and liners will also be expensive!</p>
3571	<p>The food waste caddy is a good idea but we do not want 3 weekly bin collection as we have problems as it is with flies etc. We have also seen an increase in fly tipping in the area &amp; think again this will increase even more with 3 weekly collection!</p>
3572	<p>i feel that 3 weeks is too long to wait for the rubbish to be removed especially in the hot summer months</p>
3573	<p>If I have to make a choice it will be option 1. However, I really do not want another bin no matter how small, nor an extra bin in my kitchen. Where do I put it. I think it is a waste of money and I am happy with the existing system although I object paying for the brown garden bin which has started to increase in cost.</p> <p>People will now be confused as to which bin is collected in which week. I hope you will be issuing timetables for each of the different bins.</p>
3574	<p>I think a 3 week collection would be both too long and more confusing: a two week cycle is much easier to keep to, and remember. I am not in favour of this option.</p>
3575	<p>BETTER THAN OPTION 2, BUT PRETTY BAD.</p> <p>We fill the green bin after two weeks, so would prefer to keep large bin every two weeks.</p> <p>We already recycle all we can so interfering with size and frequency will not help - all that will happen is that sometime after two weeks, I will have to drive to the local council tip, a drive that actually is negative for the environment.</p> <p>Not at all happy with the slop bucket idea.</p>
3576	<p>Option one would be the best for us, However we would need to be provided with an extra general waste bin, due to the fact that on the current two week collection our bin is full, due to the fact that my wife is disabled and has a catheter, requiring her to use adult nappies. 3 week collections without an extra bin would mean waste being piled up at the side of the bin and could attract vermin.</p> <p>We already recycle our food waste as much as possible for compost in our garden but welcome this change.</p>
3577	<p>I am not sure that a 3 week collection scheme would work and wouldn't be particularly happy about having waste around for that length of time.</p>
3578	<p>Stupid idea, we already compost food waste so our green bin has hardly any of this in it. 3 weeks is a long time to keep other waste, alternate weeks works far better for us.</p>
3579	<p>I don't believe the blue food bin will be big enough for the food waste.</p> <p>My mother lives alone and has 4 carers a day to look after her, she is blind and partially deaf. The carers will have the responsibility of sorting her waste into the correct bins, they are there for (on average) 16mins a visit which will not give them enough time to bother with what goes in which bin.</p> <p>I think option 2 is the best.</p>

3580	<p>NO</p> <p>From personal experience I do not believe the amount of food waste is that significant to make an impact on the overall recycling rate. WE DO NOT WASTE FOOD ONLY THE PEELINGS. It would make more sense to put this in the garden waste for composting and reinstate the brown bin which we retain.</p> <p>Also increasing the ability to recycle is more important such as cartons and glossy magazines. There is still too much confusion on what can not be recycled.</p> <p>Collections should remain on a two week cycle</p>
3581	I would prefer this option, Green bin should be kept at 240 litres and collected every 3 weeks, it may be more cost effective too.
3582	I have no food waste and peelings are put onto one of three compost bins. I occasionally use cat litter if my cat has to be kept indoors and however well I wrap it, it would attract flies and maggots. Emptying my green bin every three weeks would be totally unacceptable. And what about the cost of all this? Money would be better spent on cleaning up the streets.
3583	I do not have much if any waste food in my green bin. I have no confidence that I will produce enough to make your weekly collection worth even considering and the idea sounds to me foul and unpleasant anyway. Conversely reducing green bin collection to three weekly will cause problems in my opinion for many households.
3584	An awkward collection system. It will be tricky for people to remember which bin to put out which week. It will probably lead, therefore, to a high level of mistakes and consequently odd bins left lying around for long periods. It will also mean, presumably, that each property will have to put out TWO bins, plus the caddy, on some weeks, with consequent congestion on pavements etc. It will be particularly awkward for people living in small-frontage terraced housing, where space to leave out bins is already often a problem. It will therefore lead to MUCH untidiness and congestion of the domestic environment, as well as an inevitable increase in fly tipping.
3585	best option
3586	Nonsense. You are implying that 33% of my waste is food waste. I compost and my bin is still filled every two weeks. Continue with this and you will spend more clearing up fly tipping. I am happy to attend local waste sites but the nearest at Clatterbridge is a shambles. You really all need a reality check.
3587	<p>I do not throw any food items away, as I recycle and compost all food waste. It would be good if people like me could opt out of the scheme, as we are responsible for our own food disposal.</p> <p>As regards the size of the green bin, this 240 litres is needed and fully used every 2 weeks.</p> <p>Could there not be more choice, instead of a 'one size fits all' scheme?</p>
3588	Food waste collection is a step forward but I am sure most people would like to see the likes of yogurt pots, margarine tubs, Tetra pak drinks cartons etc being recycled also. I would prefer to keep the larger bin as the aforementioned is what takes up space in my bin not wasted food. Maybe you could offer to replace lids and/or wheels (these are the bits that get damaged the most, I imagine) on any existing green bins that need them, rather than replace with a significantly smaller bin. I don't see how you can do a weekly food waste collection along side which ever other bin is to be emptied that week, when not everyone has a brown bin and/or you move to a every three week green bin collection, it just doesn't add up! No, to a every 3 week, green bin collection.
3589	<p>We currently have three large bins a green, grey and brown one. Albeit I agree that a more regular food collection facility would be beneficial, this means yet another bin on the premises and a further bin in the kitchen.</p> <p>Could not a smaller green bin be better now food waste would no longer to be included?</p>

3590	<p>Personally I think this is ridiculous. I like many others in Wirral, compost my food waste yet my green bin is still overflowing by the end of week one after collection.</p> <p>The money should be used to educate residents about recycling and food waste. I can honestly say I've not seen or heard of your 'love food hate waste' campaign.</p> <p>Leave the collections as they are and give people the option to have food waste collected or educate residents to compost their waste!</p> <p>The council could even raise money by issuing fines to people who recycle incorrectly or drop litter etc.</p> <p>Being disabled it is difficult to get to the tip as and when rubbish accumulates in my household (two teenagers and a toddler) and I have to wait for my carer to have some free time to help me.</p>
3591	<p>Awful need to have bins emptied every week .concerned about rats and flies if waste food left around not to mention smells in hot weather .would prefer to leave as we are smells ch46 we are paying for this service with our council tax .</p>
3592	<p>Food waste recycling - excellent idea</p> <p>Green bin - No, please do not reduce collection to every 3 weeks. My bin is always overflowing after 2 weeks and I often have to take bags to the tip which stinks my car out. We have 4 adults in the family, plus a dog and rabbits (lots of bagged poo &amp; bedding!). My wife is a childminder so the bin also has nappies in it. After 2 weeks, it stinks and often has maggots in it in the summer (despite me regularly cleaning it). I don't think the saving on food waste will leave enough space for a 3 weekly collection.</p> <p>Grey bin - No problems. I am very keen on recycling.</p> <p>Brown bin - it is disgraceful that this is a chargeable extra. Its not a club, it is paying extra to recycle.</p>
3593	<p>I just can't see how as a family of seven I'm going to survive without rubbish piling up and we all ready have to battle mice and rats as the lady next door feeds pigeons and birds who excrement everywhere we will end up with rats which u will then charge us to get rid off. Either option is madness and generally my green bin is screaming and not from food waste but nappies and other job recyclable waste my kids eat everything and what's left goes in the dog.</p>
3594	<p>I have no room in my kitchen for any more waste collectors. I already have a swing bin for green bin waste and a box for grey bin recycling, outside there is the green bin, grey bin and brown bin where in the name of goodness is this small lockable food waste container supposed to go?</p> <p>Why can't all green bin waste be incinerated and used for fuel?</p>
3595	<p>Has to be option 1 keep the larger green bin BUT keeping the 2 week green bin collection interval.</p> <p>Some one needs to do a bit more home work</p> <p>Only 10% pf green bin waste is food, food packaging and other none recyclable waste is 90% so a 40 % reduction in green bin size will not work?</p> <p>A 3 week period for the large green bin collection is also not acceptable, as a 33% longer wait period does not match a 10% reduction by food waste going in to another bin.</p> <p>There is no justification for increasing the collection period to 3 week intervals.</p> <p>This is cost cutting under a recycling guise</p>
3596	<p>At My age 85 years the current scheme is all I can Handle</p>
3597	<p>Would like to recycle food waste.</p> <p>Dislike idea of green bin collections every 3 weeks: some packaging/nappies etc would fester for too long.</p> <p>Happy to continue with brown bin every two weeks but would not pay more than the current £35</p>

3598	<p>This option 1 hardly complies with the responsibility the Council has to protect and preserve the environment when it will mean that green bins will only be collected every three weeks. The green bins are the only way of disposing of nappies, sanitary products and cat litter, if left for three weeks this will promote and increase breeding of bacteria in the bins. it will produce smells and,will attract flies and vermin.. The Council seem to be more concerned in increasing recycling figures at the expense of the Health of the community.</p> <p>Most of my green bin is filled with "non-recyclable" packaging rather than food. Perhaps efforts would be better concentrated on encouraging/forcing manufacturers, particularly food manufacturers, to reduce the ridiculous amount of unnecessary packaging they use.</p> <p>The Council should perhaps bear in mind that they are supposed to provide a Bin Collection "Service" and that "service" should be provided for the benefit of the Residents - who pay for this service via Council Tax and not in trying to attain unrealistic recycling targets, unrealistic because of the amount of unnecessary packaging. Target the manufacturers not the consumers. That's what you are elected (and paid) for - to work for us not against us!!!</p>
3599	Ok - cannot see any problem
3600	<p>In my opinion there are many households who do not have the room to store three bins, adding a fourth will only make storage worse.</p> <p>It is important that the Council explain how will the food waste be re-cycled ?.</p>
3601	Great idea
3602	<p>This must be the more cost effective solution as it doesnt require new bins and less collections going forward. Having come from Chester with a high recycling level, the food collection works well and we now dont fill our bins every 2 weeks, except for when we had twins using 10 nappies a day!, so 3 weekly would be fine for most people.</p> <p>Without food waste there is nothing to make the bins unpleasant or smelly.</p>
3603	FOOD WASTE. I think this is a bad idea not only is it a total waste of money but it is another expense to the already hard hit tax payers, this idea of recycling food was tried out some years ago if I remember rightly and it wasn't a success then and I don't think it will be now. Good heavens haven't we got enough waste bins to contend with without having another one.
3604	As a family, we don't waste food and we do not want the green bin to be emptied every 3 weeks. We would be opposed to option 1 as I don't want a small indoor caddy in my house. Have you considered introducing additional options for the grey bin to meet your target gap of 16,000 tons?
3605	<p>Collecting the green bin every three weeks is inadequate. Residents will collect rubbish in bags which will split and cause littering.</p> <p>The contractors already fail to empty all bins on their round. Any complaints to the council are met with assurances that the bin will be emptied "soon" but inevitably it never happens. So green bins are at times likely not to be emptied for 6 weeks. The consequential smells and littering are predictable.</p> <p>=====</p> <p>You have not provided an extra comments box at the end so I need to record here that only providing two ill thought out options is like choosing between a rock and a hard place!</p> <p>Is this leadership? Have a hard decision to make so defer to the public to avoid responsibility.</p> <p>How does the council claim that a paid for service (club!) also counts towards its recycling goal?</p> <p>We don't have food waste apart from a few bones. Why encourage people to prepare food for waste? Why would you want Wirral to have such a set of distributed health hazards? When the service is inevitably suspended are we then going to have to fund a penalty clause to the commercial contractor.</p>

3606	<p>In my opinion it would be important to keep the same size green bin (240 Litres) even though an inferior service is being provided by moving to three weekly collection. The indoor caddy (whatever that is!) should be capable of being securely closed to prevent unwanted smells and maggot infestations.</p> <p>I would also be interested to know the costings for taking the bin collection service out of the council domain and into a private subscription services as clearly the need for current proposal demonstrates that WMBC are struggling to administer the service in line with reasonable expectations.</p> <p>Finally, if the changes result in additional visits to the refuse facility at Bidston, I would expect WMBC's carbon footprint to be increased to take into account these additional trips due to the degradation in the bin collection regime.</p>
3607	<p>Either option is fine as I live in a one person household so don't build up much waste. I won't pay for the brown bin collection as other councils don't charge for this service and it was a waste of money.</p>
3608	<p>Changing the green bin to every 3 weeks is not an option for us as we don't have a lot of food waste, most of our waste is nappies and excess packaging which you don't recycle.</p>
3609	<p>Blue food waste bin is far too small. We eat mostly fresh fruit &amp; veg, I estimate that we will fill the proposed bin within 2 to 3 days, where do we put peelings for the remainder of the week.</p> <p>Bin height is lower to the ground, how will dogs, cats &amp; pests be prevented from gaining access to the waste?</p> <p>3 week collection of green bin is too long, we would fill bin before collection, what would we do with remaining waste?</p>
3610	<p>The larger capacity of the 240 litre bin would seem to be a better option for larger households, especially those with children. Since there would be no food waste involved, the longer collection interval ought not to be a problem. However, at peak times of the year such as Christmas there may be a problem of available capacity.</p>
3611	<p>We have four children with numerous medical issues this will just make life a whole lot more difficult</p>
3612	<p>I would reject both options as unsuitable. Either 3 weekly collection of the green bin or a smaller bin is RUBBISH. What are we paying council tax for. Better idea to save money get rid of some of the 66 councillors we pay for. Who wants another two plastic bins for inside and outside the house. Already have 3 bins, one of which we now have to pay for (Brown bin)</p> <p>This will lead to rubbish being thrown into the streets.</p>
3613	<p>Green bin collection every 3 weeks is not practical for a family of 4 especially with dirty nappies.</p>
3614	<p>Personally we throw away very little food and I suspect we will have very little to no food collection on a weekly basis. However, we understand the need for waste food collection.</p> <p>We do not like the idea of our green bin being collected every three weeks. Although we have very little food waste a third week could mean we have too much waste sitting in a very full or overflowing bin with all the potential health hazards.</p> <p>We vote AGAINST Option 1.</p>
3615	<p>I am all for it, I live on my own so this wouldn't bother me too much maybe families may find it a problem.</p>
3616	<p>I am concerned regarding hygiene and smell if I keep my 240 litre bin which will only be collected every three weeks.</p> <p>I already subscribe to the Brown bin at a cost each year and now the Council is reducing its collections but increased rates for 2016/17 - what am I paying for?!</p>
3617	<p>this would be my preferred option</p>
3618	<p>The better option - keeping a 240-litre green bin with three-week collection. This will encourage people to focus on how much they throw away.</p> <p>This household does not waste any food.</p>
3619	<p>Keep larger green bin, as option 2 with the smaller bin is quite a lot smaller</p>
3620	<p>prefer option 1</p>



3621	<p>A three weekly cycle for Green Bin collection MAY become confusing to some households who find the two week cycle already confusing and who may not be aware of the colour of bins put out by neighbouring properties.</p> <p>All things considered the two week cycle for collection of the existing colour bins should be retained.</p> <p>On the other hand, at what cost to the Authority will replacing the Green Bin amount to?</p>
3622	Rubbish
3623	I would prefer this as it will keep costs down in. The Council struggle meetings budgets and more cost on producing new bins would only mean they will reduce services elsewhere.
3624	I AGREE WITH THIS PROPOSAL
3625	Think it should be every 2 weeks initially , one introduction is enough.
3626	I think 3 weeks is to long to leave the green bin especially for homes with pets or a lot of family members
3627	<p>I don't believe 40% of green bin waste is food based, certainly not in our household. I think a bigger issue is that tetrapak, yoghurt cartons and plastic food containers can't be put in the grey bin. Why not focus on being able to recycle these and other items to get more in the grey bin, rather than penalizing households?</p> <p>Logistically, how will this work? There will be days when potentially a household could have three bins collected. How will the waste collection companies manage this with existing staff? Surely there will have to be an increase in bin wagons and staffing, which must be an additional cost to the council.</p> <p>Young families. Think of the number of nappies a family with young children has to dispose of each day. Now multiply that by 21 days. Now think of the space they take up in a bin. Now think of the smell.</p>
3628	<p>my food waste does NOT repeat NOT get put in green bin (I recycle it)</p> <p>Another example of council wasting money</p> <p>the charge for garden waste is scandalous council tax already too high</p> <p>council management &amp; services poor/inefficient/ wasteful</p>
3629	Unacceptable I strongly object to this proposal.
3630	I do not agree with a 3 weekly green bin collection, households will overfill their bins and cause an eyesore. I do not relish the thought of collecting food waste as having to follow strict medical diets (coeliac/diabetic) I cook fresh food and the required portions so waste is not an issue and should be minimal. However as the Council is determined in it's decision we have no choice. Even though the waste container is lockable I still have an issue regarding vermin being attracted as there are a lot of rats in this area.
3631	Unacceptable I strongly object to this proposal.
3632	<p>I agree we need to recycle more, however we need to keep large green bin 240 litre.</p> <p>I think three weekly collection is to long.</p>
3633	As you have already decided to introduce a Food Waste collection anyway,without any consultation, the only questions you are asking relate to the size of our green bins and how often they are collected. I would suggest that green bin waste should be collected at least every 2 weeks and that households should continue to have the option to downsize their bin if they do not need the big ones.If your aim is to increase recycling to 50%, why dramatically reduce the amount of garden waste you recycle by making people pay for this service? Why not look as well at other items and materials able to be recycled,as the range of items that can be placed in the grey bin is strictly limited, and does not compare well with some other authorities' recycling schemes? Why not do something about the cross-contamination caused by people putting the wrong things in grey bins? Like having compartmentalised bins (large communal ones?) and wagons, so that separation of materials happens at source rather than the recycling centre? This consultation could have covered wider sustainability issues, instead of offering two options neither of which are likely to prove popular.
3634	<p>Most of my family including myself hardly have any left over food. Don't think this is a good idea at all.</p> <p>Also in the warmer months the smell is awful now from the green bins, &amp; would become unbearable &amp; unhyginic for them to only be collected every 3 weeks.</p>

3635	I don't care much for either option. The food waste bin collection is a good idea but even keeping the large bin and having it emptied every three weeks I don't like. With dirty nappies and doggy poo bags having to wait for three weeks especially in the summer isn't a pleasant thought even those who don't put those items in the bin. Walking past them would be unpleasant. I will not pay for the brown bin being emptied because it was the Council which instigated it in the first place as a free service.
3636	A lot of our green bin waste is material that can't be recycled eg food trays, yoghurt pots, margarine tubs etc rather than food waste (although I'd be very happy to have a separate bin for that) so I would be slightly anxious that a three-weekly collection would mean a very full/overflowing bin.
3637	not sure about keeping food in a caddy it would smell and not be hygienic
3638	YES
3639	The out of sync collection sequence will be confusing for some people, especially the elderly, like me, resulting in, possibly, the wrong bin being put out at the wrong time, leading to bins not being emptied.
3640	I personally don't have a lot of food waste as we only buy what we use, we recycle everything possible but we still manage to fill our green bin.  The problem I think is not with the household but with the manufacturers who do not use recyclable materials.  I do understand the councils dilemma but I think this is going to be very difficult for the residents to cope with.  It would be better in my view if you could still collect the green bins every 2 weeks and still offer the food recycling container because as I said our green bin is packaging from manufacturers who do not use recyclable materials  There are only 2 people in our household so I don't know how families will cope. I think you will see more fly tipping in the area. Trial it on a two week bases and see how that goes for a year first.
3641	I object to this option
3642	I don't have much waste so three weekly would be ok for me but I would prefer the smaller bin.
3643	Food recycling is asking for trouble.  Irresponsible people, such as Dope Addicts, troublemakers, foreigners and children all throw food wrappers, takeaway cartons into the streets. Clearing that lot daily will cost a mint.  Getting rid of green bins will add to the costs, they have to be destroyed.  Replacing smaller bins, foodbins and bags, how much? millions  You are just wasting time and money.  IT JUST WILL NOT WORK!!!
3644	This seems to be the most cost effective option. I would be happy with Option 1. All of the green bins that I see are in good condition so replacing them is not needed.
3645	I do not want to only have my green bin emptied every 3 weeks would prefer a smaller bin with more frequent collections.
3646	I'd find the addition of the caddy and lockable waste container cumbersome, complicated and would I'd inevitably miss the weekly collection (often absent due to work/leisure commitments). I rarely fill the large green bin anyway, being rigorous about recycling. I would even be happy that large the green bin collection moved to 3-weeks. In this climate, with food waste in sealed plastic bags, there is hardly a problem of severe smells or infestation.
3647	Three weeks is too long in between collections.
3648	As we only have a small amount of food waste ie: fruit skins and cores and egg shells, I am very concerned that after 3 weeks our bin will be overflowing and will not be collected as the lid will not close. What will happen in this case?
3649	This option sounds pretty good to me!
3650	My preferred option would be to keep the 240 litres bin but have it collected every 2 weeks. Collection every 3 weeks is not acceptable.

3651	<p>The food waste collection is the worst idea I have come across for reducing landfill. Personally, I dispose of very little food. However, the cost of the garden waste collection must result in a much bigger green bin loading.</p> <p>Green bin overflowing already quite bad will be worse during seasons when garden clearing is done.</p> <p>I'm very sceptical about the research done on the quantity of food waste compared with garden waste.</p>
3652	<p>The service should not change if you want residents to recycle more why charge for Garden Waste which saw a 16% increase this year. The council provides a list of items that can be recycled but it is a limited list and I assume you are unable to recycle all recyclable products. The options are just a way of moving bin collection to a three weekly service which I strongly oppose. The so called cost savings would be lost on the increase in fly tipping, if the council needs to save money and in view of reduced services then a two thirds reduction in the number of councillors would be a good way to start.</p>
3653	<p>Compared to option 2 I think it would be better to keep the larger green bin because if you change the size you are reducing capacity by 100 litres and according to your statement on the food bin for outdoors it is a small bin so would this have a 100 litre capacity too? Households are struggling to manage with the current size and I don't think it's all down to food waste making the bins so full.</p> <p>Homeowners who have pets use the green bin to discard of their pet waste. During summer these bins smell horrendous even though waste is bagged so if collection was changed to 3 weeks surely it would be a health hazard?</p> <p>My wish would be for the larger bin to stay and accept the food bin too but fortnightly collection. By removing food from the green bin isn't going to free up that much space to warrant a bin that is 100 litres less.</p>
3654	<p>We agree with food waste collections BUT:</p> <p>Much of our green bin waste is used incontinence pads and packaging which cannot be recycled.</p> <p>Three weekly collections will mean insufficient room for our waste.</p>
3655	<p>Too long to wait for the green bin. Scrapings of food will still be on non- recyclable goods and will rot waiting 3 weeks. People use green bin for dog faeces and dirty nappies. 3 weeks wait would be disgusting and lead to maggots</p>
3656	<p>Ridiculous. Life will be dominated by what bin when !!</p> <p>Brown bin should be no cost.</p>
3657	<p>This seems to be the slightly better option as the CO2 reductions from the reduced number of Green Bin collections should make it a more ecologically sustainable option.</p> <p>Account needs to be taken with regard to the Christmas period when there tends to be many more visitors and consequently more waste. This often results in a need for more collections. However due to the bank holidays in this period there are sometimes less collections. Clearly it is difficult to contain the waste produced by 12 people in one bin during this period.</p> <p>The other potential problem relates to holiday periods, particularly the summer. It is quite possible that a bin might not be emptied for 6 weeks if a collection is missed. This could cause public health concerns. Perhaps a solution to this issue might be needed.</p> <p>Greater clarity about what can go in the Grey bin would be helpful. I have noticed that in most places it is not necessary to remove the windows from envelopes, nor to have to analyse bottles, cartons and cardboard containers to make an assessment of their composition prior to disposal. As this is so complicated on the Wirral I imagine that many people will dispose of these items in the Green bin. Simplicity is the key to recycling! But with the threat of being fined for putting the wrong materials in the Grey bin one tends to err on the side of caution.</p>
3658	<p>If you hardly throw food away now, this will just extend the green bin period of waiting to be emptied</p>
3659	<p>I would prefer to have a smaller green bin collected every 2 weeks</p>
3660	<p>I am concerned as a responsible pet owner that the dog waste that I pick up will be left in my bin for three weeks. Even though the waste is bagged I am worried about flies and maggots and associated health hazards and the smell.</p>
3661	<p>I'm sure we're not the only household who manage to fill a green bin each fortnight with very little food waste deposited in it. Therefore, three weekly collection for this bin is not adequate and badly thought out. You cannot assume that all households are the same and that 1/3 of the waste in the green bin is food waste. In our case very little of the capacity is taken up with food waste, yet the bin is always full after a fortnight. If we have visitors the bin can be full after a week, with the excess taken to the tip. Your idea will force households to become responsible for disposing of the waste that does not fit into the proposed smaller green bin, which is what we currently pay you for. We would not keep a food waste bin in the kitchen for many reasons, hygiene being one of them.</p>

3662	<p>My opinion on both of these schemes is the same; my kitchen is very small, and in fact my two small pedal bins have to be located out of the kitchen, in the hallway. A further caddy on top of my current compost caddy, and a further albeit small bin is simply not an option-I have no room. I would welcome a visit from one of you "experts" to see the problem.</p>
3663	<p>I think three weeks between bin collections is too long.</p>
3664	<p>I think this option is unrealistic, particularly for larger families. Introducing a food caddy is fine if you have a nice big house with a big kitchen, but the reality of living in a house with a galley kitchen is that you have limited space and even the smallest of caddies will take up too much of the valuable space available. We do not have much food waste and introducing a collection every three weeks would create problems as our green bin is already full by the two week collection. Furthermore if Wirral council is falling in line with other councils then I assume the subscription service for the brown bin will be scrapped as other councils do not charge for this service.</p>
3665	<p>This is absolutely ridiculous. The majority of my green bin waste is NOT food waste but items that say they are recyclable but for some reason I'm not allowed to put them in our grey bin? Maybe increasing the non organic items that can be recycled would be a good place to start before reducing collections? What exactly is the point of paying council tax if people have to live with overflowing bins?</p> <p>I welcome the food waste bin and think its a great idea. But we fill our green bin each fortnight and it would be very unhygienic having it hanging around for 3 weeks. My neighbour has 4 dogs and uses the green bin to dispose of their poop, it is often over flowing after one week, this attracts lots of flies and as her bin is kept in front of the house I cannot open my windows without letting them all in, after 3 weeks this would be unbarable. Not everyone recycles correctly.</p>
3666	<p>Keep bin collections as they are now or increase green bin collection to once a week!</p>
3667	<p>I would not support this option.</p> <p>I would like to see a greater control on recycling by ensuring ALL users on Wirral recycle. This would appear to involve only households and, even with household recycling there would appear to be no action against people who cannot be bothered to recycle.</p> <p>If Wirral needs to increase its recycling rate why are businesses and schools not being targeted? How do they recycle food waste for example? I work in a school and know that there is no provision as yet for food waste of which there is a lot daily.</p>
3668	<p>We prefer option 1 to option 2 . We throw very littlef food away and prefer to have the larger bin collected every three weeks. If we had a choice we would not choose either option and remain the way we are. Obviously collecting the green bin every three weeks would save the council money.</p>
3669	<p>I think 3 weeks is too long to wait between collections for the green bin.</p>
3670	<p>You are asking us to separate our food waste from the waste normally placed in our Green bin yet no where have I read how you intend to keep the two types of waste separate in the Refuse Collection Vehicle. How will this be achieved? will it require two separate vehicles or will it require current vehicles to be adapted? Both options have cost implications and the 1st option does not lend itself to being 'eco-friendly'</p>
3671	<p>Three weeks feels too long. I presume residents will start to use the tip more to dispose of household waste in general as soon as their bins are full.</p>
3672	<p>This is unacceptable given families with small children and families with animals. Standing excrement outside of houses for three weeks is unsanitary and quite frankly disgusting. How can weekly collections be sure that such waste won't be deposited in food caddies</p>
3673	<p>Three weeks is too long a period of time for the Green Bin Collection - I forsee illegal tipping, waste being burned and/or more litter ending up on the streets.</p>
3674	<p>Have chosen Option one as not a lot of choice really.and will contnue with Brown bin subsriptions though if high for people on pensions to have to pay but cannot take the garden waste themselves so forced to really</p>
3675	<p>Food waste collection is a good idea. Green bin collection would be a problem if left three weeks.</p>
3676	<p>three weeks is far to long to leave a bin before collection as even though I wrap everything it still smells , especially in the warm weather. I have 2 cats and therefore cat litter trays which are emptied and double bagged. My grandchildren are both in nappies and nappies left for 3 weeks before collection is surely a health hazard. I have no room on my property for another bin, even if it is a small one.</p> <p>I would vote for things being left as they are or even more would prefer to have the bins emptied every week never mind every 3 weeks.</p>

3677	<p>Why change? We already have 3 bins in our garden now we have to another receptacle. You can't move for bins, very unsightly.</p> <p>Do you keep the same container after it is emptied or are they disposable?</p> <p>If you aren't in when it's collected, where are they left after being emptied?</p> <p>How safe are these containers form theft? Presumably they aren't that big and can be picked up and taken..... by anyone?</p> <p>I can just see these containers being left around the borough just like you see abandoned supermarket trollies.</p>
3678	This is EEC landfill tax legislation if we are no longer in the EEC then there will be no target. Collect weekly, I cannot find an address for the recycling facility for Wirral if in fact one exists. If it does then why is it not widely publicised as a shining example.
3679	I find that the majority of the waste for the green bin is plastic packaging etc which you have stated is not recylable. We take ours to the plastic collection bins at Sainsburys Upton. Option 1 suits our household better but I do wonder at the cost of replacing everyones green bin.
3680	NO
3681	Like the idea of a weekly collection of the food waste but not sure the three weekly collection of the green bin is ideal, especially in hot weather - the bin gets smelly over two weeks
3682	<p>I would prefer to keep the larger 240lt size bin, as it gives more flexibility about what rubbish can be disposed of.</p> <p>I don't have very much food waste at all, as I meal plan, shop carefully, and rarely waste food.</p>
3683	Dont like anything to do with this option
3684	I want it left as it is or better still back to weekly for green bin.
3685	As we recycle 95% of our food waste into 1 of 3 compost bins in our garden we are not really enamored by either of the proposals.
3686	We have very little food waste!
3687	This seems a good option to me. There would be sufficient room in green bin to be collected every 3 weeks instead as majority of waste is food and it is the food which causes problems with flies / odour etc.
3688	I would reject this option. Most of my green bin contents are items that cannot be recycled. My food waste is minimal as I manage the quantity my family and I cook and eat. Three weeks collection is far too long, what if I forget on one occasion, that means I'd have six weeks worth of waste waiting to be collected. That's not acceptable.
3689	Our green and grey bins have approx. the same amount of waste collected every 2 weeks. Add to this an almost always full green bin then our recycling rate must be 60-70%. We have very little food waste so the impact on the contents of our green bin will be slight. Collecting the green 240L bin every 3 weeks could at times give us a capacity problem.
3690	This option would suit me but there is only 2 adults in the house, so i don't have that much green waste, but i certainly don't have much food waste, be interesting to see how much i have.
3691	Our "food waste" is negligible - almost entirely fruit and vegetable peelings and stems. However, assuming your overall figures are accurate we cannot quarrel with your direction of travel. Of your two options for green bins, we would very strongly prefer to keep our 240 litres bin even if this is to be collected every three weeks only in future.
3692	<p>Reasonable way forward.</p> <p>A wall timetable would be necessary to keep up with the rota including Brown Bin.</p>
3693	I do not want a Food Waste Bin. From the items on your recycling list I only have tea bags and egg shells and it would probably take a year to fill one !!
3694	Green bin is full now after 2 weeks It will not cope with 3 weeks
3695	Option 2 sounds more preferable, the thought of the green bin not being emptied every 3 weeks sounds a horrific idea as the bin would get even smellier. For example food packaging that had raw chicken or beef, bags of used feminine products. The green bin should be emptied every 2 weeks.
3696	I do not want to store waste food. I have a waste disposal unit which deals with most of mine.

3697	<p>I am against this option for the following reasons:</p> <p>1)Collection of the green general waste bin every three weeks is inadequate. Even the present fortnightly collection is problematic in the summer months. Despite careful bagging of waste materials it only takes one bluebottle (blow-fly) to result in a foul smelling, maggoty bin.</p> <p>2)I believe the storage of waste food as indicated will lead to foul smells in heavily populated areas. The bins will attract flies (leading to maggots) stray cats and vermin. I would prefer not to use the bin.</p> <p>3)I am a severely disabled person. I live with my surviving parent who is approaching 80 years of age. We have subscribed to the brown bin scheme and are keen users of the grey bin. We cannot manage to haul even more bins to the curb side.</p>
3698	<p>With the amount of council tax I am paying, I expect my existing bin to continue to be collected every two weeks. If you want to save money, reduce the amount of waste that you the council have each week on expenses and the like</p>
3699	<p>3 weeks is too infrequent. The food packaging which cannot be recycled or put in the food waste bin will still cause smells and the resultant host of flies. It is not practical to wash all packaging!</p>
3700	<p>Not Happy.We do not want a food recycling container.We want the situation to stay the same,but an end to the confusion of what we can,or cannot recycle. If all the plastic containers which have a recycling logo on them could be put in our Grey bin,then most of us would be happy.The Grey bin at present could take much more clean waste to recycle if there was a National Policy on Recycling.</p> <p>Also there should be an act of Parliament to standardise the colour of Bins throughout England.</p> <p>Houses which have families are going to find it very difficult to live with a smaller Green bin especially in the Summer time with all the flies,and insects around,and also at Christmas time,with all the excess wrapping which the Grey bin will not accept.</p>
3701	<p>Won't work unfortunately this will make the house smell of rotting food for a week at a time, reducing bin size of the green type for a family of 5 is unacceptable . this needs a change drastically also this is a EUROPEAN focus on reducing waste , were leaving the EU so let's focus our money elsewhere current waste collection is borderline unattainable anyway with a family of 5. Am I getting reduced council tax from this ? Where is the money coming back from recycling anyway, or are firms simply getting it and making money on us like normal. This is not the right way forward. Wake up....</p>
3702	<p>THIS CONSULTATION IS A STATEMENT OF INTENT.</p>
3703	<p>I would prefer to keep my original bin and start using the caddy weekly</p>
3704	<p>we personally have very little food waste,therefore oppose this fourth bin. the people who don't recycle99like picking up after their dogs0 will not comply,its just an extra chore for the 36% who do recycle.</p>
3705	<p>Yes, I would go for this option. Straightforward. I am keen to recycle.</p>
3706	<p>I would want to keep the larger green bin so would opt for option 1</p>
3707	<p>I am concerned about the health &amp; safety issue of having food waste in the house which might attract flies.</p> <p>I would also not be happy with having my green bin collected every three weeks.</p>
3708	<p>I don't not want a food bin, I have enough bins cluttering my property</p>
3709	<p>Disgraceful. For families who don't waste food but require waste facilities, this whole 'consultation' between two unfeasible, expensive options is ridiculous.</p> <p>There were other options available which are not being presented as choices. EU fines will cease to exist before 2020 and considering the other monies wasted by this council, moaning about a potential fine whilst pushing ahead against government advice (risking a fine, ironically enough!) with the newsletter, is utter hypocrisy.</p> <p>That's without looking at storage room for extra bins, hygiene, maggot and vermin problems... If you think you have a fly tipping issue on the Wirral now, you just wait until unscrupulous unlicensed rubbish collectors prey on those vulnerable, with low income with a mounting pile of rubbish to contend with.</p> <p>It's easy. Do your damn jobs. You vote through what is best for the residents, not an easy option that looks good on paper but makes lives worse. Our area worse.</p>
3710	<p>Not keen on 3 weekly collections.</p> <p>Would like to see other recyclable material included in the "grey bin" collection - e.g. all plastic wrapping, foil, yogurt cartons, juice cartons.</p>

3711	I'm not happy with this arrangement. Just where do you think people will find room in the kitchen for this new food bin? I know it can be locked but it will still smell plus having to keep it for a week!! - no thank you, not in my kitchen. Green bin...if it is mainly dry goods it will keep for three weeks. We will have five bins... trying to decide each week which bin goes out, and when...tactical nightmare for some folk. I'm a 77 year old widow who won't be too pleased about having to drag bins in and out every five minutes.
3712	A weekly grey bin collection would encourage more recycling, particularly if the green bin collections were less frequent.
3713	I prefer to keep our existing bin as we don't have much food waste anyway so this option out of any are better
3714	We have no space to a box in the kitchen and the boxes will attract animals.
3715	Reducing the green bin collection to three weeks seems like a money-saving device for the Council. It has nothing to do with recycling and will only transfer the cost of disposing of non-recyclable waste to households and increase fly-tipping.
3716	A 3 week collection will become quite confusing. Other waste that isn't food will still be left outside for a long time. As a parent with a child in nappies this sounds worrying.  Occasionally people forget to put their bin out, which may occur more often with a more confusing 3 week cycle (much more confusing than putting out a bin at the same time every week and alternating the bin.) Having waste sitting in a bin for 6 weeks is potentially a serious health hazard.  Final question for both options. What happens if you have more food waste than can fit in the small recycling caddy and waste container? Are you supposed to then put it into the green bin?
3717	We don't waste food. As pensioners on a fixed income every penny counts, and throwing any food away isn't an option.  Space in our small kitchen is already used up. We have no room for an 'extra' bin!  I suppose this would be our preferred option if we have to change, but I'm pretty sure there won't be anything in a food waste bin, and we'd never use it.
3718	This is the best option
3719	An absurd policy, will lead to vermin and smells. Also the council would be better served adding things like tetrapaks to the recycle list. On top of this is the cost of smaller bins, doesn't seem that a cost benefit analysis has been done, just pandering to so called environmental lobbies. Have you worked into account the cost environmentally of both destroying old bins and manufacturing new ones.
3720	I cannot do without the green bin for nightly because it is mainly filled with incontinence pads. I rarely have food waste as I live on frozen or ready meals. I am disabled and need my present green bin.
3721	we regularly compost (virtually) all food waste with a "wormery" so no need for food waste bin. also have little/no room for an indoor caddy for food waste in the kitchen. would prefer to keep 2 weekly green collection with smaller bin as we are only a 2 person household and recycle as much as possible
3722	Yes, I am in favour of the foodrecycling, and personally have no problem with a three week green bin collection
3723	What about medical waste?? My son fills the wheelie bins with his pads and incontinence products.... there needs to be an exception for severely disabled adults. We have two green bins and two grey bins... we will use these as our dogs and chickens eat any food waste. We avidly recycle too. My son is tube fed and has boxes upon boxes along with plastic bottles. Both sets of bins are full to the brim every two weeks... we will not last 3.
3724	Option 1 is the cheaper option and requires on other changes other than a 3 week cycle.
3725	I prefer this option though it will mean on occasion more bins out on one day(three) depending on dates. But if you use more recyclable waste than normal you still have that option and since I cannot drive that would work best for me.
3726	DEAR SIR, FOR IMPROVEMENT FOR BETTER ENVIRONMENT I AM ALL FOR IT, AS FAR AS FOOD WASTE ON PERSONAL BASIS I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH FOOD ALL MY LIFE AND VERY ACCURATE MY FOOD WASTE BASED ON THE 12 MONTHS PERIOD IN A SCALE OF 100 MY FOOD WASTE IS NO MORE THEN 00.5%.
3727	Collection of bins every 3 weeks would be ludicrous
3728	Prefer to keep 240 litre green bin for larger items. No problem every 3 weekly collection of this. In favour of this option.
3729	NOT ANOTHER BIN THANKYOU
3730	I'm not in favour of the food waste bin idea because in the summer months we have enough problems with flies in the kitchen as it is without having something else to attract them. Let's stay as we are!

3731	Great idea to collect waste food, however I am concerned over the 3 week green bin collection, my bin is usually full after 2 weeks and we recycle our waste food in our compost bin so not sure about that.
3732	Stupid idea don't need another bin on my property but as usual council will do what it likes anyway
3733	DO NOT LIKE YOU PLANS TO HAVE MORE BINS OR THE PLANS TO GO ON 3 WEEK COLLECTIONS WHY ALTER THE PRESENT SERVICE THAT SEEMS YO BE WORKIN OK
3734	<p>the collection of food waste separately is sensible on a weekly basis.I used to compost all my vegetable waste and because of disability now unable to do so.In future the majority of green bin waste is packaging which is not suitable for recycling.Therefore a 3 weekly collection using the 240 litre would seem to be perfectly acceptable, until such time that supermarkets get round to using more cellulose based packaging which is recyclable.</p> <p>Is the idea that the liner for the internal food waste container is emptied into the lockable container and the used liner put in the green bin? or are alot of manual resources to be used at the disposal depot emptying a number of small bags.</p>
3735	printing 11 pages to read about the changes you want, is a complete waste of my paper and ink
3736	Would rather keep same bin - then at least rubbish can be stored in it even if a trip to tip is needed.
3737	<p>The most important information on the new system seems to be missing and that is the material that the liners are made off. If this is plastic than the new system would a major step backwards, unless the material used would be biodegradable. More information should be given by Wirral Council on the processing of the food and whether this is a sustainable process with low CO2 production and without negative effects on the environmen. If this is the case than neither option 1 nor 2 should be considered.</p> <p>Assuming that the food/liner processing is not a toxic and CO2 burden for the environment then option 1 has our preference. Major concern would be the smell, but as food is collected separately this should not be an issue.</p>
3738	<p>hi</p> <p>there are two people in our household.</p> <p>We do not have a lot of food each week as waste.</p> <p>Collecting food waste each week would no dramatically cut down waste in the green bin.</p>
3739	Will the small caddy be small enough to go in kitchen cupboard? Will also need another bin in kitchen for non-recyclable packaging, so more cupboard space required.
3740	<p>Like most elderly people we dont have a large kitchen space to have yet another bin somewhere!</p> <p>Will this food waste be the kind suitable for animal consumption ie peelings and leftovers? Wont it be a health hazard in the summer months?</p> <p>As the outside container is lockable what happens if we lose the key?! Does the disposal operative have one too?</p>
3741	we would be happy with this option but feel it would depend on everyone using the food recycling bins appropriately .
3742	Yes this is a good idea - we have a small waste bin for food already in cupboard under sink in kitchen so no problem to put it out every week. My daughter lives in Chester and they already have this system in operation.
3743	<p>FOOD WASTE: We have a kitchen waste disposal unit so all food waste goes down this, no food waste is put in our green bin, this is only waste packaging which there is a lot of so we still fill a full 240ltr bin for every two week collection.</p> <p>GREEN BIN: Considering we still fill a 240ltr bin every two weeks this means there will be overspill of black bin bags which wont be collected.</p> <p>GREY BIN: We also fill this bin every two weeks with recycling products</p> <p>BROWN BIN: Dont agree with paying for the brown bin when I pay &amp; have always paid full council tax.</p>
3744	would prefer to keep fortnightly collection of green bin



3745	Whilst I am very happy for food waste to be collected every week I have one concern, This is the fact that we have an open coal fire (smokeless coal obviously), The ash from this is put into our current green bin, The weight of this may be a problem if it is only emptied every 3 weeks. Apart from this I am very appreciative of the good system operated here.
3746	Too long to leave detritus in a bin
3747	I am not happy with what you are planning to do regards green bin being emptied every 3weeks it is going to cause a lot of waste build up and vermin this system works it will cost a lot more money and I think no better results
3748	This is a terrible idea - if you miss one collection as you are away/forget you are essentially waiting 6 weeks for a collection, all the bins will be massively overflowing regardless of the food waste collection.
3749	Bad option for our household, will cancel garden waste bin if we have to have a food waste bin, we will not have 4 bins,,Also we will leave bins on pavement not on our land
3750	This option would suit my household better I have very little food waste but would want to keep the present sized green bin if the collections are to be every three weeks
3751	<p>Stupid idea and you need to stop making stupid decisions with your over paid workers who don't have a clue. Most Wirral residents are sick and tired of how Wirral Council treat it's residents and the area and it needs to stop.</p> <p>We also need a simple way to contact Street Scene instead of the new silly system that stops people from contacting Wirral Council or following issues up.</p> <p>You no longer want to interact with us but your happy taking OUR money.</p>
3752	Better idea. Use of green bin varies at different times therefore occasionally a large amount which may be too much for smaller bin. Larger bin would cope with this variation. Less cost to council tax payers as no new bins required.
3753	Since we live in a block of flats, our waste is 'pooled' in common bulk bins. Any storage system which involves putting the food waste for 15 flats in a common area would create an enormous pervasive stench and health hazard....and would be a magnet for rats and other vermin. We have already suffered two infestations of rats in the last two years. It's my belief that, for these reasons, flats ought to be exempted from the change.
3754	We would still need a fortnightly collection of our 240 litre bin
3755	Waste of yet more money to change green bins, this option is fine.
3756	To my mind this is proof that the council got their total recycling system wrong in the first place. We are way behind other councils such as Cheshire and Durham etc.
3757	<p>Food waste simply does not account for one third of our green bin waste, (this is the general consensus with all friends, family and colleagues asked the same question). Typically people prepare meals in two ways:-</p> <p>1 - Meals from packaged, frozen or ready prepared - portions are as required and waste is minimal</p> <p>2 - Meals from fresh ingredients. Waste is vegetable cuttings, potato peelings, leftover fruit &amp; vegetable etc. all of which should be able to go in the brown bin.</p> <p>Simple answer is not to invest in more bins. Encourage more recycling of leftovers and increase garden waste collection by changing the "Garden Waste Club" into a free collection.</p> <p>Maybe when we reach the 50% recycling target by 2020 I can then get a gold star to stick on the brown bin instead of the current tax disc.</p>
3758	No. We do not like this option
3759	This is my favourite.
3760	This is my preferred option.

3761	<p>Sorry but this is a smokescreen for reducing the waste collection service. it failed last time because people do not want a reduced service. if you insist on adding a food collection service then add it but do not reduce the green bin service to once every three weeks, as this stinks and so will the bins if not emptied for three weeks.</p> <p>if you want to improve the % of recycled goods then i suggest you do the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1, truly establish if 50% is the correct target for recycling or is this just an arbitrary goal</li> <li>2, ascertain what items are not being correctly recycled, i.e. items that should be recycled and end up in the green bin. What are the top ten items (identify and inform - after all you have our emails photographs help spot the mistakes.)</li> <li>3, look at what items we currently don't recycle but could - i suspect domestic food falls into this category - but shredded paper,</li> <li>4, You need to do more to improve litter disposal on the street - so how about a grey bin service at the popular tourist spots - Harrison drive, Wirral Way etc. after all you have separate bins for dog waste at these points. I say tourist simply because this waste will be mostly drinks containers - plastic and tins all of which can be recycled.</li> </ol>
3762	<p>So yet another excuse for fewer collections. No doubt (having already started imposing additional charges on households having garden) some further reason to charge for waste collection services (already paid for through the exorbitant council tax demands) will be concocted. Instead of turning whole streets into a festering eyesore on collection days in pursuit of some trendy agenda why aren't you investing in repairs to pavement surfaces and prosecuting idiot car owners who insist on creating damage to these by selfish parking habits?</p>
3763	<p>Great idea. It's about time something was done to improve recycling in Wirral. Now, what about switching off some of the street lights to help the environment and save some money?? - Whole villages down in Cornwall have never had street lights and people down there cope just fine!</p>
3764	<p>Why are we paying council tax, for bin waste. This was an important resource, that should be carried out on a weekly basis. Collecting as it stands at the moment is bad enough with the bins smelling now. The proposals will cause more problems, with the introduction of a waste caddy it means waste food will smell in the house.</p> <p>Common sense would tell us that the bin to be emptied every three weeks would be the grey one.</p> <p>As for the brown bin, it's just another way of taking hard earned money from tax payers. In other words a con. Just so the council can line its own pockets. As for it being a EU directive on recycling, has nobody told the council we will be leaving the EU soon.</p>
3765	<p>Seems the best option, I just hope you are geared up to make use of the waste and that it's not just wishful thinking. Why do you not recycle the millions of tetrapack type containers?</p>
3766	<p>I prefer this option. However having a small baby still in nappies makes me worry that 3 weeks is too long to wait</p>
3767	<p>Disagree. I would much prefer to keep fortnightly collections of green bin.</p>
3768	<p>This is my preferred option</p>
3769	<p>Please do not change the current system which works very well. and which we support fully each week</p> <p>please do NOT introduce collection of food waste We at this address have recently had Council help from Pest control to eliminate the presence of rats, which has been achieved, because we stopped feeding birds on the advice of the environment Control</p> <p>Leaving out Food waste for collection would encourage their return. We paid £50 for the service which was excellent We do not want to jeopardise the the good work which was done.</p>
3770	<p>I would prefer keeping the 240 litre green bin and moving to a 3 week collection. The roads of Wirral are getting in an atrocious state - like a third world country and I believe that a lot of the damage has been caused by the number of heavy bin lorries trundling up and down - Waterpark Road is the worst in my area. I feel that part of the money earmarked for Waste Disposal budget should be used to repair roads which that service is destroying.</p>

3771	Both choices are effectively restrictive and neither appears to justify altering the volume of the content or frequency of green bin collection. Residents are being presented with fait accompli - as such not a consultation, more a 'this is what we are doing to you' the opportunity for people who are so inclined to interfere with the 'food only' waste bins, such as kicking it along a road until it spills its content, as currently happens with green and grey bins, will now leave rotting waste in our streets - as currently, we will likely still receive road sweeping services in advance of bin collections, another example of how the council cannot coordinate the simplest of cleaning tasks.
3772	Outrageous we pay for waste collections this option will cause health and safety issues. An increase in vermin and fly infestations why would I want to hold a bin in my kitchen full of waste food. This would cause issues for families living in small houses with tiny kitchens where would you suggest these indoor bins go. 3 week bin collections are unacceptable. It is bad enough with the bi-weekly collections bins are overflowing in streets. Do not change current practice unless you intend to reinstate weekly collections for green bins. What do you suggest people do over Christmas periods.
3773	I do not agree to the green bin being collected every 3 weeks. Also I am strongly against the use of a food waste bin. We have nowhere to put it in the kitchen, I think it raises a hygiene risk both in and outside the house and I also could do without an extra bin in my garden. I am strongly against both these proposals, just leave well alone.
3774	Not enough collection for green bin - I live on my own and throw very little food away and still manage to fill the green bin every two weeks as I have two cats and litter takes up a lot of space
3775	My only food waste is an occasionally old fresh fruit that has gone off - negligible.  My only contaminated containers would be pre-prepared cooked meal remains on sides of the plastic containers they were bought in.  I use the brown bin facility.  For me, the food waste disposal facility would be a waste of time and money to collect.
3776	Most waste in my "green" bin is non-recyclable or food-contaminated plastic. The amount of "food waste" put in this bin is no more than 2 kg per week. This ridiculous concept of introducing a further plastic caddy to add to my 3 wheelie bins is obviously a crass waste of council tax payers' money.
3777	I would prefer this method as having a larger bin, if occasionally the green bin becomes overfull you have the capacity to store it.  Would it not be a better suggestion that the Government legalises that manufacturers use smaller packaging.
3778	I prefer option 1
3779	I do not want any changes to my collections, I do not want a smaller bin, my husband uses incontinent pads, we are both disabled and pay our rates, all you are doing is to cut jobs and make people's lives a misery, I am quite happy with the way things are thank you.
3780	I have concerns about a 3-week collection, mainly around fly infestation, maggots etc. I understand that food stuffs will be reduced with the start of the food recycling, however plastic food containers will still be put in the green bins and with a 3-week collection I believe there will still be the possibility of maggots and flies.
3781	This is unacceptable. I already recycle waste in my composters. When the weather gets warmer we see maggots and all manner of insects round the bins as it is. I'm certainly not prepared to keep it in my kitchen.

3782	<p>I propose that both ideas are not satisfactory to the vast majority of Wirral residents.</p> <p>There is currently a petition against these proposals on change.org. I would suggest you take this petition seriously. No one wants any change to the current system, which you imposed upon us. You have not considered large families or young families who have the added factor of nappy waste. Residents will start using the grey bin fir general waste if the green becomes full. You are imposing these measures, not proposing.</p> <p>This will lead to more issues of pest control, with foxes, rats and other vermin causing more problems for residents. Alleyways will become even more squalid as irresponsible residents will not keep areas clean, which is already a problem.</p> <p>The people of Wirral say NO.</p> <p>We also say no to your ridiculous monthly newspaper which will be a waste of resources and cause a costly legal confrontation with our government.</p> <p>Cut the number of 'consultants' that currently come up with these ridiculous ideas.</p> <p>I know this will all fall on deaf ears. You have already made your decisions. This is a box-ticking exercise to say we were consulted.</p> <p>Our trust in Wirral council is lost. But I doubt that bothers you.</p>
3783	<p>Fly tipping will become prevalent in this borough if any of these proposals come into fruition. I am opposed to either and believe these measures will not improve recycling rates but would increase overtime payments to council refuse collection operatives clearing up the mess!</p> <p>My bin is overflowing already with fortnightly collections, and my food waste is composted at home using the compost bins previously provided by yourselves, of which I have 3. I do not want and will not be using any other container for outside my home to store food waste, so please do not send me one.</p>
3784	<p>with being out at work all day what assurances can you give that the lockable food waste container,will be left with my bin by the collectors as at present they never leave my large bin outside my house i always have to bring it back and what happens when it goes missing am i expected to pay for it</p>
3785	<p>Option 1 I opt for</p>
3786	<p>Not clear if bags are to be left for collection or lockable container.If bags are left in pavement,this will attract vermin and birds will peck at bags.</p>
3787	<p>That is STUPID KEEP GREEN AT LEAST FORTNIGHTLY .But grey can go to every three weeks. It's bad enough now half of the householders do not know how to work the bins now EDUCATE THEM or FINE THEM. It's not fair on the cleaner households. Collect the food waste weekly.were houses are seen to be vacant, holidays, in hospital or maybe moved those bins will be all over the streets. SoPLEASE THINK BEFORE YOU CHANGE THE SYSTEM?p</p>
3788	<p>Seems very involved to me. I understand the reasons but will it work? Do the collectors of the food waste have to unlock the container?</p>
3789	<p>Save money by leaving things as they are.</p>
3790	<p>My green bin is full every 2 weeks with very little food waste in it. My bin will be overflowing if it isn't emptied for 3 weeks. Currently I pay for a brown bin, however I believe people are using the green bin for garden waste to avoid paying for the brown bin, wouldn't it make more sense to have the brown bin as a free service thus encouraging people to recycle their garden waste?</p>
3791	<p>Happy with the concept of food waste collection and recycling.</p> <p>Happy to keep existing green bin with a three week collection. In theory if food waste is collected weekly then there shouldn't be any problem with maggots or smells etc from the green bin, although parents with babies in nappies may argue otherwise.</p> <p>However has the Council considered allowing food waste to be incorporated into the Brown Bin service, change the composting method for the Brown Bin, and reintroducing a brown bin for everyone?</p>

3792	<p>We produce virtually no food waste. We have pets and a three weekly green collection would be absolutely unacceptable especially in the summer months.</p> <p>Dog and cat faeces left for that length of time will cause a major concern to public health in terms of maggots and flies and attraction of rats and other vermin.</p> <p>I think the food recycling bins should be in addition and the current situation should remain the same</p>
3793	<p>We are happy to join in with the food recycling option scheme as long as it is collected weekly. We were part of this scheme when it was trialed years ago. We would not mind if our green bin was only collected every three weeks as there would no longer be anything to rot or smell in it.</p>
3794	<p>This would save money as you wouldn't need to replace the existing 240 litre bins with 140 litre bins</p>
3795	<p>I do not like a food waste caddy collection. I am a good meal planner for our weekly meals. It is very rare I have food waste.</p> <p>I use a brown bin and I have a compost bin in my garden.</p> <p>I believe in recycling of which I practice.</p> <p>I think the green bin should continue to be collected every 2 weeks.</p> <p>I think education to every road would increase recycling.</p>
3796	<p>This is on the surface most cost effective way as there is no cost to reissue green bins. Environmentally friendly as there will be no requirement to dispose of the large green bin. Collection of green bins every 3 weeks will force recycling of food waste and eliminate the lasy aspect of recycling. The council must be vigilant not to allow lasy waste disposal and those who put food waste in green bins may experience rodents.</p>
3797	<p>I do not see how this is a consultation, since the decision to introduce food waste bins appears to have been taken!</p> <p>Would prefer to keep the existing system - we have enough bins to store already. Do not want to see any increase in the time for collection of waste - two weeks is too long as it is.</p>
3798	<p>I am TOTALLY against this. The thought of recycling waste food makes me SICK and it will encourage rats and vermin. It is bad enough with the green bin being emptied fortnightly as there have been many instances of maggots in the bin in the summer heat. I heartily disagree with this proposal.</p> <p>Also the costings of sending new smaller green bins out to replace the original green bins is ridiculous for a council who are saying they are short of money!!!!</p> <p>The green bins are used for babies nappies and pets waste ...is this sensible for this waste to be in a bin for 3 weeks before being emptied!!!!!!!!</p> <p>I am one of the few in our road who pays for a brown bin for garden waste to be emptied so add to the council coffers.</p> <p>I FEEL THAT THE COUNCIL SHOULD LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE WHO PAY THEIR WAGES ETC AND I AM SURE THAT MOST RATEPAYERS WOULD BE VOTING AGAINST THIS PROPOSAL.</p>
3799	<p>A big bin is needed for all the unnecessary packaging that can not be recycled but as there will be no food waste it should not smell and therefore collection every 3 weeks may be alright.</p> <p>My concern is families with young children, nappies left in bins for 3 weeks would be disgusting.</p> <p>Three bins outside houses is bad enough but now 4!! it is getting silly. We have no room in our kitchen for another bin either.</p>
3800	<p>My thoughts</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 ) Where am I supposed to find a space in my small kitchen to store another waste bin?</li> <li>2) Will the external one have wheels? If not as I am a frail pensioner who will carry it out for me?</li> <li>3) The current green bin is usually full after 2 weeks, mostly with packaging and household waste not much food waste. Therefore a 3 weekly collection just isn't enough. Can you tell me if your collectors will pick up the excess if it's placed in a plastic bag?</li> </ol> <p>The service that your proposing doesn't meet peoples needs. It seems that this is a cost cutting exercise not a waste disposal issue and I feel we're paying more and more and getting less and less.</p>
3801	<p>I'm against 3 weekly collections on grounds of health, smell etc.</p>
3802	<p>3 week's is to long</p>
3803	<p>The bins stink after two weeks. Who thought three weeks was a good idea? It will bring vermin!</p>

3804	<p>3 weekly collections for someone who has a young one in nappies is not an option. We live next to the Wirral Way and already have an issue with rats, so please do not say it won't become a problem - it clearly will!</p> <p>When you started charging for Brown Bin collections, the number of households taking part in the scheme reduced and therefore recycled materials dropped by over 5% as people used Green bins. Therefore why don't you reintroduce the FREE service to get an additional 5% recycling rate? My understanding is that you charge for collection, but you also make money from the materials collected from Brown Bins therefore you are making twice the profit!</p> <p>The reduction of general waste from 6240ltr per year to 4160ltr (3 weekly) or 3640ltr (2 weekly) per year is a ridiculous amount to expect households to achieve! We have a young one in nappies and already, the two week collection is ALWAYS full and smells.</p> <p>By reducing the size of our bin will result in us leaving bin bags out for collection as we will have no other choice, or by cutting collections to once every 3 weeks, again will result in over flowing bins, and smells, flies, rats etc.</p>
3805	<p>I suspect that houses with smaller kitchens, there are a lot in wallasey, will certainly suffer under this scheme. My partner lives in a house with a small kitchen 8ft by 6ft and there is no available floor space for an additional caddy and worktop space is limited. Also the side alley is also packed so where do the extra bins go. Will liners be provided weekly?</p> <p>I notice in option 2 the smaller bins will be so small as not to be of any use at all. Is that really an option. Why waste money on replacing bins when you could just keep existing bins.</p> <p>What is public transport aren't the buses and trains run privately? Are you going to sell the gas to them, if so great but will we see any money returned from this in our council tax?</p>
3806	<p>Where will you put the food waste container - this is a block of flats with an area set aside with green and grey bins - there is only enough room for these!!!</p>
3807	<p>What % of recycling waste does the brown bin represent? Why not remove the charge for garden waste collection and keep the other collections as is?</p>
3808	<p>Keeping a food waste bin in the house will create a foul smell , encourage pests in doors and into the garden area , fly and maggots breeding</p>
3809	<p>Either would be better. But we are only a small family unit of 2adults</p>
3810	<p>3 week cycle is awkward</p>
3811	<p>dont agree with food waste collection as i have no space for a bin in my kitchen or outside</p>
3812	<p>Will not work a complete and utter waste of hard earned taxpayer cash. Just to make the council look good.</p>
3813	<p>Three weeks is too long for a green bin collection</p>
3814	<p>The packaging from food makes for smelly bins so we wouldn't want to wait 3 weeks for collection. We eat a lot of fish so that adds to the smell.</p>
3815	<p>I would prefer option 1 I am in favour of more and more recycling. I do not have a lot of food waste- I have a compost bin so all vegetable peelings etc go in there.</p>
3816	<p>I have an elderly relative who lives in Burton Wirral &amp; gets all these services free. Why can't we?</p>
3817	<p>Are you actually serious ? WBC you're losing the plot !!!</p>
3818	<p>i would support this option</p>
3819	<p>Three weeks is too long for a green bin collection</p>
3820	<p>Ridiculous</p>

3821	<p>I am pleased that Wirral is introducing a food waste collection and will fully support the initiative. With food waste removed 3 weekly collection of general waste should be sufficient I would suggest that a replacement green bin be given on a needs basis rather than as a widespread offer. This would reduce costs.</p> <p>Collection points for e.g. Aluminium foil and other recyclable plastics would allow Wirral the option to recycle these with other than Merseyside Waste Disposal if they can not or will not update their equipment. As mentioned below other neighbouring authorities recycle a far broader range than Wirral. We need to catch up.</p>
3822	Both my bins are full after two weeks , I do not need a smaller bin or a longer period between pickups.I also do not like the idea at all of a food caddy in my kitchen.The end result will be even more rubbish fly tipped everywhere.
3823	What a rubbish idea.... i compost all my food waste but still have a overloaded bin every 2 weeks waiting a extra week isnt a option .... Maybe if the council recycled everything that can be recycled then there wouldn't be a problem .. What a waste of money this whole scheme is
3824	No. Just no.
3825	240 litres every 3 weeks is 80 litres a week; 140 litres every 2 weeks is 70 litres a week. As all wet/food waste is going to be collected separately (weekly), I would opt for the larger bin on a 3 week cycle.
3826	<p>This option would seem to save more money, if by sending out collectors as often would be prevented. The negative from my point of view is that I would have a higher chance of forgetting which bin was due for collection (and therefore which one to put out), and could end up missing it, thereby leading to an overfull bin on occasion.</p> <p>How do you propose to help everyone remember/know which bin is due?</p>
3827	Preferred option
3828	<p>One of the main reasons why Wirral does not recycle as much as other areas is that we can't recycle much of the plastic packaging which comes with food. We compost our vegetable waste (at home) and have very little "food waste". The additional food bin and the cost of the necessary weekly collection is not of benefit to us and I suspect many others. What analysis was done to show that this will benefit the area? Have you put this in the public domain and made it readily accessible?</p> <p>Option 1 I would not want to have a smaller "green bin" but would not want it emptied less frequently than at present (twice a week). Reducing this to a three week period would be a significant reduction in the level of service the council provided and not acceptable.</p>
3829	<p>This will not be feasible throughout the borough as it will cause food to be left hanging around and within properties. You can therefore imagine the total lack of hygiene that will occur.</p> <p>Why can't you leave the system alone it works well</p>
3830	Not preferred option
3831	<p>This is my preferred option. Even with three-weekly collections rather than fortnightly ones, the capacity of the existing green bin would still be greater than that of a bin with a capacity of 140 litres, i.e. a difference of 60 litres over the course of six weeks.</p> <p>We dislike food waste of any kind and try to prevent it as much as possible, and therefore do not believe that a third of the waste in our green bin consists of food. "Waste not, want not" has been important to us all our lives. We're disappointed to hear that other people are throwing so much away.</p>
3832	<p>Preferred. At least this saves money on changing all the existing green bins for smaller ones.</p> <p>However, I really don't think that we, here, throw away a lot of food waste, so this is unlikely to make a big difference to the recycled content at our household.</p> <p>In general, I think this is a stupid idea. You should spend more time and money educating people not to waste food in the first place, and to recycle more easily recyclable material such as glass and paper. The study you quote in the FAQ is quiet on the amount of recyclable material that goes into the green bin; I wouldn't be surprised if it was more significant than the food waste.</p> <p>By the way, I found it disgusting that you call the fact that 40,000 people have "subscribed" to your garden waste tax a "success". I'm sure you'll soon be saying the same thing about this imposition. If these schemes work, it's only because people give a about being good citizens; spend more time and money encouraging more of the borough in that direction and I daresay most of your problems will go away.</p>

3833	No problems with this setup. I have read your information on these changes and understand why you can't recycle every item. At first I was angry about the situation but I hope everyone will read your information and understand your predicament. I would like to keep my existing 240 litre bin. I pay for my garden bin collection and will do so. I think it is a good idea to recycle food separately, as a Pensioner I remember the "pig bins" we used to have to put our waste food in! Good luck with the scheme.
3834	If it is feasible to collect smaller bins every two weeks there is no reason why you can not do the same for the big bins. The choice you offer is obviously designed to push people into your preferred small bin " choose ". What a waste of money no matter where the money is coming from.  Who is paying for the cost of the extra service to pick up the food bin? Oh! Let me guess it's me and all the other patsys.
3835	I have been recycling food waste at my mums, who lives in Neston for a while now, and my green bin is still full to the top and often I have to leave a black bin bag on the top which is pushed off and left behind. I don't feel that collecting every three weeks for my household would work. I do think its a great idea to recycle food waste.
3836	I do welcome the addition of weekly food waste collections,but do think a large percentage of households are going to struggle finding space in their kitchens for an additional food caddy. how will families with babies cope with the disposable nappies in a three week collection. also households with dog waste.
3837	Green bin every three weeks is ok as long as there are no issues with rotting contents which I suppose will not occur if all food waste is separated
3838	We have virtually no waste food, any fruit and veg, egg shells, tea bags go into making compost for the garden. We rarely have plate scrapings as we only cook what we know we will eat, that same principal applies to shopping, we only buy what we know will be used. Households with a lot of waste need educating. We don't think a three weekly bin collection is viable, especially in the Summer months.
3839	Our grey bin is normally very full with fortnightly collections, particularly around Christmas time. We would remove bottles and recycle them at the local supermarket, and flatten plastic bottles, but it can still end up very full. Other people may not be willing or able to take excess to other recycling facilities and the overflow will end up in the green bin, which may not have the capacity if the collection frequency is reduced. Similarly, people who can't afford to pay for brown bin collection will use the green bin and a reduced ollection frequency may be a problem. I think we should retain the current green bins and fortnightly collections
3840	Get rid of 10 local councellers the ones using taxis to meetings make a list of which one claims the most in expences, food waste collections taken to widnes how does that help the enviroment?Get rid of all enviroment officers anyone being to moreton shore lately it stinks of dog mess or are they to busy going to meetings bins outside of houses look unsitely but 4 bins get a life.How much will this survey cost?council got nothing better to do or will they give it to a outside source, hey ho pass me the expences form and where is the next world enviroment meeting BARBADOS ok thats me,the one after that is ROCK FERRY I will be on the sick by then
3841	This seems fine to us...However we have very little in the way of food waste...All raw vegetable waste goes on the compost heap...There is very little in cooked waste...the soup pan takes care of that. My only concern is moving to three week collections throws the system of ..green bin...grey bin .. out of line and may result in missed collections.
3842	This option will give families more space for waste in the green bin. The food caddy is wasted on single people like me who primarily use ready meals & have very little food waste. I feel that paying for the Garden bin drastically cuts the recycling rate. There are a lot of residents who now use the green bin for garden waste, Also those that use the tip are adding needless quantities of pollutants to the atmosphere driving too & from the tip.
3843	Don't like this option, don't see the need for a larger bin and would prefer not to have the three week collections.
3844	240/3 weeks is 80 litres of rubbish per week 140/2 weeks is 70 litres of rubbish per week  That's12.5% less green bin space per week. I imagine the new weekly food waste service will offer adequate replacement for this missing 12.5%.  Based on this I prefer the 2 week collection of the smaller bin.  The three week collection could mean food waste sitting around for longer if for some reason we don't use the new service all the time.
3845	Option 1 seems to be the most sensible. However I think 3 weekly collections of the green bin will produce far more rubbish than the green bin will hold for many households. The suggestion that food waste is as much as 7kg/week and its removal into another container will increase green bin capacity by a third is ridiculous. Most bin waste is now non-recyclable packaging and, from my observations, many green bins are overflowing after two weeks. Also, the borough is already blighted with the 'normal' bins kept in the front of many terraced houses, where will another container be kept?



3846	I don't like either option 1 or 2 i would prefer things as they are now but Option 1 is better for me because I will keep my larger bin.
3847	I think that a weekly collection is preferable and a smaller bin especially as it is then going to produce a further product and reduce our need for more imported energy.
3848	<p>The so-called "small" food waste bin is bigger than the bins we already have in our kitchen to separate re-cycling and non re-cycling waste. We have very little food waste to justify having another bin to occupy the very limited space in the kitchen. Most of our waste is food packaging and confidential matters we do not want in the re-cycling waste. A smaller green bin would create a considerable problem for us, though a three-weekly collection would be acceptable.</p> <p>Judging by the way neighbouring are left outside there would be a considerable health hazard in this area as residents appear to be unable at present to separate re-cycling and non re-cycling waste. We could also manage a three-weekly collection of the grey bin.</p> <p>We do not have a brown bin..</p>
3849	<p>Food waste bins are good for us. At the moment this goes in green bin. We do compost veg and fruit prep waste.</p> <p>3 weekly could work for us.</p> <p>However, there has to be a consideration for other users re disposable nappies, sanitary items etc and others who will not compost or use the food waste bins.</p> <p>Health and safety issue.</p>
3850	I would be happy with this option
3851	<p>I am not prepared to have a food bin/container within my property and if it is put outside then it will only attract animals and flies.</p> <p>It would be a good idea to give us an up to date calendar of what we can recycle in the grey bins and clarify if it needs to be free of food stains as I put anything with food stains which cannot be washed out into green bin.</p> <p>Also with the grey bins you should be collecting everything with a recycle sign on as that makes things a lot easier.</p> <p>Don't know if this would work for all, especially those that are disabled or elderly.</p>
3852	Yes this is a good option minus the food waste. It's crazy to expect people to sort through all their food. As a community I think that we have made massive steps to increase the recycling that we have been doing. It is ridiculous to expect people to now have an extra bin which will encourage vermin and cause an issue for the council because they will have to pay to sort the issue.
3853	<p>I can appreciate that recycling needs to be done for the good of our environment. However, I'm not happy about the number of small bins I have to keep inside my house. I (for my own convenience), already have a corresponding green and grey (small) bin, under my sink unit, which is manageable. I do not, however, think that, those of us in small semi's, have room to accommodate yet ANOTHER bin....indoors. Small homes don't have kitchens designed to house numerous recycling bins....indoors, let alone out (in some cases).</p> <p>I expect I'm not the only woman expressing this and I know we must "move forward", but I'm not happy about it.</p> <p>Also, if I/we are expected to pay the cost of our smaller outdoor green bin (in addition to our Council tax), then I am "for" keeping my larger green bin and having it emptied every three weeks. With two of us in this household, we don't generate a lot of waste. But obviously this is not going to be the case for others, with children etc.</p>
3854	Too many bins already, adding another bin outside and another caddy inside makes too much clutter. My kitchen is small and another bin inside is not convenient. The roads are cluttered with bins day in day out making the environment disgustingly ugly. Really bad for people in wheelchairs and disabled people in general getting around all these bins. Bring back burning rubbish as it used to be as this is the only way to get rid of flies and rats. I will not fly tip, but many people will!!
3855	This Consultation does not provide a method to choose option 1 or 2 and therefore is open to call in and review as the options of choice cannot be quantified.
3856	<p>I think you should keep it at the big bin for the first 6 months and then review it as once you change down to the smaller bin you will have already spent the money and you won't be able to go back.</p> <p>This way you save on purchasing the bin and you save on petrol.</p>
3857	<p>Excellent idea i work in the Sefton council area and they've been doing it for years,</p> <p>The green bin decision is a little bit more difficult we've had ours since 1993 and it's looking tired.</p>
3858	The way forward!

3859	<p>Seeing that the bulk of waste placed in the green bin IS NOT food waste, then the suggested three- week interval for collection is completely unacceptable. The present fortnightly collection is hardly adequate, considering most bins are filled to overflowing quite routinely. Just take a look around on collection days to see.</p> <p>If you are able to collect a smaller 140 litre bin fortnightly as suggested in option No2, which will require the same number of vehicles and operatives as presently, then you can just as easily continue with the present fortnightly 240 litre sytem of general waste collection.</p> <p>Calderdale MBC in West Yorkshire collect food, paper and other recycleables weekly and general waste fortnightly in a 240 litre bin. Sometimes, other local authorities proceeedures offer advantages.</p>
3860	<p>OK good idea no problems, except garden getting cluttered up with lots of bins. You need a recycling system that identifies what can't be recycled as well as what can. then we could get rid of the green bin altogether. Prefer option 2 as small household.</p>
3861	<p>As a family we produce very little food waste each day but still fill the green bin over a two week period. This change in system will result in a very small change to our green bin waste and will result in it being over full if a three week collection were imposed.</p> <p>I would be more sympathetic with the council's aims if they were to increase the range of grey bin recyclables to include aerosols, yoghurt pots, drinks cartons etc... which would probably halve our green bin waste.</p>
3862	<p>Am opposed to changing the current arrangements.</p>
3863	<p>Unhygienic to collect every 3 weeks. Also more complicated to have different collection dates.</p> <p>Green bins need renewing ...old...dirty...damaged.</p>
3864	<p>Preferred option as it avoids changing green bins</p>
3865	<p>You have already made your minds up to do this and are " consulting" so you can see residents agree with this which we don't, you need an option that doesn't include God waste why not fine households who do not recycle or educate those putting recycle able items in green bins .</p> <p>not prepared to leVe green bin three weeks tow is bad enough</p>
3866	<p>The caddy system was tried in Oxtton some years ago.</p> <p>It was a flop</p> <p>I have had a small green bin for a good while</p> <p>Will I be able to keep it in the new system?S</p>
3867	<p>My preferred option. Also, the savings realised by the change from fortnightly collections to 3 weekly collections would help offset the costs associated with the proposal.</p>
3868	<p>I do not throw that much food away.</p> <p>Green bin is however overflowing after 2 weeks with non cycleable waste as I currently have a household of 6 people.</p> <p>Collection every 3 weeks would be insufficient</p>
3869	<p>As the bags are biodegradable these bags quickly break down and leak and there have been many authorities who have problems with this service. As this has become a health hazard, smelly bins, flies and also vandalism of these in some areas whilst left on street.</p> <p>These smaller bins left on the street are tripping hazard to visulay impaired and is the Council going to confirm responsibility for any trips whilst left on the highway.</p> <p>If any food waste containers are vandalized and food spilt on the high. is this contaminated waste and who is responsible for its clear up.</p>
3870	<p>I have no problem with a food bin collected weekly but not my other waste collected every three weeks, I have disabled children and products that will stink the bin out after three weeks. People with babies would be the same it's a very silly thing to do.</p> <p>I cannot support this option at all I'm sorry and if you go ahead I will start posting pictures of overflowing bins with nappies and waste, you really need to start living in the real world.</p>
3871	<p>This is preferred option.</p>

3872	The large green bin should continue to be collected every two weeks as at present, as food waste does not contribute very much volume wise.
3873	I'm sure this is manageable, although there could be some potential problems of waster being left too long in the bin before collection, especially in warm weather. But my bigger concern here is that a collection on a 3-weekly basis could lead to overflowing bins, particularly if people don't bother to separate the food waster from other general waste, which is quite likely. I would hate to see yet more rubbish littering over streets from overflowing bins, increase in pests (rats etc) or scavenging by dogs, cats and foxes.
3874	I would be unhappy about my green bib being collected only every 3 weeks. We have a dog so we tend to have a lot of poo bags in the bin. I would also be worried of keeping track of the collections and missing one
3875	The problem I have is I have an 88 year old mother who is very confused about this proposal and I want to know what happens if she puts things in the wrong bin as she does now sometimes with the 3 bins and were she will keep the fourth bin as she doesn't the smell of rotting food in the house and can't go outside as she has very bad C.O.P.D.
3876	Prefer this option
3877	I throw away very little food waste and really do not want an indoor caddy to collect any small amounts of food that might have been thrown away. I do not want this in my kitchen and I'm sure the great majority of people would not want food waste lying around in a bin in the house for days. Under the present system the kitchen bin would be emptied every other day and a sealed bin liner put in the green bin. I think 3 weeks is too long a time for the green bin to be collected as for a lot of families it will be full before the three weeks even without food waste. It would be better to increase the amount of items that can be recycled such as yogurt pots and drink cartons, If the average family throws away roughly £60 worth of food each month, then they need to be encourage to reduce this significantly (and save money).
3878	Are the liners for the small caddy plastic, if so who will supply them?
3879	we (my wife and I) feel this is the preferred option (1) as it allows the additional capacity in the green should we need it over the three weeks.
3880	i would like to keep the green bin we have and collected every three weeks
3881	Will cause further issues of flies, bluebottles, wasps etc during spring / summer.
3882	Our choice  Compost so no need for food bin
3883	Green bin should still be collected fort nightly
3884	Whilst we do not think this solution is ideal option 1 would be our choice (the provision of new bins and 50% more collections for option2 must surely incur additional cost )
3885	In principle no problem with this but personally we very rarely throw food away other than peelings ( a reflection of the era in which we were born!) and also we have a dog so leftovers are recycled by her! Three weekly collection sounds greener than two so we would be OK with that.
3886	Would not like collection every 3 weeks
3887	We pay enough for our rates. Also the brown bin charge is a disgrace. What other business gets its raw materials for free, turns them into a product for which we presume it makes a profit and then charges the kind people who gives them the raw materials for collecting it!!!  Short answer is keep it the way it is.
3888	Not enough information about the food waste bin, were is it kept? if its lockable who has the key? are we going to have lines of food waste bins on the pavement when collection due? were do you get a further supply of liners from? It all needs answering.
3889	It looks like we really dont have an option. I think the green bin should be collected every week as the amount of rubbish usually we collect fills the bin everytime. A small caddy bin which you have tried to bring in before if I remember did not last very long. If these are the only option then we have then option one.
3890	Compost so no need for food bin
3891	Who set the targets for collection by 2020? What allowance have you made above the existing 36%, for the waste which is taken to the local tips by individuals? Would you agree with 15% is being delivered outside your contractors collections. If you do - then you have already met the 2020 targets. Providing you keep the existing size of green bin and provide food containers. Hate the idea of bagged food waste being left out, we will be plagued with dogs/cats/rats tearing them up and messing up the streets. You will need a protective container for the food bags if you wish to avoid this. Your existing proposal will have many health and safety issues. A small lockable container outside is insufficient. Grey Bin and Brown bin proposals are acceptable.

3892	When you say food waste does this include meat products? We compost all food waste apart from meat in garden compost heaps, so the only food waste we currently put in the green bin is meat products which smell in the summer if the bin is not emptied frequently. In warm weather it can smell after a few days and would stink after 3 weeks.
3893	Very little of my waste is food therefore green bin collection should remain two weeks. I do see the benefit of removing food waste on a weekly basis so that would be a service improvement.
3894	Concerned for people who have insufficient storage for all these bins. It is exceptionally unsightly to see every bin out "in front". Is there another way?  Weekly food collection applauded!
3895	This is ridiculous, we have a dog that eats all the food waste, we also have disabled children and nappy waste, two weeks is too long and in the summer it's stinking. You will be getting bin bags and fly tipping of waste.
3896	I would be happy with a 3 weekly green bin collection as it saves the expense of replacing all the green bins with smaller ones. I think it's great that the Council is introducing food recycling and fully support it.
3897	I think it will work i wrap all food up before putting it into the bin,to prevent flies and foxes hanging around the bins. The only downfall would be people in a terrace house may struggle with another bin,my suggestion would be to do a bin divided into two with take out insides and you put out the right half on the right day.
3898	I don't think we need any more bins! I think we have enough bins to deal with as it is. Most people already have a line of bins outside their house. If you live in a small terraced house, you already have a line of bins outside the front of your house and under your living room window, do you really think they want another bin full of rotten food, be cause I don't. Before this brilliant idea is put into place, somebody needs to look at the practicalities of this new brainwave. There will be too many bins and too many collection days, it's becoming ridiculous!!! Some people are sloppy and so their will be food on the outside of these food containers, which will undoubtedly attract flies. This is a really bad idea.....Somebody needs to think about the cost, I'll give it 18 moth's before people start complaining and the idea is scrapped.
3899	I am concerned at reducing Green bin collection to three weekly, our (small) bin is usually full in two weeks and we have very little or no food waste already - we are vegetarian, compost all vegetable matter in the garden anyway. There may be other non-food waste, non recyclable waste in the green bin which will be unhealthy to leave for three weeks (eg nappies?).  I also think it will be very confusing to work out which bin goes when with 2x twice weekly and 1x three weekly.  I also remember the original food waste collection caddies and they were inadequate size for an average family if all food waste was going in there.
3900	For us food waste collection is a complete waste of time, we do not waste food! We are often away on bin collection days as we help to look after an elderly relative who lives miles away, it is already difficult if we miss a fortnightly collection, it would be even worse to miss a three weekly one!
3901	Difficult for large families, those with children etc. A greater chance for fly tipping, smells, pests etc. Weekly food collection must stay weekly, in the past it was changed to fortnightly.
3902	A 3 week bin collection is ridiculous I cannot afford to have this go on when I have twins and we feel the big bin Every 5 days. A separate bin 4 food is going to create More mass chaos rats foxes other critters that live on disposed food I already do not have enough room For the bins I have we do not have a garden And the smell is unbearable. The cost to the council would result in people putting more bins out at the same time. If you'd actually enforce the recycling bin rules penalising those that break them which has never been done And use the money from the fines to increase the recycling ability of the plant allowing more recycling This would not only increase capacity and benefit everyone it would be a good learning practice for the populace in general
3903	this is OK
3904	Option one would be best for us. But we do not throw any waste food away. We have the birds in the garden, a fish pond, a wormery and the compost bin hence no wastage of food. I have every sympathy with young families who because of the way the world has changed have a lot of green bin wastage ie. Nappies and packaging. We never had this problem years ago.
3905	I have a wormery which means ALL tea bags, peelings, uncooked vegetables which are passed there sell by date ALL go to the worms This all get's added to the garden once the worms have turned it into soil. Maybe that's something you could consider.

3906	to keep costs down i think this is the better option however i think food waste left in a smaller "container" will be attacked by cats and rodents so will not work
3907	Leave things as they are. I do not produce food waste. Enforce current recycling - some people can't be bothered to separate their rubbish.
3908	Food waste: good idea, happy with proposal although as we compost all vegetable and fruit waste there won't be much in it. Green bin. Yes, keep existing bin and collect three weekly Grey bin: I understand reasons for not collecting yogurt pots, food containers etc, but these do fill up the green bin as they are not recyclable. Brown bin: we subscribe to this and will continue to do so.
3909	Food waste simply does not account for one third of our green bin waste, (this is the general consensus with all friends, family and colleagues asked the same question). Typically people prepare meals in two ways:-  1 - Meals from packaged, frozen or ready prepared - portions are as required and waste is minimal 2 - Meals from fresh ingredients. Waste is vegetable cuttings, potato peelings, leftover fruit & vegetable etc. all of which should be able to go in the brown bin  Simple answer is not to invest in more bins. Encourage more recycling of leftovers and increase garden waste collection by changing the "Garden Waste Club" into a free collection. This could be called the "Community Environment Club", (although I am sure the council can come up with some other "blue sky thinking names").  Maybe when we reach the 50% recycling target by 2020 I can then get a gold star to stick on the brown bin instead of the current tax disc
3910	We are a family of 5 and already have surplus rubbish every two weeks that won't fit in our green bin and we end up taking it to the tip. We don't have food waste in our house as we couldn't afford to waste food!!! I think it's an unfair waste of money for a lot of households.
3911	option 1 is our preference as you have more scope for rubbish on the odd occasion
3912	Who prospers from 16000tons. We do not have food waste but we still fill our green Bin.....there are only two of us. We fill what we have I DO NOT WANT MORE CRAZY CHANGE. WHO PAYS THE COST OF CADDY AND LINERS....WE THE PEOPLE DO SO WH DO YOU NOT LISTERN. TO THE PEOPLE  WE DO NOT WANT THIS  LISTERN. LISTERN. LISTERN. LISTERN
3913	Seems fine to me.
3914	Preferred to option 2
3915	I prefer this option - less waste and expense by using our existing green bin until it brakes  I am very supportive of food recycling and the renewable energy it will generate  I do think however, that we need to recycle more packaging - would the council consider updating it's recycling equipment so all that plastic doesn't go into landfill? I would be happy to take yoghurt pots, plastic film, drinks cartons etc to the waste centres if it is too difficult to be collected from homes
3916	As my household is only 2 adults, this option would work well for us. However, for larger families I can see 3 weekly collections of green bins being an issue.
3917	Totally disagree with the whole thing, I won't be able to get in my front door because of all the bins outside, what a load of B**** Also my house wil stink by keeping food in there ... Waste of time cats foxes and rats sniffing around outside all the time it's just not on!!

3918	Seems fine to me.
3919	<p>I applaud the concept of recycling food waste, but wonder what provision you are making between unwanted but edible food, which could be collected for use by food banks and hostels, and true waste.</p> <p>We have very little food waste at all as we rarely buy in excess and compost where possible; what we do produce we freeze until green bin day when we put it into the bin bag, and our green bin is never more than half full. A small amount of this will therefore go to food waste, mainly meat waste such as bones and a little uneaten cooked food, but I would not envisage a huge decrease in our green bin contents as this is mainly non-recyclable packing which cannot be avoided in purchasing some goods. A three weekly collection would therefore be fine for this.</p> <p>However I am a little concerned at having yet another bin, because of the amount of space needed for a food container, a green bin, a grey bin and a brown bin! There is also the question of what space will be required in the kitchen for the in-house waste container, in addition to having a home compost container which we empty daily into our own compost bins. Also I am not clear about what is meant by a lockable food waste container - if your hands are full with what you are carrying to the outside container unlocking could be tricky! What is the purpose of it being lockable? If to avoid animals, surely a secure bin could be provided without the need for a lock; if to avoid people scavenging in bins then I would ask whether your overall policy is sound as there should be no need for this if useable food is being diverted to community use.</p>
3920	i would not choose this option due to my doubts about hygiene and fly tipping risks.
3921	This is the better option as the green bin does not have to be changed.
3922	<p>I prefer this option as the green bin capacity would be 80l per week as opposed to 70l per week in option 2.</p> <p>I think the council would abolish the cost of the garden waste collection if it was really concerned with the environment and not just looking at money.</p>
3923	I am happy with this option. With no food waste the bin will not become smelly
3924	<p>1) I have seven in my household, including a toddler in nappies. I already have to take one or two large black bin sacks to the "recycling" centre in West Kirby during every two week period, as the current bin cannot hold the two weeks of waste. Costing me time and fuel.</p> <p>2) The amount of food waste by volume is nothing like the volume of an additional weeks worth of general waste, so this would mean additional trips to the "tip". More time and fuel.</p> <p>3) Having spent several thousand pounds on a new kitchen, designed with in-built waste bins to have two streams of waste - recycle and non-recycle, where do you expect an additional food waste bin to be placed?</p> <p>4) Change the brown bin collection to every three weeks and the green bin stay at two weeks.</p>
3925	<p>Not sure what you mean by 'lockable' Is this to stop animals getting in? I would be happy to separate food waste.</p> <p>Green bin every 3 weeks might get rather smelly in hot weather but otherwise not a problem.</p>
3926	Absolutely ridiculous - what will the fly tipping cost ?
3927	52 weeks in a year divided by 3 = 17.33 X 240 litres = 4,160 litres collected
3928	We think this is a very good idea. However the first thing you should do is to emphasise to EVERYONE that their bins MUST be returned to their OWN property rather than illegally leaving them on the footpath or blocking up entryways. This happens in our road regularly and is a very dangerous hazard.
3929	<p>Noooooo! I scoff at the stupidity of other councils with the stupid kitchen recycle bins adding more bins which is a complete faff especially for the old and infirm.</p> <p>Recycle at the depot not at the point of collection.</p>
3930	<p>I think this is a terrible idea. We are already very conscientious with our food usage and recycling. We never put any food in the bin- we either use leftovers or put it in our compost heap. However as a large household our green bin is already completely full after two weeks. Can you explain what we do with the extra weeks rubbish that will be created in thye third week?</p> <p>I pay £1900 council tax and just see this as a way for you to increase council tax whilst reducing services- typical for an inefficiently run public body. In my company we consistently have to increase our productivity whilst chargingn people less.</p> <p>I fully object to these proposals, and I am so disgusted that if these are implemented I will not be voting Labour in the local elections ever again</p>
3931	A lot of the bulk is from packaging that is not currently collected for recycling
3932	I think recycling food waste is an excellent idea. I used to live in Denbighshire and this was introduced while I was there. It may encourage people to stop wasting food when they see how much they put in the little bins. I am just concerned that the green bin only being emptied every three weeks will lead to overflowing (or heavy) bins. It also may confuse people about which bin(s) to put out, as some weeks we will be putting out both green and grey.
3933	I think an outdoor caddy would be best as people with posh kitchens wont want to spoil the look of the kitchen also on a personal level I don't like the thought of having stale food in a bin in my kitchen for a week even if it is lockable as this could lead to flies and maggots which will lead to the kitchen smelling.

3934	I do not think green waste bin should be collected every three weeks this is bad
3935	By all means introduce a food bin. Keep the same sized bins and collect weekly- each bin, every week!
3936	My main concern is how full the green bins get at the moment and they are bigger and collected every 2 weeks, this is especially bad when there is a large family. We currently have 2 adults and 2 children living here and our bigger bin is always full to the top and we don't waste a lot of food. Maybe look at family's over this threshold of people keeping the bi weeks collections. Also families who use nappies as these do cause issues attracting flies etc and will be a health and safety issue of left for 3 weeks, especially in the summer!
3937	It's crazy and unworkable
3938	I think it's a great idea for all Wirral householders to recycle their food waste. I am a bit worried I might not be able to fit all other green bin waste in if it is only being recycled once every three weeks but I guess it will be ok as long as the food waste is closed off to flies etc. I think this is the better option as it saves Wirral Council having to replace all green bins.
3939	I DO NOT HAVE A BROWN BIN AS I LIVE IN A FLAT EVEN THOUGH IT TOOK YOU TAKE THE BIN THAT WAS DELIVERED SIX MONTHS .AND IF YOU ONLY COLLECT MY GREEN BIN ONCE EVERY THREE WEEKS YOU WILL BE TAKEING THE PISS AS IT STICKS AFTER TWO WEEKS .MAYBE WE SHOULD START BRINGING OUR BAGS INTO THE ONESTOP SHOP?.JUST BECAUSE WE ARE NOT IN THE EU. ANY MORE DOSE NOT MEAN YOU CAN BRAKE HEALTH AND SAFETY LAWS AND I MEAN LAWS .THANK YOU
3940	Even though I am a big fan of recycling I think having to wait three weeks for a general rubbish collection is too much. We already have problems of vermin within our towns and cities, this will only make the problem worse.
3941	Emptying green bins every 3 weeks will be a health hazard. After only 2 weeks our bin smells disgusting, is overflowing and is a breeding ground for flies throughout most of the year. When emptied, the bottom of the bin is covered with maggots. Unless the green bins have a fly-proof seal I feel there will be health and hygiene implications. I think most people will just throw all their waste into the green bins as they can't be bothered/ don't have the time or inclination to sort more waste along with the glass/plastics/paper to be recycled already. We have visiting grandchildren using nappies, plus 3 dogs to clear up after - all of which goes in green bin.
3942	Very good idea.
3943	This Idea will fail like your brown bin policy ? since you decided to charge for the brown bins people put their garden waste in the green bins which means the volume the green bins hold won't last three weeks they will be overflowing by the end of the second week and a health hazard by the time you do empty them ? don't try to fix what is not broken you could have kept the brown bin service without charging use the money you take in on litter fines and parking fines or is this just extra pocket money for councillors??????
3944	The green bin collection every 3 weeks would be OK by me I do not need a food collection binNo
3945	Possibly make more difficult to remember which bins to put out! Currently alternate weeks works well.
3946	I do not throw away anywhere near the amount of food you have suggested so any change/reduction to my refuse collection will have an impact in my home.  At present I fill my 240 litre green bin every 2 weeks with no more than 1/100th of the waste being food.
3947	We don't have much food waste But fill our green bin completely each fortnight It is filled with things which are unrecyclable such as plastic wrappers from cat food and other packaging which has food stains so can't be recycled .In addition ,shredded paper bills also needs to go in the green bin and we seem to receive lots of bills and statements which need to be shredded
3948	Ridiculous, where did the one third of waste is food come from? Neither myself nor my neighbours throw away anything like this amount of food. What is the cost of the extra collections and extra equipment? How much more carbon does the extra diesel etc. use.
3949	This one would suit me best.
3950	This is not feasible for a lot of people. I live alone and have little food waste so collecting this weekly will not benefit me and will impact me by taking longer to collect the green bin. How do you gauge the difference in the items placed into a green bin to assess it should be a three week collection. Also, as a brown bin subscriber the cost should decrease as a benefit for helping the council sort out waste which we already pay for in high council taxes.
3951	See option 2.

3952	I fully support a food waste collection, but I think the idea of only emptying the green bin once every three weeks will cause problems for residents with extra needs, such as medical waste or for households with children in nappies. I have a medical problem and currently all personal waste is double bagged and put into the green bin which is lined with a heavy duty liner and is washed and disinfected by the wheelie bin washers after each collection. Even this does not eliminate the smell, and by the time the bin is emptied there is a definite smell around the bin even though the bins are kept in an outdoor bin store which, again, is regularly washed and sanitized. I also have issues with other aspects of disability, as we currently have an assisted collection. How would residents with disabilities manage a food collection - would assisted collections be available ?
3953	What stands against a 3 weekly collection is in my opinion the smell. I work as a childminder and have to put soiled nappies into my green bin. The smell after 2 weeks in the summer is already bad.
3954	We have 3 adults 4 children and a dog. We live in a town house with no way into our back garden from the front so all our bins are outside the front window ( they can be very smelly and we frequently get maggots).
3955	Ridiculous! 3 week collections for general waste is not what we pay exorbitant council tax for.
3956	How much will it cost to supply everyone on the Wirral with 2 extra containers? This will be collected every week! More expense, as it will have to be in a separate wagon? You also have to consider the space this extra bin indoors is going to take. Another one outside is also an issue over space. You travel around Wirral now and many places are awash with bins left out when they should be in their correct place. The idea of not replacing the green bin is a reasonable one though many households have so much throwaway junk every week that a collection every third week may increase the likes of fly tipping.
3957	This would work for our household of 3 adults who put vegetable food waste in our compost bins. 3 week collection would be a problem for people with children in disposable nappies.
3958	Neither of these will work why fix what isn't broken leave things be people have enough to do in life without making life harder it's ridiculous
3959	I recycle my own food waste ,and council should be encouraging people to do the same,we don't need any more bins or wagons to collect it,you should be looking into how the council wastes money first and foremost.like get rid of at least half the councillors ,massive savings.
3960	Daughter lives in Cardiff which has a food waste collection service. It seems to work well.
3961	To suggest that up to 50% of our green bin could be food waste is ridiculous. We fill our larger bin every 2 weeks with what I can only describe as non recyclable packaging.We do not have food waste and can only wonder who does and why. We do not need waste food caddies and must opt for no 1 if that is the only choice of 2. I would question your motives on recycling and suggest the motives are purely financial.
3962	Sounds very sensible
3963	3 weeks between General rubbish collection isn't acceptable to me. Imagine families who have babies and put nappies in this bin. Is 3 weeks in the middle of summer really acceptable for them? I doubt it!
3964	One problem with this is trying to remember what week to put out your green bin Some weeks 1 bin gets emptied another 2 and some times all 3 get done
3965	Number 4 Poplar Farm Close Saughall Massie agree with the initiative to recycle food waste. However, each household will have different priorities. We could manage with a 140 lt green bin collected on a two week cycle but the big problem is food packaging which has plastic and cardboard bonded together. We have a problem with medical waste which is bulky and would ask how you could help with that. We are a ECO household and recycle all garden waste and peelings with the use of 5 large compost bins - we have 8 garden raised beds and grow vegetables.  Note, at the moment 50% of our green bin capacity is Medical Waste!!
3966	I think 3 weeks is too long for the green bin.
3967	I prefer collection 1 option as there are times of the year when maybe we are away on holiday so aren't around to put our green bin out, so a larger one will accommodate us for that purpose.
3968	We do not have room in our small kitchen for the so called caddy and will not use it and cannot see the point in the extra expense the Council wants to waste. We already have to pay extra for the removal of our garden waste which being pensioners is annoying and you want to spend more money which is not NEEDED.
3969	This seems fine as there should be nothing that should smell if people dispose of the waste food properly.
3970	As a single person this is fine for me and I expect also for the average family.



3971	As a single occupier the smaller green bin would be suitable for me but I notice the green bins of family's around my area are full to bursting so cannot see how they could manage on a smaller bin. I think that two weekly collections of the green bins is essential even though I personally use a bin liner and have my bin cleaned by a company every two weeks some most people do not and the chance of smells and maggots is very high. Apart from that I am all in favour of food waste collection.
3972	The only difference is the size of the green bin or the frequency of collection. Seen as you had 11 options but these are the only 2 you are offering shows this is another pathetic consultation. No real options and no figures to see what the costs are. Where are the savings? How much will it cost to give everyone a smaller bin and collect the larger unwanted bins? What's the cost for the food waste collections, caddy's, liners and lockable waste container? Why the charge for the garden waste. You would get a 4% increase in recycling straight away (your figures). The reason given previously was some people don't use the service, well I don't use children's social services or libraries, so can I have that part of my council tax rebated to me. This consultation is just a waste of time, a case of paying lip service to the idea of what the tax payers want, no real options offered, no savings highlighted.
3973	This is the least worst option. Having deeply considered this matter I have no desire to use a slop bucket; because that's what the caddy is. I will not be using it nor any of the other things that made Victorian England a very unpleasant place ridden with disease caused by unhandled waste lying around. The Council really needs to concentrate on what matters to us, emptying the bins, keeping the streets clean and in good repair.
3974	The best option.
3975	This would be my personal preference
3976	Prefer this option as do not wish green bin size to be reduced. Do not have any food waste and all peelings etc. go in own composter.
3977	Option 1 would appear to be the more cost effective as it would not involve supplying new smaller green bins to every household. Additionally, it should reduce the number of collections and the cost of waste collection.  In my opinion, this should be tried as a first option to increase recycling, with consideration only be given to implementing option 2 if option 1 is unsuccessful.
3978	I have no room for the small caddy in my kitchen so not practical. What happens if the food waste outdoor bin is full before weekly collection date?
3979	GREEN BIN -  WE DO NOT THINK A GREEN BIN WITH A THREE WEEK COLLECTION IS VIABLE.
3980	For me personally it makes no difference as I live on my own and have minimal food waste. I do think the green bin should remain as every fortnight as a small amount of garden waste can be deposited in it.
3981	We do not waste any food. The only food products in the green bin are vegetable preparation products, "skins and stalks" so to speak. Our green bin of 240 litres capacity is full when collected, except when we're on holiday. So this option will not be practical for us.
3982	*Concerned about smell. Nappies, dog excrement etc. If this is only emptied every 3 weeks what smells are we going to get around Wirral. *Small outside food bin could start to go missing because of it's size. *Too many bins. *Too many rota bin collections - then there are bank holidays to complicate things.  Solution. Can we adapt or create a better recycling bin - compartment or removable section to place in bin?
3983	too confusing having three weekly collections for green bins would be difficult to remember much easier for alternative weeks as it is now.  The only plus for this is no extra cost of giving everyone a smaller green bin.
3984	The food recycling is a good idea BUT I have nowhere to keep the lockable bin because I have no garage and indoors isn't practical for me. A three weekly collection would see my bin overflow and there is only one person in my household (I have animal litter to dispose of). This also seems unhygienic for the summer months. I see some bins overflowing with only a two week collection so three weeks seems highly impractical and some people simply will not recycle food or indeed anything else.
3985	This will be fine as long as the food waste remains in liners while awaiting collection. Otherwise unwrapped food will present a greater health and dirt hazard. Currently I wrap all food waste mostly in old newspaper and always in further plastic bag before putting in green bin which has additional bin liner.

3986	The most unhygienic solution!! Asking people to keep old food in a blue bin in their kitchen. Whoever thought of it ? Green bin emptied every 3 weeks, especially in the summer a bug waiting to evolve.
3987	Sounds ok in principle and would be acceptable
3988	I think that the whole idea is a bad one!!! We as a household do not have that much food waste. We have a baby a lot of our waste goes in the green bin as it is nappies etc and is full after the 2 weeks therefore a smaller bin is no good and 3 weeks for a collection is a joke. I think that we will be having to make a lot of trips to the tip!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Also the smell of a food bin at the front of the house will be horrendous lockable or not!
3989	We do not have very much food waste - would not be worth collecting. Three weeks for green bin is too long
3990	Three weeks is too long for many families. The Council will be seen to be playing a reduced role and customer service will be seen as low on your priorities. Yiu should avoid this is my advice.
3991	This option is preferable as less food waste should result in the green bin being filled up less often.
3992	This looks more cost effective and provides a good enough service.
3993	Surely introducing an additional collection for food waste will incur additional cost unless some of this is offset against the food recycling costs. Option 1 would be better than option 2 as the 240 litre green bin would remain rather than having to replace them with 140 litre bin which would cost more. Also additional costs for someone dilever and replace the existing green bin with a new bin for every household.
3994	I would like the option to have a smaller green bin. As I live on my own and now recycle uncooked food in a compost bin Why can you not recycle yogurt containers as I have to walk to sainsburies with them
3995	Currently my green bin is completey full after 1 week, we are a family of 4, 2 adults and 2 children and so I find this option completely unacceptable. Most of my green bin is food waste and so I hope that the caddy you are going to provide will be big enough for our food waste. The problem with this option is, that if the caddy isn't big enough for all our food waste and we need to put food waste into the green bin and the collection is every 3 weeks, you will end up with rotten food, bad smells, maggots, and rats. We currently have issues with the local cats trying to get into the grren bin as it is always overflowing. .
3996	Would be strongly against. I've had experience of this in another county. You spill chicken grease on a counter and mop it up with kitchen roll;you bake fish in foil and have to wait THREE WEEKS for the soiled paper and the foil to be collected.....! I would truly fear vermin and rats making a comeback. What about nappies? I know there are such things as nappy sacs but not all people are fastidious. Some people are careless and wouldn't truly separate all food. Some are old and confused. It would only take a few people who made a mistake to attract vermin to a neighbourhood. The thought of anything that could rot, stink and attract vermin over THREE WEEKS is truly revolting. This is a step backwards in Public Health.
3997	We have no food waste as we compost any vegetables we have left and their peelings. We give any meat or fish, we have left after a meal, to our Dog and a very friendly Fox. I think you should keep the green bins at 240 litres because at the moment, my Mum has had a stroke and she uses incontinence pads and sheets and we use quite a lot of them and I don't have time to goto the tip all the time at the moment. Think collection vans should be modified to have two compartments. One for food waste, which would he collected in the smaller bins as suggested and the other compartment for general waste/recyclable items. They can be collected at the same time, every week and having separate doors on each compartment would enable both compartments to be emptied independently. Perhaps supermarkets should be stopped from using all the plastic packaging on meat. Ludicrous. People should be able to take their own container's to the shops and buy meat unpackaged and have their meat weighed and put into their own containers to take home.
3998	If the council recycled more item's such as tetra paid and plastic fruit limits ,and were less wimpy about the wrong item in a load it all goes to landfill you'd get closer without major changes. When I was young in the 1960/70's where I lived took ALL finish washed and recycled over 60% how strange your unable to match that now. Collecting food waste is long overdue. I'd like to know how you plan to do this without extra bin waggons as some weeks you will be collecting both bins on the same day.
3999	I think that collecting two of the bins every other week (grey and brown) and the green one every three weeks will be confusing. Some weeks one bin will need to placed out and others it will be two weeks
4000	I think the 3 weekly collection of green bin could cause confusion as it will be out of sinc with the other collections.I approve of the weekly food collection and was disappointed when it was dis continued after only a year,has the reason for that been resolved?
4001	I prefer this option. It would not require. A replacement bin. One collection every 3 weeks is adequate.

4002	<p>I have already cut down our food waste to a tiny amount and feel that an extra bin for food waste is pointless. Our green bin is already full for each collection and I notice the neighbours bins are the same. Changing to a three week collection is too long.</p> <p>Why keep wasting money on changing bins wherever the money comes from this process is extremely wasteful in itself.</p> <p>I would like to keep the full size green bin with the possibility of a small food waste container as well.</p>
4003	<p>great idea. If the council would save money by people retaining a 240litre and collections every 3wks maybe you could consider replacing any current 240 broken bins, free of charge for a short period, after which the normal charge would apply.</p>
4004	<p>This is ok but go for the cheaper option</p>
4005	<p>3 weeks is too long for a general waste bin to be collected. While I appreciate food waste will be collected weekly food wrappings need to be collected more frequently than every 3 weeks. Also my kitchen is very small and having to find room for a collection caddy will take up space which is already at a premium.</p>
4006	<p>we don't have a lot of food waste as we have a compost bin and feed birds in the garden, food waste would be minimal</p>
4007	<p>I cannot believe Option 1 or 2. You have obviously not taken into account families with 3 or more people in one house. We have five people in our house and the green bin is always full of real rubbish. There are times when we utilise next doors bin [elderly lady on her own] with her consent otherwise a weekly trip to the rubbish dump would be the norm. The grey bin is usually 100% full on each collection. There are times regardless when i have to visit the recycling dump in West Kirby even though i pay my Council tax without fail. How will families without transport cope if the bins are full before the collection dates.</p> <p>This is another so called cost saving scheme [regardless of our carbon footprint] by the Local Authority without recompense to the residents Council tax.</p>
4008	<p>Bad news for people with large family who struggle with full bin after 2 weeks not a good idea for 3weekly collect should leave it at 2 don't have that much food waste can't afford to waste food</p>
4009	<p>I would rather the collection remain at every 2 weeks.</p>
4010	<p>I think the food waste caddy is a good idea.my concern is where are some people going to put outside containers.not everyone is particular about cleanliness as you know some green bins are left overflowing with rubbish.one thing I do object to is the charge for the brown bin I am a carer on very limited money I cant afford the brown bin I don't do my garden plants ect as I have no way of getting rid of waste I don't drive.i recycle a lot and I am annoyed I cant recycle my garden waste.</p>
4011	<p>i dont want another bin, i have no where to store another bin. my garden already has 3 bins taking a lot of space. i do not want a 4th bin in my garden and i am not storing a stinking food bin in my house for a week. i spent a lot money on my house and on council tax, why should my garden be completely full with bins</p> <p>i live in a little house, only 2 people and my green bin is full within 2 weeks, i cannot wait 3 weeks for it to be emptied and little food bin is not enough.</p> <p>stop piling bins on us. there are recycling machines that can sort through rubbish and recyclable items. invest in it rather than passing the burden onto the public.</p> <p>will the Council be reducing the Council tax to compensate for the reduced services?</p> <p>all the meetings regarding the bins are or have been held during the week in the daytime, good way to screw over the working people of Wirral that actually pay Council tax</p>
4012	<p>If this is going to happen then the 3 weekly cycle would probably be the best fit.</p> <p>My green bin at present is always very full after 2 week so after 3 oh dear!! The grey bin is always half full and could easily wait for 3 weeks</p> <p>Very unfortunate this as the bin collections on the Wirral has been the best that i can remember.</p> <p>The small indoor caddy as a separate issue what would the cost be for this change!!</p>
4013	<p>I would be interested to know where your estimate of 1/3 of the waste presently in green bins comes from food waste because I estimate that food waste in this household is almost zero. I am therefore not in favour of increasing the collection times for green bins to 3 weeks as our green bin is almost full after 2 weeks.</p>

4014	May worry it could get a bit smelly - green bin - only being collected every three weeks
4015	As a one-person household I produce very little food waste, not enough to be worth collecting. I compost uncooked fruit & veg waste. Could I opt out of having the extra containers? I'd prefer to keep my existing bin and have this option.
4016	No problem with this idea.
4017	Ridiculous !
4018	No problem with this idea.
4019	I would prefer no change, as we are retired people, with small appetites and there have no food wastage to give you. We would still be paying for a fortnightly bin collection, as we do not require food collection, I would expect a reduction in rates, as you would not be providing the service I am paying for. Perhaps if you were to put in place recycling for the empty pill contains i.e.the silver and platstic sheets containing the tablets would be more to the point and more hygienic. I do not think woud will educate people on Wirral to do this food business, just yet another chore. Strongly disapprove.
4020	I already have a problem with flys and maggots now so getting a bin collected every 3 weeks will make it worse. I understand that most food waste will be collected every week but if there is any food residue at all the this will cause serious infestations. I think this is a bad idea.
4021	Don't want food waste bin as we either give it to the dog or use on compost at my allotment. What about large families. Your just going to increase fly-tipping.
4022	We waste very little, and often no food at all. We compost all fresh food cuttings and trimmings. We probably would not have much use for a food waste bin.  We could probably manage with the green bin only being collected once every 3 weeks but feel that if the Council chooses this option it should use some of the savings to reduce the annual cost of the Garden Waste Club, which you will recall did not originally incur any charge. Whatever happened to the proposal to produce and offer free compost to residents?
4023	This would be the most cost effective option, as no costs involved with exchanging the current 240L green bins. Reduction in maggots / flies during warm weather, if all foods allowed in the new weekly waste caddy
4024	I monitored my food waste last week after hearing about this scheme. The food waste I threw out were 8 teabags, 2 slices of cucumber, 6 egg shells and the stalk bit of a lettuce. I really dont think I warrant a food collection bin. In addition once my garden is sorted I intend to start a compost bin. On the other hand the green bin is always packed full and we are constantly shoving it down to fit more in. We are really going to struggle with a three week collection. I think a bigger green bin would be more helpful. The grey bin is always full.
4025	I dont agree with a bin only being emptied once every 3 weeks. We are already suffering from flys and maggots with the bins being emptied once every fortnight so surely this problem we are all suffering from will continue or worsen.
4026	Too longer a period to leave green bins.  No point in having a large green bin when the weekly caddy and blue container will be emptied each week.  The caddy is a good idea as is the lockable container as it keeps vermin away and ensures waste is stored securely until collection is made each week.
4027	Rubbish just another way of making us do ure work for u i shall not be participating the green bin needs emptying every two weeks what about smell, hygenine, vermin and peoples health u cleary are not interested in this if u introduce this i shall no longer pay by direct debit u can wait for ure payments when it is convenient for me to pay them by cash
4028	Ok

4029	If food is removed from green bin then it won't smell foul. Therefore 3 weekly collection is acceptable. Save money in replacing the bin. This option is preferred
4030	I don't like the idea of only collecting the green bin every 3 weeks. I think it start complicating the process of knowing which bin will be collected and when. I also don't think it's a good idea to have waste of any kind sitting around for up the three weeks.
4031	Absolutely disgusting waste of money and health and safety issue.Labour council wasting tax payers money as per usual.
4032	Option 1 appears to be the option that will cause less confusion for people and easy to understand and work with. It means that new smaller bins do not have to be purchased. The food bin also encourages thinking about segregation within the household. Used properly it is also likely to reduce food waste more generally. Unfortunately it does not tackle the issue of wider public education about purchasing food, reducing food waste and intelligent consideration of sell by dates. There is no consideration of food waste reduction in supermarkets by either proposal. Wirral borough council would be better off spending some funds to lobby supermarkets and also to reduce packaging on a range items.
4033	Not a good option for me. I was born during the War; food waste is not something I can consider. Even my green bin is only a quarter full as I recycle everything possible, including taking plastic no 4 (polythene) to the co-op. My food waste consists of kipper bones, and chicken bones after boiling for stock: not worth a separate bin. My green bin is filled with packaging of the unrecyclable sort. Why not make it an offence to package food on a plastic no 1,PET, tray, as your instructions say that flattish trays should not be recycled as they are not apparently caught by whatever mechanism separates PET bottles from flat cardboard. I do not want a three-week collection and an empty food-waste bin. I want a collection of polythene, and one of foil trays and lids. I am a recycling fanatic, and I appreciate that others are not.
4034	I would prefer this option. I have very little food waste. Peelings etc go on the compost heap. Excess food is frozen for use at a later date.
4035	A 3 weekly collection will be too confusing
4036	We have very little food waste - mainly banana skins, peel, leaves and the occasional crust of bread. We don't think that moving to a 3-weekly interval for the Green Bin would be a problem. I think that the existing schemes for the Grey and Brown Bins are excellent.
4037	Leave thinks as they are. You are the only council that charge for garden waste collection. It is just another way to get revenue. If you did drop the garden waste charge more people would consider having MORE items of storage on behalf of the council. This will only bring more foxes and vermin around our homes. LEAVE THINGS ALONE THEY ARE NOT WANTED !!!! Drop the bin charge listen to your residents we pay enough, and don't get the service. The road I live in is like the moon, full of craters. You claim there is no money to repair it, so why spend VAST amounts bringing in something not wanted. I have included my email please feel free to reply. I WILL NOT be storing more bins for the council.
4038	I am very concerned about more bin changes , I clean my bins regularly and tie everything in bags but there are nine people in our house so after only a few days the bins stink and have maggots which is a huge concern as we have 4 cats and once had a cat who got fly strike because a maggot had got on to his fur he died a very slow and painful death at the vets and it is a shocking thing that you can't prevent as you don't see the maggot on them until they have eaten a hole in their skin and I think this will be a bigger problem in the future
4039	How will we receive replacement bags for the food caddy? Will we be offered new green bins for those with older damaged ones? A lot of fresh veg etc.. can be composted. Is there no council initiative to encourage home composting?
4040	This option has the least cost which in these times seems right. However, I find that our green bin is usually full with things that can be recycled such as plastic containers that currently cannot go in the recycling bin but could be recycled. I would urge the authority to look at what can go in the grey bin and maximise this too. Also consider foil and shredded paper as long as the shredded paper is bagged.
4041	THE USE OF FOOD CADDIES IS IMPRACTICAL FOR ME I WOULD HAVE STORAGE ISSUES IN MY KITCHEN AND THE MAJORITY OF WASTE THAT GOES IN MY GREEN BIN ARE NOT FOOD ITEMS. I HAVE PETS AND REQUIRE THE LARGER BIN TO DISPOSE OF THEIR WASTE I ALSO HAVE ISSUES WITH THE LIMITATIONS ON WHAT CAN BE RECYCLED. I CURRENTLY FILL MY GREY BIN EVERY AND COULD RECYCLE MORE IF YOU EXPANDED THE RANGE OF THINGS THAT COULD BE RECYCLED. WHEN BROWN BINS WERE FREE YOU MET THE RECYCLING TARGETS EVERY YEAR AND YOU WILL FIND A LOT OF PEOPLE USE THE GREEN BIN FOR GARDEN RUBBISH NOW. SO YBY CHARGING YOU HAVE CREATED A SITUATION WERE RECYCLING OPPORTUNITIES ARE MISSED. IF EITHER OPTION GOES AHEAD YOU WILL INCREASE FLY TIPPING AND THEREFORE CLEANING COSTS WILL INCREASE. NEITHER OPTION IS PRACTICAL.
4042	I would be happy with option 1 Surely not having to replace the larger green bin and have a 3 weekly collection would be more economical. The biggest issues regarding collection of the bins is the current fortnightly collection of food so this new system would resolve this.
4043	not acceptable in current form, leave green bin size as now , collect green bin fortnightly as now

4044	<p>We think 3 weeks is too long a gap between collections of the Green Bin. Even if food waste is collected separately there will be things going into the Green Bin, such as non-recyclable food packaging, that should not sit around for so long.</p> <p>A three week cycle for the Green Bin will be more difficult to remember. There will be some weeks when all the bins (Food, Green, Grey and Brown) will be emptied and some when only the Food Bin will be emptied. A cycle of alternating Grey+Food and Green+Brown+Food will work better.</p>
4045	<p>I would be interested to know where your estimate of 1/3 of the waste presently in green bins comes from food waste because I estimate that food waste in this household is almost zero. I am therefore not in favour of increasing the collection times for green bins to 3 weeks as our green bin is almost full after 2 weeks.</p>
4046	<p>I very rarely throw food away, so I don't feel this will be beneficial for me, and at present, the Green bin is often so full of general waste after two weeks, it is overflowing and often smells. I would find a longer collection of the Green bin very impractical, and would need to resort to having bin bags for the extra rubbish, which are prone to being eaten by local cats and foxes,</p> <p>Generally, I don't think the proposed new scheme will be viable, because you also have to rely on people putting waste food into the new bin, which can be messy and impractical.</p> <p>For me, the proposed new service would be of no use, and would give me problems with general waste disposal in the green bin also.</p>
4047	<p>Very willing to use either option. However, and this for me is the main problem, a very large part of my green bin waste is plastic containers. These cannot be recycled and tend to be bulky. Perhaps you should put pressure on the supermarkets to change their food wrapping practices.</p>
4048	<p>Seems to me this is just another attempt to save money and add another layer of waste preparation on households. I already have to clean out jars and bottles for collection using my hot water with a cost on both electricity and water (on a meter). Are people really chucking out so much food waste that it requires separate collection - seems to me they need to be re-educated not given another bin to fill. I don't want to keep a small bin with rotting food in my kitchen particularly during the summer. Also you say you'll provide plastic bags - how long before we have to pay for them or buy our own. The amounts of food waste in my household will be miniscule yet to get 2 weekly collections I have to have a smaller bin with 100 litres less capacity. I will not be throwing out 100 litres of food waste so it's all just a con. and a reduced service.</p>
4049	<p>I think it's becoming a BIG joke I have my bins emptied on bank holidays and have done for years it never changes I have to rely on my neighbor to put my bins out for me as I go away every bank holiday and you want me to mess about with food stinking in my bins if my neighbor forgets to put it out which he sometimes does he is elderly and has a very sick wife I'm going to be left with stinking food going off in the summer months with maggots everywhere, I already pay money to have my garden waste emptied which I'm not pleased about how about giving some other people a share of the bank holiday collections</p>
4050	<p>I prefer this option</p>
4051	<p>I disagree with having a food waste bin in my kitchen which is collected weekly. I do not have anywhere in the kitchen it could be positioned and would not have it sitting on top of the kitchen units. I also disagree with my green bin collected 3 weekly. The recent short spell of hot weather meant that the contents of the bin were warm even in bin bags and the bin in the shade I have 2 indoor cats and food waste can be their left over food which they will not eat and their used cat litter that is in plastic bags. Having bins around for 3 weeks means in some areas you will be exposing people especially children and elderly to health hazards.</p>
4052	<p>With 5 people in my household the green bin (240 litres) is full to the top after 2 weeks and that is after we have separated the recycling. I compost any food waste for my allotment, therefore I am happy with the collection as it is now. So I cannot choose option 1 over option 2 and vice versa.</p>
4053	<p>I think we should keep the 240 litre bin but the collection should be every 2 weeks</p>
4054	<p>The amount of food waste that I put in my green bin is minimal, I could leave it out in a shoe box for a weekly collection. Most of the refuse that goes into my green bin is plastic food coverings or non food waste, If you change the green bin collection to only once every three weeks not only will it be confusing but the bin will be full to overflowing.</p> <p>I suggest that you trial this scheme before you implement it</p>

4055	<p>It seems that this initiative has more to do with meeting target percentages than being environmentally responsible.</p> <p>Most of the contents of our green bin are recyclable materials, often clean and with clearly marked recycling identification, which you won't recycle. We waste very little food and have a composting bin (from a previous WBC incentive scheme) for peelings, etc. WBC should revise its recycling criteria so that more items can go in the grey bin. Then there will be no need for a further expensive scheme.</p> <p>Failing that, how about a bin for dry combustibles which could be used in energy recovery?</p>
4056	Both proposals are very dated, five to seven years behind more innovative progressive authorities, and something should have been implemented a long time ago. I put very little food in the bin, apart from teabags. Going to three weekly collections is not a problem, but compaction mechanisms for all bins need to be thought through. The proposal for food collection is not something I would use, and is a messy and cumbersome solution.
4057	Prefer option 1 to 2 as green bin is larger
4058	My green bin would be overflowing if only collected every 3 weeks. What do you do regarding food containers/wrapping that is not recycled ? Surely the smells from this if left in a bin for 3 weeks (especially in the summer) would be disgusting.
4059	In view of cleanliness, sanitation and to safeguard the environment from disease there is absolutely no need to alter current bin collection service. The shortfall between actual and targeted recycled waste could be greatly decreased if the present practice of flytipping recyclable material was uplifted by a Biffa contract from the various popular sites throughout Wirral and along all Merseyrail embankments.
4060	I agree that there should be more recycling of food waste, what the Council propose is a good idea. My son lives in Chester and they use a similar system and it works very well. I would be quite happy with this new proposal.
4061	In our household we have 4 adults and not much food waste to accommodate a smaller bin for 2 weeks or keep the 240 for an extra week will not work due to our current grey & green bin are full to the limit every fortnight with no room to spare. I am also a garden waste subscription so no greenwaste enters my green bin, could you explain how we can work with any of these options without having excess waste.
4062	<p>I moved to Wirral from Neston 2 years ago (mistake), AM SOON TO BE MOVING OUT</p> <p>luckily I still have my household recycle waste pass and go there where the recycle rates are 86% in the Neston facility. why do I go there, because you cannot get near the clatterbridge facility for vans tipping obvious trade waste constantly!!!!!!!!!!!!</p> <p>if you clamped down on the TRADE waste , which the tip operators seem to be aware of and turn a blind eye to CONSTANTLY you might encourage more people to use the facility and your recycle rates might go up.</p> <p>As for food waste, we waste ZERO food as we shop for what we want and don't waste food so NO thank you to a food waste bin, another wirral council WHITE ELEPHANT EXERCISE</p>
4063	We would be prepared to try this new scheme
4064	We already compost all our uncooked food. As there are 5 people in our household including 3 young children including one in nappies, it feels we would struggle with reducing from 120 litres per week in either of the formats suggested. Stinky nappies in a bin for 3 weeks will be pretty foul!
4065	<p>This is a great idea.</p> <p>I would like to try this option first to see if I still need the current sized bin. If I see I don't need the larger bin then I would be happy to move to a smaller bin.</p>
4066	Ok
4067	<p>Food waste is the key issue and changes in how this is collected will require a huge change in people's mindsets. The provision of a caddy and biodegradable caddy liners which can be deposited in a food waste bin is the logical solution, but requires a degree of determination which I am afraid many people lack.</p> <p>Nor have you explained fully how the system will work for blocks of flats and properties in multiple occupation. In the Borough of Lambeth flats are provided with a large dumper food waste bin with a self closing lid and residents seem to make use of this facility, so it can be done if there is a will.</p> <p>What Scheme One (and indeed scheme Two) ignores is the enormous quantities of packaging which go into the green bin - plastic wrapping and similar, for which the grey bin is not provided. This would build up excessively if there were only a three week collection or smaller green bins and there would be a proliferation of black bags, with all the problems that this entails.</p> <p>Before you make your decision you need to educate people in what is involved. An item in the local newspaper with photographs of the two options would make people think, plus an exhibition in the Pyramids - but it is too late now.</p>

4068	<p>Sensible to keep the existing bins and not waste a load of money that the council don't have replacing them all.</p> <p>People won't be happy and will probably backlash via the Globe's reader comments section before settling down and just getting on with it... We have lived in an area that trialled food waste recycling in the past but it seems to largely fail - its too picky as to what can and can't go in - a better option would be to widen scope of recyclable materials in the Grey bin.</p>
4069	<p>It is total rubbish to suggest,that no change is not an option. Just do nothing, there is absolutely no reason to change the current system. And since we are now leaving the EU, the UK government will in future be able to make its OWN decisions on our rules rather than having to comply with EU directives.</p> <p>I will NOT be using the appallingly unhygienic food bin.</p>
4070	<p>I do not wish to store an indoor caddy in my home.</p> <p>I sould rather have a 3 weekly collection of the green bin.</p> <p>I an happy to continue with grey bin recycleable waste fortnightly.</p> <p>Also to continue with garden waste in brown bin.</p>
4071	<p>A three week collection cycle for the green bins seems too long an interval for collections.</p>
4072	<p>Disagree</p>
4073	<p>Yes</p>
4074	<p>Keep the existing green bin &amp; move to three weekly emptying. This will cost less for the council; as there will be far less cost/outlay involved, rather than buying new smaller bins.</p>
4075	<p>Apart from being really unhappy about the garden waste charge, I'm not impressed with either of the new proposals.</p> <p>I try my best to recycle but already struggle to fit a pedal bin and small recycling bin in my 8x6 kitchen - and that's not allowing for cupboards!</p> <p>If one of the proposals offered a free garden waste collection as an incentive then I would definitely give it my whole-hearted support. At the moment, I feel charging for garden cillections has been a huge step backwards.</p> <p>No matter which proposal is adopted (and I feel it will be, in spite of our objections) then I DON'T want a smaller green bin!</p>
4076	<p>Preferable to Option2. There would be no need for more regular collections if there were a weekly food collection service. However, I oppose the the introduction of a weekly food collection service on the grounds that many people will use not use it properly and food waste will build up uncollected leading to poorer public health outcomes and greatly increased rat populations. We tried it before here and it just didn't work</p>
4077	<p>I think this would suit our household better, keeping a larger bin for every 3 weeks collection. We have a 22month old child in nappies so would rather keep a larger bin.</p>
4078	<p>I think that recycling of food waste is long overdue so I welcome this change, if there is less waste going in the green bin I don't need the current large one. Added to this I think that three weekly bin collections is far too long in-between and could cause more fly tipping or increased risk of attracting pests.</p>
4079	<p>I prefer this option</p> <p>My concerns are were we have terraced properties with communal entries both options will fail</p>
4080	<p>3 Weeks between collections is too long a gap which in my opinion is too long and will cause problems especially if an elderly person forgets on that week to put the bin out in effect it will be over a month before it is emptied. In our case, we have a steep drive and the weight will be very problematic and difficult to haul up the drive when it was weekly it was manageable. We are also 3 flats at this property so there will be many bins littering the pavement with the additional food waste</p>
4081	<p>We have a dog, I do not want a container in the house containing food at all. Collection every 3 weeks, I do not feel this is enough, I often have to visit the local recycling centre with bags as the collection isn't enough as it is. We do not throw much food away as it is, nowhere near the £60 average per household, more like £5 per month.</p> <p>Another note on the collection every 3 weeks, this means that on some days both the grey and green will be collected on the same day? Sounds like a recipe for disaster.</p>
4082	<p>This sounds like a good option.</p>
4083	<p>This option seems OK although it will make it slightly more complicated to remember which bins are due to be put out in any particular week, especially since we have not been sent a calendar for bin collections for some time now and have had to find it on the council website and print it out. Not everyone has access to the Internet!</p>



4084	<p>Preferable as we have very little food waste - it's to expensive.</p> <p>Why not allow vegetable/fruit waste be recycled in the garden waste bin and see how that progresses rather than add yet another bin?</p> <p>Also, as glass gets smashed due to handling by bin collectors anyway, why cannot broken glass be put in the recycle.</p> <p>I worked in Ireland for 10 years and their waste recycle included plastic bags, cellophane and you did not have to remove windows from envelopes - perhaps an upgrade is preferable to stop land fill and cut down on collections.</p>
4085	We put very little food waste in our green bin and would much prefer to keep the 2 weekly collection.
4086	This option would be okay as long as the council supplied plenty of food liners.
4087	There is an old adage "If it ain't broke don't fix it". The council keeps moaning about be hard up how much is this all going to cost ??
4088	Option 1 is preferable of the 2 options however if you really want to increase recycling you should make the brown bin free again as currently all garden waste is being put in the green bin. Little money is being saved as the brown bin lorry still has to drive all the streets to the houses that are paying for the service.
4089	Ok
4090	I need the larger bin as I have rabbits and no where else to put the waste. My bin is therefore always full.
4091	I have experienced the option of having a food waste bin collection in a different area of the country and to be honest it is not very pleasant at all. The bins are smelly and attract vermin, in summer flies are also attracted, no matter how clean you keep the container. If this option means that the green bins will only be collected every three weeks, then there is yet more inconvenience for householders who use the green bin for used nappies/incontinence products/dog waste as well as an odorous food caddy.
4092	I do not have room in my kitchen for a separate food bin, nor room outside for yet another bin
4093	We compost all uncooked vegetable waste and don't have any cooked food waste, as leftovers are all used to make another meal for another day. So a food waste collection service is not necessary for us.
4094	<p>Keeping existing bins - even if not filled - will save money in terms of buying new ones. When they are broken/damaged beyond repair the newer bins could be introduced on a need basis.</p> <p>Every 3 weeks is fine for non food waste</p>
4095	I have very little food waste, but I can see my green bin to be overflowing after 3 weeks. How about collecting the grey bin every 3 weeks? That doesn't seem to fill so quickly.
4096	<p>Yes to recycling but does this mean that we alter our standards of hygiene? Our street cleaning is already neglected as per my request to check streets in the Moreton area.</p> <p>The large bin should be kept and collections should remain at every two weeks.</p> <p>What happens to people with young babies, animals etc.? We already are forced to visit the tip on the second week after green bin collection which will become problematic with age.</p> <p>I strongly object to the brown bin charge but ill health forced me to have to pay. I pay enough in taxes, council tax etc. and observe wasted money on non-essentials by the council.</p> <p>Creating unhygienic situations is not the answer to cutting how we spend OUR council tax. Perhaps less lending of OUR money to other councils might help Wirral.</p> <p>No problem with food caddies although there is little food waste in our house.</p>
4097	This would work better for us, but the Wirral will stink to high heaven with nappies festering for three weeks - not everybody will double-wrap them. We compost all vegetable waste and are very efficient in food-waste management, with maybe 2% of our green bin contents sourced in this manner. Most of our green bin contents are high volume plastic packaging from supermarket foods. I would LOVE to increase recycling by expanding the range of plastics placed in the grey bin.
4098	Our food waste goes in a compost bin so don't need the new collection

4099	Not so keen on this option because bins will be collected weekly , every 2 weeks and every 3 weeks, .. it will be difficult to remember especially the 3 weekly of what bin when, there will be many people who will keep missing the 3 weekly, leading to more problems.
4100	I have great concerns that having the green bin emptied every three weeks will start to damage my hygiene especially during the warmer summer months. It may encourage infestation of rats and as the council now charges for eradication services it's likely that people will not pay and it will become a huge problem. I will be most angry and disappointed if the council decides to proceed with this option.
4101	You should review your understanding of the amount of food placed into green bins as we, like most families, only prepare food that will be eaten. The amount of packaging included when purchasing any type products should be reviewed instead.
4102	Leaving the bin full for 3 weeks I have concerns about the flies and smell, 2 weeks is bad enough in the summer.  Also the rule about dirty to clanging in the recycling bin is what ruins this for me. Not being able to put a dirty pizza box in for example..... Impossible to clean the grease therefore will always be landfill. I feel the recycling rules should be relaxed so we can recycle more, clothes/fabric too as these are a big bin filler.
4103	What happens if your green bin is filled every 2 weeks and you don't have a lot of food waste. I don't have any food waste, but my green bin is usually full every 2 weeks.
4104	We compost all our kitchen green waste. We have very little food waste. If the cost of collecting food waste every week can be paid for by recycling and methane collection then it is probably worth doing. At the moment food waste is sitting in green bins for two weeks. Why not collect food waste every two weeks?
4105	Prefer this option as we hardly throw away any food. Make a conscious effort not to waste food!
4106	Not happy. I certainly do not have a bin a third full of food waste. Who wants smelly food in their kitchen particularly if space is restricted and there is a large family. Terraced houses, the people living in these would have yet more unsightly bins in the street or front gardens. Would n't educating people better be more economical.
4107	I would much prefer to stick to the current green bin collection of two weeks and I find to be quite frank, yet ANOTHER bin to have to adhere to, despite the clear argument for recycling, a pain and also a blot on how peoples premises will look having even a small lockable bin outside their homes.
4108	I have a severely disabled incontinent household member who needs the two green bins we have ,not emptying the green bins for three weeks is disgusting. There is no food waste here ,cant afford food waste and scraps are given to the dog .Same on you Wirral Borough Council. I dont drive so dont suggest I go to the tip
4109	no objection but we would not use the food collection bin as all our food waste is either recycled into our Golden Retriever or into our compost bins - overall more preference for this option than option 2
4110	awful idea
4111	You cannot expect wirral residents to be happy with this proposal that the green bin will be collected every 3 weeks surely the health of residents should be paramount. If your suppose to be a recycling council why when you mow lawns on my estate are the cuttings blown into the gutter blocking drains
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4113	I already recycle all food waste in a compost bin or feeding the birds, I will not recycle if this ,new scheme is brought in, a three week collection is unacceptable, plus people who dont wash out their green bins will be a nightmare with food bins, allowing maggots and flies and rats to build up worse than they are now. People who do not pay for brown bins are putting garden waste in green bins so how they will manage on three week collections, the answer they will dump were they can! Dont fix what aint broke!
4114	I live in an end terraced house where most bins are left for collection on the day. important for me that people understand the collection system so rubbish is not left outside my house for longer than the day
4115	Great idea we are fully supportive of anything that reduces waste. I am scrupulous about what goes in my bin and hate the fact that food waste has to be put into the green bin. Welcome the introduction of a food waste canister. Well done, Wirral. Prefer this option to begin with as I would like to ensure my green bin doesn't get too full, possibly the case with a smaller one. Also avoids the need and expense of replacing my present bin.
4116	Either option is ok but it would be easier to REMEMBER the green bin every other week - so option 2 is preferred.
4117	I totally disagree with the proposed changes, I already have 3 bins and do not want any more thank- you. The current system works very well and our household does not produce excessive food waste. Both proposals just add more complexity in to a system that works well.

4118	<p>Why is the new food water bin locked, are the bags supplied for the food bag biodegradable and will you continue to provide them , what about animal food waste,I have2 elderly cats who do not eat all the food I put out.</p> <p>I agree with smaller green bin emptied ever 2 weeks</p> <p>Is there any intention to provide other bins that can be locked I have found in the past someone has put their rubbish in large plastic bag in my bin fortunately it was the green bin so I do not anticipate other than inconvenience any rules were broken regarding what could be put in that particular bin however with the smaller green bin people could be more intent on bin tipping their waste.</p> <p>We have brown bin label on our bin which ,so far, has sustained wear and tear, could you provide similar sustainable labels for other bins providing relevant information regarding when can be put in that particular bin as a reminder especially with the changes as to content or put list on the new smaller indoor bin one on each side as a quick visible reminder people can access, even colour coded to the bin colour could be good</p> <p>Hope some of my suggestions are of help</p>
4119	If the food waste is collected weekly then a 3 week collection for the remainder of green bin rubbish should work ok
4120	<p>It is disgusting that rotten food and smelly items are being kept in the kitchen. What is wrong with the present system. It will encourage all sorts of vermin and flies so NO DO NOT DO IT.</p> <p>My wife and I feel very strongly about this and feel that it is just another mad idea and means that you can tick another box.</p>
4121	Impracticable
4122	As a pensioner household of two we make sure we waste as little food as possible , but leaving bins for three weeks , especially in the summer , is just too long.
4123	As I have limited room for bins which I currently have to have them stood under my lounge windows so because of flies I can not have my windows open I am against any changes I think you should be looking at the suitability of the property and health of the residents involved
4124	<p>in a busy household of 6 adult I have neither the time or inclination to sift through my daily rubbish in order to fill a 'small' caddy at the expense of another week lost on the green bin collections.</p> <p>Forget the food bin and collect the green bin weekly again</p>
4125	<p>We prefer option 1 to have a food caddy and a large green bin collected every 3 weeks.</p> <p>This should save money on green bin collection costs.</p> <p>We do not use a brown bin, because we have a large garden and take our garden waste to the local skip.</p>
4126	Three weeks is too long - there are occasions when our green bin is full in a fortnight. This will encourage fly tipping
4127	Terrible idea, I have very limited food waste due to being organised and planning my meals to minimise waste and save money. The little waste I do have I compost. The plan you are proposing will not improve recycling is just a ploy to reduce waste devices and save the council money which is in no doubt wasted to frittered away by other departments. If the council could increase the number of products it could recycle such as foil, tetra packs, yogurt pots etc. This would significantly improve recycling rates and help you meet your targets. Another alternative would be to re introduce brown bin collections and allow households to add food waste to this bin like other councils.
4128	I would prefer this option although we have very little food waste as we compost most of it.
4129	<p>As a family of five the green and grey bins are overflowing on a two weekly cycle as is, currently covered in maggots due to warm weather.</p> <p>Where do we keep additional bins? Looking around the streets it looks an eyesore due to number of bins already in gardens etc.</p>
4130	I'm happier with option 1. Saves replacement costs of supplying smaller bin. As long as general waste bin can mesh in with same collection day for food or green waste bins
4131	I wash my green bin every time it is emptied , this last week it was smelling badly , when I looked inside it was crawling with maggots . Nothing goes in that bin loose it is always in bin liners ,so if they is after a hot spell and a two weekly collection I would hate to think what a three weekly collection would be like . So I would have to go for the smaller green bin
4132	There will probably be more fly tipping with this option, personally the other option is more beneficial to the majority of residents.
4133	I think this is the better option it then gives households a bigger bin for existing waste. As a mum when certain times come around for example birthday parties and gatherings there is more waste.
4134	<p>An excellent idea. This should enable the Council to reach its targets on waste reduction and we all have a responsibility to achieve this.</p> <p>This is my preferred option.</p>

4135	<p>Absolute madness to even think of a food collection. In this house and many others that I know of, food waste is minimal. Most vegetable matter goes in the compost bin and it is only such things as chicken bones that go in the bin.</p> <p>I won't use a food bin and you will find that my green bin will not be sufficient for three weeks waste and we recycle properly unlike a lot of Wirral residents.</p> <p>This is a totally ridiculous and loaded questionnaire. Keep things as they are now which is just about adequate. I am ashamed that a Labour council is acting like dictators and will seriously not vote for them in local elections and normally I never miss.</p> <p>Please do not use the EU as an excuse, despite my vote, the people of the UK voted to leave so they can be told where to stick their "alleged" fines.</p>
4136	<p>Revoltng. I've had experience of this in another county and don't like it. And the thought of the green bin only being collected every THREE weeks...! I feel this is a genuine step back in terms of public health and would fear vermin and maggots as a result. You may say food waste would be in a separate bin but what about cooking foil which has food waste remnants on it? What about baking parchment with cake remnants on it? What about (and I'm gagging as I write this, bins with nappies in them? I know you buy nappy sacs but not everyone is fastidious about such things. What about old, confused people or people who make a mistake? It would only take a few green bins which stank after three weeks to attract vermin and innocent people in the same neighbourhood who are using the system properly would be affected also. Am very much against it.</p>
4137	<p>Retain the 240 ltr green bin. A three week collection cycle would not be a problem.</p>
4138	<p>Preferred.</p>
4139	<p>In the summer months collecting once every three weeks will not be acceptable for people with young children or animals as the odour from disposed nappies and bagged animal waste will attract insects and be thoroughly unpleasant. An alternative solution to that item would need to be considered for this option to work. Perhaps a sealed bin that fits inside the larger bin?</p>
4140	<p>With 5 adults living in the house the idea of keeping the larger bin is more reassuring and I would like to think that if it was found that bins were overflowing with a three weekly collection then this would be reviewed but the reality is that it won't.</p> <p>I don't like the idea of a food bin in my kitchen at all and having a bad back the lower bin will be difficult for me to move, I would have to get someone else in the family to put it out for me and wonder how someone living on their own with mobility issues would cope.</p> <p>I feel this is probably the Councils preferred option and genuinely feel that this is a box ticking exercise and you will do what you want to do, which will be the option that gives the Council the biggest saving!</p>
4141	<p>This will just introduce more flies and maggots and don't think this is a very good idea, as we all work full time and my children will forget. Bad enough now with flies n maggots as it is, totally disgusting, and disagree immensely.</p>
4142	<p>The introduction of weekly food recycling collections is a good idea. There are times when we produce more non-recyclable waste (such as Christmas). The 3 weekly collection frequency might cause a problem at these times.</p>
4143	<p>The food waste bin is a very poor option but the council seemed fixed upon it. I STRONGLY OBJECT TO THE IMPOSITION OF FOOD WASTE BINS. It seems highly implausible that the food waste aspect will increase the recycled percentage as much as stated. It is also unhygienic and impractical for households. We, for example, have minimal food waste while some may already compost elements of waste. Three weekly collection of larger green bins is the least wasteful option as wholesale reissue of bins is not cost efficient. Our green bin is still in good condition.</p>
4144	<p>The downside is a green collection every 3 weeks which may cause a health issue but the upside is an 80 litres per week allowance of general waste</p>
4145	<p>Revoltng. I've had experience of this in another county and don't like it. And the thought of the green bin only being collected every THREE weeks...! I feel this is a genuine step back in terms of public health and would fear vermin and maggots as a result. You may say food waste would be in a separate bin but what about cooking foil which has food waste remnants on it? What about baking parchment with cake remnants on it? What about (and I'm gagging as I write this, bins with nappies in them? I know you buy nappy sacs but not everyone is fastidious about such things. What about old, confused people or people who make a mistake? It would only take a few green bins which stank after three weeks to attract vermin and innocent people in the same neighbourhood who are using the system properly would be affected also. Am very much against it.</p>

4146	<p>NOT HAPPY! There is only 2 of us in this household so the amount of food waste for recycling is absolutely minimum.....but we still manage to fill the green bins up - requiring emptying every 2 weeks. Very many people do a lot of shopping on-line these days, which usually means the amount of packaging has increased. Where possible, we recycle as much as possible but unfortunately there are always items, such as plastics, that cannot be recycled and end up in the green bin. My honest opinion is that the green bin must still be collected/emptied every 2 weeks.</p> <p>(And what about bigger families, Christmas periods, bank holidays etc when people tend to spend more on food and presents etc!). You should be targeting businesses and restaurants, takeaways etc that create a hell of a lot more waste than householders.</p>
4147	<p>It seems to me that the council are merely ' paying lip-service ' ( yet again ) , and this proposal will be implemented anyway, regardless of what Joe Public may think. Excuse my cynicism but.....on past experience ?</p>
4148	<p>Would opt to keep large green bin. Why can't we recycle tinfoil if we can recycle tins? This will never bio-degrade if taken to landfill and might save us buying in steel from abroad.</p>
4149	<p>Will the food caddy going in the kitchen be air tight and likewise the lockable food waste container, this will be necessary to prevent smells in the home and outside. If so can't see any objection.</p>
4150	<p>Overall I would prefer NO CHANGE, but would chose option 1.</p>
4151	<p>The bottom line is, we don't tend to throw food away. If we do, it's very small amounts very infrequently. We don't buy more food than we need and we freeze a lot of stuff for later. Anything we do throw away we make sure it's put in the composting bin if appropriate. Therefore we don't need a food waste container at all. We already subscribe to the garden waste disposal route so all our other organic waste is dealt with that way, and we are very hot on the recyclable waste. All in all, cutting down on our green bin capacity seems to be a kick in the teeth for us diligent recyclers. I object to the changes because I believe rather than alter the collection routine the Council should be educating people a bit more on the root cause i.e. wasting too much food in the first place.</p> <p>In 21st Century Britain, we should not be chucking good food away simply because we've not had the foresight or judgement regarding the amounts we can consume.</p>
4152	<p>Whatever I say you'll make your own mind up. But don't make things too complicated or they won't get used at all. Locks etc will deter use. I'd prefer a smaller bin emptied alternate weeks than every three weeks. Don't slack in the services over xmas/new year either as you usually do as food debris will stink.</p>
4153	<p>We understand the need to stop waste. We rarely throw away cooked food, and all of our raw vegetable matter goes to our garden compost. However any improvement in waste and recycling is to be encouraged, and we would of course use the caddy system. We would elect to keep the 240Lt bin.</p>
4154	<p>Food waste - Bigger/More caddies for large families Elderly will not be able to do this</p> <p>Grey Bin - is already fortnightly and for families with 3+ children this will be a nightmare with 1 bin and some will need 2 bins</p>
4155	<p>As far as our household is concerned there will be very little food waste, if any. There are only two of us plus the dog, who eats scraps anyway. The idea of three week bin collections for household waste is horrendous, blaming EU directives doesn't wash with me. Our bin is always full after two weeks, what are we supposed to do? go flytipping? If the council members haven't the wit or wisdom to sort this problem out to the satisfaction of the public, then they are not fit for purpose.</p>
4156	<p>Green Bin still needs to be collected every two weeks, We quite often have to take excess unrecyclable rubbish to the tip inbetween collection.</p> <p>We have never had a brown bin collection, was not included in the collection rounds when this service was free, therefore our garden waste goes in the green bin.</p> <p>There will be weeks that both Green and Grey Bins are collected!!!! two bins out on the pavement blocking pedestrians, Refuse collection personnel refuse to empty bin if left within gate opening!!!!</p>

4157	<p>This is an awful option - it is already really difficult to ensure that waste can be collected if you miss a week e.g. when away on the specified collection day you could be left waiting up to 4 weeks to get your bin collected. If you move to a three weekly collection then if a household is unable to put their bin out on the specified week they could be forced to wait up to 6 weeks before their bin could be emptied. Whilst neighbors can sometimes be relied upon to put bins out for you there are many occasions (especially during eg. school holidays) when we will be away at the same time as neighbors meaning there is no one to put the bins out.</p> <p>I think three weekly collection would also become very difficult for residents to keep track of which bin should be put out when. This will particularly cause difficulty for older residents I believe.</p> <p>I also think that by collecting food waste separately whilst a good thing, this will not significantly decrease the volume of waste in the green bin as in the case of our bin, the majority of the contents are not food, but un-recyclable packaging. If you will to decrease the volume of this waste going to landfill then you need to focus on improving the recycling facilities so that items such as yogurt pots can be recycled as they are made from a recyclable material. In my opinion neither option is suitable.</p>
4158	The size of the bin makes it my preference for option 1.
4159	<p>The green bin collection switching to every three weeks will increase problems with pest control and fly tipping. Whilst you do answer this in the Q&amp;A section, your answers are bland, free of actual facts and are based upon optimistic hopes rather than real expectations.</p> <p>Furthermore you are giving me two new bins for food. Where am I meant to put these ? They will be in the way in the kitchen or the side path. If left in the front of the house with the other three bins, their size means they can be easily stolen. Will you replace them free of charge ?</p> <p>I do not agree with this proposal.</p>
4160	I can see the logic but option 2 makes more sense in the longer term
4161	prefer option 2- see answer.
4162	inconvenient and messy, also un- hygenic
4163	I think this is a really silly thing to do as the green bin would sink after three weeks and people would dump rubbish.
4164	I don't think a 3 weekly collection for green bins is a good idea. Will be a confusing rota,
4165	<p>I do not agree with the three weekly green bin collection, we have very little food waste in our house as we only cook what we intend to eat.</p> <p>We are a family of four and our green bin is completely full every two weeks. The bin is not full of food waste it is full of materials / packaging that is currently not recycled by Wirral Council.</p> <p>Therefore, every week I will be forced to take bays of rubbish to a waste collection point, which in turn increases my carbon footprint and pollution.</p> <p>Fly tipping will certainly increase.</p> <p>This decision needs to be reconsidered. I support the need for recycling but not when my bin is full of materials (not food) that the Council will not recycle.</p>
4166	<p>Grey Bin should be collected every 3 weeks and Green Bin should be left at every 2 weeks. Why not go back to allowing us to put peelings etc in the Brown Bin as you did before. That was great and seemed to work really well. We are getting ever more bins and houses are not equipped to store all these bins.</p> <p>What happened to Government's suggestion that bins should be emptied weekly.</p>
4167	No real objection but would prefer option 2.
4168	Would I still be able to keep my second green bin as I have been approved for it through my youngest child medical condition, also I have 2 autistic children who waste quite a bit of food, what would happen if my food container gets full before the week is out where would I put the food? I also have outside mice & fox's in my garden every day would they be able to gain/chew their way into this caddy if it's not built like the bins??.
4169	This option would be fine for us, so long as the food waste bin was big enough and could actually take all the food waste, not just some of it
4170	<p>This appears to be the better, less expensive option. Save money on new bins and subsidize the garden waste collections perhaps?</p> <p>The real culprit in all this is packaging. Manufacturer's and shippers (such as Amazon and toy manufacturer's should be penalized for producing excessive packaging).</p>
4171	I find the idea of keeping food waste in the kitchen for up to a week abhorrent, particularly in warmer weather.

4172	Food waste collection is a good plan my concern is that the amount of none recycleable waste is greater than food waste The two week green bin collection works at present but if it were moved to three weeks or more we would struggle to fit waste into the bin.
4173	Excellent plan and happy for green bin to be reduced in size. See below
4174	Three weeks is too long a period and the bins will smell awful even with less food waste inside. I'll be a registered childminder by time this is in place meaning ill have a lot of dirty nappies!
4175	The green bin being collected every 3 weeks is absolutely ridiculous - rats, maggots.... overflowing rubbish blowing through the street. That's what will happen. We fill our green bin within a week - and that is not through food wastage. We are appalled by these suggestions. I pay council tax and expect a decent service. The changes listed above will not deliver this. We often have to take rubbish to the local tip as it is - something I don't want us to have to do more of as full time working parents. Please please reconsider the suggested changes. They won't be advantageous!  Keep things the same!!!!!!!!!!!!
4176	This option cuts the household waste collection by 1/3 and is unacceptable.The waste food component of our household waste accounts for a minute proportion of the total. Food and other non-recyclable packaging should be reduced by retailers before householders are further inconvenienced. We have a very small kitchen. You do not state whether the caddy will be for the floor or counter-top. Neither option would be desirable.  This option cuts the household waste collection by 1/3 and is unacceptable.
4177	Some of the items that will still go in the green bin, such as food wrappers, will include food residue, so a collection every 3 weeks could lead to increased infestation by flies in the summer. I think Option 2 would be the better option.
4178	Collection of Green Bin every 3 weeks is unacceptable, the green bin will still be used for things such as nappies, animal faeces etc, this type of rubbish does not want to be left for 3 weeks, especially in the summer months.  I also do not believe that the amount of green bin waste will be reduced at the level you are suggesting, this will lead to people putting rubbish in incorrect bins, or excess bags of rubbish lying around when they can no longer fit into the green bin. Many people (including myself at times) already struggle with a fortnightly collection.
4179	I dont really like this option as 3 weeks is a long time. If you forget one week it would be 6 weeks before the bin would be collected.
4180	Three weeks is too long between collections
4181	It is important that food waste is collected weekly. Since fortnightly collections of general waste were introduced we have had distressing instances of maggotts.  I would prefer to keep the large green bin to allow more flexibility when I have more or bigger general waste
4182	I have no preference between option 1 and 2
4183	Totally reject. It is bad enough with smells after two weeks let alone three weeks.

4184	<p>The target will be totally arbitrary and I'm not committed to it  We have negligible food waste so it's simply not an issue for me  3 ugly bins is more than enough , I do not want a fourth, and am not clear where and how I will accommodate it. Just what will I have to change to accommodate something that I don't need , don't want and will achieve nothing ?  The cost of implementing this will take a long time to recoup in the arbitrary value of recycling  While I could be conscientious in managing a waste food bin not all will be and concentrated mismanagement of this will lead to rat and other infestation.</p> <p>Overall I'm not at all content with Wirral Council and anecdotal reports via those who work there point to a badly run and managed organisation focused on those who are employed there and not service and those who are paying for that service.</p> <p>Dare I suggest you take a look at continental models....without an expensive overseas jolly of course and it will be discovered that in Europe such service is delivered both more efficiently and at much less cost.</p> <p>Of course I accept that this consultation is a sham and mere self fulfilling box ticking and my views matter not one jot and will change nothing.</p>
4185	I still dont agree with charging for Brown Bin collection - i think it is unfair on elderly and disabled residents who have no other way to dispose of garden waste
4186	prefer option 2 - think it is easier to remember a twice weekly collection , three weeks is harder to remember which bin is going out (bins in alternate weeks easier to remember, than two different schedules) .
4187	This option sounds complicated with weekly, fortnightly and every three weeks for each bin! However, the 240ltr bin fits in our brick built outside area perfectly so I do not fancy changing to a smaller one. Plus, the cost to the Council would be less significant if most households kept the current sized bins.
4188	<p>Living elsewhere I have been used to food recycling in the past, together with fortnightly collections of grey and green bins. I have no problem with that but I have been monitoring the amount of food waste that goes into my green bin. In an average week it consists of a handful of potato peelings and some cauliflower leaves. That is all. The vast majority of the green bin content is non-recyclable plastic waste from supermarkets. My 240 litre green bin fills with this every two weeks. Having different cycles for the two bins will make it difficult to get the right bins out on the right days because some weeks both will be collected and some weeks neither.</p> <p>In my opinion the Councils should be putting pressure on the food packers and supermarkets to only use recyclable packaging rather than cause difficulties for residents who have little control over the amount of non-recycable waste of which they have to dispose.</p>
4189	A bad idea, every three weeks for a green bin is terrible the bin will be too full and smell, it will also be harder to track which week we're up to. We already compost our food waste so have no need for another bin.
4190	We already recycle food waste and place in our compost bin. It's not as inclusive as the proposal appears to be I admit but I wonder if the smaller bin would be adequate for fortnightly collections as our green bin is pretty full by the time it's emptied every 2 weeks.
4191	<p>Option 1 preferable - reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) cost savings ie would negate requirement for procurement of new 140 litre bins for every household. Would rather this than any increase in council tax!</li> <li>2) re-cycling - does option 2 not cause a big issue of having to destroy old 240 litre bins? Can they be re-cycled? Would option 2 not cause another issue in terms of waste?</li> <li>3) 3 weekly cycle is fine for non food items and green bins should contain very little. Also wouldn't this save on fuel costs for collecting vehicles + carbon footprint?</li> </ol> <p>Therefore agree option 1 as long as cost effective, fuel efficient and doesn't put any re-cycling council workers out of a job!</p>
4192	I work shifts away from home if I miss a collection it will be 6 weeks, already lost a grey bin after it blew away in bad weather that hasn't been replaced will the same happen with a smaller bin ? I don't use the brown bin as that is a back door increase in council tax for something I was already paying for and I'm not the only person so maybe that's why your recycling plans are falling short of your targets ! That said prefer this option over the other as I keep the larger green bin. Your collectors won't like having two lots of grass cuttings in the bin when they collect though !
4193	I think 3 weekly collections is not enough, I know food waste will be taken weekly but there will be some waste which will smell encouraging scavengers.



4194	I seem to remember you trying this before with a small brown caddy and that didn't last, looks like yet another person high up looking for stripes waste of money setting it up, try spending the money on other projects instead of getting rid of staffing levels all the time
4195	I hate the thought of having a caddy in the kitchen! I wrap everything already to avoid smells! I am a 72 year old and I do recycle, my property is first floor and I have visions of even more trips up and down stairs! I do worry about how this will work, I have had 2 letters telling me that my bin hasn't been emptied because there were things in it that shouldn't be! My bin has always been emptied my neighbor who lives beneath me had the full bins I had the letters !!!!
4196	Absolutely ridiculous with no consideration for families. 3 week cycle for emptying green bin is ludicrous. I will not be keeping a container in my kitchen with food waste for a week. Just encourages ants and other infestations. Brown bin costs has spiralled. Even the web site this year showed an incorrect price for annual cost. Leave the collections as they are. At the moment it is easy to remember the collection date being every other week. This is going to cause more fly tipping as people forget the green collection date. Appalled By this proposal
4197	We do not bin much food and our green bin is always full. Despite trying all kinds of things the green bin gets infested with maggots in the summer. We don't need less space or longer between collections. Why not drop the charge on brown bin to increase the amount of recycling.
4198	The picture shows only a tiny blue bin, which is presumably the one for food waste. What happens if this becomes full?
4199	The first of two ridiculous options. A third of my rubbish is food?, oh to have the luxury of throwing out such an amount, some of us can manage our food buying and consumption. Some food waste such as uncooked vegetables and egg shells go in the compost, something else I have managed to do without being bullied into it. I assume that the issue of food waste bags is ongoing, but I cynically suggest that once the initial supply has been used up, it becomes another addition to our shopping list. I also imagine that these bags are recyclable, unlike the present ones. Household rubbish consists of a lot more than just packaging, and like most people, I object to paying exorbitant council tax rates for the dubious privilege of taking my rubbish to the tip. Can you guarantee that your jobsworth binmen will take the extra bags which will inevitably be left on the top of the smaller bins instead of just throwing them on the ground, as is the current policy.
4200	Am happy with the food collection
4201	I would prefer this option, keeping the larger green bin.
4202	Good plan and fully support the option
4203	Please keep the same size bin on a biweekly collection. I do not understand how can it be justified to retire over 100,000 plastic bins. I would assume that the bins will be recycled in some form, but the waste of energy to do so will be huge!  If bins are, as you say, coming to the end of their life replace them as needed. Also if the food waste scheme really does what you hope it will people will have less waste anyway and will not be filling their bin.  I think just informing people that a bin can only be 2 thirds full, or there will be an additional charge of £5. Warning sticker placed on the bin first time, letter through the door second and a £5 fine for each subsequent infringement. Bin replaced if fine unpaid.  But please do not waste the money and energy replacing all the bins on the Wirral just for a tick on a spreadsheet. "We have reduced every households waste by 100litres!" It really doesn't make environmental sense. Thank you.
4204	I am very proud of the fact that even though I am single and live alone, I do not waste food. £60 a month, the waste from a family for a month, is half my monthly food budget. I do not consider myself on the breadline but merely use all the items I buy, either when cooked or reprocessed into something later in the week. I also try to buy fresh items when possible. I believe food waste will be reduced by improving education of people, not giving a plethora of additional plastic bins. Also, will the supply of liners for the food bin be topped up as they are used up. I have no real issue with the three weekly collection except that getting the right day would require a complex calendar. Additionally, at holiday times it could mean a 6 week gap if a collection was missed.

4205	This seems the sensible solution to me.
4206	I have no food waste. I buy it, I cook it, I eat it. The food bin will never get used.
4207	to go to a 3 weekly green bin collection its not just food waste you need to improve on.  you need to improve the options for recycling certain items that bulk up the green bin such as - aerosols, food packaging, yoghurt pots, butter tubs, tetra paks, and plastic tubs from fruit & veg etc.
4208	Whether, or not the proposed scheme will work for our household is difficult to assess as we throw very little food away. However, on the face of it this seems a sensible scheme. Although, I'm not sure that collection of the larger bin every three weeks also assumes that the average household is in fact the norm.
4209	This sounds the most cost effective way. Less man hours and more environmentally friendly, with less journeys.
4210	The idea of not collecting waste bins for three weeks appalls my wife and myself. We ensure that all waste is in plastic bags when we put it in our green bin but unpleasant smells still emanate from it so we have placed the bin well away from the bungalow to avoid infiltration of nasty odours into our home.
4211	I think it is totally unacceptable to have waste collected every three week. I appreciate that having waste collected weekly is not an option and adopting a two week collect cycle is the best compromise.
4212	this option suits this household better
4213	Will you monitor this option ? we have a communal back yard and I am worried that people may not bother with food caddy and bin so food could still go in bigger bin. This could lead to issues with smells and vermin
4214	Totally against the option of the food waste initiative - this will not work!! Householders will opt to continue using their green bins for food waste which, with a collection every three weeks, will encourage vermin, flies and maggots.
4215	This seems to be a sensible option as there would not be the added cost of new bins.
4216	I like the idea of recycling food, but not having my green bin emptied every other week is not an option for us. I also don't like that I have to store waste food in the house.
4217	This would be acceptable to me. But i am still unhappy about paying for the collection service of the Brown bin this should have remained free with the amount of council tax i pay.
4218	Surely costs would be reduced by just exchanging large for smaller bins when the larger bins become damaged and the collection service identifies the need for replacement. Our household (and surely some others) already composts all garden and food waste, so a waste food caddy may not apply. A properly communicated 'war on waste' must help! We have not joined the council 'Garden Waste Club' because 'our' largest volume of such waste falls on our property from overgrown 'council' owned roadside trees, which seriously need thoroughly trimming.
4219	Why cannot the green bin be emptied every week along with the food waste? It would certainly be more cost effected.
4220	Unsuitable as I don't put out bins for every collection. Work can also mean I am away on collection days so I could miss 2 or 3 food collections in a row therefore leaving me no choice but to put food waste in the green bin for purely hygiene reasons.
4221	This is another degradation of our current service to try to achieve a 50% recycle target! There must be other ways for this to be achieved and we have to question if the cost of achieving this target is acceptable. Who's target is it and how is it measured?
4222	My green bin is still in good condition and to replace at this time I would consider this a waist of money,however to have a replacement system in place for one replacement when this bin sees the end of its useful life span could be an option at no cost to the householder.  As far as food waste is concerned as stated this should cut down fly and maggot infestation in the green bin's, Again a commitment by the council to supply liner bags and the weekly collection permanently without charge (unlike the brown bins) otherwise this scheme will end up back in the green bin.
4223	I am very much in favour of recycling but collecting the green bin every three weeks is unacceptable.
4224	Prefer Option 2
4225	We have very little waste food and in fact our green bin is seldom more than a third full every 2 weeks, so would have no problem with a 3 weekly collection.

4226	<p>We already have 5 bins, 3 of which are garden bins, we don,t want any more</p> <p>We don,t waste food ,any , such as there is goes in the compost</p> <p>The green bin is fully utilised.</p> <p>Please don,t disguise a cut in service as some sort of saintly desire to recycle</p>
4227	<p>No, not a good idea.</p> <p>This would also mean that Green and Grey bins would be collect on the same day every so often.</p>
4228	<p>We have virtually no food waste as there are only two of us, and we have pets that consume any surplus so don't feel a food waste bin necessary. I would be against a 3 weekly green bin collections as we fill it every week with pet waste which can't be recycled to my knowledge. We recycle as much as we can. No problem with the grey and brown bins continuing as they are.</p>
4229	<p>I wouldn't be happy about keeping cooked food waste in or outside the house as this could cause excess of flies and vermin.</p> <p>Those who have a family might find that it would be too much organising to remember to lock and unlock a container</p> <p>Too many containers to be put outside each property looks bad and dependent on the style of house e.g terraced impractical.</p> <p>What does animal foods count as? Cat's and dog's.</p>
4230	<p>We do not have much food waste need a large green bin to collect all packaging that can not be re-cycled - I feel manufacturers should be made to cut down on the amount of packaging used or change to green packaging. once again the onus is put on the consumer !!</p>
4231	<p>I don't think 3 weekly collections will be enough for the green bins</p>
4232	<p>Facility for food reprocessing excellent idea.</p> <p>3 weeks collection is not because:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Longer period could lead to greater health and poor local environmental issues.</li> <li>2. Irregular (no pattern to easily remember) and longer periods will lead to missing putting bins out exacerbating 1. above.</li> <li>3. Highly probable to increase fly tipping.</li> </ol> <p>Don't understand why new food bin being linked with changes to green bin.</p> <p>Looks to me like attempt to reduce costs by 'piggy backing' on another issue to confuse and reduce objections.</p>
4233	<p>Waste of public money and a health and safety concern</p>
4234	<p>Option1 is the most sensible .It is my belief that most well managed families do not have any sizable quantities of waste food.A smaller green bin is most likely to give rise to problems of complaint and perhaps be a reason for illegal tipping due to the large quantities of plastic wrappings and containers that households gather these days</p>
4235	<p>Happy with food recycling proposal, but concerned about cost of weekly collection.</p> <p>Green bin will be full within 3 weeks (we do not generate a huge amount of food waste). Where will the excess refuse go? If away on collection day, that would be 6 weeks between collections.</p> <p>Garden waste should be restored to free service</p>
4236	<p>not sure what would go into the food caddy ,is it bones?,cooked food waste?</p> <p>I have a compost heap and put into it used tea bags ,vegetable peel and shredded paper from the house along with some weeds and clippings from the garden which I realise makes my personal recycling higher than you know about..</p> <p>I do not fill either bin very full and have had built a bin shed with 3 compartments but do find the green one is sometimes smelly I realise if there was less food waste in it that would generally cure that ,however in households different to mine for example ones where babies nappies are a frequent disposed of items collecting every 3 weeks could be an issue for the same reason..</p>
4237	<p>We are a retired couple so our ratio of food to non food waste is low so this option would not be advantageous to us.</p>
4238	<p>I am opposed to the idea as it means yet another large bin outside of my house, also my green bin is almost overflowing now, never mind if it's emptied less often. Food waste does not take up that much room, it's a lot to do with the other non recyclable waste.</p>
4239	<p>I am not in favour of leaving a bin with 3 weeks worth of rubbish festering. I would be concerned about the risks to public health, particularly in summer months.</p>
4240	<p>You would be better to include plastics in the recycling process like Cheshire this would reduce amounts drastically. I worry about the increase in foxes from Storeton Woods. We are overrun with them already. Separate food recycling would entice them more .</p>

4241	I compost vegetable wate anyway, and generally there is limited non-compostable food waste. May be chicken bones after boiling for stock, or plate scrapings. There needs to be a campaign about how to use food effectively to reduce waste. The real issue relates to the grey bin and the wide range of items that are clearly capable of being recycled, but are apparently not capable of being dealt with by the waste disposal authority. This is an unacceptable situation and should be the priority for resolution. Basically if an item has a recycle symbol on it, it should go in the grey bin...no exceptions. There must also be a real effort to resolve the packaging industry's tardy response to the labelling of packaging. It's often quite hard to see the recycle info, then to decipher what it means.....and too much packaging anyway. I think your priorities are wrong and will only have a marginal impact.
4242	Three weeks is too long for household waste to remain uncollected. Not happy with this proposal.
4243	Would like to keep existing bin. why waste more money collecting big bins and having to buy thousands of smaller bins extra cost of disposable of old bins. 2 extra cost to council no need for it
4244	We do not have any food waste food we eat it and compost peel etc .  I would keep bigger green bin.  What cost is involved to set this up what cost to travel to widnes and you are increasing traffic and air polution on roads
4245	I don't feel we need a food waste container. We hardly throw any food waste in the green bin. We have a compost bin for vegetable,fruit and tea leaves.
4246	3 weeks is a long time to wait for this bin to be emptied especially if you already keep food wastage to a minimum. We pay for our brown bin but I know lots of people who do t and just put it in their green bin would making the brown bin free again encourage others to use green bin less?
4247	The collection every 3rd week of genieral waste will only increase the the need for either more visits to the local tip or waste finding its way on the floor and thus increasing the posibility of vermon. You have removed the free collection of the brown waste and it would be interesting to know how this has affected the recycling %. Food waste is only a very small part of our families genieral waste the majority is packaging that is not allowed in the grey bit.
4248	Is it worth spening my time giving you feedback as you never listen to residents only when you want reelecting.  This option sounds the best and less costly. STOP wasting our money!!!!
4249	We are in favour of staying with 2 week collections and we do not want 3 week collections. The current system works why change it!!!! So stop meddling with the system which has been working very well, and perhaps put your Council energies (and money) into our roads and footpaths which look like some third world countries infrastructure.
4250	This would be my personal choice, however in the grand scheme of things the extra pollution caused by yet another refuse collection vehicle belching diesel fumes negates any green benefits.
4251	I already recycle everything possible and have very little food waste. My green bin is always full after two weeks, despite this. I do not think I should have to pay for the brown bin service, or should at least be able to pay for only a six month service at a lower price.
4252	Having lived in Bristol where this scheme exists I can tell you it is disgusting and residents hate it. They have kept their 240 litre bins and it is collected every 2 weeks. It stinks in Bristol due to food bins. Residents will simply not do this, you are wasting your time and our money.
4253	Why not increase range of recyclable materials such as margarine tubs.
4254	Think the 3 weekly collection is too long.
4255	Q1 - Will there be a proportionate reduction in the current Council Tax due to the extra income paid to WBC for the waste supplied to the energy producer who will also be making a profit from the energy produced.  Q2 - Can the income received from the energy producer be used to re-introduce free Brown Bin collections as again this would improve WBC's recycling rates.  3 week collections for green bin collection period is too long as neither the proposed food collection or current recycling collection (grey bin) are sufficiently advanced to prevent the need for food contaminated, human/medical waste to be collected at the current 2 week period which during warm conditions still causes issues with odour and vermin, if this option is approved fly tipping will be inevitable.
4256	Out of the two this is better and will expect a reduced council tax after the food waste is sold to Widnes.

4257	I do not think either option 1 or 2 are appropriate. I have a full green & grey 240l bin every two weeks and i do not have any food waste. My food waste is given generally to my dogs if there is any waste at all. It would be more appropriate for me if you increased the green bin collection to every week and scrapped the food waste caddy idea. How much exactly will the introduction of the food caddy cost to the authority?
4258	Think the 3 weekly collection is too long.
4259	I want to keep my existing 240l bin and have it collected every two weeks.  I would like the stickers stating what can be recycled on the grey bins renewing every 6 months.  The indoor caddy will not work for me unless it is pet proof. I don't see why the food waste bag cannot go inside the grey bin or the green bin which could then all go into the digester.  We haven't we got our own digester it should be cost negative ie WBC should make a profit out of it long term?  Why are we not collecting oils and garden matter to go into the digester which have a high calorific content? Milk also has a high calorific content.
4260	why don't you just keep things the same with a 2 week collection for each bin which appears to work perfectly well without incurring any additional costs for everybody as someone will end up paying, so why waste money trying to collect more waste. The overall result wont make any difference no matter what size the bin is. This just appears to me to be a complete waste of council money - indirectly the council tax
4261	Prefer this option as we don't have that much food waste.
4262	I don't waste food and would not want a caddy in my kitchen. I don't want a food bin .
4263	disgusting!!!!!!in summer the smell will be awfull and will attract flies and rotting waste in a bin in the kitchen is vile!!!We live by woodland it will attract vermin and squirrels and foxes what a bright idea that is!NOT!
4264	I think this will generate more rubbish on the streets due to bin overflowing.. Why provide free green bins, this will encourage people to recycle more.
4265	Every 3 weeks is a too big of a gap between it being emptied,even though in theory it should not contain anything 'nasty' they will smell and end up with maggots in them. Imagine missing a collection you would have to wait too long for th next .
4266	We think it's a great idea for food recycling - we are happy to keep our existing green bin on a 3 week collection as it is in good working order but we think you need to implement a system which is most cost effective
4267	Option 1 is useless. I can't speak for other households but 30% of our green bin contents is NOT food waste - neither by volume nor by weight. What DOES go in our green bin is all the unasked for and unwanted PACKAGING that is not recycled. So having the green bin emptied only once every three weeks will not do.
4268	3 weeks is too long to go between collections. Bins they contain nappies etc will smell and heat up in summer months.
4269	Would be happy to opt for Option 1 to enable the council to meet it's target
4270	We waste very little food! All our vegetable waste is composted, otherwise it is just odd scraps and bits of stale bread. A food waste container will, therefore, have very little to put in it.  On the other hand, our green bin is often full, even though we put very little food waste in it. A 3 weekly collection may cause a problem for us but I imagine more so for families with children. It will encourage people to overload their bins and increase litter and fly-tipping?
4271	We as a family do not waste food. I do use my general waste bin to capacity. Extending this to 3 weeks I anticipate will cause me an issue.
4272	This may be confusing due to every three weeks and the other grey bun being every two
4273	We are already paying for these collections and a reduction in service should see a lowering of council tax. Now we are out of Europe (almost) we should make our own decisions. The council should invest in a full recycling plant, the millions we are told is and is going to be spent on landfill will make it a profitable business and create employment.  Once again the council have made the decision and we are left with Hobson's choice - I think collections should be weekly for general waste in the full size bin. I DO NOT WANT ANOTHER RECEPTICAL FOR WASTE IN or AROUND MY PROPERTY
4274	This would be my preferred option
4275	I do not have any space in my kitchen for another bin and already have 3 bins in my driveway which look unsightly. Do not want another one, thank you.

4276	Otion 1 would most probable benefit larger family
4277	I would not be happy with having my green bin emptied once every 3 weeks. This would have serious public health issues.
4278	So what happens to all the carbon tied up in the green bins that you are going to throw away? This seems to be the Achilles heel of the whole project. You will need to explain this as others will raise the question.
4279	<p>I will not keep a container for waste food in my kitchen.</p> <p>I have no problem separating waste food for recycling but would only use an outside container. We would not however, produce enough to warrant a weekly collection although this is probably necessary for hygiene purposes.</p> <p>At times a 3 weekly collection of the green bin would be sufficient but there are occasions when it may prove problematic.</p> <p>Separating waste food would not reduce the contents of our green bin very much.</p>
4280	I don't waste much food and have no room to store more containers
4281	Slightly concerned we will have an overflowing bin as we don't throw out too much food & are already good at recycling
4282	I will welcome the idea of a food caddy my sister lives in an area that has it and she doesn't have any problems with flies or maggots or smells which is the problem a lot of people are concerned about its just hygiene to keep those at bay...I don't like the idea of 3 weekly collection for the green bin as I think that will cause problems with the likes of nappies and doggy bags...
4283	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. There is very little vegetable waste in our household.</li> <li>2. These small caddies, collected everyweek, will disappear or get lost when left ready for collection.</li> <li>3. A cycle of three weeks collection for the remainder will be impossible to remember and will be missed more often than not. This will result in overfilled bins on the sixth week if we remember that date.</li> <li>4. The effort required to separate food stuffs from the rest of the waste is outweighed by the trouble it will cause.</li> </ol> <p>This stems from an EU directive. We are in a Brexit world!  Leave the existing system as it is, it works reasonably well, we can just about remember which bins to put out each monday and that is complicated enough!</p>
4284	I think this is excetable charging for garden waste is still NOT excetable as waste collection is included in our council tax so if you are going to charge for private collection then everyone who does not use this service should have the reduction in their council tax. Paying for a service you don't use is unethical so is paying privately for a service that is included in everyone's tax.
4285	I prefer this option 1 as I want to retain the larger green bin.
4286	I would prefer to retain the two week collection period for the green bin. I welcome the separate food collection - it may help me realize just how much food I throw away.
4287	I prefer this option. It does not involve replacing the current green bin. I welcome food waste collection. I would like to be able to recycle small plastic items. Thank you.
4288	Can we have the full ten options. Two options is no option.
4289	My family struggle with green bin collection every 2 weeks never mind every 3!
4290	How big will the outdoor food waste container be as in the local press it has only shown the indoor caddy?
4291	Will liners for the caddy continue to be supplied/free? I think this is asking for a vermin problem, despite being lockable. This is the best of two poor options!
4292	I am really glad to hear that a food waste collection is to be introduced. As a 1 person household probably option 2 is best for me though I do not mind either.
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4294	You don't need me to tell you that moving to a three weekly collection for the green bin is outrageous. You know that it will lead to the private sector stepping in as elsewhere in the country, as well as flytipping. Apart from that , the other proposals are fine
4295	Don't like the thought of rotting food waste.

4296	We already struggle with fortnightly collections and this is a further degradation of service. It appears to be driven by cost reduction as much as recycling targets
4297	Just back from holiday in Devon and they had food recycling caddy, such a good idea. We have a large dog and don't have much actual food waste, but every little helps.
4298	i think using option one would probably cause confusion . Sticking to two week collections using smaller bin would be easier and encourage more recycling.
4299	Great idea I think the food bin needs to be collected every week
4300	3 weekly collection is unacceptable and will encourage insects, vermin and foxes. Totally unhygienic as it will be overflowing.
4301	We should recycle more plastic. Eg meat trays, marg and butter pots, plastic pots from salad, yogurt pots. Please correct me if we already able to recycle these.
4302	3 weeks too long between collections for general waste. Why not change grey bin collection to every 3 weeks.
4303	sounds good in theory but shops should use recyclable materials for packaging .If your an average family 2 adults and 2 children then a smaller bin would not be sufficient and a larger bin would be kept too long at 3 weeks and what if they have a dog with dog mess in their bin. I don't think this is a good idea. I don't have a brown bin but if I had a garden I don't see why they should pay extra for a brown bin as they usually pay more in council tax.
4304	We currently compost all of our food waste but still have full / over full green bins fortnightly , there is no way we could go to a three weekly collection
4305	We would be happy with this arrangement which we believe would have a lesser cost impact for our council with the added benefits of waste food being recycled.
4306	People may forget to put their green bin out as every 3 weeks may confuse them. Also some weeks there may be 3 bins put out, that would be too many, I struggle to find space at the bottom of my drive to put 2 bins out
4307	My family do not have food waste for disposal. Any food waste is fed to the chickens. Any food that can't be fed it disposed via the waste disposal unit in our kitchen. All bones are grinded up via the waste disposal unit.  Collecting food waste will be messy, could allow wild animals to forage during the night for food easily, rats, mice and foxes will think its Christmas every night. Not everyone will close the lids on their container. Staff who are employed to pick up this waste will go of sick with illnesses causing delays in service. My neighbor fills her green bin within 2 days and piles up the bags around and on top of the bin that allows wild animals to rip the bags open now!  Other recyclable materials need to be identified to increase the recycling.
4308	I do not agree with a three week collection as some waste ( for example babies nappies and kitty litter) festering during the hot summer weeks would not only create a revolting smell I also worry there would be health implications for some vulnerable people.
4309	I would prefer this option as a smaller green bin just isn't practical for my household
4310	best option
4311	I prefer this option. There is nothing wrong with my current green bin so why go to the expense of replacing them. There is also the risk of increased fly tipping
4312	Food waste - ridiculous idea. We have next to no food waste as most of this in our household is organic material that goes to our compost heap. Why do households have to fear the brunt of all these Council targets? What aren't companies being stopped from selling everything in so much plastic! Green bin - needs to be every two weeks .... Our green bin waste won't change because of this change. Three week collections will mean we have to go to the recycling centre by car ... His Eco friendly is that using petrol to take waste away!  SO NO TO THIS OPTION

4313	<p>Every three weeks for green bin is not often enough  Why can't that be dirt nightly like the other two  At least to start off with so you can see how people cope</p> <p>THREE WEEKS IS TOO LONG  A GAP</p> <p>Also another bin  What about the very elderly. Haven't they got enough to sort out</p>
4314	No- collection every 3 weeks will increase vermin and encourage fly tipping
4315	I think this is a really good idea We should keep the original green bins and only replace them to the smaller bin as the they become broken As the food waste is being collected weekly this will take away the risk of flies & maggots in the green bin anyway I would not be happy though if the food waste collector were to change to more than a week
4316	Every three weeks is ridiculous, you need to tell people to stop wasting food then there wouldn't be a problem.
4317	3 weeks is too long to wait for collection
4318	Sounds good. My main reservation is that if for some reason you miss a collection of the green bin there will be 6 weeks worth of non-recyclable refuse which may not all fit in.
4319	Moved from an area where this was introduced but was found to be very unpopular as messy but three weeks for green bin encouraged filth and pests..
4320	I don't mind this option as food which smalls after a bit will be collected weekly and they will be in as they will be in bags
4321	These food collection bins will get very offensive smelling after a while,would you provide a bin washing service for a small charge.
4322	We recycle food, anyway, and still need to occasionally empty the green bin ourselves within the 2-week cycle! The 3 week proposal is ridiculous!
4323	I think this is the better option, it doesn't involve replacing the existing green bin.
4324	Great idea all round. Fully support it.
4325	We have a waste disposal system so do not need a new caddy. We recycle as much as we can but with two children we fill our green bin. To move to 3 weekly collections would not be acceptable
4326	The amount we can can recycle, through the grey bin, should be brought into line with other councils where all plastic products, not just bottles, are recycled. This could drastically reduce the amount of waste in the green general waste bin. Overall, the decision to recycle food waste is a good one.
4327	I prefer collection option 2. I think the smaller bins will be quite adequate given that no food waste will be inside them and I would be unhappy with a 3 week collection for the green bin because if food waste was not cleaned out of the packaging properly, a lot of problems would occur in hot weather.
4328	I think I would find it easier to remember the old collection dates and, as I am the only resident,, I do not really need the larger green bin.
4329	<p>This option means you don't have to supply more green bins - which must be better for the environment and the cost to dispose of large green bins.</p> <p>You can also get rid of more waste per annum.</p> <p>Will have to wash/ rinse meat packaging otherwise it might get smelly.</p>
4330	I am really pleased that we're getting food recycling at last. I would prefer to keep my large green bin and have it collected as it is now but if we have to change I would go with the above option.
4331	<p>We throw away almost no food waste. We recycle everything possible for grey bin. Green bin is always quite full. So we think current system is fine.</p> <p>We do not want food waste collection.</p> <p>Option 1 would be preferable.</p>
4332	<p>Yes please.</p> <p>For now I would rather keep the bin I have , until I am sure that it will not overflow within 3 weeks.</p>
4333	I think this is a retrograde step to now have 4 bins. Are you going to reduce council tax as the voter now has to sort rubbish rather than the contractor? Three weeks between green bin collections is too long



4334	<p>The current green bin emptied currently collected every 2 weeks isn't big enough now, what happens at holiday periods. Having smaller green bins and collecting every 3 weeks will mean a significant increase in local fly tipping which is already prevalent on country lanes. If you can't control it now how are you going to control it in the future. Furthermore what happens to the surplus rubbish from bigger families who fall below the current Critea levels for an extra green bin.</p> <p>Which you</p>
4335	Not a good idea my green bin is full already and I don't have food waste as we have chickens that eat it ..
4336	No
4337	I would not accept this option. I throw very little food waste away.
4338	As a family it makes sense for us to keep the larger bin.
4339	Three weeks is too long to wait during the summer; plastic containers and nappies would still create a smell.
4340	3 weeks is too long to leave nappies in a bin, we already suffer from maggots even though our bin is clean and everything is well bagged. I also don't believe there will be enough space, even without the food waste, for 3 weeks worth of rubbish to fit in a 240 bin
4341	Use the existing green bins. They had an energy and resource cost, which should be utilised for as long as possible - many more years, in most cases.
4342	Do not think a 3 weekly collection of green bin is adequate and would prefer to remain on a 2 week cycle.
4343	<p>I don't like the idea of either option. I already recycle with the use of a compost bin in my garden all green waste is placed in this and I use this for soil improver myself every three years or so. Recycling food waste will not make a commensurate reduction to the size or frequency to the requirement or need to empty the green bin I know this. I already recycle most food waste and my green bin is already full to overflowing after two weeks because of the volume of other unrecyclable waste.</p> <p>I do not keep food waste in my house EVER it is recycled in the compost or goes straight into the green bin- how will this work , you MUST make the caddies suitable for placement outside I don't want week old food stinking in my house!!! You might just find a lot of food waste in street bins if this is to be the case as I will not keep bins in my house FULL STOP.</p> <p>Maggots are a real issue I pay for both my bins to be washed how are you going to combat that ?</p> <p>Do more to be able to recycle tetra packaging and coffee cups that would be an easier option .</p>
4344	This is my preferred option saving the council the capital costs of new green bins
4345	<p>I would prefer this option; although for a proportion of the year there are 2 people living in my home, when my children are home the green bin waste rises significantly in VOLUME. So if the collection is only every 3 weeks, a smaller bin would not be big enough. The street I live on has lots of families with children so I think this would be the case for lots of people.</p> <p>I am quite shocked to hear that over a third of waste is food; not in our house!!</p> <p>MY BIG CONCERN REMAINS ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH; with fortnightly collections many of my friends and neighbours have experienced maggot infestations of their green bins in the summer months. I personally freeze the small amounts of food waste we have and put it in the bin on collection day to avoid maggots. I hope your new system wouldn't increase the problem (SEE BELOW)</p>
4346	The lesser of two evils
4347	I don't see a need for a food waste bin what little I have the dog eats. get the manufacturers to put less packaging on their products
4348	no more this is ridiculous the place will be crawling with insects and maggots.this is a health risk who ever thought this is a idiot.
4349	As long as liners are provided to keep the food in. My concern is people throw the food straight into the bin which will increase maggots. This occurs in Chester and I am worried it will cause more problems for the council due to vermin as not everyone hold hygiene of bins on the top if the agenda
4350	I have done food recycling before in liverpool council and it became smelly and tedious. Not hygienic I thought. 3 week collections for green bins is too long. I have rabbit faeces waste which could sit there for 3 weeks and again would be unhygienic
4351	This is best.

4352	<p>This sounds OK and, on the face of it, cheaper to set up but trying to keep in synch with 3 different collection cycles might prove a problem for some residents.</p> <p>I'd also like more details on the capacity of the food bin.</p>
4353	<p>As the food waste in my home is minimal because we plan our meals around the food we have and don't ever have takeaways.</p>
4354	<p>As I have NO food waste but do own two cats, this would be an unacceptable option. The caddy would be unused and the used cat litter would be quite disgusting after 3 weeks sitting in the green bin.</p> <p>This is a resounding NO!</p>
4355	<p>I don't feel this would be a good option for households like ours that have both children's nappies and animal waste as this type of waste only being collected 3 weekly will increase in smells due to increased decomposition and therefore increase attraction to pests, this is already a problem living opposite a park. I feel that this will increase the incidents in fly tipping and as the many alleyways, including my own, aren't secured with working allay gates that are used appropriately this will place us at more risk of being target3d by fly tipping and therefore higher risk of attraction to pests and pass on incurred cost of clearing this up to the council.</p>
4356	<p>Happy to keep the current green bin especially based on the fact that collections will be reduced to 3 week cycles</p>
4357	<p>Very concerned about the hygiene issues surrounding the food collection. Not sure that that it can be successfully managed by elderly people. .</p>
4358	<p>We live in nine flats., it's difficult for residents on the higher floors now, who have age and illness problems, and get some help with their bins.</p> <p>Nine boxes of food waste rotting away in a bin stores, it would be a health and safety issue.</p>
4359	<p>I don't like the idea of 3 weekly collections of the green bin.</p>
4360	<p>Prefer collection option 1 I like the idea.</p> <p>We have a Disabled person who lives on our home and requires incontinence pads. The 240 litre bin will meet our needs better as we only just manage now so removing Food wastage will probably be - just right. But not smaller.</p> <p>Maybe 240 litre bins for Disabled &amp; babies. The smaller bin for others?</p>
4361	<p>Concern would be that some people would not segregated and/or 3 weeks is a long time to leave waste which, while not including food waste, is contaminated with food and could encourage rats and or flies</p>
4362	<p>I would like to know the dimensions of the proposed indoor caddy? Would it fit comfortably under my kitchen sink? There would be no room to store it anywhere else in my small house.</p> <p>What happens when my first supply of caddy liners runs out? Will I have to buy expensive replacements when they run out?</p> <p>Will the outside food container be robust enough to withstand the very high winds that we often have in this area?</p>
4363	<p>Not in favour, 3 weeks is too long, bin full to brim after 2.</p>
4364	<p>We have almost no food waste except for tea bags. Prefer current collection regime.</p>
4365	<p>A bgardeidea 3 week colection ! Stinking bins and maggots ! Are an issue all ready more garden waste is being placed in green bins because of charges for brown bins ! the recycle of food waste is a great idea, but once again you need more staff to accomplish this requirement.....Keep the 240 litre bins, with the fortnightly service make the brown bin a free service, and become more efficient recycling the larger volume of garden waste</p>

4366	<p>the average food waste per month certainly does not apply to us. We compost green waste, and only a small amount of food waste currently goes into our green bin. Incidentally we do not pay for the brown bin service and either taken the excess garden cuttings to the tip or put them in the green bin the later being a waste of potential recycling material. It would be of greater benefit if the recyclable items were increased.</p> <p>I am sure the council have made their decision already and any of our voices will not be heard.</p> <p>More unsightly bins for houses that were not built to accommodate them.</p>
4367	<p>I think you are wildly over optimistic in your estimates of food waste and recycling thereof. Additional small containers will be a nuisance and potential health hazards and will attract vermin.</p> <p>Why not continue to collect green bins every two weeks and collect grey bins every three weeks. IMHO grey bins are seldom full after two weeks.</p>
4368	<p>Are the liners for the food waste recyclable? If not they should be. This doesnt seem to be a good option for those with other smelly waste such as nappies. Three weeks for collection of items such as this seems too long.</p>
4369	<p>This would be my choice to retain the 240 litre green bin. But, all food waste from household is recycled via our compost bins. Thus indoor caddy and external waste container not required. Can households opt out of this and save the Council money?</p> <p>Three weekly collection of green bin would be fine for our requirements.</p>
4370	<p>There is no need to change the current green bin collection</p> <p>Introducing fiddly small bins is a waste of money</p> <p>You can only put in the bin what you have not consumed you can't magic up more waste</p> <p>The council could save money by collecting the grey bins once a month which is quite adequate and not a potential health risk such as festering rotting food in the green bins particularly over the summer months</p>
4371	<p>I don't want another bin and I certainly have no intention of placing your ugly 'caddy' in my kitchen. Though the food bin is a reasonable idea, people should be subsidised to obtain their own bin to match one they already have.</p> <p>Also, not everyone has the space for two more bins so the streets will be full of more ugly bins and the environment spoiled for ordinary people, more than its been already.</p> <p>Not everyone has a semi with a tidy drive for increased numbers of bins.</p>
4372	<p>What is the next thing we will have to do, transport the waste ourselves to the tip?...This is getting too ridiculous for words...we already have to pay for the green waste disposal which does not happen elsewhere in England as far as I am aware. This is yet another big brother tyranny imposed on ordinary people. What happens if we don't have any food waste, do we have to still put out the food waste bin to prove we don't have any or do the general waste police inspect the bins to see if we are complying with the dictats of this damned Council? If there is an error in where we dispose the waste food, are we expected to grovel in the bin to retrieve it? Do we get fined if the elderly and confused fail to comply?</p> <p>This is just a sheer waste of money and effort. The money could be better spent getting the 'out of date food' thrown out by the shops and supermarkets to recycle their waste more profitably.</p>
4373	<p>I have a tiny kitchen and I am really worried about where I am going to store an extra bin. I have so little work space/ floor space as it is.</p>
4374	<p>I think this option sounds the better of the 2 options but please dont make the recycling containers in a vivid bright colour as they have to be kept in the front of the house and look unsightly enough as it is without being brightly coloured !!</p>
4375	<p>I will deduct the appropriate amount from my Council tax to reflect the reduction in service.</p>
4376	<p>I have very little food waste so a bin would be pointless for it.</p> <p>I recycle everything possible so my green bin is rarely full but leaving the used cat litter in my bin for two weeks is bad enough the thought of it festering for three weeks...eek! I limit how much I use in the way of non recyclable bags for disposing rubbish but that would have to increase at extra cost to me to keep the smell and flies at bay by double wrapping everything.</p>
4377	<p>Does the bin size depend on household numbers? How can a house of 4 or 6 have the same bun as a single person? Surely there needs differentiated bin sizes dependent on household members??</p>
4378	<p>I hardly waste any food at all so this option would be daft as far as I'm concerned. For heaven's sake Wirral Borough Council is supposed to be short of money. When I first heard about it I thought it was a joke. Sadly not. Another bad idea from bureaucrats with nothing better to do.</p> <p>It would be a terrible chore for older people/people with mobility problems having to bend down all the time to fill the food caddy and then have to empty it and unlock/lock the bin outside, especially in the rain and during the winter when it's cold.</p> <p>Also yet another bin outside..where are we supposed to put all these bins?</p>

4379	Good idea. However, if you miss one collection, (sickness, holidays) then your green bin is not emptied for 6 weeks!! This is a real problem.
4380	3 weeks is a joke
4381	I would still be unhappy with going to a 3week collection as there are still food containers and raping bags/papers that will still cause a smell and start to rot, also bins are still going to have lot of containers such as ice cream and butter cartons, yoghurt cartons , drinks cartons the quantity of these in landfill is still going to be HIGH!!!
4382	would prefer option 1 as the bin could easily fill up with nappies extra
4383	No change!
4384	Green bins collected every 3 weeks is not a viable option. As there will still be rotting matter in the green bins like pet waste. So in summer months there will be lots of complaints and it will cost more in the long run to put emergency collections on.
4385	Less hassle to keep bigger size green bin & opt for collection every 3 weeks. Would be useful to have all the new schedules delivered to each house hold I think.
4386	My preference is option 1, I have noticed many people in my road put their bins out fortnightly whether full or not,particularly single old ladies who think it is their right to have their bins emptied fortnightly whatever the content. Furthermore this option will avoid the expense of supplying all households with new size bins. My concern is hygiene of waste food left for 1 week in a container.
4387	I like this option, but worry that a collection every three weeks for the green bin may be harder to remember. I know dates will be on the website and we could all copy what 'the neighbours' do. This seems the more cost effective option and would also mean fewer bin lorry miles and pollution.
4388	Please keep the same size bin on a biweekly collection. I do not understand how can it be justified to retire over 100,000 plastic bins. I would assume that the bins will be recycled in some form, but the waste of energy to do so will be huge!  If bins are, as you say, coming to the end of their life replace them as needed. Also if the food waste scheme really does what you hope it will people will have less waste anyway and will not be filling their bin.  I think just informing people that a bin can only be 2 thirds full, or there will be an additional charge of £5. Warning sticker placed on the bin first time, letter through the door second and a £5 fine for each subsequent infringement. Bin replaced if fine unpaid.  But please do not waste the money and energy replacing all the bins on the Wirral just for a tick on a spreadsheet. "We have reduced every households waste by 100litres!" It really doesn't make environmental sense. Thank you.
4389	This would NOT be my preferred option as we have a dog and would not want to have 3 weeks of dog waste in the green bin!
4390	Three weeks is to long between collections even without the presence of food waste. There will be containers like yogurt pots that cant be recycled that will have traces of yogurt and will attract flies. I don't like the idea of having a stinking box of rotting food sitting on my kitchen worktop.
4391	Load of rubbish! No way smelly food in waste and a 3 week collection sounds a daft idea.
4392	This could be a cheaper option as the existing green bin doesn't have to be changed, but if you miss a collection it means a total wait of six weeks, and the three-week schedule could be confusing. Also, not everybody gets the option of a brown bin which I find discriminatory.
4393	We invested in an expensive Waste Disposal Unit in the sink in our kitchen and this enables us to dispose of all food waste, apart from banana skins and onions. We are only allowed one green bin and still do not have enough room for our household waste so this latest scheme is absolutely ridiculous. We will have no food waste to put in the 'caddy' because we have paid out of our hard earned money, for an eco friendly food disposal system but will be denied even a fortnightly bin collection. I am sick and tired of stinking bins summer and winter and the summer march of the maggots out of the bins and down our path. It is absolutely disgusting and we are completely fed up with this council and their scams to wriggle of of providing the services that we pay for. I am sure this email will be ignored as it doesn't fit what you want to hear and you will trample all over democracy and plough ahead with whatever is best for the council. Pointless waste of my time.
4394	The food bin is a great idea and makes sense . The Green bin to be collected three weeks is not suitable for my family due to other household waste .
4395	Definitely don't want 3 week collection particularly in the summer! Have already had problems with maggots despite paying for bin to be washed & lined!! Think even if food removed from main bin packaging will attract flies! Have no room for Seperate food caddy in kitchen come on!!! I already 2 bins in kitchen & the front garden already looks like a waste disposal unit with 3 bins never mind an extra one!
4396	Household could cope with this option.

4397	I'm quite worried now about having my usual bin collected every 3 weeks. As it is now my bin is full every time, sometimes I have to take a bag or two to the tip myself. I have a 10 yr old boy with Autism who is in nappies and eats a lot of foods whose packaging can't be recycled such as yoghurts.
4398	Our grey recycling bin is full after one week!!! We have more recycling than food waste!!! Although we recycle everything we can, there are still a lot of things we cannot recycle so we are desperate when we fill our two green bins after two weeks! Any suggestions for what we should do with cat litter, adult pads?
4399	Makes sense. Wouldn't want a smaller bin tho.
4400	We have little or no food waste therefore we do not require a food waste bin. However we do require the green bin to be emptied as at present at least and if anything it should be weekly. Our green bin is now almost full every two weeks and we could not manage with a three week delivery. If we get any warm weather the flies start hanging around goodness knows what it would be like over three weeks. As for the brown bin it should never have altered as you did it. The fact that the wagon comes round and only collects a few bins with the same crew levels as before seems ludicrous to me and as you know I do not use the service since you started charging extra on top of the rates we already paid for the service previously.
4401	I think that the person who brought this idea to the table should be sacked. If you give us smaller bins it is obvious to anyone with a brain that it will bring spillage on the streets which will cause a rat infestation along with the flies and that smell, plus God forbid the fly tipping that will be inevitable. Please use common sense and dump this stupid idea and also my council tax pays for our refuse to be collected weekly. sorry these comments are for option 2 .
4402	240ltr. bin needs to be collected every 2 weeks. No food bin necessary.
4403	I live on my own and have a small kitchen so an added container in there would be a hazard. I hardly ever have food waste except for tea bags and the odd egg shell I do not want a large green bin.
4404	It's bad enough you only collect the bins every two weeks, now you want to make it three? Ridiculous. Keep the current bin size AND the two week collection.
4405	I already compost most of my food waste so I think this change will be unnecessary and cause a ridiculous problem with waste matter not being collected in good time.
4406	Majority of waste in my green bin is non recyclable packaging waste eg that which is contaminated by food eg cake wrappers, tea bags, plastic food tubs non recyclable, foil dog food packaging , polystyrene from parcel deliveries, dog waste. As a family we have very little if any food waste as any leftovers are frozen or given to the dogs. The only food waste is occasionally some mouldy fruit, Apple cores, orange and banana peel and some veg peelings. My concern is the dog waste whilst in bags will smell as it is bad enough smell after 2 weeks especially in the Summer months. No objection to using food bin but object to green bin being on a 3 weekly cycle.
4407	With the large sized bins we will not have room for another bin in our bin store. Another bin would have to be on view to the front of the house. Not acceptable to us or the neighborhood. Three weekly collection is too long to have rubbish standing in our bins.
4408	It is important to ensure that each household is guaranteed sufficient liners for the food bin.  I would be happy with a 3 weekly collection of the larger bin.
4409	Food waste idea OK. Plan to change Green Bin collection to 3 weeks will cause insufferable hygiene issues in summer and a lot more fly tipping all year around. The majority who will not fly tip will have to use local tips which will lead to hundreds of thousands of petrol polluting extra journeys to tips which will cause frustration among residents. A desperate & foolish idea.
4410	Collect all waste weekly, as was organised under the efficient Wallasey Borough system. Collect all waste weekly, as was done under the efficient Wallasey Borough system. And scrap any ideas of a Council Wirral Newspaper!
4411	This option is preferred because it sends a message that we need to recycle more, with tipping as a last resort.
4412	If we agree to change to a smaller green bin. How long will it be before you change that to a three weekly collection . I'm all in favour of recycling to help the environment. Although I find it hard to believe this will make much difference. There seems never to be any consideration . To where people are meant to store all these bins.
4413	I have major concerns on moving any type of waste removal to 3 weekly - this is asking for trouble - I consider many people will simply not use the food waste recycling containers and will carry on just putting all in the green bin- Leaving 3 weeks will encourage pest & disease this option definitely should not be considered
4414	It will certainly encourage fly tipping

4415	<p>Frankly I think the green bin is barely collected often enough as it is to be honest. Having someone with disabilities in the household and the nature of those disabilities has led to us producing more non-recyclable waste than the number in the household may suggest. That waste will change little with the addition of a food waste bin, which will mean trying to fit more rubbish into a smaller space. That is simply not workable. I imagine the same is true for other groups, including those with young children</p> <p>I think the council needs to look at other options - including leaving the bin situation as it is if their changes risk making the situation worse. Either one of the current proposals would result in us having to stack bin bags in the yard, which is highly unhygienic over 3 weeks; plus it'd just pile up as the rate of waste would not change.</p> <p>(To be honest, I think this would also be harder to keep track of on a 3-week rota - it's much simpler to know you put one bin out one week and the other the next week)</p>
4416	We have a disabled child and many of our friends who care and look after people with disabilities, one major concern is the nappies and incontinent pants they can fill a green bin by themselves in two weeks, waiting three will be unmanageable and very smelly. The food waste bin is a good idea. It can be used at the new power plant;)
4417	The weight may be reduced by taking out the food waste, but the volume of waste will still be very similar. A three weekly collection will not work.
4418	Too long to leave green bin between collections
4419	prefer a smaller green bin and collected every 2 weeks
4420	<p>Week 1 Grey &amp; food  Week 2 Green &amp; food  Week 3 Grey &amp; food  Week 4 Food only  Week 5 Grey &amp; Green &amp; Food  Week 6 Food only</p> <p>So every 5 weeks you will be collecting Grey AND Green AND Food Waste???</p> <p>Keeping recycling to two weekly and Green bin 3 weekly will not work, basic maths, I suspect someone is trying to pull the wool!!!!</p>
4421	The majority of my green bin waste is not food it is the non recyclable packages like tetra packs for juice, aluminium foil and plastic meat containers that a household of 5 plus 4 pets use. Surely I am not alone in this. Shouldn't you be focusing on recycling items like this rather than easily degradable things like food? Your two options are too restrictive, it is like being asked if you want coffee or tea when you actually wanted chips!
4422	Concerned about waiting 3 weeks for collections as I have pet waste that I dispose of in the green bin.
4423	As pensioners we do not have food waste as we cannot afford it so any change will affect us greatly as we do generate enough household rubbish to fill our green bin every two weeks so a three week collection period will cause us a problem.
4424	<p>I presently put all my food waste in tied plastic bags in my own kitchen bin before putting them in a larger black 'rubbish bag' which is then placed in the green bin, that is neither in my front garden or back yard but in an alley 1 house along. I do this to reduce rotting/mouldy food smells in my kitchen. Will I still be able to put food waste into a plastic bag before putting it in the lined caddy?</p> <p>Is the lined caddy large enough for food waste - such as a whole chicken carcass or turkey carcass at Xmas? The caddy doesn't look very large in the photographs.</p>
4425	Green bin should remain 240 litres and Not be replaced with a smaller one this is wasting further money our money but should still be collected every two weeks as is now.
4426	I find it repulsive food recycling and don't have enough to warrant ,change in green bin .
4427	I WOULD PREFER TO KEEP THE EXISTING GREEN BIN.
4428	Green bin should remain 240 litres and Not be replaced with a smaller one this is wasting further money our money but should still be collected every two weeks as is now.
4429	<p>Best option  but  You shouldn't made people pay for the brown bin lots of people didn't pay ; so fewer bins so less tonnage so target missed.</p>
4430	Our food waste is absolutely negligible and we are certainly not interested in a waste food caddy in our kitchen! We are assuming you do not count potato peelings, banana skins and apple cores as food waste?

4431	I don't like the idea of the green bin being emptied every 3 weeks. I often see bins overflowing after 2 weeks as it is. Not every household has got room for the large bins, then they'll have to find room for the food waste container.
4432	Either option would suit me. I have little or no food waste as I only buy what I can eat. Peelings,eggshells,teabags etc go in my compost heap. My grey bin only needs emptying every 3 months and my green bin every 2 months
4433	The majority of my rubbish in the green bin is not food but packaging which can't be recycled so the caddy would not make a difference to the rubbish in the green bin
4434	Prefer option 2.
4435	We think a 3 weekly Green bin collection will be inadequate to cope with our non- recyclable rubbish. It can just about cope with 120Litres/week----- but will be put under pressure with being only allowed the equivalent of 80Litres/ week. We currently recycle our food waste via our garden compost heap. Reducing frequency of Green Bin collection will inevitably lead to problems: Smells, increased risk of infections, increased amount of extraneous litter and rubbish lying around.
4436	Collecting food waste is a good idea, but three weekly non-recyclable waste collection is not. Large families will have overflowing bins and in the area where I live there will be more flytipping (which is a regular occurrence already )
4437	Worried about smelly stuff left for 3 weeks
4438	I don't like the idea of leaving general waste lying about for 3 weeks so have chosen option 2.
4439	A definite No to this one , the collection of my green bin every 3 weeks wouldn't be practical as at present this bin is overfilled by the 2 weeks and very little of that is food waste.
4440	We don't waste any food so would hardly use this.  The weakness in Wirrals system is the limit to what we recycle compared to other authorities.
4441	Most people would not have room or want food caddy in their kitchens. I would definitely not want one and would not have one in kitchen. I would just use the outdoor one. Think talking to friends etc most people have co-ordinated kitchens with nice appliances etc and would not be prepared to have one of these caddies in kitchen. Think people generally would not use them. Would prefer larger green bin to be emptied every three weeks. Not happy with the changes at all and would probably carry on the same as I do now. Most people have a pedal bin in their kitchens for waste and I do not think caddy idea is hygienic and flaffy so do not rate it at all, will encourage flies. I am unimpressed with the whole idea.
4442	Small, lockable food waste container for outside?!! Who has the key? How small?
4443	I currently have two green bins due to my health condition and because of nappies and dog waste this cannot be recycled so my concern is the smell and possible hygiene issues if left for 3 weeks to be collected
4444	240 litres collected every 3 weeks = 80 litres per week while 140 litres collected every 2 weeks = 70 litres per week, therefore option1 gives greater capacity (less overloading) and will avoid the necessity to replace all the green bins. This seems to me a far better option.
4445	We already attract rats the food waste will without a doubt only add to more unwanted pests carrying germs which are also then carried into the home. I don't agree with this idea at all. We eat whole food our dog eats what we leave. There is no waste. But many of the packaged items from supermarkets are non recyclable so we are left with little option but to use the green bin which is usually full and ready for a collection fortnightly. Every third week will just add to the stresses of general households. Why don't you start at the source...where our general goods are packaged instead of making it more and more difficult for Joe Bloggs. Usual poor managing of Government funding and cut backs through the council's.
4446	Two more bins to clutter up many houses and gardens or in many cases pavements, where people have nowhere else to keep them.  The current Green bin would not be big enough to contain three weeks waste so there would be many overflowing bins causing vermin and ever greater health hazards.  There is only one person at my address and my green bin is always full needing compacting even on the current two week cycle.  Absolute waste of money, the costs of scrapping the existing Green Bin and replacing it with a new smaller bin is ridicules.  This action would cause a great increase in fly tipping and other dumping or just many unsightly and unhygienic bins being left full for weeks on end.

4447	<p>Is it true that you have a reserve fund. That you can loan to other councils with interest. is the Council taxpayers money.</p> <p>I think it is disgusting that you want to reduce green bin collections from two week to every three weeks. The bin should be attached to the outside bins and collect weekly. Why should that affect other collections. We already pay extra to have garden waste collected. You should give people the option not to pay for collection, that would reduce there council bill, and they can take it to the waste disposal centre. I lived in Sefton and had this bin in the kitchen, stopped using it, as it smelled, encouraged more flies. Couldn't leave it outside, incase cats got into it. Like to know how many people they collect from, with this small bin. I work in Sefton driving around daily don't see them on collection days.</p>
4448	<p>Complete nonsense. I hardly have any food waste. Yes a caddy is a good idea, but for you to change the green bin collection is ludicrous as this still gets full with very little food waste.</p>
4449	<p>I think to collect the Green bin every three weeks is unhygienic and will lead to maggots etc.</p> <p>I pay for a brown bin but know that the majority of my friends do not and put all their garden rubbish in the green bin therefore despite what the Council say about the cost/not meeting the increased recycling targets I find is rather surprising.</p>
4450	<p>Two more bins to clutter up many houses and gardens or in many cases pavements, where people have nowhere else to keep them.</p> <p>The current Green bin would not be big enough to contain three weeks waste so there would be many overflowing bins causing vermin and ever greater health hazards.</p> <p>There is only one person at my address and my green bin is always full needing compacting even on the current two week cycle.</p> <p>Absolute waste of money, the costs of scrapping the existing Green Bin and replacing it with a new smaller bin is ridicules.</p> <p>This action would cause a great increase in fly tipping and other dumping or just many unsightly and unhygienic bins being left full for weeks on end.</p>
4451	<p>Three weeks collection for green bins will be difficult to keep track of.</p>
4452	<p>I rarely throw out food so won't have much to put in the food waste. A green bin collection every 3 weeks would work for me but it is likely to be difficult for anyone with babies and could be a health hazard.</p> <p>I only have a small courtyard garden so don't use the brown bin at all</p>
4453	<p>Don't want food waste in my kitchen thank you very much or ants and flies getting in a container outside... lockable or not insects will get in and my god there's little or no room to store the existing 3 bins. Green bin and any other container should be collected weekly! GREAT FOR THE RESIDENTS OF WIRRAL THAT COLLECTIONS WERE ON A SINGLE DAY!</p>
4454	<p>As I do not waste any food I don't see what use this is to me &amp; I doubt I would use it. To replace the existing green bins with another bin is a complete waste of council taxpayers money. How much is it going to cost to replace all the bins on the Wirral? To only empty existing bins every 3 weeks is just asking for an increase in vermin &amp; illegal dumping as some people can't seem to manage with a 2 weekly collection! It is typical of the current Wirral council to waste money &amp; then expect the tax payers to foot the bill!</p> <p>I have noticed that some plastic containers that should be recyclable are not at present included on the list supplied. It would be better to increase the items that can go in the grey bins.</p> <p>It is about time that councils all over Britain got their act together &amp; had a common policy for rubbish collection. At present it is a shambles &amp; confusing when staying in other parts of the country.</p>
4455	<p>We would rather have option 1 but have some concerns with regard to fly tipping. We have had some experience of this lately and as we live in an unadopted road we have had a less than helpful response from the council.</p>
4456	<p>I think this system is appalling ,as I have no room to store any more bins,also I have spoken to people living in areas where this system is already in place and they are having problems with maggots ,especially in warmer months ,also going 3weeks for green bin to be collected is a no no already find it difficult with collection being every 2 weeks ,I already have 3 bins ,what happens if like me the general public disagree will it automatically go ahead , it's not fair we pay are council taxes ,pay for our brown bins where some richer areas don't have to ,I strongly disagree with this plan</p>



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4458	Whilst this is a cheaper initial set up cost as not all bins will need to be replaced I would prefer the smaller bin to be collected every 2 weeks as a three week cycle Could lead to an increase in fly tipping and flies etc around the bins. It would not be easy for the elderly to remember when the three week collection is.
4459	Green bin needs to be collected every 2 weeks. Not enough food waste to justify the change . Already have to pay extra for a brown bin unlike other nearby councils
4460	The best system. Replacement bins of a smaller size and disposal of the older ones need not take place
4461	So this option proposes that 1/3 of green bin waste is food but there would be sanitary waste, nappies, non- recyclable waste sat for 3 weeks?!?! That is just a health hazard waiting to happen!
4462	Do not agree - unhygienic.
4463	Concerned about a three week green bin cycle - this will be a smelly outcome! We throw away very little food (other than peelings) so would need to retain the larger capacity green bin. The smaller food bins may prove a trip hazard and may be vulnerable to winds and being kicked by anti-social people! Will bin liners continue to be issued?
4464	We are having problems anyway with maggots, this will encourage them more.
4465	Don't really have any food waste as majority is composted. Think this idea is a waste of resources and money. Stil need our green bin emptied every two weeks as three would make it overflowing.
4466	There is waste that is non food but still 'noxious' and should be collected frequently for health reasons so option 1 is NOT reasonable
4467	I do not like this option
4468	I am not in favour of a 3 weekly collection.  If, for any reason, the collection is missed [ holiday for instance ] it will be 6 weeks before the 240 litre bin would be emptied.  Also, with the addition of another bin to be stored outside, some people will find storage a problem.
4469	Where are we expected to store 4 bins?
4470	This is the best option, however I struggle to recycle as the bulk of my waste is fruit and vegetable containers, yougurt pots and drinks cartons. I think you need to target the manufacturer as it is hard to purchase food without packaging or find a way to recycle it.
4471	Not a good idea for us. We do not have any food waste as we use a kitchen waste disposal sink system and still have too much waste for the green bin!
4472	I would like to keep my existing bin as I only put it out once a month .  are the caddy liners going to be provided free of charge each year. ?
4473	Every 3 weeks is not enough! We have a young family and a majority of my waste is not food.  I am already having to take additional rubbish to the tip as my bin is always full!  This is just another way to make money from us as in the future you'll be asking us to purchase the liners ourselves.  Another stealth tax brought about by our local government, just like the Brown Bin! Was free for a year or so and then BOOM - £40 per year for the privilege!

4474	I do not think this is a very good option, but likely the better option than option two. I think this will lead to far more problems with maggots , vermin and scavenging. This option is tried and tested in other areas of the U.K., and many of these areas have reverted to our current system. If we were not double charged to empty our brown bins, recycling would improve as many people won't or can't pay for brown bin collections and garden waste goes into the green bin. The decision has already been made, but the council are ticking an inclusion box to say the paying public have been consulted, but sadly, the are two equally poor options to choose from. I expect Mr Cameron will be wishing he had asked WBC to run the referendum .....tick box A to stay in, or, tick box two to stay in with knobs on.
4475	Not interested please do NOT allocate a food bin, as it will be placed in the recycling bin
4476	I/we do not throw enough food away to warrant another bin and another collection which in turn disrupts the green bin collection by extending it out to three weeks and or reducing the bin size. I am not convinced you have your calculations correct to warrant a food collection bin as I said previous we as a family do not throw away food and by the time the green collection comes around I am struggling to close my lid. I would gladly let you go through my green bin to convince you that there is nowhere near a third of food waste. Extending to three week deliveries and or reducing the size of the green bin are poor decisions and will without a doubt increase fly tipping. Further more how could you expect a household to collect food waste in a small indoor caddy, you must know yourself that any food waste what ever it may be rots/decomposes and smells within hours, people are not going to live like that, wether it be in your home or your garden attracting animals regardless of it being lockable or not. Hot days will be fun with all those flies hanging around. Fly tipping will be the only option, you really need to rethink about the practicality of your ideas as both options are not acceptable.
4477	I do not like this option because of the longer period between green bin collections. I also strongly disagree with the extra charge for brown bin collection when I have already paid my council tax which should cover this.
4478	Three weeks is too long in t he Summer especially for seafood shells. It took two years of constant disinfection to get rid of maggots.
4479	Is it true that you have a reserve fund. That you can loan to other councils with interest. is the Council taxpayers money. I think it is disgusting that you want to reduce bin collections from four nightly to every three weeks. I agree should have the food recycling weekly. Why should that affect other collections. We already pay extra to have garden waste collected. You should give people the option not to pay for collection, so reduce there bills, and they can take it to the waste disposal centre.
4480	Although I am in favour of food recycling across the Wirral, we don't have much food waste. We have a compost bin for our fruit/veg waste. I am concerned about the green bin being collected only once every 3 weeks as they contain dirty nappies.
4481	Three weeks to long to wait between collections will only attract pests and cause smells in hot weather. will cause issues with public health.
4482	I just do not follow the logic. Our food waste is negligible and other than potato peelings and the odd lettuce heart there is none. Everything we prepare to eat is eaten so nothing to put in a new bin. Also we have a waste disposal unit to rinse off any residual gravy etc. So it is a waste of funds providing a collection of this bin or providing it in the first place. We recycle as much as we can, splitting envelopes for the window and the paper, but packaging is a key issue. Tetra pack milk and orange are key cartons that fill our green bin which is close to full every 2 weeks. We have problems with flies and other insects after 2 weeks so heaven help us if we have to wait 3. As an aside I think that this will be a charter for fly tipping when bins become full and not emptied.
4483	Don't agree with 3 week collection of green bin as we have already had problems with smells and flies
4484	I would be concerned about attracting vermin and unpleasant smells if the green bin is left for 3 weeks.
4485	I used to live in Edinburgh when they introduced a food waste collection system similar to that outlined above. As I recall it was not very effective at the time and increased smell and flies around people's houses....  Hmmm, not very enthusiastic I am afraid. I do think you'd be better upgrading equipment so the obvious things that should be recycled like yoghurt tubs etc are... Food in land fills is surly not a big problem in that it is biodegradable... I am not convinced money is well spent following the line you are.
4486	yes do trial and see how it works but 3 weeks possibly too long. as ever there will be increased fly tipping.
4487	Would rather option 2, will need a smaller bin if recycling more
4488	My opinion won't change in either option I do believe that only a certain minority of people will recycle correctly this happens now. I work within the Wallasey area and communities and often see carrier bags within Grey Bins and Recyclable items within the Green Bin. How will you deal with these issues as residents don't follow basic rules for recycling.  I would prefer this option.

4489	I think each option will depend on how many people live in each property.
4490	I already recycle food waste in a garden composter and another bin, albeit small will add further clutter and mess to an already busy household as it will have to be stored. Bins are already unsightly. I have a young child in nappies, and we are careful recyclers, however, we still tend to fill our green bin every 2 weeks. i would be concerned about reducing the collection period.
4491	Good idea but where is the money coming from for the extra bins? Will there be an increase to council tax?
4492	Best option
4493	Not good..not happy with the cost of the food waste recycling.it happens in other boroughs and people are not happy there with the smells and time
4494	I do not agree with leaving the green bin 3 weeks to be emptied, as the contents will still begin to smell having been left for a length of time,
4495	3 weeks collection is not great! A stinking bin full of nappies and rubbish outside the house in the summer is a hazard! Clinical waste near enough! Food bin is a must buy why not just encourage people not to waste food??
4496	1. I have no suitable cupboard in my kitchen to accommodate your caddy 2. The extra food collection puts extra lorries on the road, thus worsening Wirral's carbon footprint thus cancelling out the food recycling 3. There are wuite enough bins to accommodate already. They are an eyesore on the environment 4. The 50% target is another EC project which can be reduced 5. I have two compost bins. U should provide these as sn alternative
4497	This option sounds best as reduces frequency of collections so saves council money?
4498	My green bin gets smelly enough as it is being collected only every 2 weeks. Every 3 weeks would be a pongy disgrace and not what I pay Council Tax for.
4499	I have concerns about this option due to the need to dispose of medical waste in my green bin
4500	Whilst it may be very Eco I worry about vermin smells and maggots etc over the collection period. This is unhygienic and I do not believe will achieve any better future
4501	This is the only viable option as it maintains a certain status quo and does not involve additional spend
4502	Bin collections every 3 weeks is not healthy for a family of 4 with 2 young children in nappies.
4503	3 weeks is long time between bins being emptied. Not only food waste smells and nappies/sanitary towels/animal waste etc left for 3 weeks could become a health hazard. I'm happy to food recycle but would still require at least a fortnightly general waste pick up
4504	you will have already decided, consultations have no meaning in Wirral Council!  ps we dont have any food waste!

4505	<p>Heads you win tails I lose neither option is satisfactory - there are I believe more than two options but you have already made your decision but are pretending we have a say!</p> <p>How about option three we keep the 240 litre bins because that way you save money recovering and buying new smaller bins to replace them. Also what are you going to do with the old bin dump them in a land fill? I will only believe you have recycled them if you provide evidence!</p> <p>How can we make a decision when you don't know costs involved?</p> <p>How much did it cost to purchase the original now defunct 240 litre bins and how much is the cost of purchasing the new smaller bins? How much does illegal dumping costs the council each year?</p> <p>So option three is keep 240 litre bins and empty them every two weeks. What is problem with that otherwise you are going to encourage more illegal dumping around Wirral. If your bin is full of non food waste what you going to do with excess rubbish</p> <p>What are people with limited storage space supposed to do?</p> <p>Give us all available options not just the two you want - this is not North Korea.</p>
4506	<p>This is my preferred Option as it does not involve additional expenditure on smaller green bins. There is however, very little kitchen waste emanating from this house as most vegetable matter is composted. It may be an "eye-opener" to some households as to just how much they waste due to following sell-buy and eat-by dates rigorously.</p> <p>My green bin is invariably filled with plastic. Despite not being on Wirral Council's Recycling Programme, I do think they should collect all plastic because there must be a market for it somewhere</p>
4507	Not in favour
4508	My preference option 1
4509	<p>I understand and fully appreciate what you are trying to and have to achieve, however a blanket approach doesn't suit everyone and this setup will make our green bin collections more unsanitary, smelly and a bit of a health hazard. We as a household ensure we use most food and waste very little so wouldn't expect you to gain much from us personally in terms of food waste. We do however have two children in nappies and throw away approx 8 to 10 nappies per day away. These fill at least half of our existing 2 weekly green bin, are already very smelly after 2 weeks and attract alot of flies and pests. If you make us keep our existing bin at 3 weeks or a smaller bin at 2 weeks, both solutions will mean over flowing bins for our house with dirty nappies carrying smells and attracting pests. In addition you won't achieve progress towards your recycling targets from out house as we already recycle everything and waste very little food. I personally believe for our house, by using a blanket approach, you will put our personal health at risk in an effort to reach a goal.</p>
4510	Bring it on. I believe Ellesmere Port and possibly Chester are already collecting food waste.
4511	Would completely disagree with the three weekly collection of green bin. If. Household has a baby, that's a long time to wait for nappies to be collected, and also if a household has a pet and the waste is put in green bin, that's just going to cause maggots more than ever.
4512	<p>Strongly support the introduction of a food waste collection weekly and its use for creation of biofuel.</p> <p>We will only need a 140L green bin for collection every 3 weeks.</p> <p>We will continue to subscribe to the Brown bin scheme</p>
4513	I feel it's a very good idea anything which helps.
4514	Better than option 2 as we keep a bigger bin.

4515	<p>I think it's over the top, plain and simple.</p> <p>There is far more food (and other items) wasted by Wirral businesses than households ever can. Make them recycle, don't pick on what you think are the easy targets as you may bite off more than you can chew.</p> <p>First, reduce Local Council waste - I can show you many ways, just give me access to all Council departments and I'll prove it.</p> <p>I already, by choice, have a small green bin as I am passionate about recycling - not for financial reasons, or silly targets, but for the future of our children and the planet they will inherit.</p> <p>I also, by choice, have a small brown bin and, I might add, am one of only 3 or 4 in our 100+ house road that pays to use it. All the rest chuck their plant waste in the green bin or on the grassy area alongside the bypass.</p> <p>For what it's worth I consider it disgusting that the Council now charges for green waste (brown bin).</p> <p>This council seems hell bent on curing it's lousy financial management by heaping more expense on the citizens instead of looking inward for answers.</p> <p>The Council wage bill needs cropping - from the top!</p> <p>The Borough is rife with flyposting - these are verywhere, 'We'll buy your house', and the like . . .fine them</p> <p>Likewise the problem of dog poo - this has been delegated to an outside interest. For Pete's sake can't this council take responsibility for anything? Deputise dog wardens in Council employ - give them £1000 fine tickets (that's what the signs threaten) and tell them to use the darned things - look at the money you'd make.</p> <p>Now then - food waste . .</p> <p>My wife is the most amazing woman when it comes to 'domestic management'. Almost nothing goes to waste. A chicken does two or even three days, then the carcass goes to make a stew - all that's left is clean bones. The same is true of all meat products that we use. I don't see that we could save anything more than we do.</p> <p>I do not want another bin.</p>
4516	<p>Yes I would be happy to have my green bin collected every three weeks.</p>
4517	<p>On pure mathematics for the same cost this is the better option.</p> <p>Let's look at a period of 6 weeks. If you select the 240 litre bin, it will be emptied twice, giving the user 480 litres to play with (240x2). If you select the 140 litre bin, it will be emptied thrice, giving the user 420 litres to play with (140x3). This means that using the 240 litre option...</p> <p>A) gives the user more overall bin space</p> <p>B) is overall cheaper because you don't have to front up the cost of a new bin because the current bins already are 240 litres</p> <p>C) needs collecting less often, which may save you money on paying bin men for collection (although I don't know if this is how it works)</p> <p>The fact that this is even an issue being discussed and that the 140 litre option is being considered is stupid</p>
4518	<p>I would not be in favour of the Green Bin being collected every three weeks. While appreciating the need to recycle and cut down on land-fill, I feel the small indoor caddy for food waste is unhygienic and would only wish to store food waste outside. Having rented apartments in Italian cities, I have found refuse collection there is highly organised with food waste, paper etc collected several times per week on designated days - usually by much smaller lorries than in Britain. Most people in those cities seem to follow the guidelines of such systems and it would be preferable to large bins collected infrequently - more hygienic and discouraging rodents and foxes.</p>
4519	<p>I have two green bins due to my husbands incontinence pads,I put the pads in plastic bags due to the smell,however in hot weather in plastic wheelie bins and plastic bags we still have smell.The green bin is always full to the top in two weeks.</p>
4520	<p>The food caddy although lockable will be targets for the teenage mutant morons that pass by occasionally on their way to funfair at Townsend shops, they currently enjoy kicking down small garden walls.</p> <p>I have some experience of these anaerobic digestion plants and suspect they will be paying for the collection service or paying some kind of fee for the waste supplied, otherwise they don't have a business. With this in mind why can't the council keep things as they are and introduce the food waste service as an extra, funded by the energy producer.</p>
4521	<p>Not happy with either option but would prefer option 1.</p>
4522	<p>Kitchen not big enough for Another bin. We have 2 small bins in the kitchen already. No room for a third bin.....</p> <p>Yes keep the larger bin and empty every three weeks . On the same day. There will be NO room on the pavement !</p>

4523	How much extra money would the production and distribution of a smaller bin be.... Surely keeping the same size bin and going to a 3 week collection would be the easiest and most cost effective option for the local council. How much garden waste goes into the green bin, Why cannot the brown bin collection be re-instated free as its was a stealth tax.
4524	Food waste collection and biogas generation is to be welcomed. We prefer Option 1 to Option 2 (see further comments under Option 2), but both compare unfavourably to the service provided to our holiday home by North Ayrshire Council where food waste collected in a biodegradably lined kitchen caddy is placed into the 240 litre garden waste bin which is collected weekly for composting at no extra cost to council tax payers.  Reduction to three-weekly frequency for the residual waste bin shouldn't be a problem for us if we can divert all our putrescibles to the caddy.
4525	Reduction in green bin collections will result in increased fly tipping
4526	My green bin is full 1.5 weeks into the 2 week collection and I don't throw any food away, there is no way a family of 4 can survive for 3 weeks without collection. There will be rubbish in the street and the cats will open the bugs. It will be a disaster. I also don't have any space on my kitchen for another bin thank you.
4527	No special preference
4528	Worry for those who have to dispose of nappies, incontinence pads etc not pleasant in warm weather.
4529	this option would be my choice
4530	We waste very little food and compost all veg and fruit residue anyway. Our green bin is full every fortnight as we are a family of 6 and we couldn't cope with any less frequent collections.
4531	I'd prefer the same size bin but not happy it's only emptied very 3 weeks
4532	3 weeks is too long. I don't believe the current efforts will reduce fly tipping. We bag our dog waste and dispose of it usually in our own Bon as there are no way near enough bins on most public routes. Has the detrimental effect of collection of this waste - plus nappy and medical waste - been considered and if so what are your plans for tackling it? Fly tipping may not be the greatest problem.
4533	Very poor idea Why collect food weekly when I presume that at present people are simply putting it in the green bin which is emptied every 2 weeks. What do you suggest people do when they will probably fill their green bin within 2 weeks even allowing for not putting food in it . Food takes up little space when pushed down.
4534	I do not produce food waste so I do not support this option due to changes to green bin collection dates.
4535	3 weeks to long
4536	Would not want a food bin in my kitchen, attracting mice or ants, ( have had both!) have very little food waste,prepared to have an outside small container, and would keep my large green bin. Collection arrangements would be satisfactory.
4537	This is not our preferred option because if we miss a collection for any reason the waste interval then becomes 6 weeks. This would result in increased smells and fly opportunities.
4538	As we compost don't want a caddy. The 2 week green bin collection should stay as it is 3 weeks is too long to go
4539	Sounds great and best option,avoiding cost of new smaller bin. My green bin has years of life left in it!
4540	People will still throw food into green bins so a 3 weekly collection may cause hygiene issues. Also some packaging may have remnants of food on it.
4541	More preferable as already keeping the green bin
4542	I don't believe most of the waste put in the green bins is food. We generally have peelings but most of the recycling we do is with the containers that food and toys have come in. I'm not sure everyone would have space for recycling food in their kitchens. Three weeks is too long between collections, we now have puppy - can you imagine the smell of our bins? I also believe the rats and foxes will love this new scheme!

4543	Collecting food waste in a kitchen caddy will produce smells, encourage flies and in most cases produce maggots. Where are we meant to keep this caddy? Most modern kitchens are fitted to the householders requirements which means there will be no spare space for this receptacle . I for one have nowhere to keep the proposed caddy, no spare cupboards and no separate utility area/room. The only place is outside which will encourage vermin and all the neighbourhood cats thereby creating more mess including flies and maggots during the summer months. How often are the plastic liners provided? Where are we meant to store the blue bin? The front garden? As by the time the the proposed weekly collection day comes around I would imagine it to be quite heavy and does not appear the have wheels. Maybe we should leave them all on the pavement ready for when you decide the empty it? How is it lockable and who has a key? We already have 3 bins and recycle as directed by you, paying for garden waste on top of our council tax. The existing green bin is essential as it is, but after 3 weeks would be full to the brim with other rubbish that cannot be recycled into the others. Totally unworkable idea. Perhaps the council could provide fee of charge waste disposal units to be fitted in every household on Wirral that way the majority of all food waste would be flushed away as sewage. I do not agree with this proposal.
4544	This option would be preferable, not because of kitchen recycling but because now I never fill my green bin and always end up putting recycling into it because the grey bin is full before 2 weeks.
4545	We've had these containers before we will have vermin and cats - I'm not messing about like this - No brainer to me
4546	There are things other than food which can be smelly and attract flies or pests, and ideally should not be kept in a bin for 3 weeks. With the recycling bins remaining two weekly, it will be difficult to remember when to put out a three weekly bin!
4547	Not acceptable that the green bin will only be every 3 weeks. Totally disagree with this proposal.
4548	I personally am fine with this option and the second, but I dont think people with babies and dirty nappies will be pleased with the green bin festering for three weeks full of poo.
4549	We do not accept that collecting the green bin every 3 weeks or reducing the size will be a viable option as we (2 people) fill the bin easily in 2 weeks with hardly any food waste - we do however put dog and cat waste in. We were not aware until very recently about this and strongly disagree with the proposals. An easy way to encourage recycling would be to sort the tips out - Clatterbridge could easily be made more efficient and user friendly which would promote greater use.
4550	NO FOOD WASTE BIN!!!
4551	I don't believe that we generate enough food waste to warrant this sort of collection I think it would be more efficient to increase recycling of other materials by giving more detailed information on what items can be recycled and encouraging better performance in this area
4552	I do not want to leave food containers which cannot be re-cycled in the green bin for three weeks. A three weekly cycle does not fit with the grey and brown bin cycle and is inconvenient.
4553	Happy with this option. 240 litres every three weeks gives more space than 140 litres every 2 weeks. Also less times to have to put bin out is good!
4554	this one
4555	I want to keep the current method, neither of the proposed option suits the needs of most Wirral households, in the event of a person missing the green wheelie bin collection date the waste will remain on site for six weeks. Without a doubt there will be an increase of fly tipping.
4556	We will get used to disposing of food in a different way and making use of all 'waste' should be a national priority. I think that in many areas 3 weekly collection of the green bin will cause hygiene and tidiness problems. Extra bins should be provided for medical and nappy waste much more readily.  Wirral needs to extend its recycling facilities, yoghurt, butter and other plastic food containers should be recyclable as should aluminium packaging.
4557	Not too happy with the idea of the small food bin. The thought of leaving the green bin uncollected for three weeks is not good. An extra container for the food is going to be an extra eyesore on the front of houses. Not impressed.
4558	I do not think this is a good idea. We personally have a waste disposal unit in the kitchen sink, so we have very little food waste that goes into our green bin, only bones, (ie chicken carcass), stones (ie cherry or avocado) and other such things that wouldn't go into the waste disposal unit. I also know several people who have composters, so again they have very little food waste. And although WE do not have a baby in the house, when our Grandchildren visit we do occasional have nappies. I am sure that any household with very young children (or their neighbours) would not like bins that may contain smelly nappies, only have a collection every three weeks.
4559	This would be my preferred option, it seems sensible to retain the current bin, which presumably would not be filled as substantially due to the recycling of food waste.
4560	Our food waste is negligible so there is no point in having a separate food recycling bin. We compost all our fruit and veg waste. We do not want yet another bin. We do not want any change to the system as we find we almost fill the green bin every fortnight despite putting almost no food waste in it . We prefer to retain the larger green bin and have it collected every second week.

4561	Difficult to remember the date for collection if three weekly.
4562	Live on my own and don't fill a green bin. It would not be over full in 3 weeks. If no food in it there wouldn't be problem of smell. Too big though
4563	I like the idea of the caddy being collected weekly. I think the green bin being left 3 weeks is too long in the summer-maybe OK in the winter.
4564	This seems to be the best option. Rather than make more bins to replace the existing ones just get people to use the green bin they already have. When the new scheme is rolled out, maybe assess whether people should be given a new bin for free as their old one is no longer fit for purpose?
4565	Option 1 is the better option, or the lesser of two evils. I don't waste food so won't have anything to add to the whole purpose of this recycling scheme. This scheme will force me to have to use the local tip on regular occasions and I might have to charge the council for this service!
4566	Live on my own and don't fill a green bin. It would not be over full in 3 weeks. If no food in it there wouldn't be problem of smell. Too big though
4567	I think this is short sighted only having the two options to choose from when there is a raft of other options available. You, the council seem to have adopted the easiest option, not necessarily the right option, but then again I don't think you have 'our' best interests at heart - just your own. Talk to the other councils and invest in bringing the waste recycling up-to-date (be the fore-front of industry standard perhaps), lead the way - instead of baa'ing like sheep and adopting the easiest option. Talk to other councils who do recycle more than Wirral, i.e., Leicestershire, Portsmouth and follow their lead. Too much still goes to landfill through your inability to move forward and progress - be outward thinking. Or, if the councillor / manager / contractor cannot provide innovative leadership and forward thinking ideas and a feasible workable plan then get shut of them and get someone in who can and isn't afraid of making a decision! It doesn't matter what we put on these heavily loaded surveys I expect you will do your own thing anyway and blame the people of the borough for the outcome.
4568	I agree with option 1
4569	Free brown bin should return 50 % rubbish in green bin is garden waste will continue to do this.
4570	A 3 week wait between collections is disgusting especially with a baby in nappies. 3 week old soiled nappies sitting outside your house will stink. Keeping food waste in a separate bin and emptying into 3 rather than 2 bins is just not manageable with a toddler.
4571	3 weekly collection not acceptable during the summer months
4572	This is absolutely ridiculous, people now who don't pay for their brown bins just put it in the green bin, I pay the £35 and am being penalised for others not recycling their garden waste, I have cats and put the cat litter in my green bin after 3 weeks the smell will be horrific even though I buy proper bags to put it in prior to putting it in the green bin.
4573	Prefer this option as better bigger green bin for larger item. But wondering where caddy would be kept...Small kitchen??
4574	I think having a weekly food collection is an excellent idea, and will greatly reduce what goes into our green bin. I think three weeks though is too long between collections. We have a toddler who is still in nappies and the smell from nappies for three weeks, especially in the warmth of the summer would be bad. We also have a dog, so the same applies to the poo bags.
4575	I am not keen on having another food bin. I live in a first floor flat of a converted house. I am 77 and have a stair lift as the stairs are now difficult for me to use. Having a small food bin in the flat will be difficult and smelly. If I have food scraps etc now, I wrap these and put them in my pedal bin, but I will not be able to do this with the new bin. The thought is abhorrent.
4576	3 weekly collections too confusing with a 1 weekly and 2 weekly on other bins. Wouldn't like to have rubbish sat there for 3 weeks either. Brown bin charge a bit steep!
4577	3 weekly collection is too long for even general rubbish to be left especially in hot weather. Will be get a regular supply of waste bags when we need them without charge? Where do you propose we keep all these bins as I am sick of the bins we have now being on the garden path let alone adding to them.
4578	I prefer arrangements to remain as they are. As an elderly resident I already find that the number of bins is too much to handle,
4579	This will be the best option for most households as the volume of the existing green bin will be required to hold the waste from the excessive food packaging used by most manufacturers and supermarkets.
4580	I very rarely have food waste so think a food collection is unnecessary However my green bin is usually full after 2 weeks so I don't wish to have a 3 weekly collection
4581	I am not sure I like the idea of collecting the green bin every 3 weeks



4582	I think this sounds reasonable if the food waste really cuts down what would usually go into green bin. The main worry for green bin collection (even every two weeks) is the smell etc in warmer weather but the separate food collection should reduce this. If I was a parent to younger children my main concern would be disposable nappies...!
4583	Do not like the idea of 3 weekly collection! I have a child in nappies and this would get very unpleasant!
4584	As we have a wasted postal unit, I love predictive text, and a waste disposal unit, we dispose of Most of our food waste this way. Our green bin is still usually full so I don't want either the new bin or a change to the old one
4585	We have always composted veg waste so it has never gone in the green bin. In fact, nothing that is recyclable does go in the green bin, even so, it is still full after 2 weeks. There is now way that we could make do with a 3 week collection and a small bin will not be big enough, especially being only emptied fortnightly. I applaud the use of a food waste bin but reducing the collection/size of the green bin is not the answer. When manufacturers reduce the amount of packaging then it would reduce the amount of waste which goes in the green bins.
4586	This is the better option
4587	Indoor bin liners is not explained. Will householders receive a perpetual supply or have to buy after initial supply used?
4588	As I have hardly any food waste, it would be mainly teabags that would go in the caddy. I would prefer the same size bin and collected fortnightly.
4589	Plus Points  Bigger bin will accommodate larger waste items More litres per week available for disposal No immediate replacement of bins required  Personally prefer the current system, as I have very little food waste, usually just bones. Vegetable matter is composted at home. Garden waste is recycled via Brown bin.
4590	It is impossible for a family with young children to only have a green bin collected every three weeks. It is a struggle even with two weeks. If you go down this route, we all need an extra bin. The bins already smell dreadful after one week, if this goes to three weeks it will be unacceptable and encourage more vermin.
4591	Would prefer 2 weekly collection of green bin.  Pleased that food waste can be processed to provide valuable resource.
4592	Happy to receive a food waste collection outside but kitchen lacks space to ever accommodate an indoor caddy, however small and could never have as only a 1-2 person home with very limited space. Would not wait 3 weeks for general waste collection.... Definitely so in summer months. Could always do every 3 weeks in winter as an option. Already pay for brown bin and have done for last 2 years.
4593	Every three weeks causes a public health issue with nappies rotting in bins for up to three weeks.
4594	Collecting the green bin every 3 weeks is a bad idea. With a young family at school, food waste is not a large proportion of the green bin. Also, with young families, we need the green bin for things like used nappies, which would be very unsavoury after sitting on our property for 3 weeks. another option is to wait to leave the EU and then scrap this target. Households don't want yet another 'system' with more bins and waste containers sitting around the property. The best thing you could do with the food waste containers is put them in the grey bins and be done with the idea.
4595	Rubbish.  We currently place very little food waste in the green bin as we either composite it locally (garden compost) or else feed food scraps to our garden hens (who recyle it into eggs and more compost).  I am also totally apposed to the hidden council tax charge applied via the 'garden waste club' aka the garden waste tax - although we locally compost much of our garden waste some such as holly requires a prolonged period and as such is better place in the taxed brown bin.  A three weekly collection on the green bin is going to result in additional fly tipping by some and increased smell for all residents.
4596	Do not want another two bins to cope with. Got enough to do as it stands without putting yet another bin out each week.  Should go back to weekly collection of green bin (large bin)  Also garden bin should be free
4597	This would be my preferred option

4598	This option 1 would suit me.
4599	I think this is by far the best option. My green wheelie bin is in perfectly good condition and I'm sure a great many other's green bins are fine too, what a waste to get rid of them all. I already often skip green bin collections as our green bin is rarely full, so 3 weeks between collections is fine, perhaps it should even be 4! Especially since food will be collected.
4600	I would not want an indoor waste food caddy in my kitchen as I only have a small kitchen. During the summer my kitchen gets hot as I live on the 2nd floor of a lowrise. A few months ago mice got into my flat and since then I don't like leaving waste food around.
4601	I do not believe that a third of my green bin waste is food. I already compost veg cuttings, egg shells, egg boxes and we generally eat all of our meals so there is no way a third is food waste. Perhaps if the council hadn't introduced the brown bin charge then the recycling rates wouldn't have dropped. The council has got itself into this situation and now the householders will suffer. I do not think the 3 weekly collection or a smaller bin (which is almost only half as big) are viable options.
4602	this is acceptable. The concern of a smelling Hun is lessened because the food waste will be absent from the green bin.
4603	Whatever you say a 3 week collection period WILL lead to obnoxiously smelly and fly/ maggot infested bins.
4604	Green bin collection not frequent enough
4605	3 weeks is to long for waste removal
4606	Option 1 suits us perfectly. We do not need a weekly bin collection as there's only 2 of us and a 3 weekly collection will be adequate
4607	Not keen on the green bin collection every 3 weeks especially in the summer months. Do not really want a food caddy, but understand the benefits of recycling food waste.
4608	I have had both elderly parents living at home with the help of carers. Both were doubly incontinent. Even when incontinence pads were bagged carefully, by the time the green bin was collected after 2 weeks it was full to the brim and smelt very badly. Even with 2 weekly collections of a full size green bin, there were many occasions when I had to dig out bags of faecal waste and take it to the tip. My parents can't be the only ones in this situation and many elderly/disabled would not have family able or willing to dig out incontinence pads from an overflowing bin to take to the tip. I am more than happy to recycle food but PLEASE give the likes of my parents the option of a full size bin with a two weekly collection.
4609	We already sort our vegetable waste which is placed in a composter and then when thoroughly rotted is placed on the garden. Cardboard, bottles etc are all recycled, and cartons are taken to West Kirby recycling station. As a result most of the remaining waste in the green bin is plastic packaging from the supermarket. So this idea of separating food will merely consist of bones, skin, avocado nuts, and a small amount of waste food that we have already cooked. Im sure we are in the minority in this respect but as I said, it wont make much difference to us.  I prefer option 2
4610	I don't think there would be too many problems with this from a personal point of view, I like the idea of the food waste collection (although I already compost most of my food waste anyway). BUT If people don't use the food waste bins, the green bins are going to get very smelly and attract flies and vermin.  I think that the brown bin collection should not be charged.  The council should expand the range of recyclable materials as is done by other councils (tetra pal, aluminium, other plastics etc)
4611	I am not happy with having to find space for something extra in the kitchen, nor am I happy with an extra outside bin. I think MWDA needs to come into the present age and recycle more plastics etc. I also think the workers at the waste sites should be able to sort and recycle domestic items, possibly with the help of charity's, as is done at other sites I have visited around the country, e.g. Bournemouth and High Wycombe.
4612	I already recycle my raw veg , fruit, teabags etc.. And put it in my compost bin. If the food waste includes cooked food as well then this would be an improvement for me. However, I don't think many people compost so for Wirral, if household do it, this is an improvement.
4613	3 WEEKS IS TOO LONG TO WAIT
4614	Unhappy with the size of the small "lockable" food bin. Although food recycling is weekly the three week wait for potentially decaying food in tins/cartons even after washing to be taken away is a risk of increased flies and maggots.

4615	<p>This would be my preference</p> <p>Assumption made that cost of green bin collection for the Council is reduced and no expense incurred in providing a new green bin to all residents.</p>
4616	<p>This is the most ridiculous idea I have heard! Moving the green bin collection to three weekly is completely unacceptable!!!</p> <p>Nobody wastes so much food to warrant the food caddy , most people have compost heaps/bins where they dispose of peelings etc.</p> <p>This is just a con to reduce bin collections and I'm so against it , two so called choices or no choice?</p> <p>This will encourage vermin and the foxes to invade our homes/ gardens.</p>
4617	<p>I would question 3 weekly collection. We already compost most waste and still have a full green bin</p>
4618	<p>I am very pleased with the green gray &amp; brown bin as it is I do not want another bin to clutter up the garden plus the is more than food waste that will decay and smell after three weeks in the summer</p>
4619	<p>We would want to keep bigger capacity bin but prefer not to change current system. It sounds like you have already made a decision so asking public is a tick box exercise.</p>
4620	<p>I prefer option 2</p>
4621	<p>3 week collection would be fine as it is the food waste that needs collecting more often. 3 week collection would save money on transport costs. Plus no need to spend money on replacing bins.</p>
4622	<p>We do not have any food waste.</p> <p>We are about to have a second child and after 3weeks the green bin will be over-flowing with nappies</p> <p>As for the 3 weeks green bin and 2 weeks grey i can see this getting very confusing for ourselves and most people</p>
4623	<p>We already struggle with flies, vermin etc and every 3 weeks would make this much worse. 3 weekly is also quite difficult to keep track of and risks us getting mixed up. If we miss one collection it will be 6 weeks! Most of our unrecyclable waste is food containers and nappies and these will still have to go in the green bin.</p>
4624	<p>It is essential to retain the present sized green bin !!!!! We put very little food into it and need the volume for general household waste! This would be even more so the case if the green bins are to be emptied less frequently !</p> <p>By all means provide a separate bin for food.</p> <p>In any case scrapping the present green bins and replacing them with smaller ones cannot be done without considerable expenditure.</p> <p>If they are emptied less frequently then at least the present size will be essential !</p>
4625	<p>I am very pleased with the green gray &amp; brown bin as it is I do not want another bin to clutter up the garden plus the is more than food waste that will decay and smell after three weeks in the summer</p>
4626	<p>I am not particularly happy with either option. I already compost the majority of my food waste, including egg shells, tea bags. If anything is partially edible our rabbits eat it.</p> <p>Therefore I feel that I will have a worse service as a consequence of this change - irrespective of whether option 1 or option 2 is chosen.</p> <p>In your faq's you answered a question about packaging - but this is where I feel makes up the majority of waste. I understand why we can't put this into the grey bin, but instead of food waste, why can't we have a separate collection of packaging waste; even if this is just tetrapacks ?</p>
4627	<p>would much prefer to keep my existing bin and don't see the need the change. would be in favour of the 3 weekly collections</p>
4628	<p>We tried the food waste recycling several years ago, in with garden waste. It became very smelly and full of maggots so sealed bags are essential.</p> <p>We waste very little food so doubt we would use this much.</p> <p>The 3 weekly green bin collection will be harder to remember correctly - alternating green and grey bins is easier.</p> <p>After 3 weeks, the green bin will be smelly - much of our rubbish is cat litter - heavy and smelly.</p> <p>Option 2 better for us.</p>
4629	<p>Such a bad idea. We have a baby and green bin is full of nappies very fast. Bins will be overflowing and attract vermin all over. We don't throw much food away as I eat it!!</p>
4630	<p>I prefer option 1 as a 3 weekly collection will cut down on the transport need.</p>

4631	<p>1. Food Waste - in a small flat with a galley kitchen with already two bins - one for general waste and one for re-cycleable waste, I don't have space for another bin for food re-cycling waste, without endangering my health by tripping over.</p> <p>2. As a one person householder, I am happy to have my existing bins collected less often, but also support larger households who can't manage with this. How can the Council think about a one-size fits all policy for a situation where not all households are one sized.</p>
4632	<p>We think it is a good idea to have a food waste only bin.</p> <p>We Don't want my green bin to be any smaller.</p>
4633	<p>We need the volume of the large green bin for nappie and dog waste disposal, as we are in the minority of dog owners who actually pick up after our dog. From November there will be two children in nappies. The recent heat has made our bin area a fly playground at 2weekly collection, it will be overrun by 3weeks.</p> <p>We also pay for our garden bin, a service which should be encouraged, not go up and up each year, do you want the area to go to ruins as people neglect their property as they spend their money on a more pressing issue? Also, our bin ends up being full of our neighbours hedge which grows over our property and they never trim.</p>
4634	<p>Some people like us are v keen on composting and waste v v little food at all. Why not use measures to encourage less waste ( I've not noticed much effort so far) while also forcing shops to reduce packaging? I would rather pay a green bin tax and have my larger green bin emptied every two weeks. It is unhygienic to keep it longer, esp if it contains nappy waste. Why not offer a rebate for people who fill their grey bins properly?</p>
4635	<p>I need my green bin emptyed every two weeks I don't have food waste I can not afford extra food to chuck away</p>
4636	<p>Don't like the idea of green bins being emptied every three weeks also we have enough rubbish containers as it is.</p>
4637	<p>Do not like this, to be avoided</p>
4638	<p>We would be quite happy for our green bin to be collected every 3 weeks.</p>
4639	<p>There is a danger here of people not only fly tipping but also using the grey recycling bin for items currently none recycleable.</p>
4640	<p>The proposal to introduce a food caddy is excellent.</p> <p>The proposal to reduce the frequency of collection, of my green bin in unacceptable .</p> <p>The council should first increase the spectrum of recycling so that more waste can be recycled in the grey bin.</p> <p>The council should also reinstate the free brown bin collection so that more garden waste (which goes into my green bin as I cannot afford to pay for brown bin collections) can be recycled.</p> <p>You assert that an average of 7Kg of food waste per fortnight is deposited in each green bin. Diverting that to a new food caddy would free up only an average of 10.5Kg of weight in the green bin every 3 weeks. Introducing caddies cannot justify reducing the frequency of green bin collections.</p> <p>The proposal will lead to an increase in fly tipping throughout the borough, with its attendant health risks and increased costs of clearing up.</p>

4641	<p>The Victorians introduced many hygiene and health measures to eradicate disease and illnesses in particular to minimise infections particularly from rats and flies. Having food containers lying around pavements and street corners is a backward and retrograde step, it will generate many problems particularly from foxes, rats, cats and flies etc.</p> <p>The WBC council currently has a mammoth task with litter, Fly-tipping and dog fouling and as a yet does not have control of the problem or have a remedy to catch and penalise the culprits, naming and shaming would be a start.</p> <p>In past few years WBC has implemented a reduction of general house-keeping and maintenance of street cleaning, numerous flooding issues because of blocked gutter grids and dangerous pot-holes. Spilt food waste containers lying around everywhere will only add to the existing problems.</p>
4642	<p>Would prefer to stick with current sized green bin than what it would cost the council to replace everyone's bin!</p>
4643	<p>We already have problems with rats and they can chew through plastic bins.</p> <p>For the amount of rates we pay we feel we should continue with the 2 weekly collection of the green bin and grey bins.</p> <p>We already as residents re-cycle a huge amount and collect rubbish left in the road and on the beach by other people.</p>
4644	<p>Not good.</p>
4645	<p>I mean what next!!! Sorry but it's a crazy idea. How do you recycle food??its gone way too far. I have disabled kids and need my two big green bins. Empty them less u have maggots.</p>
4646	<p>Terrible</p>
4647	<p>Option 1 sounds ok as long as food waste is collected WEEKLY and not fortnightly.</p> <p>I remember a food collection was tried some time ago but was only collected fortnightly.</p> <p>This was ok in cold weather, but in the heat of summer it did not take long for maggots to appear in the bins, even when food was well wrapped.</p> <p>I am happy with the brown bin collection, although I note there will be an increase in the charge!</p> <p>Green and grey bin collection times should be ok.</p>
4648	<p>Not often enough on the green bin as they are used for nappies and dog waste</p>
4649	<p>I think I would prefer this option. and think food waste caddy is a good idea.</p>
4650	<p>I think 3 weeks is too long due to the fact I will have soiled nappies and sanitary waste in the green bin.</p>

4651	<p>3 weeks is too long between collections for green bin.</p> <p>How big would the food locker be? How/ where would it be stored?</p> <p>I would really like to be able to recycle food waste. Need more details about logistics.</p>
4652	<p>We throw out little or no food or food waste. We have our own bin for composting peelings and what little unused vegetable matter we generate, so we would hardly use the proposed caddy and lockable bin. Neither of the options is attractive but if we have to choose, we would go for the three-weekly green collection, retaining the larger 240 litre bin. We could just about cope with this, given that almost everything we put in is non-recyclable, non-perishable stuff which we cannot reduce in amount. We would have difficulty at certain times of the year, such as Christmas when more rubbish is generated and storage of this or trips to the tip is not an attractive proposition.</p>
4653	<p>Not good.</p>
4654	<p>I rarely throw away food, only teabags and my green bin is full every fortnight. 3 weekly collection will not be enough.</p>
4655	<p>I do not like the thought of food waste in my kitchen and garden. I think these will encourage flies, maggots and vermin.</p>
4656	<p>While I agree with the idea of a waste food bin, it is getting a bit ridiculous, by the number of bins we will have. My present three bins take up enough space; without adding to it.</p>
4657	<p>What food waste can go in the food waste bin? We already compost uncooked veg, fruit, egg shells. Can cooked food and meat go in the food waste bin?</p> <p>We have 2 children in nappies leaving these in the bin for 3 weeks is unrealistic. We do use reusable nappies as much as possible, is the council looking into schemes to support reusable nappies?</p> <p>Lots of families locally do use reusables, there are nappy libraries about but they are expensive and more could be done to support this.</p> <p>We already compost so I don't see why our green bin should be changed to 3 weekly?</p>
4658	<p>We'd prefer to keep to the larger green bin that would've collected every week weeks</p>
4659	<p>In my experience the food waste in my green bin amounts to a very small part of the bin contents. This sounds to me like a cost cutting exercise disguised under "green" credentials.</p>
4660	<p>Green bin three weekly collections would cause smells and attract rodents as food packing (with travel of food on it) would still be there for three weeks!</p> <p>Also we have childrens Nappies that would sit there longer.</p>
4661	<p>As we don't have a lot of food waste but loads of general waste from packaging etc that cannot be recycled, we find it a struggle with the 240L bin now so the smaller bin would be really impractical and wouldn't work for our family. We need to be able to recycle more as most packaging displaying a recycle symbol just can't be recycled in Wirral - sort it out people!!!</p>
4662	<p>Although we would prefer not to have a food waste bin - we had one before in a different area and it smelt bad and attracted flies and rodents - we understand that there is a need for more recycling. I am glad that liners can be used. we would prefer to continue with the existing 240 litre bin which will be collected every 3 weeks.</p>
4663	<p>90 % of my food waste goes through a sink disposal unit so there would be virtually no food waste to collect .Even so I might struggle with 3 weekly green bin collection</p>
4664	<p>This is the best option other green bin is too small. why do you always want to change everything the cost of this new system must be expensive. why not publish how much this is going to cost before it is implemented.</p>
4665	<p>Seems reasonable, with less bin wagon journeys.</p>
4666	<p>Not acceptable.</p>
4667	<p>I would prefer a fortnightly collection even if the bin is smaller because 3 week collection seems less hygienic</p>
4668	<p>sadly I don't think either option is very good, I do not feel that people will follow this due to concern about food attracting more vermin, and therefore you will find overflowing green bins, which will also cause further vermin risk.</p> <p>i think it might be a better idea to update machinery in order that more of the plastics etc for grey bins can be recycled</p>
4669	<p>Why don't you check green bins for garden waste people repeatedly boast about how they put grass cuttings dead plants and all their garden waste in the green bin.</p>

4670	Where did these 50% recycling targets come from? Why should local ratepayers be lumbered with yet more regulation from the environmental lobby which seems to crave control over how local people run their everyday lives. Now that we seem to be heading out of the E.U., why do we need to slavishly follow their bureaucratic edicts any more, and whilst we're on the subject - let's get rid of the ridiculous wind turbine culture and plough the wasted £billions back into the real economy to provide thousands of trained doctors and nurses, 100000's affordable homes and gas-fired power stations which provide cheap, clean power - whether the wind blows or not!
4671	Surely the grey bin recycling should be brought in line with the majority of the rest of the country including Northern Ireland. My green bin is mainly full of cream, yogurt, fruit and veg punnets, washing pod plastic containers which should be recycled as in other areas Council should be working with the appropriate organisation to force this issue before to complete this recycling stage successfully before progressing to the food waste. I don't agree with there only being two options and new investment at a time the Council are cash short is so short sighted there are far more important areas that need this cash
4672	More diesel lorries on a slow heavily polluting cycle how can this be green/good for the environment and peoples health. At present this households bin is usually full after two weeks. What happens if the bin becomes full. Do I buy my own bin to store any excess rubbish or do I take the excess rubbish to the Waste Reception Centre myself ? A four mile round trip, more pollution. Alternatively do I fly tip like many others probably will. Very little food waste is generated by this household and does not warrant a further bin.
4673	I think this first option would be best, I don't mind a 3 week collection if there is no food inside! As long as the food bin is emptied weekly! I don't see the point of wasting more money getting new bins!
4674	I think either option is a really good idea and will look forward to a food recycle collection. Great Idea!
4675	Prefer Option One What is the point of replacing the green bins which are already in use with smaller ones? This is an expense which does not need to be spent. What would happen to the thousands of old larger bins?
4676	I would like to keep the 240 litre green bin . The Council do a Good job of cleaning back entries but i do not think enough is done to catch offenders who Dump waste there. Also putting wrong things into the grey bins which means they are not collected .
4677	I dislike the idea of 3 weekly emptying of green bins .... It's too long and unhealthy.
4678	I applaud you for your recycling target and think the food caddy is a good idea and I am behind it. I'm not sure how unhygienic it would be to leave the green bin for three weeks but if it has no food waste it shouldn't be a problem.
4679	How hygienic is to collect dirty nappies every three weeks?
4680	Would prefer the smaller green bin as large one won't be necessary if food is going in a separate bin!! Alot of bins!!!
4681	We throw out very little food,,meat bones and egg shells would be about it and our bin is full by week 2 so this option means that we would be inconvenienced - would there be a reduction in council tax ?
4682	Option 1 is preferable.  Why aren't you recycling plastics that food comes in? We hear of placemats and kitchen tops made from plastics, but you aren't recycling it.
4683	We do not throw out any food, so can not see why this would benefit us.
4684	Unhappy that we are forced to choose between 3 week collection or a smaller bin. We don't have much food waste in our bins but our green bin is full most collections. A smaller bin will force us to drive to the recycling centre at Bidston to dispose of our excess rubbish
4685	Three weekly collection is far too long. Like the idea of food waste being collected weekly. However we do not have a great deal of food waste. We have two green bins which are filled every two weeks because of the number of people in the house. Would suggest that the council review the grey bin situation and recycle more items. Where are we going to put all these bins?
4686	In summer months 2 weeks is too long for green bin never mind 3 weeks!! The green bin also includes dirty nappies, dog mess. We do not waste a lot of food and this is where people need educating, rather than producing a weekly food collection.

4687	<p>I don't disagree with the counsels proposals however, I believe that if the current bins were bigger then people wouldn't be forced to put waste in the wrong bins.</p> <p>We are a family of 5 and generate a lot of waste, as it gets closer to bin day, our bins are overflowing and we run out of space.</p> <p>If the bins were and adequate size for our family then we would be able to recycle more.</p> <p>I am sure other family's have a the same issues, I don't think 7kgs of food is equivalent to over 100 litres of green bin waste we would loose in the size reduction, similarly I don't think 240 litres is big enough to last 3 weeks. It will end up with people not recycling as much as they are now due to lack of space.</p>
4688	Best option as it saves the huge cost of new bins. And saves wasting the old bins.
4689	An acceptable solution but would prefer smaller green bin
4690	<p>1) Dreadful idea - i am an elderly resident who finds it difficult to understand green bin versus grey bin as it is - my daughter helps me as much as possible.</p> <p>2) Third waste bin specifically for food not practicle for me due to mobility problems around the home and outside.</p> <p>3) Green bin collection every three weeks unacceptable due to potential health hazards.</p>
4691	<p>Personally our household produces a negligible amount of food waste and therefore the food caddy is virtually surplus to our requirements.</p> <p>We would still need the large green bin especially if collections are reduced to 3 weekly.</p> <p>I have concerns about 3 weekly collections, smells &amp; maggots in warm weather, families with small children etc.</p>
4692	No way will we be happy with what is in effect a slop bucket in the kitchen for a week and an extra bin or box of some sort outside will be impractical for many people. Some sort of seperate container for food waste, that fits inside the existing green bin and sorted out at collection times would be more acceptable
4693	No I don't think it's a good idea collecting food waste. The bin takes up space in the kitchen, can be smelly and unhygienic. A three weekly collection of rubbish is to long, it's a struggle for families to last two weeks. I pay enough council tax, without having to take my rubbish to the tip as well, which is what is bound to happen, as I sometimes have to do that know with two weekly collections.
4694	I subscribe to the garden waste and find it difficult to find space for the three large bins. I totally agree to the food waste but the problem being yet another bin. Living on my own I would be happy with a smaller green and grey bin. Do not like the idea of 3 weekly collection for green bin.
4695	<p>I am for food recycling and I am for option 1. We need to do more to reduce waste.</p> <p>Option 1 has Less change = more people happy.</p>
4696	As thee is no food in the green bin. A three weekly collection would be viable as there wouldn't be any rotting waste that could attract vermin. A good option.
4697	As I don't have any food waste and currently only put the green bin out every 4 or 6 weeks this option (minus the food waste container) would be acceptable
4698	Why not put food waste, cut plants etc in the brown bin and collect it every week?
4699	<p>No, no no! what if i am on holiday, away visiting, missed a week when the collection is due?</p> <p>Who will control the maggots, flies, smell? At least i will know who to take to court when i am in ill health.</p>
4700	I prefer a larger bin as certain times of year there is extra rubbish.
4701	This is just another cost cutting idea, not impressed, fear increase in vermin etc will be increased considerably. Have seen this plan fail first hand in Sefton, Sorry Wirral NOT impressed?
4702	Seems fine
4703	I would prefer this option if I have bulky items to dispose of. I don't understand why if you are collecting from the smaller green bin every fortnight how you make a saving collecting every 3rd week for the bigger bin?
4704	I do not have suffcient information to make an informed choice. I would like to know what constitutes "food" waste and what will happen to the "food" waste once collected.



4705	<p>I am very happy that you will be recycling more, and would like it to be increased even further. I am very glad to start food waste recycling, which some areas have had for a while, especially as gas produced can power local transport and a kind of fertiliser (presumably organic) also produced.</p> <p>I think 3 weekly collections would provable be fine, but would prefer 2 weekly collections with a smaller bin, as easier to remember, and better if you miss a collection.</p>
4706	<p>This sounds reasonable for the first few months at least so that we can see if having the same size green bin is necessary. If it turns out that the green bin is indeed much less full then we could change to a smaller green bin.</p>
4707	<p>Omg more bins just leave it as it!!!!!!!</p>
4708	<p>Neither instead of recycling more waste get onto food manufactures to cut down on the food packaging!</p>
4709	<p>I have experience of this system from Bedfordshire and know that it makes huge difference to the general waste volume. So I would be highly in favour.</p>
4710	<p>I have a compost bin which enables me to compost vegetable peelings and salad waste, so the amount of food I dispose of is negligible. However I think if green bins are only to be emptied every third week they need to be large rather than smaller.</p> <p>I have reservations about where I would keep an extra food in as bins are stored in front of the house and are an eyesore. And making it lockable is fiddly and I think counterproductive.</p>
4711	<p>Asking residents of wirral to store a further bin in their already crowded kitchen, where will the caddy be stored? I already have a green bin waste bin and a recycle bin under the sink, so where will I store the food waste? On show? For flies and insects to breed in, potential maggots in the kitchen, if I store it outside, foxes, rats and now seagulls are looking for food.</p> <p>Emptying the green bin every three weeks will lead to further insect problems, the system for residents of wirral are working, are you absolute sure all waste is being segregated at the recycling centre? We hear stories of all the waste being mixed at the centres, the people of Wirral need to have confidence in that the council have looked at all other routes before this poorly thought schemes is implemented.</p>
4712	<p>We don't have much food waste so I don't want to reduce size of green bin</p>
4713	<p>The food waste collection sounds like a very useful and good thing to do. However, the practicalities of it are a bit troublesome. I understand, why the outside bin should be locked up, but it's a nuisance to be locking and unlocking bins and keep the key safe and even a bigger problem for those with memory problems. I am sceptical that it will work for a significantly large group of residents of Wirral. Having said that, I agree it is worth giving it a go (I remember, when I lived in Bristol 10 years ago, a similar trial was abandoned, but perhaps things have moved on since).</p> <p>I would definitely want to keep our larger green bin. Although the survey showed, that large amount of unused food is placed in it, it is meant in the terms of weight and not volume, which worries me. I use my compost bins in our garden for large amount of what you would put in the food waste bin, yet on the day of collection, my green bin is usually almost full. I can imagine, we could do with 3 weeks collection, but what I seriously worry about is, that if I miss the right day, there will be no further collection for another long 3 weeks. Me and my husband both work in hospital irregular shifts, weekends and nights included. In such demanding life style, it can happen, that we sometimes forget, but if this happen, the time between consecutive collection is 4 weeks, which is manageable with little difficulties, but 6 weeks apart would be a big problem.</p>
4714	<p>Our green bin is certainly not full with 33% of recyclable food waste. It would be impossible for us as a family of 4 to move to 3 week collections.</p>
4715	<p>I have no space in my kitchen for an additional bin. I am already struggling to keep separate bins in the kitchen for general and recycled waste. I will also struggle to find extra space outside for yet another bin. There are only two of us living in our house and two-weekly green bin collections are already barely often enough.</p>
4716	<p>Do not waste money collecting and disposing of the current green bins. Collection, disposal and replacement with smaller bins would be a huge and unnecessary expense. If so much waste in green bins is food, then there should be plenty of space inside the existing bins for a three weekly collection. The downside of this is smell in hot weather when there are babies' nappies, ileostomy and colostomy waste, used inco pads and general medical waste from sick people bein cared for in the community in the bin for so long.</p> <p>I am sorry, this should be in the box below.</p>
4717	<p>We do not waste food and our green bin is full of non recyclable waste. Even thought there is only 2 of us, we would struggle with a 3 weekly collection</p>
4718	<p>Bit concerned regarding 3 weeks collection. Not so bad in colder months but summer months could be rather smelly.</p>
4719	<p>Preferred choice</p>

4720	<p>Our 240 litre green bin is always full every 2 weeks so I don't see extending to 3 week collection with the addition of a smaller indoor caddy collected every week, will work. Also by storing for 3 weeks it is inevitable the bin will smell and will potentially attract more vermin.</p> <p>I assume the brown bin will still be collected every 2 weeks and if customers have 2 bins (as we do) this service and collection period will continue?</p> <p>This option 1 whilst not ideal is preferred to option 2 collection.</p>
4721	Neither option - make the brown bin collection free again and leave the green bin as the same size every fortnight
4722	NO CHANCE
4723	<p>In respect of waste collection I pay my council tax to get a basic service. This service is not a benefit, as I actually pay for it, so please empty my bins as often as possible, three weeks is too long!</p> <p>Also I already have two bins in my kitchen, not really looking forward to another bin</p>
4724	I am concerned because as a family we dont waste food. Very little is put in the bin, only things like a chicken carcass. We have dogs who eat any food waste we have. So for us neither scheme would make any difference.
4725	I am against this option. I am not happy that the green bin will only be collected every 3 weeks. Not sure either that a "small indoor caddy" will be enough to collect my food waste in.
4726	<p>Will it be a wheelie bin for the food because anything small as per some of Cheshire waste boxes get knocked over, or if dropped they crack. This would lead to vermin flies etc not to mention the smell. Plus elderly people may not be able to carry it,</p> <p>If you can guarantee no smells from it then option 1 would save a lot of money as there would be no council expense for new green bins</p>
4727	This is not an option for us it is a service we would not use There are enough bad smells and flies with a bi-weekly collection. We bag all our food waste but other people don't and this causes problems. We also have an allotment so we compost all vegetable matter.
4728	<p>These food bins have been used previously on Wirral, my Mother living in Irby used one over 10 years ago, these food bins were collected weekly with the green bins. So it has been done before, and there should be past records to whether this system was successful or not. These bins seem fine for people living on there own and couples, but are not for larger families. I am more concerned about plastic food containers, which hold meat, fish, fruit, butter and yogurt pots. All this plastic packaging sold is not acceptable in the recycling bin, these plastic containers make up the majority of our green bin. A three week green bin collection is not the answer, I feel people will soon give up using a separate food bin container, and after 3 weeks there will be a health hazard on our streets.</p>
4729	<p>I know the plan is not to involve blocks of flats until 2018 but living in a block of 12 flats, coordinating the cooperation from all residents into a lockable container maybe tricky.</p> <p>By 2018 good working practices may have been learned.</p> <p>Space for additional containers is limited so the smaller green bins in option 2 may provide the space required.</p> <p>I like the idea in principle and the remainder is as at present.</p>
4730	<p>I am so pleased to hear that you are finally going to introduce food recycling. I have tried all sorts of systems such as bokashi bins, which were expensive and not very successful.</p> <p>I have, for some years, been lobbying the council to do food recycling. In both places my daughter has lived (Northants and Oxfordshire) it has been really successful. Reduced waste by thousand of tons and provided energy and compost.</p> <p>It is also more hygienic as long as the public do put all waste food into caddy.</p> <p>I have a slight concern about the reduction in green bin collection because I guess some items such as used nappies etc could prove a health hazard. I'm sure this has been considered by people more knowledgeable than most of us.</p> <p>Overall, excellent plan but option 2 sounds better.</p>
4731	Disagree strongly. Part of a large family & frequently have them round at the weekend. I will have no room for rubbish & I would imagine this will lead to an increase in vermin.
4732	This is not an option how many more bins are going to be bought and distributed only to be misused by people. As for the brown bin you pay for it to be emptied only for biffa staff to look inside and think not much in there and leave it. This is true because I watched him, then in a fortnights time if too full it'll be can't empty that it's too heavy. The system is a joke try sorting out collections that are already in place before giving out more bins.

4733	<p>Our green bin does NOT contain any unused food from our house. Our green bin is totally filled every time to the brim with recycling material only and not to be collected for another week would only create more rats to the environment for scraps that cling to empty food containers!</p> <p>To me this is purely a beauracatic change to kid everyone on that there is an increase in conservation by councils.</p> <p>Of course another bin outside the house is just what Port Sunlight needs to enhance its beauty? Considering that not all bins are to the back of the property.</p>
4734	<p>I do not like either of these options. I am happy to have a smaller bin for food waste. But I want weekly collections for both the food waste bin and the large green bin. Because during hot weather no matter what I do I get maggots in the bin. It costs me £3 a fortnight to have the bin washed out which again is like paying for me Garden rubbish bin.</p> <p>I do not think either of those options are acceptable and will lead to further rubbish and dog fouling being left on the streets.</p> <p>Also as a responsible dog owner were do I put my dogs waste.</p> <p>I pay my rates but because I am a responsible person I get less and less of a service from my local council. All the Services go to the areas like Birkenhead, Seacombe and Rock Ferry. On the Deeside of the Wirral we pay more for less and less services.</p>
4735	This would be our preferred option
4736	This would be cheaper presumably as the Green bins won't need replacing and will be collected less often. So best option.
4737	In my opinion preferable to option 2 because the bins stay the same size and it will annoy me greatly to have one smaller bin than the other however I don't like the idea of it hanging around for three weeks then again without food in it, it won't be quite so bad.
4738	We do not put that much waste in our green bin ???
4739	Three weeks is a very long time for a bin to be collected. Even though food will now be separate there will no doubt be debris still in that bin for most people, it has been noticed that the amount of rats and maggots in bins in the area has increased since the last changes...its that whole...why do we pay council tax question again.
4740	I do not have room in my kitchen for another indoor bin, regardless of size. I'm assuming the outdoor bin that comes with this has to be carried to the kerb for emptying or does it also have wheels? If it doesn't, this will cause problems. 3 week collections is unhygienic as the green bin will contain other items beside food waste that also smells and encourages pests.
4741	<p>I am very concerned about the food recycling process. I can be smelly and unhygienic and attract vermin including rats and other disease carrying rodents. I hot weather this could be worse as the food starts to breed bacteria.</p> <p>The same size green bin is my preferred option rather than a smaller one. A fortnightly collection of the green bin is also preferred as it works well.</p>
4742	better option - green bin wont have any smelly rotting food so 3 weekly would be ok
4743	We have just ordered a 2nd green bin due to the arrival of triplets and the waste they produce. They'll both be full by 2 weeks and the hygiene issue caused after 3 weeks is worrying!
4744	We do not require or need any change.keep the present system as it us.we do NOT need any more bins.
4745	We DO NOT waste food .We only cook the amount of food we can eat.Our only item of " food waste" which is put into our bin on a weekly basis is a chicken carcass.This would hardly warrant a separate collection.The public need to be educated to change their wasteful habits
4746	This would be a great idea I think a three weekly collection would be more cost effective. Save changing all to bins, which seems wasteful and reducing the cost of extra collection. This would be my preferred option
4747	It's bad enough having a 2wk green bin collection. A 3wk cycle is beyond disgusting. The thought of deposits of fog dirt and nappies being left for do long is just horrible.
4748	It will be annoying having the green bin not collected for three weeks but I think it could help recycling, however if I had excess rubbish I would just go to the tip- if you wanted to enforce the recycling of food I think the inside bin needs to be more aesthetically pleasing - perhaps in a brushed chrome/ stainless steel, I have a small kitchen and would not want this on show so I probably would not recycle my food waste even with less collections it may encourage me to recycle more paper and cardboard though
4749	<p>It is open to more fly tipping which in turn would be an extra cost to pay for the skips to clear this added problem</p> <p>there would be the added problem for encouraging rats</p> <p>people with small kitchens having to accommodate a bin taking up precious room</p> <p>I am very much against this proposal and do not understand the logic or the cost effectiveness of this ludicrous idea</p>
4750	Concerned that vermin will be attracted to this food waste. Why can't things be left as tgey are. They are working for the consumer
4751	As there is no option to leave things as they are it will have to be option one, my only problem is that i could not go beyond 2 weeks for my green bin to be emptied, we do not throw away enough food to warrant this new system.

4752	As long as the food bin is lockable Have you considered when people are on holiday? Or like my house where we work full time and travel away for at least 3 days a week? It's fine for people who don't work and therefore can be at home all the time to put bins out!! Please consider us working away from home people !
4753	We compost all our food waste so do not need a food waste bucket , also although we , 2 people could manage with a a 3 weekly green bin collection I know many families who could not .
4754	Not good if you miss a collection, currently if you miss a collection you wait 4 weeks this would mean 6 which is ludicrous to expect.
4755	I believe the green bin needs to be collected more frequently and I would be happy to pay a small supplement on the annual council tax bill for this. We currently recycle our food waste and still have a full green bin each time!
4756	1) I'd prefer to keep the current bin collection arrangements but if it has to change, I would prefer option 1. 2) Does this mean that the council will ALWAYS provide bin liners for the indoor caddy? 3) Why is the food bin lockable?
4757	Three weeks is too long between emptying bins. Nappies, sanitary towels and soiled dressings will attract flies and need to be disposed of more regularly.
4758	These food bins have been used previously on Wirral, my Mother living in Irby used one over 10 years ago, these food bins were collected weekly with the green bins. So it has been done before, and there should be records to whether this system was successful or not. These bins seem fine for people on there own and couples, but are not for larger families. I am more concerned about plastic food containers, which hold meat, fish, fruit, butter and yogurt pots. All this plastic packaging sold is not acceptable in the recycling bin, these plastic containers make up the majority of our green bin. A three week green bin collection is not the answer, I feel people will soon give up using a separate food bin container, and after 3 weeks there will be a health hazard on our streets.
4759	I worry about hygiene issues with the green bin only being collected every 3 weeks.
4760	I am concerned that 3 weekly collection of green bin in summer is not sufficient.This will encourage smells and flies.As a household with pets we do not throw away food waste as we recycle to provide a varied diet.
4761	Good idea
4762	Why you charge for a brown bin collection is ludicrous. This isn't helping the planet as many people just bag it and put it in the green bin. I compost it. Food waste bin is a good idea but I don't have any food waste other than what I compost.
4763	We bin hardly any food but do bin lots of food packaging in particular the plastic trays and card related to food which cannot be put into the recycling bin. In our view this is an important issue which needs addressing as soon as possible!
4764	I think it's typical of the council to be wasting money again + every 3 weeks for your green bin will encourage fly tipping. Food waste bins it's a waste of time + money.
4765	3 weeks is too long between green bin collections
4766	Unhappy with a three week green bin collection Having yet another bin to store - we already have 4 - will make even more of an eyesore at the front of houses Any food container left outside, lockable or not, will inevitably attract vermin What will happen to the waste food if it's recycled? How can it be dealt with safely and hygenically Really need to focus on stressing the importance of not wasting food rather than aiming to meet arbitrary targets, whoever has set them
4767	I would be happy tod recycle kitchen waste but to be honest I compost and have very little waste
4768	Confusing to change to 3 weekly collection. Unsure of the accuracy of the 1/3 by weight of food waste. Other general waste may not pack down so waste will need taking to the tip. (Fly tipping i predict will increase)

4769	Additional recycling is good , but not acceptable to only empty green bin 3/52 . There is already a problem with maggots and vermin particularly in hotter weather . Also the smell from bins would increase and become more invasive. I hardly throw any food away, General waste still is an infection risk and is unpleasant to have hanging around for 2/52 , never mind 3/52! Education is far better, and prevent excessive waste !!
4770	we tried this before and didn't like the small food bin also three weeks was too long for the green bin.
4771	Three weeks is too long to wait for other rubbish to be collected and if food is separated I will not need such a large bin. Increasing charge on brown bin will result in fewer people taking the option
4772	No. do not like this option: green bin could get smelly after 3 weeks, and a 2 week rota for brown and grey bins, and a 3 week rota for green bin would be confusing.
4773	I think in theory this sounds a very good idea. Providing the collections are made every week on time. How will it work at Bank Holidays particularly Christmas?
4774	Basically what you are offering is a choice of us getting a reduction of a third or 40%, not very satisfactory!  We would choose option one but are not happy with either as we don't actually waste that much food.  If the bin is only going to be emptied every three weeks then the grey recycling bin would need to be able to take a better range of recycling materials.
4775	To feel 3 weeks is too long to wait
4776	Obviously this will mean more input of time by householders, what incentive is there for them to comply with the request, it must be a cost saver exercise for the council and therefore the financial benefits should be passed on to the public by way of a reduction in the present charges.
4777	I think a try-weekly bin collection in this day and age would be a disgrace. No matter what precautions are taken the green bins are always smelly and quite often riddled with maggots, especially during the warmer weather. Our alley way is always littered with other junk that people can't be bothered to take to the tip. I fear this is only going to get worse. Those recycling targets were pre-determined by those cranks in Strasbourg/Brussels. Surely now we have made the sensible decision to leave the EU then we do not need to follow such dictation and can set our own achievable targets?
4778	I do not have enough food waste for even a small bin. I only have a small green bin which needs collecting after two weeks. I am happy with my grey bin collection as it is now - fortnightly!
4779	Awful option
4780	We do not have any spare space in our small kitchen for an extra food waste caddy and we create very little food waste. Of the two options we feel this would be the most efficient option - without the cost of supplying new bins and less frequent collections must surely save money too. We feel the money saved should be used to upgrade the recycling machinery at Bidston so drinks cartons etc can be recycled.
4781	We would go for this one , but wouldn't use the food recycling bin .
4782	Not agree
4783	Poorly thought out. Our existing green bin is usually filled by the 2 week mark, with food waste being a minimal contribution. The addition of a food waste bin will not account for the collection shortfall as much of what goes into the green bin is comprised of items classed as unfit for recycling.
4784	I would prefer to keep the larger bin but would not like to have it collected every 3 weeks.....not ideal at all!
4785	As we already compost most of our food "waste" such as vegetable peelings and tea bags etc I do not see how introducing a food waste bin is going to create that much "space" in our green bin that it will last for 3 weeks before needing emptied. As I recall, this waste food service was in place along with the fortnightly green bin collection when these new bins/caddies were first introduced. We throw away very little food indeed so this is just a cost cutting exercise for us. Introduce the food waste by all means but not at the cost of two weekly, current sized bins.
4786	I had the same food rebuking in Surrey - it was awful in the summer time as the food would rot quickly and turn into maggot infested which had a very sickly smell - it encouraged foxes and the so called lock mechanism easily broken when they were knocked over - so totally a health hazard and the bins not having food inside still smelly and insects still were attracted - so I was delighted to move North as you didn't have a food recycling - very very disappointed and appalled that you are thinking of doing this - who wants rotting food on their premises even if put inside the special food sacks - they don't keep the smell out and I never used the small caddy inside my house as flies would come in as they can smell the rotting food - so please please do not go ahead
4787	We would prefer this option. We recycle now, and we frequently fill the green bin: this would still happen even with a food waste bin.
4788	I would prefer to stay with a fortnightly collection for the green bin.
4789	I would favour this option.
4790	I think that green bin collections going to three weeks will result in a higher pest situation, especially in warmer weather.

4791	Anything that involves recycling more effectively has to be a good idea, but could the food waste and the green bin waste not be collected fortnightly. 3 weeks is a long time especially in the summer.
4792	3 weeks sounds ok. The food gets recycled in widnes at a plant witch eventually turns into electricity and fed into the national grid. Do we see the money from that?? Surely you will be geting paid. Should it be spent on providing a better machine to recycle more from the grey bin.
4793	I think that anything that you write is not worth the paper it is written on.Wirral BC is pathetic and I am disgusted with the way you treated my 94 year old father' s request for Council g tax rebate A pathetic council . I did not even read what you wrote here. I get nothing for my £100 monthly council tax . hopeless service from a useless council
4794	We would prefer this option. We recycle now, and we frequently fill the green bin: this would still happen even with a food waste bin.
4795	Collection of the green bin will be confusing at every 3 weeks with grey bin collection remaining every 2 weeks and new food bin collection every week.
4796	The three weekly collection will almost certainly lead to an increase in odour during the summer months especially when bins contain nappies or pet waste. In addition, alternating the bins is relatively easy to manage in terms of remembering which bin to present. The three weekly system will lead to some weeks having to present all three bins which could be difficult for older residents, really clutter pavements for pedestrians, especially mums with buggies and people with mobility scooters, and finally in windy weather have even more hazards flying into roads.
4797	I would prefer this option, if for no other reason, there won't be any spare 240litre bins to dispose of!
4798	I don't like the idea of waiting three weeks for green bin to be emptied
4799	3 weeks between green bin collections is far too long. We can still not recycle a substantial amount of materials such as foil, deodorant cans, some plastics etc., so whilst having a separate bin for food stuffs will make a slight difference to the amount put in the green bin, it wont make that much difference. Also I already have 2 bins in the kitchen, plus a work top bin for composting, and 3 bins outside plus a compost bin. I really don't want yet another bin for the kitchen as I don't have the room!
4800	You say that 30% of the contents is waste food....this I really do not believe. No family can fill a third of their bin with waste food,that would be the equivalent of a weeks shopping. Personally, we have no waste food. We have a dog, compost bin and more importantly we eat all our food, it's to costly to throw away. A three weekly collection will be far too long especially for people who don't waste food but fill their bins within two weeks.
4801	Wirral council used to provide small brown caddies for food waste and this scheme was scrapped years ago. What makes you think it will work now? Also most of the green bin waste is packaging that you don't currently recycle and other non recyclable waste. If you reduce collections there will be rubbish all over the streets, fly tipping will increase, more sewers will get clogged up with idiots flushing nappies because they don't have anywhere to put them. As it is now our green bin is often over full on collection day and we all know they won't empty a bin with a lid slightly open! Good grief I've heard some dumb ideas in my time....
4802	Good idea especially in the warmer months because of smell and attracts flies vermin ect
4803	I would prefer you collecting green bin every 3 weeks i hardley have any food waste it encourages flies and hate having little bins full of food around. Quite frankly i would just continue to put it in the green bin. Dont introduce little food bins nobody is going to use them!!!!
4804	I welcome the weekly collection of food waste.  3 weeks is too long for many families to wait between green bib collections
4805	I have already experienced the use of a food caddy system many years ago with Gwynedd council. It was scrapped after only a short time after an increase with rats. The smell in warmer weather from the food caddies and receptacles is putrid and encourages cats and dogs plus flies and ants in the kitchen. So after my experiences I would not be in favour of this option. How many properties, including houses whose bins are kept outside in front gardens and passageways as in terraced homes have the space for yet another unsightly bin. The properties opposite me leave them on the roadside in full sunshine, the smell will be lovely !!!!!
4806	I don't think it's a good idea I live alone and don't have food waste and I don't like the idea of having a caddy to put food waste in my kitchen it would be a health hazard in summer not to mention the smell
4807	Every 3 weeks for the green bin is not an option, it stinks before we even get to 2 weeks and that's with putting our waste in bags. I can't see us receiving enough liner bags and I think you will eventually charge for supplying them. I don't want a separate food caddy in my kitchen - you 're assuming we all have space! You should be targeting food packaging manufacturers to use less packaging.
4808	Alright but option 2 better

4809	<p>the thought of food waste all mixed up together in a caddy in my kitchen makes me feel a little bit sick. . I fill my green bin almost every fortnight so couldn't manage with a smaller one. I have no transport so I would worry about the excess waste if I had a smaller green bin.</p> <p>I am on a pension so cannot afford 40 pound for the brown bin although I would love a bin to put my garden waste in.</p>
4810	<p>We throw virtually no food waste away so the reduction in what goes into our green bin with be virtually nil. We often, but not always, fill both our green and grey bins every two weeks - having the green bin collected once every three weeks will be an issue for us. I can only see this adding to a fly tipping problem that there is already.</p>
4811	<p>This would suit me and probably be cheaper.</p>
4812	<p>The council should be encouraging people not to throw away food. We as a household DO NOT throw away food.</p> <p>Will any objection we have make any difference to what has already been decided.</p> <p>What happens if the green bin is full after two weeks - what actions do we take.</p> <p>Out of the two options we would choose Collection option 1. This would eliminate the cost of replacing existing bins.</p>
4813	<p>Could I possibly survive will a family of four with a three weekly collection simply answer no. What absurd ideas to save money will you think of next.</p>
4814	<p>I try not to waste any food. I cook and buy food that I am going to use. Everyone should be encouraged to not waste food. I recycle everything I can therefore my grey bin is always full. The green one is too, I have 4 adults living in my house. 3 weekly green bin collecting will be a nightmare as I waste no food. The food bin will never work. Do not waste a penny of my council tax money on this hair brained idea. Am all for recycling. .. but not this.</p>
4815	<p>Another 2 bins I don't have room for them, it will make my house and garden look like a recycling centre ! We should be able to recycle more plastics in the gray bin and also place vegetable cuttings and old un-cooked stale vegetables in the brown bin for composting ! A 3 week cycle of the green bin is unacceptable and would be totally confusing for many.</p> <p>I do not want to have bins at the front of my house</p>
4816	<p>my only concern is that three weeks between collections of the green bin is too long - although the potentially smelly stuff will be diverted to the new food waste bin.</p>
4817	<p>The council should be encouraging people not to throw away food. We as a household DO NOT throw away food.</p> <p>Will any objection we have make any difference to what has already been decided.</p> <p>What happens if the green bin is full after two weeks - what actions do we take.</p> <p>Out of the two options we would choose Collection option 1.</p>
4818	<p>I do understand the need to recycle but for some people having to find space in their kitchen for the caddy will pose a problem. I would prefer option 2 to retain fortnightly collection of the green bin. This is because there will be food wrappers with residue food that after three weeks will become very unpleasant especially during warm periods. It will be less hygienic and more likely to encourage vermin if food wrappings are collected less frequently as now.</p>
4819	<p>I am quite happy to use option 1. At present I put most of my vegetable waste into the compost bin but I agree to put old meat and chicken bones in the indoor caddy and have the green bin collected every 3 weeks. However there are only 2 people living in the house.</p>
4820	<p>Do not want this option as three weeks is too long to have rubbish in a bin especially in hot weather.</p>
4821	<p>3 weeks is far too long to keep household rubbish. Even without food there will be terrible smells, flies and insects, rats and foxes will be in paradise.</p>
4822	<p>To be honest we don't have much food waste so I think we would struggle with the green bin only being emptied every 3 weeks, we just about manage now. Not sure what the smell would be like coming from the food containers in the summer months, because a majority of the waste I would imagine will be meat, fish and dairy products as many people use compost bins for peelings. Also how do you judge the size of food containers to the size of the families surely a family of 4 and above need a larger size than a couple or single person. A bit more thought needed with these options.</p>
4823	<p>This is my favoured option hopefully as food waste s collected weekly the problem of odour will be solved and we will have the larger bin for non recyclables even though collection is every three weeks .</p>
4824	<p>No, too long between green bin collections and we don't need 240l bin either.</p>

4825	As a retired couple, generating very little non recyclable waste and even smaller amounts of wasted food, we are able to accept both options. However, there could be problems for households of more than two people.
4826	We should be able to recycle the packaging from our fruit pun nets, I throw lots of this type of packaging away in the green bin,if we could recycle this it would help towards the target.
4827	If you have a small family then this has potential however we are a family of 5 we fill both our green and grey bins completely. We compost what we can. However I notice that much of our waste is food containers which you do not recycle. I should also point out that animal waste should be placed in the green bin. That will be simply delightful sitting outside my house during the summer months. 3 weeks is not an easy timeframe to remember and if one collection is missed then a 6 week wait is unacceptable and potentially hazardous.
4828	I don't want to wait 3 weeks to have my bin collected thank you I would prepare to keep the for nightly collection even though I double bag all my rubbish the bin still smells in the summer by collection day and there are people who don't do this in areas the smell on bin collection day is terrible
4829	I do not see this as a better option be cause we have no waste food at all. We have a waste disposal unit in the sink and still manage to fill the green bin every 2 weeks. Having to wait an extra week for the collection wouldn't work for us.
4830	Happy with idea of recycling food waste. It will be inconvenient but worthwhile. I am not sure that the removal of food waste will significantly reduce volume in the green bin. Even without food our 240l bin would still be full after 2 weeks. The grey bin should be collected every 3 weeks instead.
4831	go back to weekly collections with one bin and sort it at tip
4832	Prefer option 2 below
4833	Our big bin is still in good condition. We seldom fill it anyway and would fill it less if we were putting food waste elsewhere. Have used food recycling elsewhere without difficulty. Would bags supplied for food waste be biodegradable as in Scotland?
4834	I cannot see that objection can be made to recycling food waste although I consider that people should be encouraged not to waste food when others are without. In so far as the Green bin is concerned if it contains only items that are not perishable and therefore do not smell there does not seem any reason for the expense in reducing the size. I do object to the cost if replacement of the large bin is required due to damage when as I see it, most of the damage is probably caused when it is in the process of being emptied. In so far as the Brown bin is concerned, I do pay for collection but object to this charge as we pay our Council tax and I do know and am sure that the Council are only too well aware, that people do not pay for the brown bin collection and put garden waste in the green bin. This appears to be completely ignored by the Council and I am sure that these are the people who would object to the three week collection or even small green bins.
4835	As a family we don't throw away hardly any food. I only cook enough at mealtimes so plates are clean and no need to be scrapped. I always have to visit the tip as my bin gets very very full. So collecting ever 3 weeks would not be acceptable!!! We also have a composter in the garden which we use religiously !!!
4836	Our household could cope with a 3 weekly green bin collection. We do not fill our green bin at the moment. BUT - see comments for option 2.
4837	No food recycling it's disgusting & will encourage vermin unless this is another idea as pest control is charged .
4838	Keep the 240 litre green bin for now and see how recycling figures develop over the following months as well as monitoring fly tipping. If recycling improves maybe look to replace the 240 litre with a 140 litre bin in the future.
4839	In principle I understand what you are trying to achieve and support your aims.  Today I have been to the recycling site at the M53 junction at Clatterbridge and it was really noticeable how many black bin bags of "general" waste (unseparated) there were. Visible were empty tin cans, milk cartons, plastic trays. I also watched three people dumping hard plastic items (e.g plastic bucket) I the non recyclable skips.  Without a 100% follow through all that happens is the problem is "moved around" and so the target is not achieved. This initiative needs "follow through" thinking
4840	I think option one is best as this will save cost not replacing bins. As there will be no food in the green bins 3 weeks will not cause any problems with smell or maggots



4841	<p>I dont agree with the solution being to collect waste food. What else is being done to increase recycling ? Drop the garden collection charge and see a large increase in the recycle rate? How many houses are not opting to pay and what % of house holds does the 40000 subscriptions represent?</p> <p>If a house uses a waste disposal unit does that impact your recycling targets?  If you introduce this change will the cost of refuse collection increase the council tax ?</p>
4842	<p>I do don't think that this is a good idea for every body. We produce very little food waste, not sticking to the sometimes over optimistic eat by / sell by date is one thing to do.  How much energy is being used to collect, sort his food waste?  More education is the answer to make people aware of how to use food properly and not waste it.  Food waste collection bins will be damaged, spillt food, foxes attracted to them, more mess.  Some residents can not even keep there current bins clean / tidy  Yet another bin to have to store somewhere</p>
4843	<p>I am happy to recycle food waste but the option for collection of green bin every 3 weeks for families with babies in nappies is not feasible. The smell after 3 weeks in the summer months would be dreadful.</p>
4844	<p>EU nonsense - which thankfully we will be free of shortly.</p> <p>Typical Wirral Council.Laughing stock - loved by every stupid left wing conformist - while ignoring the people it is elected to represent.</p> <p>Do what you wish - you'll just get more fly tipping.</p>
4845	<p>3 weeks before collection will make the bins smell and attract flies, also I think the Green bin ( normally associated with recycling) should be recycling and the grey general waste. I think the brown bin should be emptied every week during July and August, then cut back in winter to every 3 weeks.</p>
4846	<p>We already food recycle.and I can tell you the small caddy will be far to small (friend in williston has one already) they are just tiny..also the green bin is the last of the bins that should be collected less.it will surely increase smells flies and vermin ect.but I expect my views to fall on deaf ears....</p>

4847	This is the most sensible option. Food waste is mostly what makes the contents noisome and if that is segregated the three week interval is supportable.
4848	When we were originally supplied with a brown bin it was accompanied by a caddy for food waste. Thus the food waste was recycled with garden waste. At some point we were told that we could no longer do this and food was to go into the green bin. (I have continued to use the caddy but for ANY waste in the kitchen.) I should prefer to revert to that original scheme. With the current options there'd be two more receptacles to find a place for, which is particularly galling as I paid nearly £300 for a triple bin store some months ago because of the unsightly state of my driveway. With regard to smells : only last week I had to clean the green bin because of the strong smell of fish from a package which I had even double-bagged. Lord knows what it would be like after a further week. Could you have options 1 or 2 for those who do not subscribe to the garden scheme and the original scheme - food waste in with the garden waste - for those who do ?
4849	The goal of increasing recycling is laudible but charging for brown bin collections which in our household is the largest element of our recyclable waste really is counter intuitive. Indeed, if you want to increase our recycling collection percentage provide a second brown bin free of charge and you will achieve your objective. On the other elements I regard the weekly food waste as an expensive indulgence, particularly if it is at the expense of green bin collection frequency. Keeping food waste indoors simply won't happen in our household, both because of space limitations in the kitchen and the smell and vermin risks. The risk involved in reducing green bin collection frequency is that you will increase the level of fly tipping in the Borough.
4850	I do not want to wait three weeks to have my refuse collected, and as you stated, the bins are becoming outdated. Will you recycle them?
4851	Collecting waste every 3 weeks is not acceptable - especially for families who have babies. Leaving nappies in a bin for 3 weeks would be disgusting. Two weekly collection is bad enough as it is
4852	Bins are more likely to be overloaded if collected every three weeks. More likely that bin men Wong be able to move the larger, fuller bins.

4853	the more bins we have this will just give us more problems. The bins we have at the moment are very sightly to look outside people's properties even more so with giving us more to put out. It just creates more problems if people miss any collection, what would happen to separate food waste collections then? Our roads will be more littered and peoples bins will be just left out. The fortnightly collections are not the best but it works for alternate bins on alternate weeks. Now this just throws more in to the mix and confuses people more. I feel very strongly as if we are kept with the 240L bin and these be collected every 3 weeks as what do young families and families with pets ie animal waste and nappies? When we have warm weather now are bins have been very smelly and sometimes had maggots??
4854	When these targets for recycling were set, we were in ongoing membership of the EU. The targets were an EU one-size-fits-all to deal with real disposal problems in some other euro-states. It is a waste of our money instituting expensive schemes like this to meet unnecessarily stringent recycling targets now we are leaving the EU. We will no longer be subject to fines for not meeting these targets. The costs of either scheme option will be large - why not just collect the existing Green bins weekly. Food caddys mean there is extra handling of raw foods (eg meat that goes off in the fridge even when in date) - we would have to handle the unwrapping of this food to dispose of it and thus expose ourselves to food poisoning bacteria.
4855	Bad news for people with large family who struggle with full bin after 2 weeks not a good idea for 3weekly collect should leave it at 2 don't have that much food waste can't afford to waste food
4856	Which ever option chosen, yet another bin outside and another bin inside. There is only so much room to house all these bins, most homes now keeping bins in front gardens to save on space and the effort of pulling them from the back to the front garden. Same with kitchens finding space to house the bin, we don't all have American style kitchens. And how long before council charges for the bin liners or we then have to buy them . As for tackling fly tippers, addressing alleyways only a small part , get CCTV behind Tarren Way Moreton, it's been going on and getting worse for years. Zero tolerance and prosecute.
4857	If we go away on holiday the three week green bin collection could become six weeks.Totally unacceptable as is the prospect of having to clutter up an already full kitchen with a stinking food waste bin.  As far as fines in 2020 are concerned, my understanding is that these relate to EU imposed targets. Have you not heard, we have voted to leave the EU?
4858	Best option
4859	An utter disgrace. Our green bin is already only collected fortnight lay and it stinks on the day if collection. I can not comprehend how you can even think about leaving green bins up to three weeks, total and utter nonsense
4860	We have had this before and it didn't work. Rather than recycling food that is wasted why don't we tackle why we waste food and look at the offers at the supermarkets. Similarly why don't we adopt the French way that the supermarkets donate the food to the food banks. Why don't the supermarkets sell goods for single people and if they do (as some do) why do they charge the same price as for a larger quantity? I think putting food in a bin for at least a week is absolutely disgusting both from an environmental view and from a health/smell view.
4861	Three weeks is too long, plus will mean on some weeks, the green and grey bin will both be collected, whereas in other weeks it won't coincide - this could get confusing. A two week cycle is preferable.
4862	Personally, with a combination of prudent shopping, composting and pet chickens and cats we have virtually zero food waste. Our grey bin usually full after 2 weeks and the green bin less than a third full. However the green bin really stinks, which for me is the main issue. I think efforts would be better targeted at enforcing the current recycling regime with the sector of the community who make no effort to recycle. These people are very unlikely to embrace an even more stringent recycling regime as proposed unless you somehow managed to engage them in the simpler current recycling regime.
4863	Happy with this one. Swapping all the green bins seems un-necessary. We never manage to fill the green bin so 3 weeks is fine for us.
4864	Food waste collection long overdue : other members of my family in Lancaster, Salford, Stockport & Cheltenham have had food waste collection for yeras. Why will the food container be lockable ? This will make the introduction more costly.  Green bin every 3 weeks should be OK if household recycle systematically..
4865	Best option & reduces costs of needing replacement green smaller bins
4866	A. I object to food recycling collection B. There is nothing wrong with our existing green bin, why can't it be kept and still emptied every two weeks There are certain food containers which can not be wash out. i.e. Fresh mince container, Fresh fish and meat wrappings are just a few examples. If left to three weeks the result is more maggots and flies, are YOU going to clean our bin. Also Grandchildren occasionally, what do we do with their nappies???

4867	This is preferred option but not happy that No consultation that this has to happen ! Our bin is NOT one third food. Is there any reduction in council tax for lesser service as we already pay for brown bin in addition to excessive council tax bills? Any reduction for the revenue you will receive from waste ? Also too many bins per house - an eyesore where should they be stored.
4868	Keep existing bin for larger items and collect every 3 weeks.
4869	I would not be happy having waste uncollected for three weeks from the green bin
4870	I think green bins should remain the same size and collected every two weeks in the first year, reduced the green bin in the second year. Phase it in. But green bin collected every two weeks.
4871	I prefer this option as it might be hard to fit larger, non recyclable items in the smaller bin from option 2. I think a 3 weekly collection would be sufficient.
4872	We have very little food waste in our house and have never had much food waste as we only buy what we need and cook or prepare the amount that we need. I am really not keen on having a little 'food bin' sitting in my kitchen, not at all hygienic and I don't have space for it. We would rather have the brown bin for free as we are not prepared to pay an extra £35 for that on top of our council tax.
4873	We compost most of our food waste at present so the green bin tends to only contain materials such as used tissues, styrofoam, coffee pods, meat and bone waste as well as non-recyclable material such as margarine tubs.  Eliminating all food waste from the green bin means a collection every 3 weeks would be fine for us. Also 3 weeks with 240 litres rather than fortnightly with 140 litre bins gives everyone a slightly larger volume per week (80 litres vs. 70) for the material in the green bin.  However, if the green bin contains much soiled food packaging (e.g. wrap from packaged raw meat and fish), the green bin could become very smelly and attract flies and maggots. If such waste cannot go in with the rest of the food waste - it will contain plastic - then I think the more expensive option of 140 litre bins and fortnightly collection is preferable.
4874	Three weeks is too long between collections for the green bin....smell, health concerns, insects and risk of vermin increased
4875	I have very little food waste. A 3 weekly general collection will result in more smells and flies during hot spells because it is food packages that tend to smell.  Personally I think it would be more beneficial to increase the recycling options even if you have to take that out of the area like the food
4876	Currently our green bin is overflowing by the end of 2 weeks due to having a baby and toddler do there are a lot of nappies and other un recyclable waste that comes with having 2 young children. Also it smells badly and we have had maggots during the summer. A 3 week cycle is a health hazard and there would be too much waste to go in the green bin as it would be overflowing a lot. We do not have much food waste so we see this as pointless and again smells becoming a hazard
4877	Ok. Makes sense
4878	I don't agree at all with the new proposals!! Who wastes food anyway?? I cannot agree to accepting a smaller green bin at all. How much is all this going to cost the rate payer?
4879	I compost my own peelings, trimmings, skins, tea bags, coffee. I also compost a small amount of cooked food (veg, pasta). Meat trimmings and a small amount of cooked meat eg bones go in the green bin. I therefore produce very little waste food. I would keep the 240 bin.
4880	Have very little food waste. Don't want to go to 3 week green collection.
4881	Don't like the thought of rubbish hanging around for 3 weeks. A lot of folk won't put all their food in the food bin and others put dog waste and nappies in their green bin. The large bin is unnecessary if people recycle properly (we hardly ever had more than half a bin when we were a family of 4 adults). A smaller bin might encourage people to sort their rubbish and recycle more. Will the caddy liners be biodegradable?
4882	Concerned that a collection for green bin every third week will result in a smelly, dirty bin. Easy to forget collection day! will bin size be sufficient for a family with fewer collections?

4883	<p>Awful. We recycle and we use leftovers of food. My bin is full, lid slightly open on a fortnightly collection because of nappies! I will have another baby by the time this comes in, so more nappies, on a three weekly collection will absolutely stink.</p> <p>This option is not viable for me, or many young families.</p>
4884	Would prefer to keep larger bin.
4885	Waste collection of the Green bin every 3 weeks is not acceptable. I do not believe enough recycling of this type of waste will reduce your target.
4886	Three weeks seems a long time to keep waste in the green bin.
4887	<p>If these are the only options this would be my preferred option - we previously lived in Sefton with food recycling and have missed this during the past 3 years.</p> <p>I recycle as much as possible - I do feel we could still recycle more and think that if we have to accept this option you as the council need to offer increased recycling options and fine people that don't recycle.</p>
4888	<p>If the inside waste is in liners, how is it transferred to the outside bin - in the liner, or is it tipped out? And when the outside bin is emptied, it will surely need to be washed out each week.</p> <p>Meanwhile, the large green bins will be smelling after three weeks, from dirty nappies and the like.</p>
4889	Understand the need for more efficient recycling but not keen on the idea of having ANOTHER food caddy in the kitchen as well as my kitchen bin and ANOTHER bin to add to the three existing bins outside. Three week collection of the green bin I find unacceptable, as there will still be food packaging in it that will smell it's bad enough after two weeks! Especially in hot weather!
4890	Not happy as there are already 3 large wheelie bins cluttering our back garden
4891	Its bad enough only being collected every fortnight, 3 weeks will be a nightmare.
4892	<p>I think that the food waste is an excellent idea, and it will definitely benefit many many people. I love the idea so much!!! I prefer option 1 to option 2 because option 1 means that there will be no change to the green bins - I think removing our existing green bins and replacing them with smaller ones is a waste of materials (especially plastic, which is not a great material), as thousands of new bins will need to be manufactured. Also, every three weeks for a collection will be good because there will be no decomposable waste therefore the bin won't get smelly etc. Also, there is no need to create more bin rounds (by having a green bin collection fortnightly and adding a food waste collection, there will be a net increase in bin collections therefore there will be more pollution from bin vehicles). On the other hand, making the green bins get collected once every three weeks will mean that there will be less bin rounds and therefore less pollution from bin lorries. Once again, I LOVE the food waste idea!!! There is so much food waste in my house which goes to the green bin and could be composted/recycled, and we don't have a compost bin in my house as it is not feasible for my mother to maintain, especially as I am not here for most of the year as I go to University in Bristol (which has a food waste collection which I find very useful!) Thanks!</p>
4893	<p>Hi, I think the food waste recycling is a good idea however am concerned over rodents moving in but maybe the council could show a short video on their website to show in detail how the new bin as it works and looks.</p> <p>Green bin every 3 weeks am concerned due to a lot of items in my bin is food packaging that can not be recycled, does the council work closely with big local companies that sell a item with a lot of unrecycling packaging on it maybe that could help also to look at for the future.</p> <p>If their evidence of the green bin reducing waste in my green bin and it would not need to be emptied for every 3 weeks then I think it would be a sensible idea but evidence of this would be ideal.</p> <p>Brown bin fee has gone up which has put off a few people I know using their brown bin, not sure where our money goes but I feel the council should look at trying to help people who recycle and fine people that don't recycle where the incentive for people who want to recycle.</p> <p>Many thanks</p>
4894	Happy with this option
4895	<p>Don't have a lot of food waste and already have our own composter. This would just reduce the service from you without reducing our council tax. Suspect many others in area the same. can't see this helping with anything.</p> <p>I'd like to see you reduce duplication and waste in the council rather than expect households to take the cut all of the time.</p>

4896	Concern with this option is that 3 weeks is simply too long between collections - how long before people start fly tipping etc, or are we going to see a return to the middle ages with rubbish and effluent flowing down the streets?
4897	<p>This is the most sensible option as the environmental impact of collecting and destroying the existing green bins will surely outweighs the benefits - the Council need to take into account the environmental impact of producing new bins and recycling old bins as part of the overall environmental impact assessment - not just the reduction of the household waste sent to landfill. The impact of 3 week collections on green bins through smells etc should be minimal as the majority of decaying waste will be foodstuffs which will be collected weekly.</p> <p>The Council should consider a reduction in the cost of Brown Bin scheme to encourage more garden recycling as many people put garden waste in the green bins currently which go to landfill. A reduction to £20 per month may encourage further use of this service - even if it is a 1 year discount for new subscribers. It may also reduce the amount of garden waste being flytipped.</p>
4898	<p>We moved from Anglesey (Gwynedd Council ) to the Wirral 3yrs ago. Food recycling collection was introduced whilst we were there. Initially some residents (but not all) participated in the scheme. After about 6mths, hardly any food bins in the surrounding area were put out for collection. The reasons for this were: the effort involved in collecting the waste and transferring to the small bin outside, the smell from the small bin in the kitchen when you opened it, the worry of the smell attracting foxes and rats and the size of the outside bin as it invariably blew away down the street when it was either full or empty of waste.</p> <p>There's no mention of this being compulsory. Will the bin men go through our green bins, looking for food and then refusing to empty it if they find any?</p>
4899	<p>This gives 80l of non- recycling waste a week, but in the warm summer you are much more likely to get fly / maggot infestations. We had maggots in our bin 2 years ago and despite bleaching and washing out after collections, it took the best part of 3 months to properly get rid of them.</p> <p>I am assuming 3 weekly collections also are a form of cost cutting ... Fewer men employed etc... If this was just about recycling we would have more bins is one for paper, one for plastic etc and would have more effective incentives in place to encourage recycling.</p>
4900	Sounds a great idea. Hopefully the 3 week collection will be ok.
4901	Just don't know how we are going to fit another bin on the drive to be honest, we struggle now with three of them.
4902	I do not like either option. There is a serious rodent problem across Wirral as in most areas & putting out any form of food waste bin will only lead to further infestations. Although the food waste bin is lockable, I do not feel that such security will keep out vermin for long. I do not understand how it can be economical to send a vehicle out every week to collect food waste when it is not viable to collect the normal bins as at present.
4903	<p>Do not want another bin do not have room for one outside let alone another in the kitchen.</p> <p>The reason people have paid for a brown bin is they have no option it is NOT popular.</p>
4904	A bin collection every 3 weeks is an awful idea - what happens if the collection day falls on a Bank Holiday? Or at Christmas? Don't like this idea at all!
4905	We have 2 dog's so would not welcome a 3 weekly collection due to smell.
4906	Preferable to option 2. however I have VERY little food waste and feel it won't be worthwhile in my case, or to many single occupancy households.
4907	Good idea for households of 4 or more.
4908	Will lead to even more fly tipping & higher levels of fly's & maggots in the warmer months!
4909	<p>What you are proposing " which will go ahead anyway in the dictatorial manner that you people call in our benefit, it is more than obvious that the vote or fancy referendum that you clever people called it is that you did not learn a thing from. And now you will push this bin through. GO TO ELLESMERE PORT and watch it being carried out we already pay for brown bin well some of us do, and in the future you will look at ways of charging for other areas of the job that you are paid to do SERVE THE PUBLIC. I am not a clever man but I can see right through you narrow minded people. Just keep pushing us and eventually you will pick up all the rubbish from our streets and fields, Who has set the targets ? we are no longer in the common market ?????????? or is this just your greedy way of extracting more money from the people you are supposed to be SERVING ??????????????????????. Grass cutting and street cleaning have already become a joke. and finely . It is obvious to me that you don't give a dam after what you did to my 101 year old neighbour decent people interested in the community would never have done that.</p>
4910	<p>I wil not be putting a food waste bin in my kitchen under any circumstance. I do not want the smell of rotting food in my house.</p> <p>The 3 weekly collection is not sufficient. It's just another way for us to pay and you to save our money . Do we get a refund if you are using our food waste to power your vehicles.</p> <p>No I thought not.</p>

4911	I do not want a three week collection it is bad enough now with the two week collection We always sort our rubbish and we prepare food so there is very little waste .But in the Streets ,there is so much rubbish strewn around .Flies are a real problem since the introduction of the fortnightly collection We live between 5 schools ,Two rows of shops both with takeaways and a large Asda .Since our Streetcleaner took redundancy we do not get a regular cleanup and it definitely shows the area has become very run down and alleyways are weed infested and strewn with rubbish an example is the walkways from Walby close through to Ackers rd ,and up to Asda on Woodchurch rd
4912	I can't believe a third of domestic waste is food waste. I, along with many Wirral residents, put all raw kitchen waste on the compost. Even if I didn't it wouldn't fill a third of my bin. For those who do not compost their waste it could go in the brown bin. I'm not convinced yet another bin cluttering up my back garden, and in many cases the street, is warranted. Consider the cost of the bins and that of collecting a very small amount of waste every week - wages, fuel, vehicle maintenance etc; not to mention the pollution from the diesel burned by the collectors. Not a good idea. Three weekly collection of general waste is fine by me, though I could imagine those with large families might think otherwise.
4913	3 weeks is far to long between collections. During the summer there are already maggots with 2 weekly collections . How can a family cope with 3 weekly collections. This has also not been made public enough . Just leave things as they are !
4914	Our green bin is full every 2 weeks, we do not throw any food waste away, what little food waste we have is composted. Three weeks is not an acceptable length of time between green bin collections there are things such as dog waste that could not sit in a bin for three weeks at a time particularly in the summer months. The food waste bin would be a waste of time and money.
4915	My green bin is rarely more than quarter filled. My grey bin is the same. If food waste is seperated green will contain even less. However, I fill it up with garden waste. I pay for a brown bin. I would welcome another brown bin to be included as part of the garden waste deal. I cringe filling the green bin with waste that goes to landfill but the cost and 3/4 empty green bin force my hand. I would not want the green bin hanging round for 3 weeks. Please consider giving more than one bin to those who request it.
4916	I would prefer this option. Our main waste at the moment is nappies and so a smaller green bin would be a problem for us.
4917	I think it's an absolutely fantastic idea to introduce food waste and I welcome any change to the current waste collection service you deem appropriate to include the food waste. A lot of what goes in my green bin is wasted food so this is great. If you recycle properly cutting down the green bin collection should be fine.
4918	Great that food waste will be collected on a weekly basis. Happy to keep large green bin to reduce waste (the need to supply New ones). Our only concern is that the green bins may still get full after two weeks- in our household, we throw away very little food and the majority of the waste that goes into our green bin is plastic packaging which cannot be placed in the grey bin. This is often relatively bulky. Our other main waste is nappies as we have as baby. Neither of these two main sources of our general waste will change as a result of the new food waste collection so we see no reason why our green bin (existing size) will not continue to be full after two weeks.
4919	not happy about green bins being collected every 3 weeks, not happy we are going to have another bin (disguised as "caddy").
4920	Much prefer option 2. Less cumbersome bin and 3 weeks wait is too much if a collection is missed!
4921	Keep the existing green bins. There will be no need to alter the wagons that collect them and there will be no additional costs from providing new smaller bins.
4922	I think both options are terrible. A caddy in the kitchen will be dirty and smelly and a fourth bin for waste is ridiculous. I don't believe a third of our waste is food and leaving bins uncollected for 3 weeks is an appalling idea.
4923	Happy with this choice. Think if you change size of green bin it is a waste of money that could be used for other resources.
4924	For me as a single occupant this is fine. My concern is for families with young children. Nappies sitting in green bins for 3 weeks could be a disaster encouraging flies and smells. Also dog owners who clean up after their dogs would have a similar problem.
4925	All good apart from the green bin! Smaller bin and more frequent pick ups
4926	Would cut costs of paying for new bin but every 2 weeks already causes maggots to grow in bin sometimes especially in summer ...three weeks would be too long without collection
4927	We throw virtually no food. Any vegetable waste is composted for our garden. Fish skins and bones, both fish and meat, are virtually the only food waste thrown. So this will have no impact on us, other than to reduce our waste collection service. Our green bin needs to be the same size as present to hold all the recyclable waste not recycled by Wirral. In France, all food packaging and all paper waste is recycled, including yoghurt pots, and juice cartons, and wrapping paper and windowed envelopes. This makes up most of our green bin Waste. Surely we can achieve the same recycling potential as France? Until we do recycle all cartons and plastic, we will need to keep the 2 weekly 240 litre green bin collection service.
4928	Dont want a 4th bin and dont want a 3 weekly collection resulting in smelly unhygienic bins
4929	The sane as below we would have overflowing green bins every 3 weeks. I can see people dumping rubbish in beauty spots
4930	Preferable to option 2
4931	No use for those with pets who clean hutches and litter trays out, even tying bin bags, left this long will still attract flies and cause maggots.

4932	<p>Instead of paying a company to take our garden waste which they then incinerate and make into compost and sell it to garden centres, supermarkets etc what can't the council set up its own incineration plant and save the cost of collection by the third party and sell the compost themselves? Just a thought.</p> <p>I Like the proposed ideas but a huge amount of stuff which goes Into our green bin is large plastic trays which vertically all the supermarket food is sold in which cannot be recycled.</p>
4933	<p>I would prefer a smaller green bin to be collected every 2 weeks as I think 3 weeks is too long and will encourage mice and rats!</p> <p>I don't agree with a separate food collection as this has been tried in North Wales and only after a couple of days residents found maggots in thier household bins as they create a warm sealed environment for maggots to form. But it doesn't seem that we get a say in that. The green bins should remain and emptied every week and then their would not be a need for new bins at all!</p>
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4935	Don't think I'd need 240 litre green bin
4936	We prefer option 1-
4937	I don't think the food only bin will reduce our green bin by that much so would prefer to keep the standard green bin and try 3 week collection.
4938	I don't agree with this as we already either compost peelings, eggshells etc or give excess food to the dog so very rarely have any food to dispose of. I don't want my drive looking like a recycling centre! Our green bin is usually full of the excessive packaging that comes with most purchases of food.
4939	<p>I am not keen on having a food waste container in the kitchen</p> <p>Preferred option as green bin size remains and gets full quickly</p>
4940	By all means introduce food recycling, but green bins should not be reduced in size or collected less frequently. The space taken up by discarded food is small (at least in our house), and will not offset proposed changes to the bins. These measures will see an increase in fly tipping and litter on the streets. Ratepayers are constantly having their refuse collection service downgraded, the most recent example being the charges for brown bins.
4941	As a household I hardly throw any food away at all. But I welcome food collection for households that do. Why doesn't Wirral allow as much recycling to be collected from homes as neighbouring Ellesmere Port and Neston though? They have aerosols, tetrapaks, batteries, plastic yoghurt pots, etc. collected, all of which Wirral residents have to put in the green bin. I suspect that would make more difference to the volume of recycling than food waste.
4942	Absolute and utter nonsense, the number of nappies a child uses will not be changed yet the cycle of collection will be. I would have more faith and value in what you said if you simply were honest and told us the current system is currently unaffordable.
4943	its ok in theory but when the weathers hot surley it will cause more maggots The collection of bins being changed to 3 weeks is a ridiculous idea
4944	Not too happy about a delay of three weeks seems too lengthy to me.
4945	<p>This would suit our household as very little food waste goes in the green bin. Most vegand fruit peelings go in the compost bin.Little food is wasted. The green bin has unrecyclable waste so a 3 weekly collection would be adequate .I realise that this would probably not be suitablew for larger families though.</p> <p>I am surprised that on average you say £60 worth of food is wasted a month!! That appals me . Perhaps it is a generation thing.</p>
4946	<p>Prefered option for my household,I have experience of food waste recycling from living in london,</p> <p>large households still need a larger bin, maybe if the number of bedrooms per house is looked at to determin the size of bin.</p>
4947	<p>If you were to collect the green bin every 3 weeks this would mean that the green and grey bins would often be collected on the same day. Is this actually feasible.</p> <p>It would also mean that many people will get very confused as to which bin needs to be put out when - it is undoubtedly a bit easier ro remember this when it is simply alternate weeks.</p>
4948	I think the weekly food recycling collection is a good idea but I think changing the green bin to three weeks would be confusing. That is why I prefer option 2.



4949	<p>I think it must be a sign of the times about food waste. Are we ordering too much take-away food which we can't eat? I'm not happy with the prospect of a three weekly green bin collection or a half size green bin. The fact is we don't waste food, we cook from fresh and if there is anything left we eat it the next day - something that is not recommended with take-away food because we don't know how fresh it is. Our green bin is invariably full of general household rubbish at the end of two weeks. A third week would mean a trip to the tip which is chaotic at the quietest of times. I have looked back over the last two weeks and the amount of food waste would - believe it or not be nil, and I'm sure there are many like us.</p> <p>Perhaps I can suggest a third choice? No indoor caddy for those who do not require one, but a second small green bin instead, assuming that the wagon will only empty 140 litre sizes. (If the wagon will accept both sizes then give us the choice to remain as we are.)</p> <p>Cheshire (CWAC) recycling for household plastics seems much more comprehensive and versatile, taking household plastic pots, tubs and trays and even tetrapaks. Maybe, if you accepted these as well, we could meet government targets and not incur any penalties or fines.</p>
4950	I don't agree with this as we already compost peelings, eggshells etc and very rarely have any food to dispose of. I don't want my drive looking like a recycling centre! Our green bin is usually full of the excessive packaging that comes with most purchases of food.
4951	I already dispose of my food waste separately and can guarantee that option 1 will not reduce my general green waste as there is very little food waste in my home
4952	Could be confusing as on certain weeks both lad fill and recycling would be on same day?
4953	<p>Utter nonsense , Three weeks between green bin collections will end up with maggot infestations , overflowing bins , fly tipping and an increase at the local tips as families cant cope with the volume restriction or be bothered with the inconvenience.</p> <p>You tried brown collection caddies that failed 7/8 years ago and that failed monumentally.</p> <p>What's different?</p> <p>How on earth are you going to monitor what's in the green bins?</p> <p>Are the liners bio-degradable ?</p>
4954	This seems the most cost effective option.
4955	Think it's a good idea
4956	<p>You do not make it clear what you mean by 'food waste'. Does this include cooked and uncooked food, excess fat trimming,oils used for cooking etc? Are there any excluded items which many of us would class as food waste? I am very happy with the idea of producing gas from waste food, but if so much food is part of green bin waste will a 'small' caddy collect it all?</p> <p>I currently compost most of my uncooked food waste and any other 'food waste' is only a small part of my fortnightly fill in the green bin. I would therefore prefer to keep the current larger bin. A three weekly collection could also cause us problems with quantities, and we already do recycle as much as possible. A major problem is plastic packaging on food which is bulky and also contaminated so would still attract flies and at present can't be recycled.</p> <p>For families with nappies to dispose of or elderly and disabled with continence pads a 3 weekly collection would I'm sure be unacceptable.</p>
4957	We are happy with this arrangement - to keep existing size green bin
4958	This would be our preferred option
4959	<p>Nobody has stated the size of the food recycling bin yet in any of these descriptions.</p> <p>If we choose option 2 over option 1 then the council will effectively be taking less rubbish in the smaller bins over a six week period than they would in the smaller bins.</p> <p>2 x 240ltrs = 480ltrs over 3 x 140ltrs = ( 420 ltrs) So by choosing a smaller but more regular service we would have 60ltrs of rubbish left over every 6 weeks, that would equate to nearly a full small bin every 12 weeks. I do not see that we dispose of so much foodstuffs that we as a household require a seperate bin.</p>
4960	I .think it will be more cost effective to retain the 240 litre bins to be collected every three weeks

4961	<p>This is not a good choice especially for families.</p> <p>There needs to be consideration for the size of household rather than making it more difficult for families to dispose of waste.</p> <p>Initially we think the food waste collection should run along side existing collections at the same frequency and after of transition then offer the choice of which option a household would prefer.</p> <p>The way this is presented is a fait accompli and not a true consultation</p>
4962	<p>A weekly food collection would be welcome- any less frequent would not.</p> <p>A 3 weekly cycle for the green bin would cause problems for any families using disposable nappies.</p> <p>It would also be difficult for people to remember when the bin collection is due.</p>
4963	<p>There is a government organisation call WRAP, which encourages recycling and gathers statistics. It is proven that co-mingled waste improves recycling rates not source segregation as you are proposing! Carry out some proper research and you will find the scheme we have now works perfectly well and education is the answer not change! I assume councillors are educated enough to know the difference!</p>
4964	<p>I think 3 weeks is too long for the green bin. It will also get confusing if there is going to be a week with no collections. I think it is better to have alternate weeks like we have now.</p>
4965	<p>I have a severely disabled child who is doubly incontinent. I have 2 green bins to accommodate the increased waste produced by having a disabled person in the household. These 2 bins are always full after the 2 weeks and only a very small percentage of this waste is food. I would not be able to wait 3 weeks for the green bins to be collected, they would be overflowing and also the smell from my son's continence products would be awful and even worse in warmer weather.</p>
4966	<p>I never throw food out, the only food is vegetable peelings and it goes in the brown bin. 3 weekly collections will be difficult to remember and it will clash some weeks with the grey bin. Having a smaller bin for waste I think is a waste of money as you still need space to store it and sometimes you may occasionally have more waste due to christmas etc and having the extra bin space will cater for those occasions. I do not agree with spending extra money on new bins when what we have now is perfectly adequate.</p>
4967	<p>Every 3 weeks is fine and a bigger bin allows for a bit of extra capacity. More difficult to remember to put bins out every three weeks.</p>
4968	<p>doesn't involve paying for new green bins, so seems to be the preferable option.</p> <p>However, can't give a fully informed opinion because you have omitted to tell us the size of the new food waste bin.</p>
4969	<p>Would like reassurance that enough liners will be provided and details about the lockable outdoor container</p>
4970	<p>Overall scheme seems ok. Green bin collection every 3 weeks no good for us as we have medical waste to dispose of.</p>
4971	<p>Unacceptable.</p> <p>Three weeks is too long: it is a health hazard and adversely affects the household environment.</p> <p>A slop bucket for food waste further degrades the household environment.</p> <p>Lobby with the food packaging industry to require all plastic used in food packaging to be made of degradable materials. The technology exists, demand its use. Although central government is the opposite party, put aside political differences and work for the greater good.</p>
4972	<p>This is the better option but 3 weeks for green bins is poor given the amount of council tax and other revenue hungry schemes the council has.</p> <p>Why not offer an compost bin for the food. Garden waste can also go in it for those that have gardens.</p> <p>If the main objective is to be recycling 50% why not put pressure on the supermarkets to change their packaging at source?</p> <p>How about generating revenue by fining m&amp;s in heswall everytime they cause huge traffic jams.</p>
4973	<p>Have concerns about the lack of space for all these bins. My house not too bad as I have a drive but others in my street don't and I have friends and family who have even less space particularly those who live in the traditional terraced houses with no front gardens,a tiny back yard and locked allyways. No issues over recycling food waste think it's a good idea but also think you should expand your other recycling like Cheshire council who take a lot more plastic than you do.</p> <p>The 3 weekly rubbish collection is not a good idea for those with children-smelly nappies, or animals-dog muck, cat litter etc... fear will be very smelly and over run with maggots and flies and vermin</p>
4974	<p>Better option as it offers an extra 60 litres over 6 weeks than option 2. However, it does mean if you miss your collection over christmas, you'd be waiting 6 weeks. If something was put in place to stop that situation from happening then this is the better option.</p>
4975	<p>prefer this option</p>

4976	<p>I have a baby in nappies and I find the idea that her nappies will be sat in our bin for 3 weeks going putrid disgusting. I think 2 weeks is bad enough. Any suggestion that everyone should be using washable nappies is not realistic.</p> <p>Why aren't more plastics recyclable. I often check the list of what's allowed and realise that I have to bin plastics that have a recycle symbol on them because they aren't on the list so have to go in the green bin.</p>
4977	<p>Every three weeks is a disgrace! We are going to have rat infestations and this is unhygienic. This is a 15th century service! But with people paying considerable money each month to fund your poor services...</p> <p>I think this survey is a joke to be honest. Is it?</p>
4978	<p>Bins will be too big if having 4 outside house as only just manage to fit them now so smaller would be better.</p>
4979	<p>While I am in favour of more recycling I can't say I'm overly impressed by the thought of 3 weeks of dirty nappies hanging around in my green bin possibly making an even worse smell during the summer months!</p>
4980	<p>We currently have a very small kitchen and have not got anywhere to put an indoor caddy.</p> <p>Also, as well as now having to pay extra to have my brown bin emptied, I will be doing more recycling so I expect my council tax to reduced!</p>
4981	<p>It is pleasing that food will now be recycled and converted into energy and fertiliser. A three-weekly cycle of 240 litre green bin collection will be fine, as there will be no smell / hygiene / pest problem because the bins won't be carrying food.</p>
4982	<p>In our household where there are only 2 adults this would not be a problem, However the private rented flats near us only have general waste bins and no recycling bins. I do not see how they would manage with a collection every 3 weeks as they often have black bin bags as well. We as neighbours put these bags in our bins.</p>
4983	<p>I have no food waste whatsoever I cook what I need and any scraps go to my chickens.anything that may go off is composted.</p> <p>May be thats a better idea..no waste.</p>
4984	<p>Emptying green bin every 3 weeks is not acceptable I have a disabled child who soils a lot and goes through a lot of rubbish so my green bin is full after 2 weeks</p>
4985	<p>This is the better option and keeping original green bin with collection every 3 weeks.</p> <p>Brown bin - never been happy that there is a charge for the garden waste. Why can't we just have the brown bin emptied for 6 months of the year, like some councils have adopted? We don't cut the lawn in the winter and everything stops growing after October so I suggest a collection from April to October. If we do cut any hedges back etc, we take to the council tip for recycling. I rarely put our brown bin out for collection in the winter months and feel as if we are not getting our monies worth for just 6 months.p</p>
4986	<p>Don't agree with green bin being emptied every 3 weeks</p> <p>Certainly don't agree with the indoor blue bin</p>
4987	<p>What is the environmental impact of increasing vehicle journeys for the additional collections.</p> <p>How many jobs wil be created by adopting this option.</p> <p>Why not reduce the cost of brown bin scheme to encourage greater take up and reduce the amount of garden waste going to landfill.</p> <p>Probably the most pressing issue is that of storage, not only four containers outside but one inside. Not all residents want or have space for more bins. Will there be provision to leave bins in the street on non collection days</p>
4988	<p>I have a household which includes 2 babies in nappies therefore a 3 weekly collection is not acceptable. Can one have 2 or 3 smaller bins instead to be collected every 2 weeks?</p>
4989	<p>We don't waste any food</p> <p>We have 1 child in nappies and 1 on the way</p> <p>This is simply not realistically viable for our family</p>

4990	<p>Seems to be a good scheme. Will liners always be supplied for food waste, and are they themselves degradable.</p> <p>There are only two people in this household so the 3-weekly collection MAY work.</p> <p>I do have a garden but did not agree with being charged for the collection of garden waste. Just another cost on top of everything else. I trust there will be no extra charge for collecting food waste.</p>
4991	I prefer option 2
4992	<p>A waste of time. We do not produce food waste. Our green bin is filled with waste for the tip. It needs emptying as it is now.</p> <p>Our waste food, such as it is, is composted and used by us.</p> <p>We want to opt out of this nonsense.</p> <p>You have no evidence to prove your allegations in any case.</p> <p>Have you ever made a realistic estimate of the energy recovered from Bidston tip as will be evidenced by the electrical energy fed to the grid?</p>
4993	We only have a small amount food waste. Our main waste is for the large green bin which is full by the end of the two week collection period and therefore needs to be emptied. The three week period would therefore be too long.
4994	<p>We actually throw very little food away each week, only the minimal waste from preparation and left overs on the plates after eating. Three weeks is a long time for food packaging to remain in the bin especially in hot weather as some of it has contained raw fish and meat.</p> <p>We really this this is going to be very costly as their will have to be multiple collections .</p>
4995	This sounds like the most environmentally friendly option as less rounds for the truck to do.
4996	Makes sense to use thus option rather than the cost of replacing all the bins albeit my food waste is minimal and doubt I will fill new container
4997	<p>Collections would not be regular enough. I would end up putting stale food in the recycle grey bin.</p> <p>Recipe for vermin!</p>
4998	<p>Collection every 3 weeks is too risky- you miss one week by being away and there is a 6 week gap!</p> <p>No good.</p>
4999	We are both over 70 and have always taken great care never to waste food....(a direct result of living through times of war!!!) We therefore would really prefer to keep our 240litre bin AND continue with our present fortnightly collection...but if needs must, we will accept a 3 weekly one .
5000	<p>The indoor caddy was tried several years ago and discarded because it was disgusting! Keeping week-old food indoors, especially in summer is just not practical. You will find that the majority of people, especially those who had to endure this system years ago, will still use the green bin.</p> <p>This system should not be implemented as it is unhealthy and unworkable and also unenforceable!</p>
5001	Small indoor caddy has been done before and it was disgusting to use and smelly which was horrible in the kitchen
5002	<p>Have serious concerns over the lockable food waste bin and the potential for even more vermin than is currently.</p> <p>Green bin. 3 weeks is an ill thought out consideration.</p> <p>The council has an obligation to ensure vermin are kept under control.</p>
5003	<p>Will I get a constant supply of bags for my food waste bin? I don't see why I should have to pay for the bags as you are introducing this onto us and we have no say, I actually don't have a lot of food waste as we are very carefull. Fact we don't waste food we recycle everything that can be recycled yet we have to stand in the bin to squash it down to fit the rubbish in.</p> <p>I can foresee a deluge of rubbish everywhere on the wirral once this new scheme is implemented what a shambles.</p> <p>I will keep my large bin and have it emptied every three weeks as we have calculated that we will lose 520ltrs of valuble bin space a year if we opted for the small bin.</p>
5004	We compost most of our food which is vegetable/fruit/bread based and plan our weekly food shopping so have little 'wasted' food but we still need a collection of our green bin every two weeks as it is full at this point but not with food. Mostly packaging which is non recyclable currently at our local depot. So for us it'll mean extra visits to the tip!
5005	<p>Rather than replace everyone's green bin why not give the customer the option of a small or larger green bin as and when required</p> <p>I feel a 3 weekly collection of the green bin should be sufficient</p> <p>I would like to know if there will be replacement liner delivered continuously</p>
5006	Prefer this as only throw cooked food away everything else composted or brown binned.

5007	<p>Leave at two weeks, if brown bin collection was free then more recycleable waste would be generated I have a brown bin but many of my neighbours openly admit to filling half the green bin with garden waste. The charge for the brown was a backward step, free brown bins would easily make up the 14% needed to reach your target.</p> <p>My food waste is minimal, tea bags, egg shells and few scraps. hardly worth the effort! And a lot of people who have a lot of food waste would not bother either, all in one pedal bin and be dammed.</p> <p>This is foolish waste of time.</p>
5008	I would prefer a green bin collection every two weeks. I don't have much food waste as I compost uncooked vegetable peelings and leaves, along with tea bags and other non-cooked organic material..
5009	I think it is disgusting that you are proposing dropping the green bin collection to 3 weekly. I think it is extremely short sighted and will lead to more problems with vermin and more cost for the council. You should surely trial the new food container on its own before doing something as radical as dropping the green bin frequency.
5010	<p>I feel that people should opt in to the food waste bin. My wife and I recycle our fresh food waste through our compost bins so there is no food waste in our Green bin. The green bin is invariably filled with ordinary household rubbish that cannot go in the Grey or Brown bins.</p> <p>A 3 week collection for the Green BIN would present us with great difficulties as our rubbish would overflow and it is my understanding you do not take extra rubbish in sealed black bags - which compounds the problem.</p> <p>I disagree with the food waste bins as a no-choice option.</p>
5011	You will reduce standard waste collection by one third but there is no way that food makes up one third of our current non recyclable waste. We have a dog who gets scraps and compost veg and fruit.
5012	Sounds complex as some weeks there will only be food bin collection, some weeks food and green and others food and grey , some weeks all 3 !!! Too hard to remember ... And if you is green then have to wait another 3 weeks to collect
5013	It is not the food waste that is the problem but the packaging. This will not be reduced so if the green bins are only collected every 3 weeks it will be inadequate. This then becomes a hygiene and subsequently a health problem if the bin is full but only collected every 3 weeks..
5014	<p>For a person living alone I would say a food waste caddy is waste of money and resources.</p> <p>Do not agree with green bin three weekly collections.</p> <p>Do hope the Brown bin subscription fee will not be increased again, this could lead to an increase in fly tipping!!</p>
5015	Ok as far as weekly collection on new food bin but will have to retain large green bin if only going to be collected ever 3 weeks. I prefer this option. Grey and brown bins to remain as is - fine.
5016	No more bins recycle centrally what a waste if you recycle green bins and but More no no no bins are
5017	I think this idea is ridiculous a small indoor caddy! with all waste food and then to transfare it into a locked container which by day 6 will be smelly and mouldy lets be honest how many people will actually do this... then to have are bins emptied every 3 wks !! remind me what we pay council tax for how ever does the public views even get considered or is this already a given which i suspect it is, who comes up with these ludicrous ideas. Not happy at all
5018	I have a family of three children and have to go to the tip every week as it is - this will make it worse - we should have weekly collections for all bins
5019	Unsure if green bin should be emptied 3weeks.. What do we do if full at 2 weeks! You are claiming green waste in bin will be less as food will be in little bin but We have nappies etc so unsure if 3weeks will be ok!
5020	So long as there are no changes to the grey/brown bins, Option 1 is my preferred option. It's better for the environment, more cost effective and convenient as there is no need to replace the bins.
5021	I do not feel 3-weekly collection is a good option even with the removal of food waste from the bin. There will still be some items in the bin that should be removed on a fortnight lay basis. It is also easier to remember a two-weekly cycle than a three-weekly one.
5022	<p>Can pet food waste be included in food waste?</p> <p>An indoor caddy is not great in a household where the animals try to raid bins, storage out of their reach is not really an option so will probably have to be kept outside.</p>
5023	We don't have food waste it is the container it comes in plus nappies cat litter and guinea-pigs waste and dog poo etc that fills the green bin we have to go to the tip weekly to empty some of the green bin
5024	This would be our preference

5025	<p>The best option depends on which gives the best financial return over say the next 10 years. Neither option should go ahead if they are not self-financing. It is impossible to determine this from the information provided.</p> <p>Achieving recycling targets should not take preference over keeping our rates bills down.</p> <p>Purchasing new smaller green bins just because a budget is already available does not seem the right way to proceed. Does the budget have to be used? Why not save the money or use it on other more important priorities.</p>
5026	Prefer to have bin emptied more frequently
5027	Not viable. Some items will smell really bad.
5028	<p>I am a vegetarian and compost all my food waste. I would not want a food waste container.</p> <p>I would not want 3 weekly collections of my green bin.</p>
5029	Our green bin, like many others has suffered from the ravages of time and recently the handles have broken during collection so having to work out when the green bin should go out, plus having to pay for a replacement bin would not be my favourite choice. The three week collection schedule feels uncomfortable and less memorable than the 2 week option. Yaay for food bins though!
5030	<p>I prefer this system.</p> <p>It has worked well for the last 10 years and keeps people disciplined.</p> <p>Bin replacement will be costly. Small green bins will get filled predictably quickly in larger households, additional bins may be required.</p> <p>current bin size adequate.</p>
5031	<p>Think this is the best option but the green bin would still need to be collected every two weeks.</p> <p>I feel that we represent a normal and average family and from many years knowledge can say that our food waste is minimal and would not allow for a reduction in green waste to allow to a three week collection cycle.</p> <p>I would like to know what tests and trials Wirral Borough Council have conducted to arrive at this solution.</p> <p>Our green bin is often full after 8 days which means we are forced into taking our excess rubbish to our local Waste recycling centre.</p> <p>This option and option 2 would simple not work for our family unit.</p> <p>In the past we enjoyed a weekly collection which worked perfectly.</p> <p>Now we are every two weeks and in the hotter months get a severe maggot investstion which poses a health risk. Your weekly collection of the food waste would more than likely alliviate this issue.</p> <p>On another note.</p> <p>I travel extensively around the country and have seen some councils using collection trucks which collect different types of waste. This must offer a more efficient option and environmentally better.</p> <p>Your comment is welcome.</p>
5032	No ta
5033	My kitchen is too small to have more than one bin in it so having a food only bin is not an option for me. i am disabled and cannot walk outside to put my food in a bin. Food only..what if for some reason your bin wasnt collected one week..what if I was unable t put my bin out because of health reasons? Are we going to have putrid smells and mice?? I really feel this is a money wasting idea and funds should be spent more on social care within the are\!a!!!
5034	blaby council did the food bin every week and scrapped it after a while.

5035	We favour option 1. On alternate third weeks the council will be collecting both bins on the same day. More staff will be required.
5036	I have recently moved to Wirral from Sefton where I had food caddys and free brown bins.. I believe that the green bins get used for garden waste and this is what makes the green bins over full and actually contributes to what is being called food waste. I have paid the surcharge for a brown bin but think the targets for waste collections would be better achieved if all households had a brown bin collected every three weeks. I really like the food collection caddys. It means the green bins stay cleaner and that food waste is collected weekly so reducing smells. I would prefer to stay with a fortnightly collection of green bins and a three weekly collection of brown.
5037	As long as food waste is weekly and the storage bin for it is secure and does not leak etc then I have no issue with my green bin being collected every 3 weeks. I would prefer this to a smaller bin collected fortnightly.
5038	The 3 week option is just too long for the green bin.
5039	Not acceptable you tried this before . The thing stank to high heaven . Our refuse contains very little actual food waste .  All your wasting here is more of the councils money on a rediculous idea .
5040	I would like to know the capacity of the new blue bin. If a smaller green bin is used and emptied once fortnightly there is overall less space for general waste than if the larger green bin is retained and emptied every 3 weeks. If a household opts to keep the 240 litre bin, would they then have to pay to replace it once worn out(as the current green bins are older)?
5041	I will be happier with this option but happens as with previous experience a few years ago when the system failed.I am in total support regarding recycling .
5042	I think this will cause an infestation on fly's, especially if a household has young children using nappies. Why don't shops use paper bags so food can be wrapped in this and recycled. Also why can't beg peeling go in the brown bin.
5043	I think green bins will overflow if there is a 3 weekly collection leading to more litter in the streets.
5044	I find it unacceptable to have a three weekly collection. However I do not think the smaller green bin proposed for two weekly collection will be big enough.
5045	Will we be given new bags for free for food bins or will we have to buy own when we run out Would still rather green bin emptied every two weeks especially during summer when weather is warmer Less chance of maggots in wheelie bin
5046	I prefer option 1 because there is no need to replace the green wheelie bins ... That seems a complete waste of resources and we need to educate people to realise that plastic / packaging could be collected every 3 weeks ... It will not smell etc if one rinses the stuff
5047	Yes to option 1
5048	Not acceptable as my green bin is always full after 2 weeks so I'd have to take the extra waste the tip myself, so why am I paying my council tax, bad enough that I pay for my garden waste, when you make money off it!!!! ????????????
5049	No ta
5050	Introduce food weekly but keep current 240 bin 2 weekly - doesn't matter if the're not full!
5051	I would prefer to keep to the present system as I waste very little food myself and would not like rubbish being kept for 3 weeks at a time.
5052	Green bins are full after two weeks and most is not food waste. During summer we experience maggots in green bins , just what will be living in them if they are left for three weeks? Babies nappies will rot, and anyone with dog waste in their bin will be a health hazard. The whole idea needs a total rethink. Thee week collection could cause a heath problem.
5053	What a waste of time and money. I do not have any food waste since I mange what I buy and when I use it. Any waste I do have, which is limited to tea bags, coffee grounds and peelings, goes on the compost. You should spend the budget on more education those that need it and getting more items into the grey recycling bin.

5054	The new food waste container will be emptied once per week. If it is a 50 litre box it will be heavy for an elderly or disabled person to place at the kerbside unless it is on wheels with an extendible handle like the small basket trolleys in some supermarkets. Whilst the need to recycle is important what about the carbon footprint of the (different) vehicles required to collect the waste boxes, manufacturing carbon debit in the production of the plastic boxes, all the plastic bags used to line the caddies (how will extra ones be delivered, will a charge be made? Presumably they will be biodegradable? As this decision seems to have been taken and we are only being asked to decide on bin sizes and collection rota I would like to see the figures and breakdowns vs penalties for failing to meet targets. Maybe the targets are unrealistic
5055	No. Keep the bin collections as they are. We don't waste food. However we do have a baby who produced of nappies.please please please don't change it. Make the recycling every three weeks.
5056	I WORK WITH PEOPLE WITH MEMORY LOSS AND DEMENTIA MANY OF WHOM HAVE NO CARERS AND MANY ELDERLY, VISUALLY IMPAIRED,DISABLED PEOPLE ETC CANNOT COPE WITH ANY ADDITIONAL BINS. ALSO TO COLLECT A BIN EVERY 3 WEEKS IS NOT HYGENIC. THE BINS IN SUMMER ARE PLAGUED BY INSECTS - I LIVE IN AN AREA WHERE FOXES ROAM AT NIGHT AND WOULD WORRY RE RODENTS ALSO. MANY PEOPLE DO NOT HAVE THE SPACE FOR ALL THE BINS AND THE GARDENS ARE BECOMING UNSIGHTLY. WE PAY ENOUGH ON OUR COUNCIL TAX AND EVEN TO HAVE A BIN EMPTIED EVERY 2 WEEKS IS UNFAIR.
5057	Acceptable to me
5058	3 weekly collection may be difficult to keep track of for some residents. Fly tipping may increase if residents miss a collection. Some waste (nappies, sanitary products, some food packaging) may attract flies, or give off bad smells etc if left for 3 weeks. Still believe that brown bin collections should revert to a free service again.
5059	We are two pensioners of some years' standing. There will not be any food waste from this property. How much is the implementation of this going to cost ? Three weeks between green bin collections will cause us hardship. We will worry about whether we can fit it all in and it will mean driving to the tip, something I do not relish at my age. I may have to tread it all down to pack it in. Why should I ? We pay for a brown bin as it is. I will not be so fussy about what goes in the grey bin neither. We are very careful at the moment to select what goes in it. The amount that goes in the green bin will not be affected. It will all go to landfill whether it is packed down much tighter or taken to the tip. I see before you threaten EU fines if these targets you mention are not met. These have now been changed to "government fines". We live in a Band G property and are old. Why are you determined to cause us anxiety ? Leave everything as it is, we are happy with it.
5060	The money it would cost to provide every household with a small caddy with bin liners is a waste of money when there are roads/pavements that need attention. People will simply not use them. Reducing the green bin to be emptied every 3 weeks will result in more rubbish being dumped in the streets not to mention the matter of flies/maggots/rats in the summer months around the food waste container being left outside. I really don't want another bin outside as I already have 3 and certainly don't want another in my kitchen. I have a dog and as a responsible owner, pick up my dogs poop which goes into a bag and into the green bin. Being collected every 3 weeks will result in a really smelly bin! I really think this is a waste of tax payers money.
5061	Leave collection. of big green bin alone as small one no use for average household
5062	I think the bin collection are just about ok as they are, unless you want fly tipping and bonfires of rubbish everywhere go right ahead, and as for someone who is disabled (like me), I have to rely on others, we already pay for recycling which you send mostly to landfill, so do the job we are already pay you for..
5063	We have virtually no food waste because we manage our consumption and purchase of food properly. We would have virtually no need for a food waste/recycling bin. A lot more needs to be done to educate people to leave less food waste.
5064	Three weeks is too long. A smaller bin would be better if collrpected more frequently. We rarely fill our green bin but I don't like it left too long before collection
5065	I don't think that the frequency of the collections in this option works.
5066	fair idea but4 bins outside every house very unsightly
5067	Waste around the environment for as long as 3 weeks does not seem a good idea to me.
5068	Leave it as it is already
5069	Green bin - a three week collection is too long.  Our green bin needs repairing (the wheels have collapsed) or a new bin provided. We inherited this bin when we moved here over 8 years ago.  We have very little food waste.



5070	Used disposable nappies lying in the bin in summer for three weeks will become extremely smelly and probably a health hazard. I do not have room outside for yet another bin, we throw away very little food Why not recycle more like most councils do eg plastic packaging, containers, yogurt pots, foil containers.
5071	I would like to keep the bin with option 1...as a married couple with no children, we do not have much in the way of waste food. p.s have you seen the state of ellesmere port on bin,box white bag collection days the streets are full of litter & ours are soon to be full of vermin
5072	Fairly happy with this as there are only 2 people that live in the household and we recycle as much as possible so our green bin doesn't get too full. Hopefully with the food waste bin the green bin will last to every 3 weeks but only time will tell. On the other hand I have a friend who has 4 children who is very keen on recycling but a green bin every 3 weeks wont be enough because of the amount of waste that cant be recycled. I know she would be too busy to complete this questionnaire also.
5073	This would appear to be a cheaper option as it reduces the number of collections and won't include the cost of replacing every green bun with a smaller version.
5074	Can't leave a green bin for 3 weeks
5075	What I think is not important to Wirral Council because you are going to what ever suits your operation. We do not create that much waste here anyway and we also pay your outrageous garden waste charge. I do not want nor have the room for additional bins at our property but again I will have no choice.
5076	We have hardly any food waste so we would not use a waste food collection bin at all. Peelings etc go in our compost bin and a small amount of stale bread etc is fed to the birds. I think a 3 weekly general collection may become smelly during hot weather.
5077	Our green bin is full within two weeks with no food waste involved. If collection is every three weeks our bin will be overflowing with items that cannot go in recycle bin. So leave green bin alone in size and collection time.
5078	I think this is the best option
5079	I already have a small bin which is full by 2 weeks. Being a pensioner on her own I do get a lot of microwave meals which have a lot of packaging. I always remove packaging and place items in a plastic bag with directions on how to cook. Until you can persuade companies to do this there is still too much packaging for our bins (you cannot recycle packaging which has had food in them). I also live in sheltered accommodation which is very small and don't know where I could put the food bin. I have just had a new kitchen and used every bit of space to put cupboards which are now full. If I still lived in my old property where I could leave them in my garden ok but here it is not feasible/ May I also point out that my neighbour is in bad health and has health visitors and nurses every day and his large bin is full every week with waste (not food) that smells after 2 weeks never mind 3.
5080	Collecting the green bin every three weeks would cause me a problem as I have dogs and having their waste around the garden for 3 weeks wouldn't be too pleasant especially in the summer.  Everything else sounds great.
5081	Collecting the green bin every three weeks is completely impractical, if one is on holiday the week ( or even the day) it means that it will be 6 weeks between collections. Crazy idea. I think garden waste should not be an extra charge - when introduced it was underhand way to raise council tax. Collecting food waste as described is going to increase congestion on footpaths on collection day.
5082	Three weeks is too long especially if collection days are missed through being away from home on collection day through work or holiday in which case waste could potentially remain festering and un- collected for 6 weeks.  The Brown Bin Fee is too steep too. How about reducing the cost to £25.00 Online?
5083	The green bin should still be collected every two weeks and stay at 240 litres.
5084	I think three weekly collections is too long for the green bin, two weeks is bad enough. Why charge for the brown bin therefore reducing garden recycling, then bring out another recycling bin? I suppose after a few years you will start charging for this too.
5085	I think this is the better option - if there is no food waste then collection every 3 weeks will be sufficient and this avoids the extra cost of providing new smaller bins for every household.
5086	I think collecting the green bins every 3 weeks will led to a lot of confusion for residents. If you miss the collection then you will have accumulated 6 weeks worth of waste - it is highly likely to lead to problems such as fly tipping or extra bags left out on the streets.

5087	Good but 3weeks for green bin seems overlong - prefer 2 weeks
5088	Three weeks is too long between waste collection periods.I already have to pay for garden waste collections. I have to put food packaging and plastics which are recycled by other local authorities, into my green bin and feel this is something which should be addressed.
5089	Please can the lockable food container have wheels. There are so many disabled and elderly people on WIRRAL (including my husband) who could not move the food bin when full unless on wheels. We dont like the idea of 3 weekly collections as if miss a collection is 6 weeks worth of waste to store. But only if the smaller bin gas wheels. So many of our friends in different areas have recycling caddies that we simply couldn't pick up and/or make a big mess (eg Chester & Cheshire!)
5090	We prefer Option 1. We do not discard significant amounts of food waste and the small amount of (vegetable) food waste we do have we compost. Three-weekly collection of the green bin will be sufficiently frequent.
5091	Surely this means there will be weeks where FOUR bins have to be put out? How are the elderly and disabled supposed to cope with this? How are the huge numbers of houses with only back yards supposed to go on accommodating more and more bins?
5092	I would choose option 1. We have very little food waste, it hardly seems worth having yet another bin to have to find room for and certainly will not keep it inside the house, so dont even bother sending an inside bin.
5093	Don't like it. Rather have my green bin collected fortnightly even if its smaller. Like the idea of food waste collection weekly.
5094	rubbish
5095	We have twin babies and nappies form a large part of our green bin waste, collecting this every 3 weeks would cause the bin to smell especially in the warm weather
5096	This seems the best of two bad options. I wonder how long it Will be before this new scheme goes the way of the garden waste scheme that was forced upon us for the sake of the environment and then withdrawn unless you pay for it. So how long before we have to PAY to have our food waste taken away? If the council was really serious about the environment and not just paying lip service it would offer free compost bins, recycle ALL plastics and take the food/service industry to task about excess unnecessary packaging and force them to use fully recyclable materials.
5097	Option 1 will suit me best
5098	Option 1 - I have no food waste as it all goes on the compost heap  I have very little green bin waste so 3 weekly collections are not a problem to me. Most of the stuff I put in the green bin is rubbish I collect when litter picking around Tranmere.
5099	If a third of waste is food why will a small caddy be adequate. I did not feel it will reduce the waste in the green bin to the amount that will mean we will only need the green bin collected three weekly.
5100	We have very little food to re-cycle and I would NOT want the green bin to only be collected every 3 weeks. A three weekly pattern of collection would prove difficult to remember for many people, resulting in a possible 6 weeks between collections. This could also occur when people are on holiday and there is no-one to put out their bin. I do not like the idea of food being put outside in the suggested container, nor do I want to house an indoor caddy.
5101	This is my preferred option, reusing exciting green bin and collecting every 3 weeks.
5102	Think this idea is a total disgrace. I do not want my green bin emptied every 3 weeks. 2 weeks is bad enough with the stench of nappies and dog poo bags. We are returning to the slum states of the 1800s. Absolute risk to public health. It will encourage more fly tipping and infestations. I dont want my food waste sat on my kitchen worktop either. I do support recycling and recycle what I can lthink you need to tell us properly what can go in the grey bin to encourage more of this.
5103	Think it's criminal. An absolutely mad idea. We have more than enough bins already some parts of the wirral are strewn with the ugly monstrosities. Instead of spending more money on caddies, which if I remember rightly we were issued with them a few years ago until it was decided to abandon them, WBC should concentrate on tidying up the wirral, cutting gras more regularly, spraying weeds trimming trees etc.  Main concern is how long before WBC start charging for other bin collections as well as the brown?
5104	Strongly disagree with 3 weekly collection...very unhygienic if you have nappies, etc. A health hazard !!!
5105	Option one is the option I prefer
5106	I wouldn't like a 3 weekly collection.

5107	<p>I do not need a food caddy: I don't waste food. We have a compost heap for vegetable peelings and egg shells and use the compost on the garden. I buy food as I will need it and there is no waste.</p> <p>The green bin needs collecting every fortnight, as at present, rather than every 3 weeks.</p> <p>Providing a food caddy for me would be an absolute waste of council tax (my) money which I strongly oppose.</p>
5108	I do not like the idea of food collection, If it is happening we still need the same size bin, as the amount of food waste we have is minimal and does not equate to 100 litres!!
5109	I consider my family average but no way is a third of our present green collection waste food. Plus soon our drives and patios will be over run by bins. Previous waste food collection was dropped due smells but more importantly not being useable once collected. I'm sure we were told veg and meat waste did not mix.
5110	I am happy with this option
5111	<p>A) I assume the small indoor caddy will be similar to brown indoor caddy we had years ago and used at our last house to feed our garden compost bins which our larger garden needed. Here we have a very small garden and no vegetable or fruit are so we don't have a compost bin. Our output of hedge cuttings, weeds and lawn cuttings are well coped with by the brown bin.</p> <p>Your proposal to collect such food waste which presumably excludes cooked items and meat seems excellent.</p> <p>B) My wife is stroke victim and has carers 4 times daily and I suspect the waste they generate will still need a fortnightly collection of the green bin. Otherwise I can see the carers putting the excess out in black bin bags alongside the green bin. A case of try it and see perhaps.</p>
5112	3weeks seems too long for a bin collection of any type. Families of 4 or more would struggle immensely with this proposal. It doesn't seem fair to impose a 3 weekly collection on us, Christmas and bank holidays and school holidays are already a nightmare. I hope this point is taken on board.
5113	We are pleased that you are going to recycle food waste although we have a hot compost bin which allows us to recycle most of our food waste already. I would be concerned if the green bins were only collected every 3 weeks especially for people who throw nappies away. It would also mean that if one was away from home on the week the bin was to be collected it wouldn't be emptied for 6 weeks.
5114	I think seperate food collection is an excellent move. Quite happy to keep the existing bin and have 3 weekly collections. Surely not incurring the cost of new smaller bins, continuong to ask consumers to pay for new bins if needed and moving to a 3 weekly collection is more cost effective. For this reason I would go for this option.
5115	I think every 3 week with no food waste would be ok, however what about dog dirt and other animal waste? The bins would become very smelly.
5116	I consider my family average but no way is a third of our present green collection waste food. Plus soon our drives and patios will be over run by bins. Previous waste food collection was dropped due smells but more importantly not being useable once collected. I'm sure we were told veg and meat waste did not mix.
5117	<p>Food Waste: I do all cooking in our house. I cook from scratch, we buy virtually no boxed processed food stuffs. It is overall a good idea, but, I have two swing bins already in my kitchen - one for green bin, one for grey bin. I now am faced with fitting in somewhere in my kitchen a third but small caddy/bin. I think it is likely, what my dogs don't eat in scraps I will still chuck in the green bin. I really do have little waste in food.</p> <p>Green Bin: I already over fill my green bin and sometimes go to the tip besides the bi-weekly collection. To reduce the collection to every 3 weeks is way off base for me and will resort to asking my neighbours to dump all my excess rubbish in theirs.</p> <p>Brown Bin: Have a large garden and refuse to pay the £35 per year on principal and would rather still go tip myself and save money and still also put in my green bin.</p> <p>It may sound I am being harsh but I really do through stubbornness refuse to pay £35 for the green waste. As for the 3 weekly collection, for my house who cook all food from raw materials and not buy processed foods it will cause problems for me.</p>
5118	Being born in an age when waste not want not was the rule of thumb, I have to dispute your calculation of food waste % of green bin contents. I firmly believe that money should be spent upgrading the Bidston facility to recycle more of what ends up in landfill, which we all pay for. I suspect that as always you will do what you want and the survey is just smoke and mirrors!

5119	<p>Appreciate need to meet recycling targets but more focus should be put on waste minimisation too...</p> <p>New food recycling requirements will force people to minimise waste which is great but bin size options, cost of replacements (regardless of which budget this comes from) and collection frequency changes don't really make sense to me. Why not just introduce food recycling with existing collection schemes as first phase approach as this will make the biggest impact to actual recycling... and then review bin collections based on effectiveness of this, otherwise I can just see most people opting for Option 2 (2 weekly collection) with no savings to collection costs, cost of providing new bins... and, what's not mentioned, cost and environmental impact of disposal of lots of old ones ?</p> <p>Would only support Option 1 based on my proposal and reasoning above.</p>
5120	A reasonable option, but am a little concerned whether green bin collection every three weeks would be sufficient.
5121	3 weeks is too long in between collections, especially for families with small children and the nappies etc that are included in these bins. We are currently a household of two adults expecting a baby in September.
5122	With a disabled person and a dog in the family there is human & animal waste in our green bin therefore it would be best for green bin collections to remain at 2 weekly avoid any smelly bins.
5123	I would probably find the Green bin being collected every 3 weeks very confusing and would rather have my waste collected more often than this.
5124	I would not be happy leaving green bin for 3 weeks
5125	I have had trouble with maggots in my green bin in the past,I think having a weekly food collection would solve that problem.
5126	I do not want my green bin to be left for three weeks also what a waste of money to replace bins with smaller bins as not all bins are broken !!
5127	<p>Food waste should definitely be collected weekly due to maggots, other pests, offensive smells etc. The outside food bin shown on your website looks robust and secure. I hope it also has wheels.</p> <p>Green bin - I am unable to judge if switching to a 3 week interval will be sufficient as I cannot predict the quantity of waste to be produced. I can imagine people struggling to remember which bin to leave outside if you switched to a 3 week cycle (especially the elderly residents). At the moment, people understand that it is green one week, grey the next week.</p> <p>Grey bin - this works well.</p> <p>Brown bin - this works well</p>
5128	Being born in an age when waste not want not was the rule of thumb, I have to dispute your calculation of food waste % of green bin contents. I firmly believe that money should be spent upgrading the Bidston facility to recycle more of what ends up in landfill, which we all pay for. I suspect that as always you will do what you want and the survey is just smoke and mirrors!
5129	I do not prefer option 1 as my green bin is shared with my a neighboring couple. I doubt there would be room in the bin for three people if it were collected only every three weeks. I rarely throw food away and think that making provision to recycle food waste may very easily lead to an increase in this extremely negative activity.
5130	Wirral council have tried this small indoor caddy for food waste unsuccessfully before . I do not feel that this will work and is a total waste of money the council trying this again. A wet food waste caddy inside encourages flies . We have our three dustbins situated in our garage and would not want to go to a three week delivery collection as this will encourage vermin .
5131	This option would be best for us, however before being able to fully agree we would like to see examples of the indoor caddy and lockable food waste container for outside. We only have a small kitchen so need to understand if we can accommodate the change.
5132	<p>Sorry but I think your initial premise is wrong/ I already recycle my own vegetable waste and egg shells as well as some paper in my compost heap. I am very concious of food waste and throw very little away. I also pay for a garden bin for the few bits from the garden I cannot compost or reuse in some other way. Having yet another bin in the kitchen would be difficult to manage and my three outside bins only just fit as it is.</p> <p>Surely the issue with recycling is that many people don't bother or that you do not accept so many items that could be recycled so addressing these two issues is more appropriate though I don't deny they are both challenging. Where is your hard evidence that what you are suggesting is likely to succeed? Nothing on your website presents any.</p> <p>As to the size of the green bin, I usually produce one or two standard carrier bags a week at most so I never fill it except when you stop collecting over Christmas or I forget to put it out.</p>
5133	Not in favour of indoor caddy with rotting food in it.Happy to keep large green bin and have it collected every three weeks
5134	<p>Not acceptable.</p> <p>Use your small bins at a small charge to stop garden waists going in green bins.Will increase your good disposal record considerably plus reduce tonnage in green bin .Overall ,will give fantastic improvement in overall efficiency</p>

5135	<p>I live with my 90 year old mother who has dementia and have carers coming in each day, so as well as the normal waste there is also the waste from these visits and I find I need a collection each week and not every other week so to tell me you intend to make it a 3 weekly collection is UNBELIEVABLE.</p> <p>The grey bin is not so bad and I'd say that in my case that is the one were I could cope with a 3 weekly collection.</p> <p>The brown bin is another that I could do with having a weekly collection as I have a large garden with hedges on either side and trees that need pruning each year and have a pond which needs the bulrushes clearing on occasions and of course the lawn needs cutting front and back. If you want me to continue participating in this recycling then you have to think of people such as myself and not treat everyone in the same way. MY THOUGHTS ON OPTION 1 - TOTALLY DISAGREE WITH IT.</p>
5136	I have a toddler who produces a lot of nappy waste each week. The smell is horrible even with a two week collection in the summer months and it attracts flies. Our green bin is also pretty much full on a fortnightly basis even though we compost all fruit and vegetable waste and produce very little other food waste. I am concerned that this option will cause a real public health hazard for families with babies and toddlers.
5137	I don't really mind which option goes ahead but think I would prefer the smaller bin and garden waste bins should be bigger.
5138	Green bin will stink! Think it is a horrible idea.
5139	Would prefer this option as there are still large amounts of packaging and cartons that cannot be recycled and need to go in the green bin. So the larger bin is better.
5140	Not happy about a food caddy , concerned about vermin. Also the brown bin should be free no charge.
5141	I'm happy to continue with either scheme the 2 or 3 week collection
5142	Would prefer this option as there are still large amounts of packaging and cartons that cannot be recycled and need to go in the green bin. So the larger bin is better.
5143	We rarely fill our current 240 litre green more than half full, but I would prefer to keep the green bin being emptied every fortnight.
5144	We do not waste food as we compost almost everything, so I am not excited about another bin mine will be almost empty. We want a big green bin sanitary goods are a major item for us. Three weekly collection would be horrendous in warm weather.
5145	Three weekly collection of the green bin will confuse many people and therefore the council is likely to get many more calls for "missed collections "
5146	This is fine but the green bin needs to remain every two weeks. I have concerns around hygiene and pests should this be left longer.
5147	This is completely unsuitable. It's bad enough waiting for two weeks for the bin to be emptied. I have pets and the waste created from litter trays, dog poo bags and rabbit hutch clean out means that having to wait for two for it to be emptied creates smell and attracts flies. Waiting 3 weeks would be unhygienic and people should not be expected to put up with it. They are paying for these services.
5148	<p>The better option - if green bins are only collected once every three weeks, this will reduce how often collections are required, saving money for the council, and reducing carbon emissions from the roads. It also has the advantage of not requiring new bins to be given to most residents, which in my opinion would ironically be a huge waste - there is nothing wrong with the current bins so why replace them?</p> <p>Also, residents have more bin space per week (an extra 10 litres every week!) Should people require more space than this, I think it would be wonderful if the council actively encouraged neighbours to share bin space as needed.</p>
5149	Preefer thius option withoutn Food Waste Bin
5150	Don,t like this option 3 weeks is too long for nappies etc
5151	Don't like the three week collection idea as it means that some weeks both bins will be collected and other weeks none. I prefer alternate collections of green and grey as it is easy to remember which bin goes out each week. With three week collections, the problem arises when confusion means you miss your green collection day. When eventually emptied three weeks later, there will be 6 weeks waste in there.
5152	Very little of my green bin is filled with food waste of any kind since I use a food incinerator. I therefore have no need whatsoever for a food caddy. With a family of five my green bin is still full with a fortnightly collection and it is therefore not feasible for us to cope with even less collections throughout the year. I trust this is taken into account and special measures are taken for us to retain the larger bin with a continuing 2 weekly collection. Whilst council tax remains the same, services are being diminished which is not acceptable.
5153	why cant we put all cartons in grey bin like butter tubs fruit juice cartons tin foil
5154	<p>We have nappies and cat litter waste which would go into our green bin - we would not want this waste sat outside for 3 weeks.</p> <p>Is it really sustainable to be transporting the food waste to Widnes?</p>

5155	<p>We do not waste food !!!!!!! The new system would be of no use to us.</p> <p>How is it possible that people waste food ??? We are told we live in one of the most deprived areas in the country. Food banks abound and people don't know whether to eat or heat !!!!!</p>
5156	<p>There are 3 people in our house and my green bin is always full. We also have a brown bin also full.</p> <p>I don't know how we would cope with Having to get 2 weeks of waste in to 3,we are very frugal and don't waste food. The only time we waste food is if we where to go on holiday,and even then I would only pass it on to someone else if it could not be frozen. My green bin would be emptier if I could recycle juice cartons plastic meat/yogurt containers,as this takes up more room then waste food which is mostly made up of potato peelings and eggshells. I would welcome a waste food service provided I keeper my existing 240 litres green collections the same.when I lived on the main road my bin would often be filled with Neighbour's waste in the night. I would worry that there would be an increase in fly tipping or just filling someone else's bin if there's was full.</p>
5157	<p>I think this the best option. I have lived in other areas with food recycling and it was amazing how much of the stuff in the bin turned out to be food (and I do try to recycle food).</p>
5158	<p>Definitely NO to small caddy. Bin lorry doesn't come down our road, we have to take bins up to main road (Woodchurch Road) and leave them there for collection. Loads of dog walkers, whose dogs often urinate on normal bins. I don't want to be handling a caddy that a dog may have urinated on! Smaller green bin is totally unfeasible - far too small! Why not leave collection routine as it is or judt collect grey bin every 3 weeks and leave green bin to fortnightly. Always someone who wants to break something that works!</p>
5159	<p>We do not want this option.</p>
5160	<p>I don't want to do anymore recycling and won't use food waste bin. I don't have space for any extra recycling facilities inside or out.</p>
5161	<p>I HAVE NO FOOD WASTE AS I HAVE A COMPOST BIN,GREEN BIN EVERY THREE WEEKS IS A HEALTH HAZARD</p>
5162	<p>Yes I think it's a great idea it all sounds good</p>
5163	<p>I would want my green bin collected more often than every three weeks. I think the idea of a bin for all food waste is disgusting - I already put my vegetable waste in my compost bin</p>
5164	<p>I prefer option 2 see below reasons</p>
5165	<p>I do not think this change is necessary and you should stop waste by recycling the money it's costing to undertake this consultation and purchase the products you will be distributing and use our money more wisely by including the brown bin collections and not charging extra.</p>
5166	<p>Bad idea. The green bins need collecting more regularly not less! We have hardly any food waste.</p>
5167	<p>This is our preference</p>
5168	<p>WE have very, very little food waste that goes in our green bin. The most space is taken up by packaging that you don't accept for recycling.</p> <p>I welcome food recycling but we will still easily make use of the large green bin every two weeks.</p>
5169	<p>This is lunacy. The thought of caddys stuffed with left overs of highly decompositional material itself a health and safety hazard in a kitchen is beyond belief..</p> <p>Not only that it is not financial sound. The cots of such a system will far outweigh the present system</p>
5170	<p>Keep the bigger bin and collect every 3 weeks.</p>
5171	<p>I think the waste food collection is a good idea but 3 weeks collection for the green bin will lead to fly tipping as some households are already struggling with waiting two weeks. What about families with babies nappies?</p>
5172	<p>I think it's a waste of money, I wouldn't make use of it as I don't throw away and waste food. I would rather keep the large green bin.</p>
5173	<p>Don't like this, easy to forget a three week collection day and then too long if you miss the collection.</p>
5174	<p>Three weeks seems a long time for waste to be left sitting in a box, possibly in warm/hot weather. I would worry about hygiene and smells.</p>
5175	<p>I think this could get confusing as to which bin is to be collected and could end up with 3 lots of bin lorries on the road on 1 day.</p>
5176	<p>I think the government are putting such a squeeze on budgets you don't know what else to do. Rats will increase as they are already at a high level in Birkenhead with a 3 x week plus waiting list for pest control to visit.</p> <p>The country has got to pot with no adequate support for our previous brilliant council ran areas.</p> <p>We now have hardly any services but the council tax has increased with no thought for the now lost services.</p> <p>Get a grip the place will stink and have infestation of insects ,rats and probably be squashed as it did not work so effectively cost more.</p>

5177	I prefer this option keeping the 240 litres bin as this reduces the cost to the council not to have to replace the green bins with smaller ones. I do not know what the cost would be but I would think it substantial and unnecessary.
5178	I am certainly not happy with your suggestion that I keep a container for food waste inside my house and especially not in the kitchen. This room is usually the smallest room in the house and you want to take some of that space. Furthermore, my understanding is that not all Food and Hygiene agencies are in agreement with the practice of keeping waste food inside the house.
5179	With: 1 blue, 2 grey, 3 green bin week cycles that will mean some days 3 bins need to be put out!  I find food waste wrapped in newspaper is less likely to smell, please advise if this will be acceptable in future in your written instructions.
5180	Wirral council issued food recycling containers many years ago and abandoned the scheme due to complaints of the smell of rotting food, flies, rodents etc. I don't see how reintroducing the scheme to meet targets will alleviate the problems from last time.  I would prefer to keep my 240 litre green bin with a fortnightly collection.  I pay £35 to have my brown bin emptied once a fortnight. The frequency is too long during the summer when I could easily fill the bin each week. We used to have a weekly collection for free!
5181	There are 6 flats where I live. That means that every six weeks there will be 12 bins to put out along the road. A number of the tenants don't put there bins out but leave the task to others. So if a green bin is not put out there will be excessive rubbish accumulating which will eventually cause an overflow situation. At times, a resident will put out extra rubbish and put their over-waste into someone else's bin: thus limiting access to one's own bin. For apartment buildings there should be a large blue bin that gets filled by all those renting. *Only about half of recyclable material is now allowed to be put into grey bins. Would help if Wirral Council made a greater effort to collect all recycle waste.*
5182	I would be happy with this option but my concern would be contaminated plastic food trays. Unless they are washed flies and maggots would surely be present amid three weeks is a long time for a collection in the summer months.
5183	I prefer option 2
5184	What happens when I run out of liners ... Will they be replaced free of charge.  This will also mean a 4th bin !! My driveway is meant for my car .. Not to collect bins.
5185	We would prefer to keep the current green bin. We have very little food waste. Before we moved here the previous council operated a food waste system, which for us was a waste of time.
5186	We have 2 X 240 litre bins due to our 11 year old son who has autism and uses pads for toileting so neither option works for us.
5187	This is an option that we don't want to consider as we don't want a smelly small caddy in our kitchen and in our household food is not wasted the only food that might go in our bin is when it is off/past its sell by date but this is not often. The thought of our green bin only being collected every 3 weeks is ridiculous and is always almost full when it is being collected every 2 weeks and this is not half full of food.  This is an option we do not wish to consider.
5188	Not interested .leave as is it .this will cause infestation and rats
5189	Flawed logic. Whoever came up with a third of waste is food, needs to go back to school. I don't know anyone who has a third of the green bin full of food waste. This would be funny if it was not so serious
5190	Don't like the idea of three weekly collections. We sometimes forget to put the bin out we know we are only two weeks away from putting it out again however this proposal would mean six weeks of waste building up. Not good.
5191	in principal it is a good idea but have my doubts that residents where I live will not use the system One of my neighbours has filled their grey bin with non recyclable rubbish which I have failed to have collected. they often leave bin bags by the bins. I think if some of my neighbours have food bins they will if used leave them unlocked and would cause vermin
5192	This will make us more efficient at recycling. Are the council planning to recycle more such as tetra paks, foil containers and other items which we have noticed are recycled in other areas of the country.

5193	Think this is probably the better option to save money. Sixth week collection wouldn't be a problem would it, when both green and grey bins would be collected.
5194	All sounds good but please look into the recycling of yoghurt pots and margarine tubs etc
5195	3 weekly collection for green bins is too long as there will still be items that degenerate in there.
5196	<p>Most of the waste we generate as a household is from disposable baby nappies. Our child quite happily goes through 4-6 nappies a day, of which at least 2-3 will contain faeces. These nappies are bagged and placed in the green waste bin, awaiting collection once every two weeks. The smell from the green bin caused by the nappies can be overwhelming at times, especially during warmer weather. The prospect of reducing collections further to once every 3 weeks I find completely undesirable. I would even be willing to pay more tax - presumably this option has been considered too? I understand additional capacity can be given in this instance, but how will this be monitored / enforced?</p> <p>Secondly, if green bins are collected once every 3 weeks, could there be occasions when 3 or more bins for any one household will be on the pavement at once - subject to collections being on the same day of the week. If this is the case, then has the Council considered the impact on users of the pavements - those with pushchairs, wheelchair users etc. If this is not the case, then any efficiency gains will be lost.</p>
5197	<p>Having a lockable container outside sounds ok but am concerned that it will have to be lifted rather than wheeled and it may be heavy.</p> <p>I think 3 weekly collections for the green bin will be confusing. It is hard enough now remembering which bin to put out when collections are alternate weeks for each bin.</p>
5198	A three weekly collection could get confusing.
5199	3 weeks is far too long for waste to be sat around, especially in the summer
5200	Yes, I thoroughly approve of this option. It's about time Wirral started food waste collection. We are decades behind London and the SE generally in this respect, where they manage weekly collections of five different categories of waste - and pay lower Council Taxes. It's all a question of genuine commitment and improved money management. The main bulk of rubbish in the green bins will then be plastic food packaging. When are you going to commit to recycling more plastic waste?
5201	Whilst I agree with keeping the existing stock of 240 litre green bins, from a cost and environmental impact point of view, I think 3 week collections would not be feasible for bins with nappies or sanitary products in. These will create smells and possible health hazards, particularly during warmer months.
5202	We don't have much food waste but still have a fortnightly collection we would like to stay that.
5203	<p>This is very unhygienic.</p> <p>If food waste exceeds the small container and has to be put in the green bin, also other smelly items, dog waste, nappies etc to have to wait for 3 weeks is quite unacceptable.</p> <p>It is quite disgusting in the hot weather particularly and I strongly object to this.</p>
5204	Think it is a very gif idea, other places have been doing it for years.
5205	System is becoming over-complicated. We don't have space for extra bins either indoors or out. We could manage with a smaller green bin as ours is usually only half full after 2 weeks. We have very little food waste to warrant the expense of a weekly collection. More should be done about items currently not able to be recycled eg yogurt pots etc.
5206	Sounds fine, but am a little concerned about the three weekly collection of the green bin.
5207	Poor decision making has led to these options. This is the lesser of two evils.
5208	I very much object to waiting for 3 weeks for the main bin collection. If one was missed by some mistake or emergency then you'd end up with 6 weeks between collections!
5209	For items in the green bin such as babies nappies three weeks is a long time for them to be in the bin for
5210	Can see us having to go to the tip ourselves We have hardly any food waste
5211	You must be out of your tiny minds. The bins are already overflowing ..Are you trying to take us back to Dickensian times?? What half wit came up with this idea?.....
5212	Why can we not keep the existing green bin and have it collected every two weeks?
5213	<p>Unsure how you think that one third of my household waste bin is full of food as the majority of it is as it says is general household waste as 4 adults live in our property.</p> <p>General packaging from food as in plastic dishes and containers take up most of the room. You should be looking at how to recycle these. We also have 2 dogs in the house so leaving food waste in the house isn't a good idea. What transport would the gas power as you are going to Widnes and this isn't in our district. So would we be giving another council cheaper transport. Whole issue of recycling is good but you seem to be taking the easy way out as the other plastics we throw in our general waste would serve a better purpose</p>



5214	Our household prefer option 1 but can't both green and food waste be collected the same tome, same week?
5215	I do not wish any change to current system and I am definitely not prepared to house yet another one of your bins
5216	what do you do when your small indoor caddy is full where do you put the rest of food waste
5217	in a house of 6 people, very little of what goes into our green bin is food. With nappies and medical waste a collection every three weeks is far too long as after two weeks the bins can stink and are often full to bursting. we already have two bins in our little kitchen so trying to cram in another for food waste is going to be difficult. We have even less space outside and will be just as difficult to put another container there. We also have problems with animals so food will be a magnet to them.
5218	Green bin may still contain plastic food cartons, which are not recyclable, and 3 weekly collection of these is too infrequent. They will be smelly, especially in warm weather. It is also harder to calculate when to put them out, every other week is much easier to remember.  However this option will not require the purchase of new bins which I suspect neither the council nor individuals would wish to fund. Can Existing bins not continue as 2 weekly collections?
5219	For people with little ones who use disposable nappies, a three weekly collection would be just awful. Even wrapped, after three weeks the bin will be stinking and too full.
5220	This seems to be a good idea. No expense in replacing green bins.
5221	The amount of food waste I create is minimal as I have a waste disposal unit! The grey bin scheme is too selective on what is recyclable. I suggest you look at the German model on refuse collection. Every 3 weeks will lead to a clash some weeks with a grey bin collection. How long before the grey bin collection period is extended?
5222	The amount of food waste I create is minimal as I have a waste disposal unit! The grey bin scheme is too selective on what is recyclable. I suggest you look at the German model on refuse collection. Every 3 weeks will lead to a clash some weeks with a grey bin collection. How long before the grey bin collection period is extended?
5223	Not in favour at all of food waste recycling proposal
5224	I seek to compost my own kitchen waste for garden compost. The kitchen waste element in my green waste bin is relatively small.How do we know there would not suddenly appear a 'Kitchen Waste Club'( what splendid marketing...I dont think!) So little capacity would be created in having a separate collection. Having three weekly collection would be a serious disadvantage. Getting more garden waste collection ( as standard..not paid for) is what I would wish. I think you are wrong in fly tipping increases. I work as a volunteer at a country park and this does appear to have increased after brown bin collections were separately charged.Dumping over the park fence is a regular occurence( ask your Dibbnsdale Ranger!)
5225	Fine
5226	3 weeks is too long, both my green and grey bins are full every 2 weeks, and it is not because of food waste. I recycle as much as I can. I also have concerns about maggots, flies and rats that will be attracted from the food waste bins, and also the smell.
5227	We have very little food waste. Vegetable waste (peelings, fruit skins etc) goes into a wormery.  A missed collection (if we are away on collection day) would result in a six week period without emptying for the Green bin.
5228	We have very little food waste - certainly nowhere near a third of what we put in our green bine - so collecting it separately will have little impact on our green bin. Changing to collecting the green bin once every three weeks would cause a problem
5229	Rubbish as for a family of four the usual collection is not sufficient.  Three weeks for green is a joke.
5230	Nappies etc will pose a problem if they are in the green bin for 3 weeks, especially in summer. The impact of missing a collection is greater with 3 weekly collections, ie miss 1 and it's 6 weeks between collections. 3 weekly collections will be harder to keep track of than alternating green/grey bin as currently.
5231	I don't particularly want a food recycling option but would like free garden waste. this would increase the amount recycled. Not bothered whether we have smaller bins or less frequent collections as mostly I don't fill my bin
5232	Although I think this is a good idea as some households waste an awful lot of food, I would think that the cost of supplying the containers and bags etc and the weekly collection would be very expensive to implement when cut backs are needed in all areas of the borough.

5233	why go to the great expense of changing the 240 litre bin for a smaller 140 litre bin (to be collected every two weeks). Keep the larger bin and continue to empty that every two weeks as at present, the money saved(on cost of new bins) could be used to cover the perceived extra cost of emptying the larger bin( why it should cost any more eludes me as it will be the same amount of rubbish!!)
5234	I have very little waste food what I do have I compost Mostly what goes in my green bin is plastic that the food is wrapped in when you buy it ie apples, potatoes plastic containers that mushrooms ,tomatoes are sold in these take up a lot of room these should all be in recyclable material
5235	I do not have much food waste. 99percent of food is consumed. Vegetable matter is composted.  Three weekly collection is too long. Many households could fill a bin a week. Mainly due to non recyclable packaging. Personally fortnightly is usually ok.
5236	As the parents of a new baby and owners of a cat, we do not like the idea of the bin being emptied every three weeks. The smell from the bin is already bad, and as we live in a terrace and have to have our bins permanently in front of our house, this is not pleasant. It would undoubtedly attract unwanted flies and vermin.
5237	Preferred option.
5238	Prefer to keep as it is now
5239	I don't throw food away.
5240	I do not want a food caddy indoor or outdoors they are a health hazard. I do not like any food waste in my house. Easier for animals to get into. Encouraging rats and cats with the smell of food waste. The only benefit of this option is that the size of Green bin will not change. However for people who do not subscribe to the Brown Bin service it will encourage them to put more Garden waste in them. Therefore less recycling. Wouldn't it be cheaper to fit all households with Waste Disposal units in sinks! like in America, do the job properly! Green bin Every 3 weeks means someone on Bank holidays Mondays means they only emptied every 4 weeks.
5241	Great! We had this when we lived in Wales and it worked really well. However - the recyclables were in small boxes and thus were collected weekly too. So there were only 2 things to remember - food & recycling every week....check the calendar for the green bin date! I wonder if a weekly and a fortnightly AND a three weekly collection will prove confusing?
5242	Will the liner bags be replenished? Or will there be an additional charge for these as with the garden waste recycling? Longer between collections will not suit our household as the stench from the nappies would be unbearable and the bin would be overflowing by collection. If you wish to add another food bin, why not make it larger as collect with the grey bins every fortnight and leave the green bin collections every fortnight with the brown bins?
5243	Seems a good idea. Ignore the people who will whinge about 3 weekly waste collection. They'll get over it
5244	My daughter lives in London where they have a food bin and it has caused so many mice and rat problems . Foxes have increased and tip over the food bins speak to Richmond council . I am happy to try a food bin but with a 2 week collection on the other rubbish. 3 weeks will not work
5245	I would be concerned that if a collection was missed, due to being on holiday for example, it would then be 6 weeks between collections.  Further while food may be a third by weight I would suggest with all of the packaging that cannot be recycled it is not a third by volume.
5246	3 weekly collections too long Food waste bins a total waste of time.
5247	prefer option 2
5248	out of touch councillors again. What percentage of houses in the Wirral are terraced??? By there very nature there is limited room for yet another bin  Why not have the green bin adapted to incorporate a divider so it can be dual purpose for the existing grey and green bin? the refuse lorry to be similarly divided  would save agro with your customers, save you money and we would all be happy

5249	<p>We have virtually no food waste as birds, local cats and foxes remove it much more frequently and effectively than WBC can offer to do. From what I have seen of other food waste collection schemes they result in disgusting and smelly bags of putrid waste.</p> <p>It will be difficult to remember a three week collection cycle. Increasing the capability of the recycling plant seems the sensible way to go - why is aluminium foil not collected - it was the first nation wide recycling scheme.</p> <p>Also reverting to a free garden waste scheme would increase tonnage recycled - you want the tonnage; you make it user friendly!</p> <p>I favour option1</p>
5250	I think 3 weeks is too long for general waste. we don't have a lot of food waste already so we would struggle to last 3 weeks.
5251	Firstly the food waste system is totally useless to me as I do not throw any food away. It would be more useful if you processed more types of recyclable items, e.g. cartons and plastic food containers. Germany collects a much higher ratio of food packaging, why can't we?
5252	<p>A third of the waste in my green bin is most definitely NOT food waste and I would therefore not be able to cope with a three weekly collection.</p> <p>A lot of people that I talk to are in a similar position to me.To take a figure (30%) as an average and apply it uni-formally across the borough would suggest that if accurate,a lot of people have a considerably greater proportion than 30% of food waste in their green bin.Oh to be able to afford that!! I do understand that it includes potato/veg peelings etc.and isn't just cooked waste.</p>
5253	3 weeks for dirty nappies ! Most of my green bin is full of non-recyclable food containers.
5254	This would be our preferred option IF green bins were still collected fortnightly. Our green bin is always full and currently has maggots every week let alone fortnightly (I dread to think of what it would be like on 3 weekly!) We have a baby so dirty nappies are in the green bin and the smell would be horrendous at 3 weeks as it's awful now at 2 weeks. We pay to have our green bin cleaned once it's been empty so it's not a matter of it being dirty. Waiting for 3 weeks is NOT an option i'm afraid.
5255	Really do not like this idea, small bins are not practical for families... also having children in nappies, dogs who need their muck cleaning up etc, the smell, flies, maggots etc from the 3 weekly bin collection would be unbearable!
5256	<p>Not in favour of change from status quo. Not even happy with tje staus quo. I think your refuse collection system has not considered the effect of having so many different bins to be filled. If planning permission had been applied for a housing scheme to have three or four bins sited in the front gardens or in front of garage doors I am sure it would have been refused. Not giving consideration to where bins will be stored has led to visual blight.</p> <p>I currently subscribe to the brown bin collection because I recognise that this service is not a legal requirement and it has to be funded from somewhere.</p>
5257	All in favour of food recycling, but as family with young child using nappies, 3 weekly collection of green bin in summer would not work and potentially become a health hazard- it can become pretty horrible in hot weather after just two weeks.
5258	Will be hard to remember which bin you are putting out if two are fortnightly and one is three weekly.
5259	What will happen when the green bin and the recycling bin need collecting on the same day?
5260	People will need educating as to what type of food, 'cooked waste' or out-of-date food or both. A fine would be imposed if 'other' waste is deposited in this special container.
5261	we are 2 O.A.P. and we can not afford to to waste any foodat all leave the bins as they are
5262	Yes as you don't have to buy additional bins that may not be fit for purpose

5263	<p>We are 6 Flats with only a very small areas to store our bins - we already only use 3 Green Bins between the 6 of us - it will be impossible to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Have a collection only every 3 weeks</li> <li>b) Have extra bins to store</li> <li>c) Every household here recycles all the goods they can - this is I feel reflected in the fact that we only use half a bin each</li> <li>d) I don't feel that it is a fair way of dealing with the problem of recycling as I know we do our share of this and every individual flat pays the rates for which we pay the "C" Band rate</li> <li>e) I think it is very wrong to put something in place that would not be suitable for everybody - some people I know how plenty of space to keep extra bins but we are not one of them</li> </ul>
5264	<p>Our bin is full before the two weeks every time. We have to pay every round to have the bin cleaned due to flies and maggots. I would not be happy with three weekly removals at all and feel strongly that this would cause vermon. We are all for recycling and have a composter and water butt to help the environment, we are all for the example food recycling bin to be introduced. Perhaps a 200 or 180 litre bin could be considered for a two weekly collection. It seems people who already recycle are being penalised because of others. Perhaps more education would be a better idea?</p>
5265	<p>Don't like the idea of 3 weekly collection esp in summer!! Why not keep current bin and current collection scheme. If recycling food there will be less rubbish regardless of bin size.</p>
5266	<p>Appalling for the level of council tax we pay</p>
5267	<p>green bin collection every 3 weeks is not acceptable, its too long to leave the rubbish.</p> <p>I neither want or need an indoor bin, I will not use it.</p>
5268	<p>Prefer this option. We have very little food waste and don't see the point for an extra bin while reducing the green bin in capacity will be a real hassle for weeks that we miss the collection.</p>
5269	<p>No point keeping large green bin if it is not going to be filled.</p>
5270	<p>It is not the amount of food waste that fills the green bin it is all other household items that cannot be recycled using the grey bin I think it will be a disaster and fly tipping will soar.</p>
5271	<p>I feel that of the two, this is the more sensible option. It will save the cost of an additional bin collection and the replacement of the green bins for smaller versions.</p>
5272	<p>I don't like the idea of only having the green bin emptied every three weeks. I have a pet so I have to throw litter waste away most days. If my bin is only emptied every three weeks the smell will be worse than it is already.</p>
5273	<p>I am against the food recycling option for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) I don't really throw much food waste into my green rubbish bin. I don't like the idea of having a caddy for food (which is basically slops) in my kitchen. My son who lives in Bolton has this system and it is messy, attracts flies even though it is covered.</li> <li>(2) I think people will abuse the system as they do with the recycling bin. I am really for the recycling bin and I can't believe how much I put in this bin, which years ago would have gone into the rubbish bin. I manage with the two bin system very well and pay for the garden waste bin alongside these bins. I know that some people just throw unwashed jars, tins, containers into their recycling bin which becomes messy and smelly.</li> <li>(3) I think a food waste collection will create more cost for the council and residents. Why go there? Try meeting the target by encouraging residents to use the recycling system properly. Check on the contents of bins as other councils do.</li> <li>(4) What about residents who have more than one or two people living in a property, e.g. residents who have children and babies who create more rubbish such as disposable nappies. Also poopy bags from pets.</li> <li>(5) If you change the rubbish collection to every three weeks it will worsen the load for the council caused by people who won't pay the garden waste collection charge and put their garden waste into the rubbish bin. This was originally the council's fault for creating the charge in the first place but we have accepted it.</li> <li>(6) Why not start to rebel against this government's targets. If they won't give you more funding you cannot take on more costs for council tax payers - stand up to them.</li> <li>(7) From the above you can take it that I am very much against this option.</li> </ul>

5274	Very little food goes into my green bin, I am extremely careful with food. Even so, my green bin is always full and a three weekly collection would mean yet more trips to the waste/recycling centre and more nails in my car tyres. Who on earth comes up with the unbelievable figure quoted for food waste in green bins? I WILL NOT BE KEEPING A BIN FOR waste food, that is disgusting
5275	There is no chance I want to have a separate caddy in my house to put food into. The bin collections have already changed over the past few years and it is a disgrace to start collecting 3 weekly on green bins. I am completely against it
5276	Not happy to have green bin collection every 3 weeks.
5277	Not an option. We have very little food waste and what we have is composted. We also recycle everything possible within the guidelines. We have one child and one in the way and our green bin is always full prior to being collected. Where necessary we ask neighbours if we can put things in their green bin.
5278	I am concerned that there will be restrictions on what exactly can go in the food waste. For example -could pet food waste go in?
5279	I DO NOT want my general waste collected every 3 weeks. I have cats & dispose of their used litter in my green bin. This already stinks at 2 weeks let alone 3 & this is despite me buying specialist bin powders. I also think a 2 week/3 week collection rota will be too confusing for people. I'd also like to know how long food caddy liners will be free for! If the brown bin was still a free service you'd probably easily make the recycling target anyway. I don't know where you expect us to keep all these bins.
5280	Glad we are finally getting food recycling, we have moved from Bristol which has for many years recycled very successfully. Am happy to keep the 240lt bin. I think it is wasteful and not very eco friendly to dispose of perfectly good bins. 3 weekly should be fine as there will be no food wastes in here!
5281	Dont think its practical for families to have bins emptied every 3 weeks including nappies , sanitary products and its not hygenic. Seems a waste of money and unfair on tax payers. False economy and people will over bag rubbish which will not degrade rapidly.
5282	Like many other people, I am concerned that a less frequent collection service will potentially increase the risk of unpleasant odours and rodents - and perhaps fly tipping.  I am against a less frequent collection service.
5283	I think this is the best option as it will cost less to not replace every green bin on the Wirral so long as the food is collected weekly this should reduce the smell problems within the green bin. I think 3 weekly collections might encourage people to put rubbish in the wrong bins to speed up collection ie hide waste under plastics etc as grey bin will be collected more frequently.  I still think that charging for the brown bin is a strange policy surely by making brown bins free more people are likely to recycle garden waste rather than simply throwing it in the green bin and reduce fly tipping or simply putting garden waste in their green bins, which breaks the whole separate bins for separate rubbish principle.  I'm against charging for collections separately as it always encourages people to simply fly tip rather than pay the amount.
5284	3 weekly green bin collection is an absolute no. It is bad enough in summer with a 2 week collection, it is unhygenic and a poor service, to reduce even further would be totally unacceptable. You cannot use the argument that food will no longer decompose in a green bin for 2 weeks and this is therefore a better option - there will still be rubbish in a bin for 3 weeks in the hottest parts of the year and that is even more of a health risk.
5285	We rarely have kitchen food waste. We are very careful to ensure that we eat everything we produce and cook. Any kitchen 'waste' is generally put out for the birds.  We would NOT welcome an indoor caddy/liners and lockable outdoor waste container and would NOT have the need to use it.  We use the green bin regularly for other 'non recyclable' household waste and would like this to continue on a fortnightly basis NOT ever three weeks.
5286	W.B.C. Have messed about with bins and hair brained schemes for a number of years most of the ideas and plans have been half baked and I'll thought out. Maybe for a change you should listen properly to the residents and try to fulfill your basic duties and clear all the rubbish and bin collections in a true business manner. You issued white plastic bags at one time, then abandoned that idea, you have also in the past issued small brown bins for food waste that died a death. Without a by your leave purchased bins of various colours only to eithe scrap that idea or then decide to charge for emptying same, leaving the vast bulk of the brown bins out there neither use nor ornamental. This latest barmy notion is another purple exercise in pretending to seek opinions when we all know you have made all the decisions already.
5287	Very happy with this procedure.i agree

5288	I would prefer this option but would want to empty the indoor bin every day at least ,what are the liners made of and do they go straight into the outside bin I would need more bags in the summer I don't want my kitchen attracting flies and bugs
5289	I am all in favour of food waste recycling collection and I think once a week would be sufficient.
5290	I happy with the proposed food recycling and I would choose the option that ultimately costs the least. So if keeping my green bin and having it collected every 3 weeks us cheaper that is my choice.
5291	Feel that it is too long to wait for green bin to be collected
5292	As a lot of the waste in the green bin is food waste, I feel that reducing the size of the green bin is better (option 2) as long as the new food bin is of a decent capacity
5293	We do not have any food to recycle so food bin is not suitable for us, and to collect green bin every three weeks would just create a rubbish problem.two weeks collection is better option. Surely having food bins will create a health hazard even if they are securely locked.animals and vermin will be trying to reach food. Trundling food to Widnes to recycle will of course cost us the rate payer paying for fuel to get the stuff there. And what does Wirral get in return for Widnes recycling food, if there isn't any money coming back to Wirral there's no point.the cost of supplying food bins to everyone then extra fuel how will you justify that?
5294	We are a family of 4 with two babies. I dont think we would be able to manage an extra week of waste in the green bin. A large proportion of our waste is nappies. I dont like the thought of a nappy being in a bin uncollected for 3 weeks.
5295	This option is not acceptable. I do not want another bin for food. The existing collection system works well enough. I do not want a bin that has not been emptied for three weeks next to my house.
5296	I think it is an excellent idea to start food recycling. I do not like the idea of the other bin moving to three weeks especially given the hot weather there has already been an increase in maggots.
5297	I have very little food waste and do not want a bin in my house!!! So I am against this idea! Three weeks collection is ridiculous.
5298	I have enough bins outside my house as it is. and If the brown bin collection service goes up I won't be renewing it
5299	I UNDERSTAND THE EXISTING GREEN BINS ARE QUITE OLD BUT MINE STILL SEEMS VERY SERVICEABLE AND I THINK GETTING RID OF IT IS A WASTE. I WOULD NOT MIND IF THE COLLECTION WENT TO 3 WEEKLY AS THE RUBBISH MOST LIKELY TO SMELL/ATTRACT VERMIN IS THE FOOD WASTE WHICH WILL NOW BE COLLECTED WEEKLY.
5300	As a household we don't produce significant quantities of food waste - certainly not sufficient that the reduction in the green bin volume would be matched by an equal or greater volume of material in the food recycling bin thus allowng the green bin to be collected less often. We compost our raw vegetable matter; there is precious little volume of other food waste. So I don't need a food recycling box but I do need my existing green bin collected fortnightly - that's the way the volumes work in our house. So this option is useless.
5301	I do not prefer option 1 as my green bin is shared with my a neighboring couple. I doubt there would be room in the bin for three people if it were collected only every three weeks. I rarely throw food away and think that making provision to recycle food waste may very easily lead to an increase in this extremely negative activity.
5302	only concern with this is green bins may end up smelling after 3 weeks, how big will the food waste bin be? my household never has a lot of food waist or Green bin wast but we have on occasion had very smelly bins when left in the sun.
5303	more difficult to remember which week you are on, otherwise no strong feelings
5304	We believe there should be no change to the size of the green bin as the collection period is now longer at three weeks
5305	The majority of our green bin waste is from food packaging a smaller percentage is food waste. Will probably invest in a garden incinerator to lesson the waste going into the family green bin. Not ideal
5306	As I have waste disposal unit for our food and sate I do not use the green bin for most of our food waste & our green bin is usually full to the top at the end of the 2 week period so going to a 3 week collection would not be practical for my household It would make more sense to me to allow recycling of more items, but appreciate that there are issues at the recycling centre but I'm sure the residents of the Wirral would prefer the hat option rather than have a third bin imposed upon them and having to find a place to conveniently store it As I subscribe to the garden waste service I already have 3 bins to leave cate around my property which means shuffling them round on emptying days which sometimes inconvenient and for older or infirm people would be even worse
5307	Three weeks for the green bin is far too long and option 2 would be better. Also I don't agree that a third is food waste.

5308	<p>Not preferred, on the basis that your more detailed explanation suggests</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The two options are similar financial cost/saving profile over time....but you state ' there should be a saving in replacements and disposal costs for future years. You need to confirm that the 'should' is a 'will'</li> <li>2. Other Councils that have made changes to the frequency of general waste bin collections have shown that there is a small increase in fly tipping as a result.</li> <li>3. Smaller bins will encourage more to go in the grey bin.</li> </ol> <p>You also need to confirm that you have</p> <p>A. made a request to mdwa either to to upgrade the machinery to be able to handle other plastics or to increase the hand sorting prior to the mechanical process and divert to a plastics recycler Or B. Confirm that it will be a condition of any future contract or contact extension with mwda (or you will contact via Cheshire/kier)</p>
5309	<p>Neither option is appealing. The thought of having rotting food in my kitchen is disgusting to me. I would not want to have a smaller bin, collection every three weeks would be accepted.</p> <p>There needs to be a better system for identifying which items are recycle able.</p> <p>We already pay a lot for council tax. I presume there will be no reduction for taking part in the scheme. Therefore we will be getting less of a service for the same amount.</p> <p>Who benefits from the sale of the gas? Is the money paid for the waste given to the rate payers (this is a rhetorical question, ratepayers are never compensated or given any benefits).</p>
5310	<p>Keep large bin surely is cheaper than replacing all with smaller bin. As it will just be packaging and other non-recycle able things three weeks is fine. Remembering the three week schedule will be most difficult thing to remember</p>
5311	<p>I compost food waste</p>
5312	<p>I already have to drive to Clatterbridge waste site to remove excess green bin rubbish as the current collection service is not adequate. Originally we were promised collection of significantly more recyclable plastic items such as yoghurt pots and food containers. These have returned for some unknown reason to the green bin having originally been grey bin items. Even if you remove food, which is minor in our waste, food containers which are supplied by supermarkets holding food, will still require more than the current bi-weekly to reduce the need for driving to waste management sites. In summer this is worse when flies gain access to green bins and maggots are common place.</p>
5313	<p>We are happy to keep the Green Bin that we already have and for it to be collected every 3 weeks.</p>
5314	<p>We already have issues with maggots with the current collection arrangements. Extending the green bin collection to 3 weeks would just worsen this problem.</p>
5315	<p>I think this is far too complicated for the elderly.</p>
5316	<p>I agree with your report and hopefully it will be a success, but there will be a problem should the bin not be collected every week.</p>
5317	<p>Green bins should not be left for 2 weeks let alone 3.</p>
5318	<p>Do not want this option. We think confusion will be caused by changing to a three-weekly cycle. A slightly smaller bin collected on the same two-weekly cycle sounds preferable.we</p>
5319	<p>Collections on a three week basis may be difficult to remember. At least now the grey and green alternate.</p>
5320	<p>Option 1 is my choice, but re cycling needs to be improved, ie paper shredding should be re cycled, there are other items hat are refused at the moment that could be recycled which might help with your targets Food recycling is OK in the winter but hot summers might be a problem for some people and properties</p>

5321	I don't think households should be separating waste as it is up to those employed by the council, it should be included in our taxes. I have no food waste as I have a dog, I do not have peelings and I also do not have or use a brown bin. 140 waste bin would not be big enough. I know other counties have a food waste collection but this encourages flies and maggots. I think it is unhealthy.
5322	I childminder there is no way I am exposing smells to children in my care for health and safety reasons
5323	Food waste collection a good idea although I usually have none. 3 weekly green bin collection would be fine with me but not so good for my neighbour who has incontinence problems. I have only a tiny garden and so will not pay £40 for Brown Kim collection but there should be a cheaper option for occasional collection.
5324	Don't relish the thought of the green bin being emptied every 3 weeks. I had maggots in my bin last week after 2 weeks so not feasible.
5325	A stupid idea. Bin collections are getting like work - you need a diary and planner just to work out what needs to go out when! If you miss a green bin collection for any reason then you are screwed for another 3 weeks. Also they will get very smelly particularly if you have children in nappies. We do not waste or throw away much food & yet we fill our green bin. A reduced capacity green bin will not be sufficient for our needs. If you don't waste a lot of food you are being penalised by getting the green bin emptied every 3 weeks instead of 2. Im also not happy about having a third bin in my kitchen - how much spare room do you think the average kitchen has?!!
5326	Hope you can afford a pied piper, Wallasey will be crawling with rats. Moronic thinking, can not believe the stupidity of all these proposals. Houses full of mice and flies and bins full of rats and maggots, morons.
5327	Good idea. When the 240 litre bin needs replacing only replace with the 140 litre bin. Thus saving on replacing every bin.
5328	We prefer option 1
5329	Very good idea . IT was in use when we lived in North Somerset and it was excellent.
5330	Joke - green bin stinks as it is being 2 weeks why on earth would we want it a further week?
5331	If I had to make a choice it would be option 1, to be honest I am getting fed up with hearing the council going on about recycling. The residents of Wirral must feel the same as myself, we are seeing the council tax being raised but getting less in services. I visited a friends house in great Sutton Cheshire last week and was astonished to learn that the garden waste is free collection as we get charged £40 a year, I find this disgusting.
5332	I would prefer this option as I don't have a garden waste bin and rely on my brown bin for garden waste disposal; a smaller brown bin would be inadequate.
5333	I fully support your new approach however I find it very dis-heartening that Wirral residents are only recycling 36% of their waste. You must innovate more and up our recycling figure to at least 50%!!
5334	Good idea. We have 2 green bins as we are carers and have a lot of medical waste including soiled pads. Smaller bins would not be suitable for us.
5335	1. I don't want to have a bin caddy in the house, most likely on the kitchen counter! 2. Three weekly collections are not ideal especially with small children in nappies.
5336	Would rather retain the existing system - the proposal assumes everyone has got space in their kitchen for the indoor caddy.  No matter how 'secure' the outside container is how can you ensure that there will not be an increase in rodent activity attracted to the rotting food waste?
5337	Why change what works so well
5338	This would be our preferred option although we are not happy at the thought of the green bin changing from a fortnightly collection to a three weekly collection.
5339	I would not use the food waste collection service. This is because any food waste we have is put in our compost bin. I would not be happy about the green bin being collected every 3 weeks, because I think that it is unhygienic to have rubbish sitting there for so long.
5340	I think this is a very feasible option. One of the main problems is the people who don't care and just throw anything and everything into their green bins or put yoghurt pots into their grey bins because they think they should be recycled or because they have friend in another county who do recycle them. Your recycling levels would undoubtedly be higher if everyone did it as per instructions.
5341	I prefer option 2 because it is more in line with the current system and smaller green bins will encourage people to recycle food waste in the new containers.
5342	I have practically no food waste as I shop sensibly and most food waste either goes to my dog or into my garden compost. However as I have trained my dog to defecate mainly in my garden I do have a fair amount of noxious waste which would become extremely unpleasant if stored near the house for three weeks. I already have a small green and a small grey bin and these are rarely more than half full so option 1 would not fulfill my needs at all



5343	I have no objection to a food waste collection system but I would prefer to keep the existing green bin and continue to have it collected every fortnight. I know you say larger families or those who need to dispose of medical waste will be able to retain them but I am concerned over the health implications of soiled nappies, pet litter, and medical waste being kept for up to three weeks at a time, particularly in hot weather. Also, if there is to be a three-weekly collection of green bins, surely that means that some weeks both green and grey bins will be collected and on others there will be no collection at all. I think this will cause confusion.
5344	I have no issue about the addition of food collection, but see no reason why you need to change the collection of the green waste bin, some councils have made no change to their general waste collection
5345	I cannot see how food waste will mean that I will have less waste that would mean that I only need it's collecting every three weeks . If you really wanted to increase recycling then collect the grey bin every week. This will encourage people to recycle. I live in a household with six people and my bins are always full so often I put recycling in the green bin just for somewhere to put it. I have to go to the tip every ten days of so with excess rubbish that I don't split into grey and green bin. I just tip them together. Could the tip have a grey bin option?
5346	we have space for 3 large communal bins currently filled by 3 large communal bins (1 for general waste and 2 for general recycling) shared by the residents of 16 flats (around 20 people). Would we get a large food bin (perish the thought) to replace one of the large general recycling bins, or 16 small food recycling bins?  Either way, the general waste bin should be OK for one collection every 3 weeks (except, perhaps, on the occasions when the gardener, a former mayor employed, through its agents, by the management company, which is owned by the 15 owners of the 16 flats - one share per flat) fills it with garden waste.
5347	We generate very little food waste and the 240 litre Green bin is not filled to capacity after 2 weeks therefore the proposal collection option 1 is acceptable.
5348	We don't put any food in the green bin. We compost vegetable peelings, feed the birds with bread etc. and put any other scraps down the waste display unit. Prefer the three weekly collection of the green bin
5349	Tried the food recycling last time and it was hopeless. How disgusting keeping leftovers in your kitchen. I don't waste food generally as I can't afford to. But my large green bin is full to capacity in two weeks. Three weeks would be hopeless. I ready pay for the brown bin scheme as we have a large garden. I need a two weekly collection and a big bin. Why penalise already carefully families.
5350	Three weeks is too long to leave rubbish such as nappies, incontinence materials etc, especially in summer. This could lead to fly tipping of such waste, which would be unpleasant and potentially a health risk. However it could be an option for larger households without the need to dispose of such items.  In smaller homes finding a space to keep the indoor caddy could be a significant problem, alongside an indoor bin for general waste and an indoor bin for recycling.
5351	The reduced collections of the green bin would be an issue for me, we have newborn baby who goes through a lot of nappies. I'd like to keep my 240 green bin with fortnightly collections.
5352	Preferred. This is a great step forward and I'm in favour of it.  It's a shame the recyclable items in the grey bin remain so limited - though I appreciate your explanation and accept it is outside the hands of Wirral. The sooner we can increase the items that can be recycled in grey the better - any way to put pressure on powers that be so can make a difference.
5353	Not happy I do not waste food and don't want an indoor food caddy
5354	Makes sense
5355	I would prefer this over the second option however neither option is appealing in any way shape or form.  I would rather pay additional council tax and keep the existing collections or if anything increase the collections and pay for the Merseyside Waste Disposal Authority (MWDA ) recovery plant in Bidston to be upgraded.
5356	I think this seems reasonable. As I hardly throw any food away as I have a compost bin and we try and eat any food we have that is not suitable for the green bin, I think I will still need a large green bin for rubbish that I can't recycle. I do find the Wirral really bad for recycling as there are things that I am sure could be recycled but are not allowed by Wirral Council.
5357	Harder to remember every 3 weeks. If away on holiday and bin not out it is left 6 weeks.

5358	Harder to remember every 3 weeks. If away on holiday and bin not out it is left 6 weeks.
5359	Environmentally this is the better option. This will bring the biggest cost saving and reduce the number of bin men needed. As councils need to cut at least 50% of staff over the next few years to balance their books, this has to be the option selected if on environmental and financial grounds.
5360	Do not like the idea of indoor storage but will still need 240 liter green bin as very little food waste generated
5361	We prefer this option. There wouldn't be any smelly stuff in green bin and keeping existing green bin size would give capacity to dispose of e.g. large polystyrene packaging. Also 3 weekly on green would mean fewer miles travelled by refuse wagons.
5362	Totally wrong just cost cutting again bad idea to have a (caddy thing )in a kitchen and to collect green bin every three weeks will have rubbish overflowing on the streets
5363	Prefer smaller bin to be collected every two weeks (option 2 )
5364	Option one seems more preferable buy the items in the green bin tend to smell such as babies nappies. The grey bin has items such as bottles/cans which can be cleaned. So why not empty the grey bin once every three weeks and the green bin fortnightly? Less chance of maggots/flies in the summer months.
5365	No need for the big bin if food waste is separated but what happens if there is a large family which almost fills a big bin fortnightly and runs out of space at 3 weeks. What happens at times like Christmas when there is more waste than usual and delayed collections?
5366	I feel as if we are being black mailed into acceptance of this new scheme with the threat of reducing the green bin collection to once every 3 weeks if we do not. Whilst I am basically for recycling I resent greatly being forced into your proposed scheme. As a council tax payer I do not see why we cannot continue the fortnightly collection of the green and grey bins and adding the collection of the new food waste along with our usual weekly collections.
5367	I do not agree with option 1 and do not want another container in the kitchen for which we have no room. How long before the Council starts to charge for liners
5368	Concern over how smelly the green bin will be at the end of three weeks in warm weather.
5369	We already compost alot of our kitchen/food waste and still the 240 litre green bin is full by the time the 2 week collection comes round. Changing to 3 weekly collections will see an overflow of green bin waste, but this option (option 1) is the lesser of 2 evils and therefore my choice.
5370	This option would not effect us as there is only two in this household,problems could occur with Green Bins with larger family's. A three week collection for them might be one step too far.  More to the point ,educating people in recycling and food waste it all cost £££££s.
5371	See below

5372	Option 1 seems ok. Think people will not be happy with 3 weekly collections though. Maybe recycling bins could go to 3 weekly instead as this is clean waste and my bin is never even half full.
5373	Not happy about the proposal, particularly the reduction in the green bin collection. Not sure the food recycling will work generally. It will not work for us as any waste food we have we leave out each night for the foxes that live locally. We can see them eating it nightly from our bedroom window. So we do not have any waste food!
5374	I prefer this option
5375	I don't have food waste as my dog eats any scraps. I don't have peelings either. Still have more than 140 litres of waste. I have no brown bin.
5376	Green bin will be smelly, magotty and overful. Over packaging needs to be tackled at source. The food recycling will be a negligible %. Fly tipping will be rife.
5377	For me the biggest issue is volume of waste not weight - the problem won't be resolved until all the things the grey bin won't take can be included in the grey bin.  I use a waste disposal/and or compost bin so my food waste is negligible.  I would prefer option 1 due to volume
5378	Sounds good. Was hoping you would start food waste collection.
5379	Our green bin is hardly ever more than half full so changing to a collection every three weeks would be fine, although it might get a bit smelly in hot weather.
5380	I prefer option 1 of the 2 options, though am not happy with the prospect of having additional boxes for food waste. I also suspect that food recycling will not be adhered to and if the green bin is filled prior to a 3 weekly collection then surplus rubbish will be taken to the tip as opposed to using the food recycling boxes.
5381	I do not want a caddy in my kitchen. It will be ugly and I do not have space for it. I do not want any more bins outside. I have seen how they work in Neston and they are a mess with lids missing etc. I would prefer a smaller green wheelie bin collected every week
5382	I can see no point in differentiating the collection of garden waste by charging for it - it should be (and used to be) included in the waste collection service paid for by our rates. Not charging for it would be a big incentive to people to use the service and increase the recycling in Wirral. Charging for this service is a massive dis-incentive for people to recycle. Your proud boast that approx 40,000 households have subscribed is something in the region of 50% and is therefore nothing to brag about. If you want the other 40,000 in on the scheme, don't charge for it.  Why go to 3-week collection? Your estimate is just a guess and I cannot see anything remotely as much food being put in the green bin.  Initially you should run a trial, for perhaps a month or two, and stay at 2-weekly intervals and if your estimate of the quantity of food waste is correct, you can then go to 3-weekly collections. If the amount in the green bins has not reduced as much as you think, then you got your sums wrong and need to retain the 2-weekly collection.  If the food waste is as much as you say (1/3 of the green bin contents, at least that is down from your initial estimate of 40%!), and the collections stayed at 2 weekly intervals, then the empty space would not cost anyone anything, but would mean that each vehicle and crew could collect from more houses. If, your estimate is as bad as I think it is, you will not have waste overflowing from bins waiting for 3 weeks to be emptied.
5383	We just do NOT have Food Waste (period)Totally- Leave system precisely as it is now BUT revert to your original promise that Garden Waste Collection would be free. Also, collect Garden Waste throughout year!
5384	Not keen on 3 weekly collection
5385	I personally don't put food in my green bin so am not in favour of emptying my stinking bin every 3weeks
5386	How long will the weekly collections of food waste continue, until it's decided that it's more cost effective to go to fortnightly? How long will the 'free liners' be supplied, before it's deemed that it's more cost effective to have residents buy them themselves? Why is the size of the food waste collection bins not defined in any of this literature? If you're removing 100 litre capacity from the green bin, that's assuming that everyone has the equivalent of 50 litres of food waste per week?!

5387	<p>Having just spent £15k restyling the kitchen in my house your proposal of siting a small indoor caddy would appear to be just the finishing touch this expensive refit needs - what a repulsive idea; or maybe I should be thinking ' outside the box ' and site it in the living room. Just to think we pay rates for intelligent people to come up with ideas like this.</p> <p>I am opposed to the additional charge for the garden waste subscription service, and refuse to use the service. As my house has quite a high valuation band I already pay far more in council tax than those smaller properties which do not have gardens, and therefore don't need a bin. Only 2 adults live in my property, so we are not any more of a drain on the council's budget than many other houses who pay a lot less in community charge, but may have school age children. Why do I have to pay even more than I already do ?</p>
5388	Although a three weekly collection would be ok and work for me, I think it would be unhygienic - probably not the best option
5389	<p>Why not have the option to maintain the status quo?</p> <p>Where is the evidence that 30% of our green bin waste is food? In our household this is definitely not the case.</p> <p>Moving to a fortnightly collection cycle was extremely inconvenient and reducing this to every three weeks or reducing the size of our bins is unacceptable.</p> <p>What do we pay our council tax if you do not provide a refuse collection service that meets our needs?</p>
5390	We wouldn't like the idea of a 3 weekly bin collection so would prefer option 2 with a smaller green bin
5391	We don't like either of these options but only collecting the green bin every three weeks is not acceptable
5392	This happens in other parts of the country and it seems to be successful. I'm quite happy to recycle as much as we can.
5393	Ridiculous idea. No room in kitchen for another bin and how about the packaging the fresh food comes in lying in green bin for three weeks.
5394	Nappies, dog poo 3 weeks! REALLY?
5395	I think this is not the best option as it means green bin standing unemptied for 3 weeks and old bin
5396	<p>I have no issue with a 3 weekly collection of the green bin. I recycle my own raw food waste by composting and do that for all my soft garden waste. There is very little cooked food waste, as I only cook what I can eat.</p> <p>Introducing this new system could have the adverse effect of encouraging waste when people know that it will be recycled.</p> <p>Many homes find it difficult to store 3 bins. A 4th is going to result in cluttered alleys, pavements, even roads. On bin collection day any person with mobility problems, will find it difficult or even unsafe to navigate pavements, until families are home in the evening to put their bins away.</p>
5397	I have a small food caddy, that was given out last time. I would agree to putting food waste separate but not if my green bin is only collected every three weeks. During the summer months I am constantly cleaning the green bin due to maggots.
5398	I do not like the idea of 3 weeks between collections. Even with more recycling, the green bins still smell (I have family using a similar scheme so know this is the case)
5399	I am concerned by the amount of smell that will be generated by three weekly collections for example my daughters nappies. You have too many recycling exclusions to be pushing for reduced green bin collections eg margarine pots, yoghurt pots, tetrapacks. You should concentrate on investing in solutions for these before you reduce green bin collections.
5400	A terri Mr idea. As a family we have zero food waste and recycle his out own allotment and chickens. I totally oppose this.
5401	Would prefer to have a collection every two weeks, don't see the need to replace the present bins
5402	<p>We would like to keep our current green bin.</p> <p>It's unlikely to save any food waste from this household all of our peeling and uncooked vegetable waste goes into our compost bin.</p> <p>We are two pensioners who very rarely waste any food.</p> <p>Both options aren't likely to bring about much change in the amount of recycling ....what is needed is better education of recycling particularly with younger people.</p>
5403	<p>Three weeks is too long to leave rubbish such as nappies, incontinence materials etc, especially in summer. This could lead to fly tipping of such waste, which would be unpleasant and potentially a health risk. However it could be an option for larger households without the need to dispose of such items.</p> <p>In smaller homes finding a space to keep the indoor caddy could be a significant problem, alongside an indoor bin for general waste and an indoor bin for recycling.</p>

5404	<p>Preferred option.</p> <p>Currently don't put any food waste in green bin as I compost it all. Would need to keep bigger green bin - current one in good condition.</p>
5405	OK in principle, just concerned that 3 weeks may be too long for the green bin as it may still be filled within 2 weeks
5406	<p>I hate having all these bins cluttering up my drive. They are unsightly and in the summer smelly.</p> <p>If I gave to gave another receptacle it would be a nightmare I struggle with the three I gave which block one of the entrances to my home but suspect we really do t have a choice.</p> <p>I don't want three big bins.</p>
5407	I don't throw away food! So I don't need a separate part for food waste. I think it should be left as it is. Two weeks is a long time for a family anyway! I often have to take general green bin rubbish to the tip because it's so long between collections. Three weeks would be a joke, there would be flies everywhere and more trips to the tip when we pay our council tax for it to be collected.
5408	<p>I do not require a container for waste food as 33% of my green bin contents is not waste food. More like 5% if that.</p> <p>I assume that if my green bin is emptied less often and I don't require a waste food collection service. I will be receive a reduction in the fee I pay for the waste collection service.</p> <p>What do I do if my green bill is full after 2 weeks. ?</p> <p>What arrangements will be put in place to either collect my bin or provide additional storage for the third week.</p>
5409	Do not like the idea of a 3 week collection of the green bin. My animals bedding waste goes in the green bin and it will be very smelly after 3 weeks.
5410	<p>Before commenting on this option, you need to understand I oppose a weekly food collection service. You state you need to increase recycling by at least 16,000 tonnes by 2020. If 40,000 brown bins are successfully used - your words, I challenge you to deny that does not equate to 20,000 tonnes now, let alone by 2020.</p> <p>There is no cost analysis in any of the information you have provided.</p> <p>I would challenge your assumption that my green bin contains one third of food waste. It does not - teabags, coffee grounds, egg shells, raw vegetables and fruit, whole and peelings are placed in my three compost bins - I am sure that applies to most houses with average sized gardens, further casting doubt on the amount of food waste in some bins.</p> <p>I also challenge your statement that the Waste development Fund is a restricted budget - the Government has not imposed the restriction, therefore, it is a council imposed restriction which is not a legal requirement.</p> <p>You need to do more to ensure households do not place grey bin items in green bins.</p> <p>If you ignore public opinion and introduce this system you need to address the issues raised above. In addition you need to assure us that the liners you state will be provided for the caddy will be supplied indefinitely.</p> <p>Finally I would welcome your observations about households capacity to store 4 bins within their property? I would also like your observations about the unsightly storage of the variety of waste bins along street and roads where there is a lack of space and what impact this has on the environment and whether restricted space on pavements etc is in breach of the Disabled Persons Act.</p>
5411	both options has merit but don't you think it better if the option of either 240 litre or 140 litre green bin is dependent on how many is in household ,and if you choose 240 litre it can't be emptied for 4 weeks which tie's in with two 2 weekly emptying of 140 litre bins
5412	So we reduce the content of our bin by a third but the frequency of collection is reduced by 50%. Does not make mathematical sense?????
5413	On balance - prefer more regular bin collection especially in summer time- but for small households this will be less of a problem
5414	I think this is the better option as overall there is more capacity of rubbish collected but worry about summer weather and nappies etc in bins for 3weeks.
5415	I don't tend to waste food. So for me, this means a new bin I don't need, and a problem with my existing waste collection moving to every three weeks. This is a choice between something I don't and something else I don't want.

5416	Three weeks is totally unacceptable for collection of food waste and packaging. This is particularly important in the summer. There is a health risk caused by flies, maggots etc already with a two week collection in warm weather. Cleaning and sterilising green bin is difficult and messy. This has to be done with high pressure washer and a cleaning agent such as Jeyes fluid. Most residents would be unwilling or unable to keep the green bin clean and free of foul odour. Our preference would be a weekly collection of green bins recognising the extra costs involved which would have to be recouped via community charges
5417	Shouldnt have to pay for brown bin
5418	Option 1 is our preferred option - The 240 litre bin every 3 weeks equates to a larger capacity annually than the 140 litres fortnightly - this option is more cost efficient saving the initial outlay of new bins and due to less frequent collection
5419	No real objection but we do have a waste disposal unit for excess food.
5420	I support a food recycling system. However with a large family, much of our green bin waste is made up of non recyclables rather than food waste. I would be concerned at the thought of soiled nappies lingering in a bin for three weeks particularly in the height of summer. I disagree that 30%+ of our green bin is food waste. I think that both of these options are hugely disappointing and would like to state my disgust at the ridiculous proposition of spending much needed funds on replacing green bins that are already paid for.
5421	I oppose 3 weekly collection.
5422	I have zero space to hold an indoor caddy for food in my house, nor do I have space outside for an additional food waste container outside. This whole process is unworkable for my family.
5423	Collecting the bin every 3 weeks is rubbish.
5424	food waste, excellent idea but green 3 weeks and grey 2 weeks might get confusing
5425	With no food to go in the green bin, it will be too big for me. A smaller one will take up less room and I think a 3 week collection is too long a time
5426	Leave as it is .... Both proposals complete waste of money. Make brown bin free and you will collect more recycling. Thank you.
5427	I think this would show people how much food they waste but still think being able to recycle more would be better if Chester can recycle material and more plastic we should be able to.
5428	I think reusing existing bins is the most eco friendly solution. Otherwise you're creating more waste by removing the old bins.
5429	I think a 3 weekly collection in the Summer is going to lead to problems, and a lot of bad publicity for the council. I think these proposals are going to be very unpopular and will have consequences at the next local elections.
5430	I am happiest with this option
5431	Are there wheels on the food bin? There doesn't appear to be in the photographs and this may well cause problems for my husband and I. Re Green bin - I do not think either solution is acceptable: careful though we are to recycle as best we can, there is still too much packaging on everything to persuade me that a smaller bin will accommodate our needs albeit emptied every two weeks and by the same token, nor will the current bin cope with emptying every three weeks.
5432	Prefer this one - sounds cheaper
5433	Not much food waste goes in our Green bin. I don't think we will full our Green bin in three weeks, but I think a lot of other house holdso will and this may cause a fly tipping problem.
5434	I would be very worried at the smell and attraction of vermin to properties with a 3 weekly collection I know in other areas the amount of grey recycling materials is more so the green bin doesn't get full so a smaller bin then would be an option I feel 2 options for people to comment on isn't really enough and most people I think wouldn't be happy?
5435	I favour this option to keep the existing green bin as i think it would be rather expensive to replace all these green weeliebins for another size.We can put up with the three weekly collection as the food waste will not be in this bin.
5436	I do not think this is a good idea because there any number of things, apart from food waste, that can cause the bin to smell if it is not wrapped correctly.
5437	I am horrified by the prospect of a food waste collection service, and the likelihood of an increase in vermin associated with it. I would follow instructions and would probably not find any problems, but what about the section of the public who do not manage their rubbish now? Who fly_tip and dump stuff any old place? who will clean up after them? We are a 2 person household, we don't fill the green bin now, so a smaller bi or a 3 weekly collection would not be a problem.

5438	<p>How small would this lockable food waste container be? Would it take moldy loaves of bread? What about 'chip shop' chips stuck to paper? Where as now, we can throw moldy food such as thick cream away safely contained within it's original container, would we now risk breathing in the mold spores as we separate the two?</p> <p>I'm not sure that I throw away so much food that this would warrant me only having three weekly bin collections and if I was to go to work and forget that this is week 3 (as I already struggle to remember which week is which) then I am going to have to manage for a month and a half!</p>
5439	<p>How big is this 'indoor caddy' ? How many liners will you provide and for how long? How small is the outside lockable container? When will you start charging to collect this, like you did with the brown bins?</p> <p>I live in a block of flats where on earth are we supposed to keep 4 outside food containers?</p> <p>This option is simply ridiculous.</p> <p>Why not just provide a 140 food bin and collect this weekly, collect the 240 waste 3 weekly and the grey bins fortnightly?? People ought to be able to separate their own food waste without the council providing bags (more waste) and containers (more expense) - What next, are the council going to come and do the washing up for us??</p>
5440	<p>Food waste - in my household this would be fish skin and chicken bones only - so a bin is not necessary I have a compost bin for the garden and this collects all food waste. Do I get a reduction? My green bin is full of dog poo bags - this cannot be collected every 3 weeks. Or do you the people at the council leave poo lying around for 3 weeks in their gardens? Completely unacceptable</p>
5441	<p>Concerned about this method of food waste collection attracting vermin both inside &amp; outside, especially in the summer months. Also, it is bound to smell. The green bins already stink in the summer as it is &amp; the smell permeates the house when windows are open.</p> <p>Prefer to keep existing bin because at least they are all the same size. The streets of Wirral already look an eyesore with the multitude of bins we have.</p>
5442	<p>3 week collections are too long. 2 weeks now is too long!</p>
5443	<p>Will not work for the elderly. We are both incontinent and have pads to be disposed of.</p> <p>The green bin is full of pads in two weeks. If we go to either a smaller bin or three week collection it would not take all the pad waste.</p>
5444	<p>We prefer this option mainly because our green bin is still in reasonable condition and does not merit replacement - and its unnecessary recycling - at this point.</p> <p>A provision of food waste containers would be of some use to us although our generation of such material for alternative recycling is very limited, as we already compost a high proportion of our food and garden waste on site. Nevertheless we support wholeheartedly the Wirral Council's proposed measures to encourage waste reduction and increase recycling.</p>
5445	<p>We are one of the few households on our road who regularly fill our grey recycling bin thus boosting the boroughs recycling rates. Plus we fill the brown recycling bin every fortnight. Why should we be penalised with 3 weekly collection when others do minimal recycling? Why don't the council focus on those that do nothing / minimal rather than penalising those that do!</p>
5446	<p>This is my preferred option - food recycling is incredibly important and if food is not present in the green bin there is no need for collection fortnightly as currently. This option also means there is no need to replace the 240 litre green bin with a new one - also helping the environment.</p>
5447	<p>Needs green bin every 2 weeks as both bins over full every pick and waste food only a small amount</p> <p>Brown bin should be free</p>
5448	<p>I would worry about the smell (mostly from dirty nappies as food would not now be an issue). I also think that a 3 weekly collection could be more confusing for some people; at the minute green/grey/green/grey is easy to remember! If someone forgets to put their bin out due to this reason, 6 weeks is a very long time for waste to be sat in a bin!</p>
5449	<p>I would prefer option 1 over option 2 but must stress that with households with Children generate a lot of waste and I have rarely finished a fortnight without completely filling the green bin. I do not believe that one third of that waste is food waste but rather the packaging for said waste.</p>

5450	I have very little food waste and my green bin is full after 2 weeks even though I live alone. I do not think I would even 1 quarter fill a small caddy with food waste as I have dogs who get any left overs. All vegetable peelings etc goes to my daughter who has rabbits so I already recycle food in my own way. The dog waste has to go in the green bin even though this is double bagged the smell would be atrocious . Quite a lot with 5 dogs. There is also the risk of maggots due to the flies that the smell would attract. I also fill my grey bin every 2 weeks so would like things to remain as they are. This will only result in more fly tipping , and more traffic at the tips . It will not increase recycling,
5451	Why waste more council money on two new bins when you are closing down schools, libraries, day centre? Do you not think people have got enough to do day to day working and looking after family's. We already split household waste into 3 different bins and drive or walk to recycling centres, what's next are you going to start refusing to take green bins if they have got food in or even fining us ?
5452	We were part of a pilot scheme some years ago with a brown kitchen caddy for waste food. This was withdrawn as not being a viable scheme. What's so different this time that it should suddenly work? Certainly do not want yet another bin outside.
5453	This seems a good idea for houses with more than two people or three people. As they may need a bigger green bin for other sorts of household rubbish that is not currently recyclable or viable for the new food waste.
5454	Prefer to keep the larger green bin collected every 3 weeks - would cost too much to give everyone a new smaller green bin
5455	It's been tried before when the brown bins first came in and it didn't work then; how would this be different? Personally, I don't think there is enough food waste in all households to warrant this - the bulk of waste in green bins is packaging that can't be recycled in the grey bins or general waste that you can't recycle e.g. pet related waste, contents of vacuum and yoghurt pots!
5456	I prefer this version, even though I know I will put very little into the food recycling, as we have a range of composting bins for our garden.
5457	Good idea
5458	Food waste bin will be a lot of fuss - especially if away and bins put out by neighbours.
5459	I think, since Wirral council are probably not prepared to pay for any pest infestations such as rats, mice, maggots etc. When the green bin begins to fester, it is a remarkably stupid idea since it will be me who has a rotting bin in the garden where my children are playing.
5460	A 240 litre green bin, emptied every three weeks equates to 80 litres of waste capacity per week.  You have stated that the food waste bin is collected weekly on the same day as the other bin is collected for any particular week. If we end up with a three weekly green bin collection, how will it be possible to collect the food waste bin on the same day as the other bin for every week of the year?
5461	OPTION 1 IS MOST AGREEABLE
5462	This option is preferable.  Keeping the existing green bin is cost effective as is collection every 3 weeks.
5463	I don't want an food caddy indoors, I want to dispose of unwanted food outdoor I wouldn't dream of leaving my kitchen bin a whole week without emptying it. What about other waste for example babies nappies, these will smell and encourage flies if they are left for up to 3 weeks.
5464	What happens to the brown bin waste at the mall m not. Is 100% recycled. We were told originally that we would be able to buy garden compost from the recycled garden waste.
5465	We would not require the larger green bin and would prefer a 2 week collection as in option 2
5466	This is my preferred choice.
5467	No problem with 3 week collection as long as people use a bin liner you will not suffer from bad smells
5468	It will be very confusing remembering when the grey & green bins go out if they aren't alternate weeks. It's hard enough remembering the brown one as it is now!
5469	Food caddy: my kitchen is very small and as I already separate green and grey waste into two bins I will not be able to a accommodate a caddy in any way which would make it a success. Also what is the cost of replacement liners? Who pays? Will that create more waste? A fourth bin will also add to pavement/garden clutter in households hindering disabled persons and be unsightly.
5470	What about if you already use a waste disposal to get rid of food?
5471	We have little food waste, so the new system would not particulary benefit us.  We do have 2 dogs and 1 cat, so disposal of dog and cat waste (bagged), would be sitting in the bin for 3 weeks which would be unacceptable.
5472	We do not wish to change the existing system of collection - we do not have any food waste at all.



5473	<p>We already compost all vegetable peelings, cut flowers and fruit cores / skins. So other than meat or fish bones I don't know what we will put out for weekly collection. Tea bags?</p> <p>Our green bin is rarely full unless we buy something with a lot of plastic packaging.</p>
5474	This seems like a more financially sound option.
5475	Please no!! Collecting the green bin every 3 weeks will just be a disaster!!
5476	I actually don't throw away much food at all and certainly not £60 per month. I would prefer a fortnightly collection with the smaller bin.
5477	3 weeks is too long for green bin.
5478	What happens when you run out of liners? Will I have to pay for more? I have very little food waste as I send so much to the stables for horses, cats etc to eat. Most of the rubbish in the green bin is stuff that cannot be recycled or put in the grey bin.
5479	<p>Please, no more waste collection streams. I do not want yet another container.</p> <p>Regarding green waste.. every 2 weeks or 3 weeks it doesn't matter</p>
5480	Not acceptable.
5481	No good to me
5482	My food waste is minimal and certainly not one third of my total green bin weight. How did the Council come up with this figure? I would still require my existing green bin which is between two thirds full and full at the end of two weeks. In other words moving to a three week collection would mean that my bin would be overflowing and the Council would not collect it or by giving me a smaller bin but collecting every two weeks would result in the same problem. What do I do with the excess waste? What allowance has been given for the number of people per household because this has a significant effect on the amount of waste each property generates?
5483	I have a compost bin and am very good at food management. I'm not sure personally my food waste is 1/3 of my trash- but my green bin is still full at the end of 2 weeks. I'd say 90% of my trash is non-recycleable food packaging and things like meat packaging would still smell and attract a lot of bugs after 3 weeks. Plus, unfortunately I'm not sure a lot of households would bother to separate the food (my neighbours being a prime example) and I'm not sure I want to live next to a 240 litre rotting bin after 3 weeks! I like the idea of the food recycling, that is awesome. But I don't see it changing the need for a bi-weekly green bin collection.
5484	we think the three week collection period is too long, the smaller bin is more easily stored especially as we will need to store an additional waste food container.
5485	This option appears to be where less staff required to collect green bin waste every three weeks. I would suggest that three weeks is too long a period to wait for the bin to be emptied, though it would not contain food waste, maybe in summertime there may be a smell problem. A consideration, is for people going on holiday. Imagine someone going on holiday for two weeks, and going one week before the collection, assuming they are away for two weeks, this means that their bin would have two weeks waste, and right enough nothing added while they are away, but in all, their bin would not be emptied for 6 weeks, and if they are elderly, and forget to put bin out, no collection for 9 weeks. Food for thought.
5486	Not a good idea, in the summer food will stink in those small bins, will encourage vermin
5487	I welcome the idea of weekly food waste collection, especially in warmer weather, however, although you state that approx. one third of the contents of the green bins is food, you do say its one third by weight. Food waste certainly does not constitute one third of a full green bin, in our house at least. I fear that other general waste will not be contained sufficiently if the green bin is emptied only every three weeks.
5488	We'd be happy with a 3 weekly green bin collection service
5489	We have very little food waste as all peelings, tea bags, egg shells etc go into a compost bin, we generally only have 2 bin bags in the green bin after 2 weeks while the grey one is generally almost full.
5490	<p>We already recycle all our raw fruit and vegetable peelings, egg shells, tea bags and coffee grains in our own compost bin. Even so, both our green and grey bins are always completely full on collection day. A tiny food waste bin does not have the capacity to hold an extra week worth of food waste.</p> <p>We also think people who live alone and whose bins are 25% or less full after a fortnight won't bother separating food waste.</p>
5491	Three weeks is a long time between collections even taking into account the food waste will be collected weekly.
5492	<p>The movement of waste food from our green bins will not make enough rooms to make a 3 wkly collection practical. Binbag and waste will be left on the street alongside the bin for collection.</p> <p>If it is not collected it will lead to flytipping and increase costs for the council in clearing up this extra rubbish.</p>
5493	No thanks

5494	3 weeks is too long for the green bin collection. I pay for the green bin to be professionally cleaned and lined every time it's emptied and in the summer months, we still have a major problem with maggots. It's bad enough being a 2 week collection but moving it to 3 weeks would be totally unsanitary.
5495	We place no more than 5% of food waste in our bin . Any consumable food waste is given to our dogs. Our bin is filled with non recyclable waste and is completely full every 2 weeks. This is a ridiculous scenario which will mean I will have to make trips to the tip with the overflow from my green bin. I would like to invite a council representative to monitor my bin. I would like a reduction in my council tax to reimburse me for the extra petrol I will have to use travelling to the tip in either West Kirby (5miles) or Clatterbridge (5miles) 10 mile fount rip !!!!!
5496	Totally disagree with this option. After two weeks the bin is full to the brim and we throw very little food away. All peelings are placed in our compost bin and there is virtually no waste from cooked food.
5497	Not sure how well it would work,we recycle our rubbish properly with the bins provided and the green bin is always full after the two weeks.there is only two people in our house so I don't know how a bigger family would cope with either system.
5498	Collecting the green bin once every 3 weeks will be tough. When our children are away it wouldn't be a problem but when they come back over the holidays it could be and we even recycle our veg waste etc in the compost bin
5499	We are responsible and generate little food waste, the impact should be negligible for us.
5500	The 3 week collection cycle will cause problems in warmer weather with increased numbers of maggots and flies. Decaying food will also attract vermin. Whilst the outside container is lockable this will still lead to the presence of vermin close to homes, Where do you expect people to store the indoor container? This will also cause odours within the home and increased numbers of flies. Is the council providing air freshener and fly spray? Another issue is the collection and return of waste bins. At present bins are rarely left near the driveway where they are left for collection. Are the refuse collectors going to unlock the food bins?
5501	Seems good
5502	No thanks
5503	Mine get full really quickly so I will struggle with this option. Plus I have disabled children with added rubbish how will this work?
5504	Concerned about problems with flies /pests rodents with any waste food collection based on previous experience The increasing numbers of waste bins make roads and property fronts look untidy My kitchen sink has a waste disposal facility for food - I do not scrape waste food into the bin now and therefore I don't see my waste reducing if you introduce a food recycling service
5505	does this mean I will have everyone in the cul de sac' food bin in front of my house as I do now with the grey and green bins?  Will there be any enforcements to keep food bins on their own property, as this does not appear to be available for the big bins - I know because I have complained about it.
5506	We currently recycle well over 50% of household waste, filling the grey bin to an average of 66% over two weeks, all suitable food waste going on the compost heap for the garden and filling our brown bin with garden waste. The thought of wate food rotting on people's premises for up to a week with smells and seasonal flies is unappealing and likely to fail. If your current data shows a low level of recycling in the grey bins the problem suggests reluctance to utilise the facility and your target should be to increase usage by either widening the objects/materials for collection and an education/publicity campaign. Financial incentives or penalties could also be a way forward but could be difficult and expensive to manage. Maybe identifiable environmental improvements to election wards that reach and maintain recycle targets each year could be another option. Look forward to the meeting in Bromborough on 11 August.
5507	My bin is 140 litre. Being disabled would make it difficult to handle 240 litre bin. Food recycling seems ok. I normally eat everything I buy so waste would be minimal. Having a small recently upgraded and newly designed kitchen means an indoor bin would make my kitchen look very unattractive after me spending a lot of money to make it look perfect.
5508	I really don't mind. I would vote for the option that costs less. Both options are great ideas.

5509	<p>I do NOT think it a good idea, All my food waste apart from bones, goes onto my compost heap, without that I would be lost</p> <p>How about the recycling plant expand to recycle more plastics which they are currently rejecting?</p>
5510	<p>Having visited and stayed with family in Twickenham, where they have the weekly food collection with an indoor caddy / outdoor container, combined with alternate weeks general waste and recycling collection and an extra garden waste collection too which is a payable option, I have seen the system in action and it works. Despite all publicity there is lots of food waste from scraps as well expired sell-by dates.</p> <p>One has to be careful to keep the indoor caddy clean but being provided with bags helps immensely. One also has to be careful to close the outdoor bin securely ( the local foxes can be a nuisance in Twickenham.)</p> <p>It demands a sense of Community Responsibility to ensure everywhere is kept clean and education to promote understanding the efficiency and effectiveness of such food collections. It is food recycling on a large scale instead of allowing it to fester in landfill causing toxic fumes that take years to dissipate as well as causing foul smells and encouraging scavengers and vermin.</p> <p>Sadly the fast food industry creates huge quantities of such waste and they should be encouraged to participate in such a scheme as well as promoting positive attitudes amongst customers. It is an ideal because I am sure that there are big contrasts in attitudes to recycling across the different areas Wirral.</p> <p>We need to do more and cut down on general waste collection if introducing a food waste collection seems common sense. Anything to keep costs down and promote efficiency.</p>
5511	<p>Good to collect food waste every week. Don't like idea of 3 week collection for green bin. Happy to pay for garden refuse collection.</p> <p>May be confusing for people to have so many different collection times.</p>
5512	<p>You're making the assumption that all households throw away food. I for one do not, therefore neither option suits me as the contents of my green bin will remain the same, so now in future I will have to either wait 3 weeks to have my bin emptied or take a smaller bin which won't be suitable as the contents and volume of my waste will remain the same therefore not fit in it.</p> <p>If the council need to increase recycling, they should consider removing the fee for the brown bin and more people would recycle. I now put garden waste in my green bin as I refuse and cannot afford to pay the fee, whereas I always used to recycle.</p>
5513	<p>Unworkable idea. Easier to put food in separate provided clear bags and put in current green bin to be collected fortnightly. The non-recyclable rubbish can go in the black bag in the same bin.</p> <p>This method is more cost-effective and cheaper/easier to implement.</p>
5514	<p>This seems the most cost effective of the two options.</p>
5515	<p>Not happy with 3 weekly collection difficult to remember when to put it out</p>
5516	<p>Leave the green bins the same size and collect every 2 weeks. If they are not full, no problem and you save on replacing all those bins. If they are full then they need to be collected every 2 weeks. Don't mess this up as bin collections are about the only thing that councils are seen as having responsibility for.</p>
5517	<p>I put cat litter and used food packaging in the green bin. Bad enough after 2 weeks, but putrid after 3?</p>
5518	<p>I have cat food waste to throw away. Would this go in the caddy? If not, then collecting my green bin every 3 weeks will not be effective.</p> <p>How about investing in a system that allows more plastics to be recycled?</p> <p>Most of my green bin waste is plastic wrappings and cat food sachets rather than food waste.</p> <p>The "club" for the brown bin is laughable. Hardly a club is it? Just a fee really. Plus how many of us have much green waste in the winter months? Better to do a weekly collection for the spring/summer months.</p>
5519	<p>I don't want a 'caddy' in my kitchen. Neither do I want another bin outside. We have enough bins taking up space. Also if green bin collections change to 3 weekly we'll have to remember which bins are due to be emptied when and if we get it wrong we're in trouble.</p>
5520	<p>Happier to keep larger green bin, even if emptied every 3 weeks. Less litres per year than status quo but more than smaller green bin scheme.</p> <p>I assume it's the EU who are dictating this. I voted for BREXIT so why not just tell the EU to get knotted??</p>

5521	<p>We don't have that much food waste. I don't think people could be bothered recycling food waste.</p> <p>3 weeks collection for green bin is far too long. The existing 2 weeks is bad enough, especially for a family of 4 people (i.e. 2 adults and 2 children).</p> <p>The bin collections including recycle should be weekly not fortnightly let alone every 3 weeks.</p> <p>The garden waste brown bin should be collected weekly between spring and autumn.</p> <p>Most people buy ready prepared food and don't peel potatoes or carrots these days.</p>
5522	Ridiculous, food waste will hardly reduce the volume in the green bin at all, mine is full by the end of two weeks. A three week collection might be ok in the winter but certainly not in the summer.
5523	Not comfortable with three weekly collection of the green bin...harder to remember when a collection is due and the longer residence of items may result in it attracting vermin, flies etc ( although yes no food in significant amount, just contaminated non-recyclables packaging).
5524	Need the bigger green bin for all the packaging and unrecyclable waste.
5525	I prefer a slightly lower green bin capacity to keeping the existing on a 3 week cycle. Therefore Option 2 has my vote.
5526	I dont like the idea of the green bin being left for three weeks before emptying.
5527	Am concerned about bins being collected every three weeks especially in the summer where they will smell and attract flies . This will be particularly bad if households have children with nappies or adults with continence products
5528	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Brown bin service should not be a subscription service - all bin services should be funded through Council Tax.</li> <li>2. Will the liners for the food caddies be delivered on a regular basis or a one off 'gesture'? If the latter this will be yet another additional cost to householders.</li> <li>3. Three weekly collection is too confusing. A householder would have to remember to put out food waste every week, brown bin once a fortnight and green bin every 3 weeks.</li> <li>4. Your focus should be to recycle additional items e.g youhurt pots, tetrapacks, foil containers and plastic food trays. Other areas of the country do so.</li> </ol>
5529	best option for us as a busy household. not keen on the food waste option at all!!
5530	No good
5531	Happy with Option 1
5532	Green bin should be fortnightly not every 3 weeks. The 240lts is filled up very quickly as it is. As for food waste this should be weekly due to foxes in our area.
5533	As so many food containers are not eligible for re-cycling it will be a serious health risk if the bin containing these( the green in colour bin) is only collected every 3 weeks.Whilst I understand that the main of food waste won't be going into this bin the plastic containers that have had food in i.e. bacon, fresh meat packaging etc will and the potential for flies and maggots over 32 weeks is unthinkable and totally unacceptable in my opinion.
5534	100% agree. Prefer keep larger green bin, but still every 2 weeks.
5535	This would not be suitable for my families needs. We recycle most of our green bin food waste anyway ( such as peelings etc) as we have an allotment. My green bin is full at least four days before the collection is due now, so I can't see how this us going to be helpful.
5536	Prefer this option
5537	<p>I am replying for my elderly mother who cannot do so herself. She NEVER wastes food! I can't remember when I last threw anything away, maybe 2-3 years ago, something small as a one off?</p> <p>My incontinent elderly parent does however, have soiled, foul pads etc to dispose of on a daily basis, so a 3- weekly collection of the green bin would be DISATEROUS! It would, literally, be STINKING.</p> <p>THIS IS AN UNTHINKABLE OPTION.</p>
5538	GARBAGE.....
5539	Absolutely outraged. These are all services that should be covered in our council tax payments. The council is getting worse in providing services and constantly taking away from us. Stop wasting our money. Stop investing our money elsewhere and start using it for what it is meant for. This council just gets worse and worse. I do not approve of either option.
5540	Would prefer option 2 for fortnightly collections.

5541	<p>We are an average family of four. Our 1 green bin does already not fulfil our waste needs and we regularly go to the recycling centre in West Kirby with another 2-3 bags every fortnight. Whilst I, in principle, agree with the food recycling we try not to waste too much food anyway and the small food bin will not have any effect on the main waste for the green bin in our house. So a green bin every 3 weeks is pointless - it will literally store bags until I have to go to the 'tip' to empty it. You may as well have an opt out clause to not have a service at all and I could get a reduction in my very large council tax bill.</p> <p>Also the organisation of fortnightly grey and three weekly green is just a nightmare - we will never know what week we on!!!</p>
5542	<p>Retaining the larger 240 litre bin would be useful for the occasional times when a house generates a lot of extra waste. For example when decorating, when un-recyclable materials have to be disposed of such as partially used tins of paint, contaminated cleaning rags, used paint brushes and rollers, wall paper paste, silicone sealant, adhesive &amp; 'no nails' tubes etc.</p> <p>The extra weeks wait for the bin to be emptied should not be a problem as there would not be any decomposing materials in the bin.</p>
5543	No comment, would go for option 2
5544	It is a very smelly and unhygienic way of recycling food waste. I would hate a bin in the kitchen or outside collecting weekly food waste, flies, smells etc. It will be most unpopular. We are free of mad EU rule now!
5545	I have 3 cats and bag their litter waste in the green bin. My bins are stored in a 'lean to' which can get very warm when it's sunny. I would not like their waste to be sat in a hot bin for 3 weeks.
5546	Don't know why things can't be left as they are. I thought we are trying to get away from using plastic bags and now you are going to supply liners.
5547	Absolutely preposterous idea! We have no extra worktops in our kitchen to abide such a bin. I simply would refuse to use it. You must think people have the room in their small houses. Also I will not have a third bin outside in my already small garden. Ridiculous notion! I can foresee a lot more litter on our streets as a result of our bins being collected every three weeks instead of two. An increase in flies and rats will also be on the horizon. Well done for getting the backs up of our community.
5548	What happens if we run out of liners? Are we going to have to pay for the liners?.my partner has early alzheimers so it's hard enough making sure he puts it in the right bin now ,many a time iv had to rummage through the bins to sort it out ,I have enough to deal with without more rummaging .
5549	We already have a kitchen bin for food and other non-recyclable waste, so it will be inconvenient to try and accommodate another one.
5550	This is my preferred option as it is more economical for the council to have the green bin truck collecting every three weeks and it is better for the environment because of less pollution from bin trucks
5551	<p>It's hard enough to remember whether it is green week or grey week (most of us check what the majority of neighbours think it is), so throwing a 3 week option in will flummox us even more!</p> <p>My main reason for not liking this option though is that if one is away or forgets/gets it wrong etc., it then means green waste will have to wait for six weeks to be emptied. This is too long, particularly in summer. I appreciate food waste will be collected weekly, but inevitably some food waste will be in green bins (if attached/stuck to packaging, bones etc) and soiled nappies would be too.</p>
5552	<p>I already compost all the vegetable waste!</p> <p>I'm not keen on a waste food container in the kitchen because I've seen them in use in the U.S. Smelly! However, I'm sure we will come to terms with it as they have.</p> <p>With regard to the size of the green bin and the frequency of collections. With only 2 of us in the household its not going to make a lot of difference.</p> <p>Same comments copied below. No difference to us although the streets might well get messy with large families coping.</p>
5553	I HAVE VERY LITTLE FOOD WASTE SO FOR ME I PREFER THINGS AS THEY ARE
5554	Far to long for the green bin to be emptied if changed to every 3 weeks. Other councils do have this scheme but still have there green waste bin emptied every 2 weeks. Would be happy for scheme if the green bin is still emptied every 2 weeks as we have a lot due to family and vists from families. This would be far to smelly unhygienic if only emptied every 3 weeks as we have a dog too how's waste goes into this. This needs to be a big consideration for people with pets as this will encounter a lot of environmental issues
5555	Does the outside food bin have wheels? It could get quite heavy and be harder for more elderly people to lift.

5556	Concerned about general waste sitting for 3 weeks as there will still be items that could smell such as food wrappings/ containers. Especially if it is warm in summer.
5557	prefare option one method. thank you
5558	The only serious concern from my wife and I have (whichever option people choose) : We suspect some residents will not take that extra care to secure their waste food, and this will attract pests and rodents. This is already a big problem around many eating places in Wirral. Pests are much more sensitive than us and will even break into sealed plastic bags. Save money but invite infection and infestation? We will be taking option 2, thank you.
5559	Ref to the Green bins what is the environmental impact of the collection taking place every 3 weeks where as the Food waste is every week, please expand on the estimated mileage that your proposals envisage. What will you do with the Green bins if you move to the smaller bins and has this been taken into consideration. Some food packaging( meat trays) cannot be recycled by Wirral so what are you doing to change this.
5560	In my opinion the smaller green bin is the better option
5561	Don't like this
5562	3 weekly collection is not preferred for a variety of reasons including the effect of summer heat and if a collection is unavoidably missed then potentially waste will be stored in it for up to 6 weeks.
5563	Three weeks is too long to leave waste before collection. There are many other things that will smell apart from food and create health hazards such as the packaging that food comes in. Waste wrapping from fish, chicken and other food products as well as baby nappies and cat litter to name just a few. Maximum time between collections should be 2 weeks - weekly with smaller bins would be even better but I appreciate will increase costs so is unlikely to be considered. The brown bin should not be charged extra for- this should be part of the service covered by council tax.
5564	Three weekly collections, whilst making good use of resources (i.e.green bins) currently provided (ours still has a good few years in it yet) will be tricky to manage. Having alternating forthrightly collections between grey and green bins works well and is easy to manage...three weekly will be more tricky.
5565	There is no choice as to having the small indoor caddy. We do not need one as we put old food on our compost heap. It is not a good idea to only have the green bin collected every three weeks - what about people with medical waste and nappies.
5566	Outside food bin looks too small. Therefore excess food will be placed in green bin for up to 3 weeks. Problems with flies and maggots would be worse in both cases.
5567	Not acceptable.  I suggest you get a grip of the Waste Contract and require the Waste Authority to upgrade their recycling ability.
5568	It will not make much difference to me .
5569	How small are the food waste lockable bins be? How will we control the maggots, we are already struggling to deal with them in the warm weather. I don't mind a three week collection but what about around Christmas. When everybody creates far more waste.
5570	What a stupid idea there is 2 adults and one baby in our house and not much food waist if any. About half a carrier bag,and our bin is full every two weeks. And you want to make it every 3 weeks. Just provide a separate bin and see how empty they are. You will have bags stuck on bins and rubbishy down the roads
5571	Preferred option.
5572	I would prefer collection option 1. As my household shares bins with the Quaker Meeting House in Heswall, which is a public building and used my many community groups, I think smaller green bins would not be sufficient for our needs.
5573	I am equally happy with either option.  How many food caddy liners will we receive? What if we need more each week? How will the new liners be provided - left outside with the food bin each week when it is emptied, or put thru the letterbox?
5574	How many caddy liners will we receive? Can you make clear what goes into the green bins? If the brown bin cost increases again I will not use the service.
5575	Why not keep the existing bin and still empy every two weeks saving the council the expence of supplying new 140 litre bins?  Surely the cost of producing new bins for every household in Wirral has a higher environmental impact than keeping the existing bins in use?

5576	<p>Separate food waste collection is sensible. For the majority of the time there are just two of us living here and green bin collections every three weeks would be acceptable.</p> <p>However, introducing a smaller capacity green bin to most larger households could perhaps result in requests for even more regular collections. Some weeks they might fill it, some weeks not. Either way, if collections remain at every two weeks why not just keep the bigger bins until each one needs replacing and only do so at that point with the smaller one? In other words, why change the size of the bin at all?</p> <p>Will continue to subscribe to the brown bin collection scheme.</p>
5577	See comments under Option 2.
5578	<p>Option 1 seems the best of two bad ideas.</p> <p>Most of the waste in our green bin is not food but contaminated packaging which has contained food or unrecoverable plastics.</p>
5579	I am not in support of the food waste collection as I do not waste food. The only occasional waste I would put in the bin is one tea bag per day and perhaps a few lettuce leaves. I only have baked potatoes and eat the skins. Bread scraps and stale cakes are fed to the birds.
5580	This is the best of a bad bunch - Do NOT agree with either option This is encourage people dumping rubbish as it did where I lived before in London.
5581	This is not acceptable. If a whole household was away for the green bin week then they would have five weeks of waste to put in their bin.
5582	Sensible option. Reduced cost in supplying new bins and we dont have to worry about a third bin being either left around or stolen.
5583	Option 1 could be confusing as the collections will be permanently out of sync. Maintaining a large bin may prevent more careful consideration of what is and what isn't recyclable waste.
5584	Not preferred.
5585	I do not agree with option 1. think reducing the number of collections of the green bin will lead to more rubbish in the alleys and streets.
5586	<p>I am in favour of all your recommendations, however, why not do the three weekly green bin, and replace only when the bin is worn out.</p> <p>As in my experience a lot of people are not recycling properly, what measures are proposed to educate and enforce compliance?</p>
5587	Disgraceful no chane to current
5588	<p>A three week collection cycle is too long for the green bin and will result in pest control and odour problems. This should remain at the current larger size, without the cost of providing a smaller bin, and remain on a fortnightly collection cycle.</p> <p>We already have to pay for the brown bin collection service, other areas within Wirral and Cheshire do not, with some areas only having to pay if they require an addition brown bin. I feel this additional reduction to collection services is unwarranted given the council tax paid.</p>
5589	<p>We don't really throw a lot of food waste in our green bin.</p> <p>I have two small children and our green bin is heaving with nappies etc only a week after its been collected. It's a relief when it's green bin day and we can start again with an empty bin.</p> <p>For us, having our bin collected every three weeks would be a real inconvenience and we would have to make trips to the tip every week.</p>
5590	This could be confusing as collection would be every three weeks. It would be great if we ever got it wright that the bin men would collect the correct bin especially if bins are kept at the end of the drive.
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5592	Not happy about 3 weeks for waste collection. No
5593	I don't have a lot of food waste. Surely this can be composted. I would prefer to have my green bin emptied every 2 weeks especially during the summer months.
5594	<p>A complete waste of money. It is a disgrace that these options are even beng considered when we already pay to have our garden waste removed.</p> <p>It would seem that we have to pay more council tax and receive a poorer service, every time the council makes a suggestion its at the expence of the council tax payer.</p>
5595	This is my preferred option of the 2 but I think ways of recycling other plastics must be explored as other councils seem to manage to sort this ok. I fully support food waste collection.
5596	<p>Really pleased about food collection.</p> <p>Prefer this option for green bin.</p> <p>A larger bin will hold larger items</p> <p>Every 3 weeks is fine for me</p>
5597	Over three weeks our green bin would be full even allowing for the food caddy. Where would the rest of the rubbish go ?

5598	It will be so confusing on a 3 week cycle - sometimes with the brown bin and sometimes with the grey!!!
5599	It is totally unacceptable. There is no food waste to recycle in my green bin and it is full after 2 weeks. If I have to wait three weeks then I will need to take bin bags to the top in West Kirby which will mean more pollution from the car!
5600	In reality you have given us no option, regardless of what I think you will do what you want and give out more excuses.. The reason we have not met targets is simply the fact that you started charging for garden waste ( brown bin ) and now those that can't afford it put it in the green bin ! Also the fact that those too lazy to separate the rubbish and pile the bins excessively are making us all suffer. Deal with them and the situation would be resolved but you won't you will just keep bleating on about the disadvantaged and Westminster cuts. No cuts to your expenses though ! WBC poorly run badly managed
5601	I need more information regarding exactly what will be recycled in the food waste caddy/container.  Green bin collection every three weeks - this is a long time for waste to be hanging around outside properties.
5602	I have concerns about storage of food waste for a week in hot weather. Even though locable smell and flies could become an issue.  How big will the lockable container be - you do not specify. I find it hard to visualise how much 'other waste' I am likely to generate once food waste is segregated ?? Until I'm clearer on this point it isn't easy to say whether smaller or same size bin will fit my needs. Household size is surely a factor ?
5603	Do not want a three weekly collection of green bin.
5604	Better option as more bins means more carbon. If people don't fill them then it doesn't matter. Food doesn't take up a lot of space in a bin but providing smaller bins won't encourage further recycling. I'm concerned about vermin and bad smells with food bins. Also how often will liners be received.
5605	Totally impractical especially for families with children who will produce more food waste than the indoor caddy and the lockable food container can cope with each week. We have experienced this hood waste collection method and after just a 2 days the caddy begins to smell and grow mould.  The amount of food waste in our green bin is certainly not one third of the contents so emptying the green bin every three weeks is going to result in overflowing bins, vermin and rotting smells in the summer.
5606	NO CHANGE  I WILL NOT KEEP FOOD WASTE  I expect that more fly tipping will take place if you reduce green bin collection.  But you won't care because statistically less waste will be collected !!!!  What a load of Rubbish
5607	I do not like the idea of the green bin only being collected every 3 weeks.
5608	Food waste collections are essential and need to be weekly. As we compost all fruit and vegetable peelings this will not reduce the amount of waste in our green bin.  However we already opted for a 140 litre green bin and as this is never more than half full, even at Christmas, a three weekly collection would be fine. Saving on providing new bins seems more cost effective by continuing with the larger bins. It would also be more economical on the number of wagon journeys.
5609	im all for recycling, my thought is where is the money coming from for these bins!!!!!! I also think that food waste will smell and invite vermin.I would rather keep to what we do now, and the money put else were like adults,streets,and parks.
5610	i will not pay any more than i have to to the council the council tax is far to much as it is
5611	This is an acceptable option but would prefer option 2
5612	Would prefer option 2 as I live alone but I don't mind either.



5613	We were on a pilot food recycling scheme on the Wirral several years ago . I found the whole thing unhygienic and messy . I do not want to wait three weeks for green bin to be collected.ii
5614	This is not a green iniative just a cost cutting exercise for the council and as a result we will end up with stinking bins!!! If you want to increase recycling take the fee off for the brown bins and you'll see it double.
5615	I think the grey should be less than the green
5616	Disgraceful to collect free bin every 3 weeks. What about nappies festering for 3 weeks? I am happy to use food caddy but green bin should remain fortnightly. Focus should be on expanding recyclable items eg. plastics, yogurt cartons, batteries, foil in grey bin. Scrapping brown bin fee would also increase % recycled.
5617	3 weeks it's disgustingly unacceptible!  I am paying £1,300 rates what a joke!  How's your gold plated pension doing bet your looking forward to an indexed linked retirement.
5618	you can forget getting our green bin,have to take extra now to the tip as it is,you are going to create havoc with this new recycling .
5619	seems a bit complicated, even worse would be all the vehicles turning down our cul-de-sac, why can't we have an extra option for the garden waste, like a 4 weekly collection for half the price?
5620	no room on floor space for indoor bin in kitchen. prefer larger bin outside for food waste.
5621	Three weekly collection isn't often enough for food, it will smell in Summer. Not happy about the current charge for the Brown bin collection. Residents who take a pride in their gardens are being penalized for doing so. My local councillor told me that the money paid for the recycling of gardening waste covered the council's collection charges. So I never understood why you started to charge residents to make a profit.
5622	This is the cheaper option. I am not sure about food waste. When the brown bins were first trialed, food waste was included in the load. After a short time, it was decided that the food waste caused a health risk as it did not break down quick enough and the treatment temperature did not get high enough to break down the bacteria. I f you wish to enhance your load weights, bring back free brown bins
5623	So sad that Wirral has no plastic collections for yoghurt pots, food containers etc. This must be a large amount of waste.
5624	It would help if you could put more items in the grey bin eg yogurt pots, plastic containers etc.
5625	I already recycle all my food waste into compost bins, and my green bin is still full every 2 weeks. Changing emptying this bin to every 3 weeks will not be acceptable in my household.
5626	Absolutely against 3 weekly collection. We have problems with smells and maggots in the green bin and will still have to disposal of our grand daughters dirty nappies in the green bin. The use of the food bin will not remove 100 litres of waste in a fortnight. I will end up driving waste to the collection point at Clatterbridge - as a pensioner I will not enjoy the extra job nor the associated costs.
5627	The green bins are getting old and would really still need emptying twice a week if you use the smaller new bins we are throwing away 40 litres more rubbish in a month and if we do have new bins try and buy British made like are old one is
5628	I think three weekly collections are too long. It will encourage fly tipping.
5629	I think that it is completely unreasonable for the council to expect residents to sort rubbish into three separate containers. I am very annoyed at this proposal. I would prepare to keep the larger green bin if you persist with this outrageous suggestion.
5630	I have no problem with a 3 weegly collection. We are an older couple who eat what we buy and waste very little. Most of our food waste is composted anyway. However for families with young children and no gardens I can see this could be problematic.
5631	Dont agree with any changets the collections should be weekly !!
5632	All my green bin waste (food and items that cant be put in the grey bin) is in black bin bags; all I do is lift the black bin bag out of my kitchen bin and put it into the green bin; having to use another bin for food and another for none food green bin waste is just adding more clutter in my house; If it is implemented I will simply take my rubbish in my car to the tip in Bidston; if we carry on segregating bin contents any more we will need about three big bins and about three small bins/boxes; for instance you may wish to have cardboard and plastic seperate form paper, this kind of micro segregation is ludicrous; If your target for recycling food waste is not being met you need to look at other ways of segregating it at the tip;
5633	we cannot conceive of keeping food waste inside the house for up to a week . Do the council intend to extend a vermine extermination/control policy to all areas free of charge. NOT supported!!!

5634	<p>totally against this idea. why would i want a caddy inside my kitchen. I already have an integral waste bin. As regards food waste outside. some people would keep their bin clean. many wouldn't attracting vermin and flies.</p> <p>my garage space are already full with unsightly bins I do not want any more.</p>
5635	Yes please have used this system when living in Scotland great idea
5636	We have very little food waste an more general waste so option 1 is the only choice for us. I think the 3 week collection will only increase fly tipping and littering.
5637	Seems the better option
5638	I don't waste much food but the thought of having a caddy hanging round in the kitchen and having to go and fill a separate bin is unappealing. All the waste food together, steaming [in the Summer] for 7,6,5,4,3,2 or 1 day strikes me as medieval.
5639	3 week collection for green bin would be ok since food is separate, still need a large bin for large waste which isn't food or recycling
5640	we don't like the idea of 3 weekly collections.
5641	This is the better of the 2 options as I don't see the need to spend more money on new green bins as well as the food caddy and lockable containers. My concern is how often will the food liners be issued? Will the be delivered with the bin collections or will we have to order them and the pay more money or have to collect them from somewhere? If we have to collect the liners will they be available at locations that are open at the weekend. How will the elderly cope if they have to collect the liners?
5642	I would prefer option 2.
5643	I don't think a 3 weekly collection is sensible,there is already way to many fly tippers.
5644	This option seems to be the most economical for the council as the green bins will continue to be used and only emptied every three weeks.
5645	It's ok till you push another charge for collection like you did with Brown bins keep it as it is why Change of its not broken or are you luring people in for a few years then a 35 pound charge for collections ?
5646	I would prefer this option as it means that there is room for bigger items in green bin should that be required. My preference would be for this to remain on 2 week collection cycle.My only concern is that I would now have 4 bins in total
5647	<p>I am NOT in favour of the introduction of any food waste recycling. We had this some years ago on the Wirral and it led to the ingress of rats and other infestations into our particular property. We stopped using this quickly for that reason. Our waste food is already recycled into a compost heap which rats can't enter or indeed see</p> <p>There is now almost an obsession with recycling in this country leading to more and more bins covering the landscape. Lovely areas of the Wirral are now eternally smattered by bins for collection</p> <p>Furthermore, we now have a proposal which means yet another bin collection which means more lorries doing the rounds and, by definition, more unnecessary Council expense</p> <p>Do NOT be led by spurious targets of 50% etc. Use common sense and do not continue to destroy our local landscape with further "unhygienic" bins for political reasons</p>
5648	Good
5649	Fantastic idea. I would be ok with three weekly collections of the larger bin of it was the preferred choice. The food collection must be weekly to work. I think this is great as currently mouldy foods are in the bin for 13 days at worst which is awful in the summer. Will people be given the smaller bags?
5650	Every three weeks is too infrequent for residual waste as it will include packaging and other items contaminated with food waste, such as bags and trays with meat and vegetable waste. Especially in the summer this will rot and attract insect and other vermin. Every two weeks would be a better option. My daughter lives in Buckinghamshire where they use this frequency with a 240 litre bin and it works very well.
5651	<p>3 weeks is too long to wait for green bin collection.</p> <p>Why not have large green bin emptied once every 2 weeks and have food collected weekly.</p>
5652	We do not have much food waste at present and make every effort to recycle generally. Therefore to extend collection to every three weeks may result in not enough room in the green bin. Also multiple bin collections (weekly, fortnightly & three weekly) may result in mistakes / missed collections leading to more rubbish problems.

5653	Until there are more recycling options available I think the green bin size needs to remain. We also have a baby with nappies and this would be very difficult to manage in a smaller bin. Could nappy disposal be looked at as another recycling issue as I am aware other local authorities use a system to recycle this.
5654	This is the best option out of a bad deal. We already have the perfect bin system but I suppose you don't want anything to be easy for your "customers". Another weekly collection will increase costs and waste of resources as these vehicles are likely to be parked on yellow lines for hours outside shops.
5655	Keep all collections as they are!!!
5656	It is another bin to remember to put out!!
5657	I think this is a disgrace that green bins will only be collected every 3 weeks, how small is the food bin?
5658	For me this makes no sense as I don't throw that much food away. I wouldnt want to keep the little bit I do throw away in the house. I really cant see where you get the figures from for this have you done any research by collecting local data not via the Internet which seems where you are getting these figures from.
5659	Yes I would probably prefer this option.
5660	We are perhaps not average but we definitely do not waste and throw away anything like £60 worth of edible food. Our food waste is negligible as we eat what we buy, grow veg on the allotment and use fruit and veg peelings etc for compost. I do not want any kind of food waste bin in my kitchen. A 3 weekly collection is too infrequent
5661	This is a better option as smaller bins makes it hard to store things that need disposing. Not happy with having two extra bins. We have a caddy already for garden compost. Also what happens when the liner supply runs out??? Are we expected to purchase to replace. Also my mother is elderly how is she supposed to lift the blue caddy to the curb??!
5662	Not in favour. Don't want to wait for 3 weeks for green bin to be emptied.
5663	I do not like the idea of the green bin being collected every three weeks I do not think this is frequent enough.
5664	3 weekly collection is not an option. Food recycling is a good idea, but not to the detriment of green bin collections. No no no no.... I do not have any desire to reduce bin collections further. Come and take everything at once, once a week.
5665	I support the concept of collecting food waste.  However the majority of the contents of my green bin is packaging. In my view the anyways properly is to collect more recyclable waste for example tetra packs plastic packaging So in the short term I am reluctant to agree to a proposal that reduces the current two weekly collection of my green bin by just removing the food waste
5666	Yes i'm all in favour that scheme I have family in London it works well down there so yes you have my support good luck
5667	Three weeks is too long to leave waste bins they smell after 2 and it wouldn't be big enough to last three weeks.
5668	No good as I do not want waste rotting in a bin for 3 weeks due to hygiene, smells etc.
5669	Don't like the idea of a 3 week collection for the green bin as not sure how the food waste will go. If there is a limit on what food waste could mean some waste festering for 3 weeks (might not be bad in winter but in summer could give way to flies and grubs)
5670	Agree with collection and recycling food waste.  Food waste does not constitute a third of our household waste. Majority is packaging. Keep 240L bin. Improve what the council can recycle. In Norway, they collect and recycle all plastic not just specific items.  Collection once every 3 weeks can not be justified by only the loss of food waste from the green bin but could be if all plastic was recycled.
5671	you want to reduce waste yet you put a charge on the brown bin,first it was £35 pound £30 if you did it on line, this year the price as gone up to £40 or £35 on line. where i live there is only 1 in 3 now with a brown bin so all that green waste now goes in the green bin, and how big do you think our back gardens are to have 4 bins to store , these thoughts go to option 2 we do not want any more bins
5672	I think a similar thing has been tried before u don't like the idea if it at all and have very little food waste

5673	I live in a block of flats and the green bins are filled for each collection - not with food waste but waste from packing that cannot be recycled....a three week collection would be impossible as our bins would be overflowing. The Council seems to be creation more plastic waste with caddies, liners and other bins as well as a separate collection vehicle each week - how much is the cost of this offset by any recycling of food waste
5674	Good idea
5675	For the food waste to work it must be a weekly collection - otherwise it will be a heath risk I am opposed - status quo for me
5676	Unless the bin is emptied every two days there is a danger of maggots being found. This in an area of the house where high hygiene is needed can be a worry with the consequence affecting peoples health.
5677	Its another bin which adds to the space required to store them With 4 bins 1 on a weekly cycle but the other 3 on 2 weekly cycles will complicate which bin goes out when  The price of the brown bin continues to increase why? as this helps considerably with recycling  Would prefer to keep the existing system and bin sizes and focus on those areas of the Wirral which are NOT using the bins effectively enough
5678	If you wait to collect every three weeks there will be a smell and possibly in hot weather more flies. Option 2 is a much better option. Alleviates smell, flies and limits amount of waste to be disposed of.
5679	I'm sure given the brevity of the consultation period that the decision has already been made.
5680	Willing to go with either option, but would prefer option 2.
5681	Too confusing. It will end up with bins being left out at incorrect weeks
5682	I do not have any food waste as we only cook what we need so we dont need another bin/caddy for waste. This whole scheme is a farce as there has been no consultation about it. I thought that council employees are there for all the people in the borough and would listen to what we have to say. Its bad enough having the green bin emptied every 2 weeks in the summer but to go to every 3 weeks is a JOKE. LEAVE IT AS IT IS AT PRESENT.
5683	I agree with the need to recycle food but really there should be little need. We need to educate supermarkets (re the way they sell, especially fresh food) and the unnecessarily frightened public (re sell by/use by dates).  Also, why cannot people who have a garden waste bin use it for food waste? Just as a keen householder/gardener do). It can all be composted then and/or used for the production of methane and the traditional 'soil improver' (aka compost) you refer to! I just don't want an additional bin even though I believe strongly in recycling. This seems like a completely expensive and somewhat questionable waste of resources. I do understand this though if some households do not have a garden waste bin. I seriously do not understand why you charge for garden waste bins when people can use the green bin for it but you recycle garden waste for compost ( and then sell or use it)  The packaging from supermarkets is ludicrous; it needs sorting! This might just make people recycle it more to save their green bin.  By the way, why on earth is the general waste bin green when the garden waste bin is brown. Surely a contradiction in terms?  Thank you for consulting; I am no tree hugger but would be interested to hear your comments on this email.
5684	We waste virtually no food in this household. All biodegradable veg matter (like banana skins) goes into our composting bin. Any old, past their best veggies go into stock and soups and into the freezer. All we end up with animal-wise is bones (from making stock post roast dinner, and fat cut off meat cuts, e.g. steaks). I can't help feeling that if you go this route, (Option 1), you also need to do a massive campaign on 'love your left overs' type of thing. We are just so wasteful as a nation with food. And consider potentially charging for the food collection for people who over shop and then discard food. People must learn to be much less wasteful.
5685	Not happy! I do not waste food! All you will get from me is fat and bones. Peelings etc are composted. To reduce my waste for the green bin, why don't you increase the waste for the grey bin e.g cardboard milk cartons, yogurt pots, plastic food packaging. I MIGHT manage to cope with a three weekly collection of rubbish in green bin, but would not if we were still a family of 4 or when we have visitors. As for the brown bin, I already pay for an extra one because of the amount of Autumn leaves and other debris from the ridiculously high council trees at the front of our house and the willow trees at the side of the house which regularly shed parts of their branches. You tell me you check that they are in good condition yet one trunk and large branch took out 2 of our fence panels (which we had to replace at our own cost) and another branch is hanging off and another trunk has broken off. I don't know how often the trees are checked but I suggest you pencil a date in soon!

5686	Majority of our food waste is put in our waste disposal
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5688	I dont waste any food therefore this option is pointless for me personally
5689	I don't really want to have to deal with yet another bin and I don't want another bin in my kitchen area, which is not large. All members of this household work long hours and have better things to do than to sort rubbish and deal with bins.
5690	Every three weeks with a bigger bin gives us more capacity, even though I disapprove of waiting three weeks for them to be emptied.
5691	We are a household of 2 people and actually throw away very little food waste. We could easily manage with a smaller green bin; but equally the same bin as now collected every 3 weeks would seem to be a cheaper option to run. However larger households would be more challenged.
5692	I honestly think all options are awful, maybe you should look at other options. The council is a shambles now, why should there be changes until the current service is vastly improved I am against all options.
5693	I have very little food waste. Bones and skins off fruit and veg. I think the green waste bin is full of lots of plastics that other councils recycle. Sort that out before making bins smaller or collection times longer. I reluctantly pay for my brown bin each year. It should be free as it use to be. At very least it should be collected weekly during the summer
5694	For the Food Waste scheme to work it must be a weekly collection - otherwise it will just become a health risk. I am opposed. Status qu
5695	3 weeks before the green bin gets emptied is too long. we do not wish to keep waste food as this causes maggots in the bins, as we have experienced in the last few months and years.
5696	Sounds ok but this will require me to loose even more of my small yard for bin storage! :-)
5697	No I don't want to wait 3 weeks for green bin collection. Even without food, there are lots of things that will need to go in the green bin that stink and attract flies. E.g food wrappers, dog poop, nappies  I do not support this
5698	My thoughts are the same for both of your options. It is a complete waste of money and resources. I guarantee that you will not meet the recycling targets quoted by introducing a food waste system. If you check (properly) the contents of most green bins it will not contain 1/3rd by weight in recyclable food waste. I do not support your proposals, but once again the self-appointed rulers of Wirral are deciding what is best for the residents. If we could scrap the council and place everything in the hands of Central government I am convinced things would run better, more cost effectively and with much less hassle for the council tax payers in this borough. This is a costly, wasteful exercise that is being bulldozed through the council for no genuine, valid reasons whatsoever. Guess who pays for this unwanted scheme - each and every Wirral resident. If you really want to increase the amount of waste which is recycled, start accepting envelopes with windows in them and all plastics, such as food containers, yoghurt pots etc., etc., which undoubtedly make up your shortfall in volume recycled. You should neither reduce the Green bin collection frequency NOR the size of the bin. What a complete waste of money that would be - changing every single green bin. Ridiculous. Just drop the entire scheme and concentrate on more important matters.
5699	My green bin is always full and recycling food will not make any difference to this as a family we have very little food waste and disagree with your calculations about the amount of food waste making up the green bin. The majority of my waste is due to food packaging and this is the issue you should be tackling i.e putting in machines to enable much more plastics to be recycled . I don't see how this change will help as you will force me to make trips to the tip with my bags of extra food packing , multiply this by the amount of Wirral residents and you will see a huge increase in traffic to the tip certainly not good fro the enviroment or my wallet !!  So sorry not an option in my opinion.
5700	I am in favour of recycling food waste, but I remember that it was tried some years ago and dropped after a sort while. I still have the little brown worktop caddy that was issued at the time. I already have a "smaller" green bin, which is in good condition, plus the regular-sized grey recycling and brown garden waste bins. I do NOT like the sound of green bin collctions every three weeks as opposed to two, because a large proportion of what I put in mine is well-wrapped up used cat litter (from my 4 cays), and a further large proporion is packahing waste that is not recyclable. Food waste is only a very ssmall proportion. Therefore, speaking for myself, with only a smaller size green bin I need at least a fortnightly collection.

5701	My Son has onset dementia he has to wear a disposable napkin as he has no control of his bowel movement There must be thousands of babies on the Wirral who use disposable napkins . a three weekly collection would be a health hazard even if like me the napkin was placed in a sealed plastic bag the smaller bin is a better option
5702	If we have to do it option 1 is preferable
5703	If the new programme is a foregone conclusion, then a smaller green bin makes more sense. However... Please see comment under option 2
5704	If people are overloading the bins in 2 weeks What is it going to be like in 3. I wouldn't say food is the culprit either.
5705	I don't believe recycling food will reduce the amount of waste placed in the green bin. We have a waste disposal unit so very little food goes in the green bin and ours is always full.
5706	Collecting every 3 weeks is just going to let rubbish build up the streets are a mess now never mind the bins not getting emptied. We struggle now with the 2 weeks collections.
5707	A significant proportion of our green bin waste is used disposable nappies, as well as other non-foods. This will not be affected by a food waste collection - therefore we will produce only marginally less green bin waste, but we will have to wait 50% longer for our green bin collection. This is not a suitable arrangement for my household.
5708	Three weeks will cause too much confusion
5709	The existing system barely keeps up with the quantity of waste generated. The amount of food currently placed in the green bin is not a significant proportion of the whole green bin contents. So a change to three-weekly collection of the green bin would make the service even more inadequate than it is already.
5710	Not another bin, don't you think we have enough,
5711	Not a good idea. We recycle everything. We have very little food waste, you can't afford to waste food. Every time the green bin is ready to be emptied it is at least 3/4 full if not totally full. What do you do when the bin is full? Not everyone has a car to visit the tip. Do you leave it outside and let it attract pests. Some households have heavier usage than other. Families who have children have numerous nappies to dispose of. You can only recycle items that can be recycled. Better idea would be to fine people who do not recycle. Do random checks on bins and issue notices.
5712	I am keen to recycle more and am happy with option 1 . I am sole occupant at my address and option 1 would be suitable for my lifestyle.
5713	Harder to keep track of when green bin will be collected. If you miss a green bin collection, it will be a long time until next collection. Bin more to smell.
5714	Do not want to take part in option 1. I don't have room in my kitchen to keep a "caddy" for any food waste. Also it would attract more flies around which we already have a lot off due to most of the neighbours having dogs and not cleaning up after them. The 3 weekly bin collection is also not an option to me in fact I think the green bin should be collected weekly. If it goes to 3 weekly there will be a huge amount of bin bags being dumped around my neighbourhood. I struggle with the fortnightly collection especially if I have garden waste as I refuse to pay for the brown waste bin.
5715	We were part of a food waste recycle trial years ago and Wirral Council withdrew it as it was not viable. What will actually happen to the waste. We throw very little food out so no thoughts really. Big or small green bin makes no difference.
5716	So much for the Council struggling with finances! The whole idea is ridiculous and a waste of more Council Tax payers money.  However Option 1 is the lesser of the two evils and is preferable to Option 2!!
5717	Seems a fair option but worried about where the lockable bin will fit!
5718	Only reservation is the 240 bin being 3 weeks instead of 2, the 140 seems too small considering our current use. We throw away very little food leftovers.
5719	My main concern here would be the length of general waste left in hot weather which encourages smells, maggots etc. Also holiday periods especially Christmas and Easter.
5720	I would prefer Option 1.  i prefer a smaller bin collected fortnightly - i feel if the larger bin is collected every 3 weeks, I might forget the schedule - i am used to fortnightly, it is easier to remember.  Also fortnightly collection of the green bin will correspond with the grey and brown bins.

5721	<p>I waste almost no food</p> <p>I'm fine with green bin collection every 3 weeks</p> <p>This is my preferred option</p>
5722	<p>Four adults live in our household and we have minimal food wastage. It's an absolute joke to give any consideration to the green bin being left for a period of three weeks - it's disgraceful. I do not have the space to keep a 'small indoor caddy' for any wasted food - it will surely be considered unhygienic to store any waste in an environment such as a kitchen which should be kept clean and sterile!</p> <p>Wirral Council should be concentrating their resources towards education, roads, employment and healthcare and stop being caught up in the minutiae of nonsense and sending out ridiculous time consuming surveys.</p> <p>This is a ridiculous waste of money</p>
5723	<p>Don't have any food waste we've got a big dog.</p>
5724	<p>Where are people supposed to put all these bins my garden already looks like a tip with all the bins it's hideous.</p>
5725	<p>Personally, I don't require any food waste collection. I compost all of my fruit and veg peelings etc.</p> <p>I only have a small green bin and generally only have it emptied every 6 weeks. The large grey one takes several months to fill.</p>
5726	<p>It didnt work last time food waste was separated, why should it work now.</p> <p>Retain 2 weekly collection and replace 240L with 140L bin,</p> <p>happy with grey and brown bin to stay the same</p>
5727	<p>I strongly feel that Wirral should pursue full plastic recycling as in South Wirral and most places in the UK that I have visited. Although plastic bottles are able to be recycled, this could be more than doubled if the full range of recyclable plastic was possible. I wash and transport the plastic I cannot currently recycle in Wirral and take it to South Wirral collection points - I imagine not many other residents do the same. Please, please, please adapt whatever is needed to enable all plastic to be put in the grey bin and your target could possibly be met. Also, I wash all foil containers and periodically give them to family to add to their recycling bin in Birmingham - why can't we have the same facility in the Wirral ?</p> <p>I support any recycling initiative though very little food is wasted in the household. I really find it hard to believe that almost half the contents of green bins is food waste ! If all plastic and foil could be included in the recycling scheme, there would be no need for any change to bin sizes or collection days.</p>
5728	<p>I like this option but think every three weeks for the green bin would be too confusing.</p>
5729	<p>I don't agree with either option there are already too many bins anyway I've got four..green grey and two browns It will lead to more rats more dumping of rubbish smell especially in summer</p>
5730	<p>I am quite happy for this change to occur - I put waste food in a bag anyway before it goes in the bin so you supplying me with a bin for indoors and another outside for collection is fine by me. Also, if no food is put in the green bin and food packaging is washed before disposal, there should not be a problem with the green bin only being collected every 3 weeks. I have family nearby who often stay for meals etc so I have a reasonable amount of veg/fruit peeling etc to be disposed of. We should be more careful not to waste too much food anyway!</p>
5731	<p>How does "Brexit" affect all these proposals?</p>
5732	<p>Hope this is not another crazy idea.</p>
5733	<p>A more sensible option would be to spend money on better recycling centres with easy access no queues. This could be funded by cutting the salaries of council executives and the like.</p>
5734	<p>We were part of a food waste recycle trial years ago and Wirral Council withdrew it as it was not viable. What will actually happen to the waste. We throw very little food out so no thoughts really. Big or small green bin makes no difference.</p>
5735	<p>We have had recent experience of a similar weekly food recycling collection in another local authority area. It simply did not work and the local authority eventually stopped the weekly food collection and reverted to the previous fortnightly collections. The new scheme was a complete waste of time and money. There is no reason to believe it will be different in Wirral if it is introduced. The local authority should learn from the experience of others instead of trying to reinvent the wheel and failing. Council tax payers have seen this all too often.</p> <p>If some change must be made, a much more sensible option would be to keep fortnightly collections of 240 litre green bins exactly as at present but change grey bin collections to every three weeks.</p>
5736	<p>This is a thoroughly bad idea. Many kitchens will not have space for a separate food waste and for the elderly or those in flats the whole idea is an imposition.</p> <p>A 3 weekly collection will inevitably be muddling for many people.</p>

5737	There are items that are not billed as being able to be put in the food bin. These will have to go in the green bin, and if not collected for 3 weeks will absolutely stink to high heaven. The worst of these is waste cat food. This stinks at the end of one week and would need to be put in the food bin regardless, in order to dispose of it quickly. I'm sure there will be other stuff that this will apply to, as well. Every 2 weeks is bad enough! Therefore option 1 is completely unacceptable.
5738	I'd be happy with this system
5739	I think this will be to confusing as to what bin goes out when as there would be some weeks were on top of the new food bin both the green and grey bins both being collected and some weeks were neither will be collected.
5740	I don't produce much food wastage so would not be much of a reduction in my green bin wastage.
5741	I already put any food waste and plate scrapings into a freezer bag and put it in the freezer until the night before green bin collection. I live on my own and already have a paper waste bin in my kitchen a walking aid more bins and bags will clutter my kitchen even more.
5742	A green bin collection every three weeks is out of the question. There are other things apart from waste food that will attract flies and thus maggots and could have detrimental health issues. Used nappies is one such.
5743	3 weeks is too long between collections for the green bin. If away on collection day then it's 6 weeks!
5744	Whilst happy to recycle food I am not happy to have green bin reduced to three weekly collection. It should stay at two weeks along with the grey bin collection.  However I am sure that this consultation is a farce as you will have already decided what option you wish to put in place .  This is evident by the fact that you have not given the do nothing option to the public to choose
5745	Sounds ok
5746	Problem here is that with the green bin being three weekly there could be confusion with the collection dates. i.e food waste weekly. grey and brown bins fortnightly and green bins every three weeks.
5747	I have no room for another bin my yard is only just big enough for the bins I have. There is also no room at the front of my house as there is no garden. if you collected the green bin weekly and the grey bin every three weeks that would be better. I also believe that fly tipping will be exacerbated and therefore encourage more vermin than we already see.
5748	I believe that this is the better option to enable the council to achieve its target reduction, as it involves less frequent collection of the green bin and also there is no additional cost involved in supplying the smaller green bin.
5749	Do not want to change from present arrangements! This is NOT a consultation!
5750	What a load of rubbish! I don't know who makes these figures up, but I very rarely have any waste food and object strongly to a three week collection. My green bin is full of plastic packaging which Wirral council are unable or unwilling to recycle. This new initiative will cause a great deal of resentment amongst those who already recycle responsibly. It will cost the the council taxpayer even more money to provide these unnecessary bins and have them collected then transported. I for one will not be using yet another bin. To infer that you are doing us all a favour is disingenuous. My green bin is full after a fortnight with only two residents so how is a larger family going to cope. This will only incite some people to fly tip that which they cannot get in a smaller bin.
5751	see below
5752	We eat most of the food we buy so there would be very small amounts to place into a bin. Restaurants and shops may be the first locations to make collections from. There should also be more pressure placed on all suppliers who use too much packaging with complex mixed materials. They should have a BS or EU standard to meet or pay charges like the one on rubber tyres.
5753	We do NOT have food waste apart from bones of fish and meats. All our vegetable waste is composted, so we do NOT WANT ANY MORE BINS THANK YOU
5754	There is no food waste in our house and to move the bin collection to every 3 weeks is just ridiculous. My answer would be that the halfwits who have suggested these ideas resign
5755	There are five of us in our household the idea of changing the bin collection to three weeks is stupidity of the highest order and totally irresponsible as an authority. I believe that changing the green bin collection to three weekly is a breach of your duty of care. I struggle to manage our bins as it is with the lack of service you provide as a council. I am a good recycler and separate everything this idea really is a step to far. 7kg of food waste a week or fortnight is a nonsense excuse to provide a substandard service. You ought to be ashamed of yourselves.



5756	<p>The food bins are used at my parents house and after the initial loners are used you have to pay to replace. 3 weekly collections encourages maggots and flies. Presumably we will also pay if the bins go missing when out every week. Fundamentally, this makes the area at risk from more littering (more fines you can hand out) as families struggle with making a bin last 3 weeks. You can't make babies fill less nappies or make them any more recyclable.</p>
5757	<p>Pity you didn't ask for comments about introducing a disgusting food waste collection. We recycle most of our rubbish including onto our compost heap. Once again the council dress up unpopular innovations as if they are doing us a favour instead of being more efficient themselves. You state that the garden waste programme has proved "popular" with 40,000 members. This isn't because it is "popular" but because we have no choice if we want the council to collect our garden rubbish. Council officers really do live in a parallel universe if they think people are happy with these "choices" Who is going to be responsible for keeping these disgusting receptacles clean? I won't bother to comment on your other option as the decision has probably already been made. What sort of monitoring do you intend to carry out on compliance? I am certain there Are some areas on Wirral that will continue to make no effort to recycle - perhaps you could work with these to help you improve recycling rates.</p>
5758	<p>My green bin needs collecting every 2 weeks, there is very little if any food waste in it. Have you done a survey about how much food waste households have? I cannot understand why any family has food waste warranting a seperate collection.</p>
5759	<p>I will choose this option one please.better for thou and better for me. How big will the food containers bellimited space in my kitchen,will the outside container be at waist height not lower cannot bend down to use the lock or use the container.would I have to carry it out to the pavement,I walk. With difficulty and would probably find it v hard to carry a substantial container out,will it be on wheels.will you reply to thhhis mail please. Thanks.</p>
5760	<p>I think people need to know the size of 'caddy'. When I was living in Bath it was the size of a 180 T-bag box. Also an explanation of 'lockable' - in Bath it was just a matter of lifting a handle up and over - no key needed or anything. And the size: in Bath it was about the size of a 6-wine bottle box.</p> <p>We do need a regular collection for other waste, but in much smaller bins. Again - in Bath we had small bins the size of a laundry basket, different ones for plastics, cans /metal, and paper / cardboard - all neatly stacking. NO ugly wheelie bins on the streets.But the rubbish was collected weekly.</p> <p>Reading the local free press in Wirral, people are making stupid comments about cats, vermin etc.MY view is - create less waste in the first place. AND reduce the size of bins / replace wheelie bins. So I disagree with option 1 - seeing a complete replacement scheme and EDUCATION as better.</p> <p>Once, in Bath, all the public rubbish for the day was brought to the square near the Abbey, so people could see the rubbish (in plastic bags). We need to make statement like that in Wirral, so people stop banging on about their pets etc.</p>
5761	<p>Disgusting waste of money throwing away all the green bins and replacing them - my money being wasted again and replaced with a substandard service - hope you will pay for the vernin problems</p> <p>I dont waste food since. Can barely afford it as it is</p>
5762	<p>this option would be the most cost effective as the cost of replacing the green bins would negate any savings in atbleas thenfirst year. As long as a sufficient supply of bags are provided and at some point in the future the council does not sneak a charge in for them.</p>
5763	<p>The Green bin wouldn't get so full if the brown bin wasn't charged for. 3 weeks is too long to go without emptying the green bin</p>
5764	<p>Prefered option. We have bulky medical packaging waste (non recyclable) to dispose of.</p>
5765	<p>No real choice here is there? Between the devil and the deep blue sea. Tell me - why do Wirral not allow vegetables, fruit, peelings, tea bags, coffee grounds to go to the brown bin? It's all compost. And if we are to believe statistics - 27% of food waste is fruit and veg. This could all go to compost. Why don't you allow it? Foolishness</p>
5766	<p>Love the idea of a food waste bin, but not at the expense of three-weekly collections for the green bin. Think this is too long a time to leave between pick-ups.</p>
5767	<p>I do not like the option of a green bin collection every 3 weeks</p>

5768	<p>The green bin may end up being larger than required but the other 2 are this size and therefore uniform. It will also be cheaper than buying all the new 120 litre bins in option 2.</p> <p>Still think it would be better to eliminate wheelie bins in favour of large street bins as you see in Spain etc.</p>
5769	The amount if bins is getting ridiculous. Where are people supposed to put them? Some streets are becoming eyesores.
5770	Saves buying new bins. Saves on collection. Spend money saved on voluntary organisations (like Home Start) who help the disadvantaged in our borough.
5771	Prefer option 2
5772	I do not wish to collect food waste in a separate bin. I have seen food waste containers and I do not want to keep it in my kitchen nor do I think it will be robust enough to keep outside. I think three weekly collection is totally unacceptable for the green bin.
5773	I can't see the use of the current large green bin if it's not going to be full or emptied fortnightly.
5774	Having an extra waste bin will take up more space which I do not really have. So not keen on this option.
5775	As long as the food waste is collected weekly I have no problem with this system but would prefer option 2
5776	We have an indoor cat so three weeks of cat litter would be quite heavy.
5777	<p>This is frankly nonsense - we are 3 in our household and recycle everything we can - the grey bin is full every 2 weeks. We hardly throw away any food at all and the green bin is full every 2 weeks but mainly full of lightweight but voluminous packaging that cannot be recycled. So the idea that putting the food elsewhere is somehow going to save a third of our green bin volume is a fantasy. The problem is all the packaging that we cannot recycle and it is there that you need to be focusing. These are not necessarily very heavy but take up volume so talking about weight of recycling and then inhibiting volume is simply stupidity in its purest sense!! However I have come to expect stupidity from the public sector in this country - just not sure whether it is a requirement at interview or whether you are trained in stupidity? Anyway my preference is clearly option 1 as our volume will not decrease - we will simply have an overflowing green bin. What we will not do is get around it by putting non recyclable packaging in the grey bin but I will bet that a lot of people will leading to that material being rejected and a REDUCTION in recycling % !!! This is, apart from utter stupidity, a great lesson in how to shoot yourself in the foot (or more likely how to machine gun both feet off!!</p>
5778	Sounds fine
5779	<p>Not at all ideal a 3 weekly collection as taking food waste out of the equation still leaves a huge amount of food packaging which is not recycleable &amp; totally beyond our control when we buy from supermarkets.</p> <p>Things should stay exactly as they are &amp; those who don't recycle properly should be penalized and that'll improve recycling rates on the Wirral</p>
5780	<p>Happy to have food bin collection every week but you should keep the 240l bin collection every 2 weeks. False economy to scrap thousands of 240l bins for new smaller ones. Irrespective of were the funds come from.</p> <p>Changing household collection to every 3 weeks will not reduce the amount of waste, households will still generate the same amount but they will have to take it to the tip of fly tip it.</p>
5781	At present we have three red bins used by 20 flats I don't think the new proposals would work in our situation.
5782	A two weekly collection for the grey bin and a 3 weekly collection for the green bin would be confusing. I prefer option 2
5783	Terrible idea re three weekly green bin collection. I regularly have to clear maggots from my green bin as rubbish left in there to long. Good idea re food bin but this shud not affect green bin collections
5784	Not a good idea to collect green bins every 3 weeks. We do not have much food waste and our bin is still full every 2 weeks. Maybe if we could recycle more plastics than we can now you would be able to reach the target of 50%.
5785	I worry that 3 weeks of twins nappies would be horrendous for myself and neighbours. Almost half of our green bin is taken up with nappies and although in sealed bags, still cause a terrible stench after a few days.
5786	<p>I disagree that a third by weight of the waste in my green waste bin is food.</p> <p>How small will the outside food bin be? What happens if the outside food bin is full before a collection is due?</p> <p>I already have 3 bins outside my house, now there will be a 4th!</p> <p>All these different collection timetables are confusing!</p> <p>I would prefer this option to the 2nd option but do not like either option.</p>
5787	I am happy with option 1, I'm not really aware of throwing much food away but when it has its own bin I will probably become more aware. I agree that if there is no food waste in it the green bin should not get too smelly, though it may be different for those who use nappies, sanitary products and incontinence pads.(probably lots of people).

5788	Grey bin needs more recycle able products, as other councils this will then reduce the green bin requirement Simple
5789	Don't like sound of it,not very hygenic in my opinion
5790	Both the people in our household are against option 1 in respect of switching the green bin collection to every three weeks.  Mainly this is because it will be a reduction in capacity of a third and we are a multi-person household.  I personally think (and this view is also shared by the other household member) that there as there is a greater range of recyclables accepted in the grey bin equivalent in the Chester West and Chester such as Tetrapaks that if Wirral wishes to reduce green bin capacity it needs to increase the range of recyclates collected in the grey bin to free up capacity in the green bin.  Finally we both think that this doesn't account for households whose waste needs are higher due to medical needs who will be directly impacted by the reduced capacity.  We both think that the green bin collection should stay fortnightly with a 240 litre bin.  However we consider option 2 worse than option 1 because of the costs involved in issuing new green bins and the greater reduction in capacity.
5791	2 week collection is already a health hazard especially in Summer, with smell, maggots etc. a problem. Some of this is due to residual food on packaging and pet litter, which would not be avoided by use of a food bin. A 3 weekly collection is therefore NOT acceptable.
5792	What is the size of the lockable outside bin you mention the size of all the other bins but not this one why? How many liners will you provide weekly?
5793	I think this is a good idea for recycling food waste. With this option though, food packaging that is stained with food and cannot easily be washed could create a problem if collection is every 3 weeks but because of holidays or being away with work, would be festering for a month and a half. It is a real shame that more cartons, silver foil and food packaging cannot be recycled through our grey bin.
5794	Green bins emptied every three weeks is a. appalling idea. Food bin won't compensate and families will have rubbish spelling out onto road. Please don't do it.
5795	3 weekly collection is not enough
5796	Would be better if there were some way of adjusting / tailoring collections in line with number of occupants. I am the only occupant so my needs are very different to that of a family. I have minimal food waste as I compost. I only need my green and grey bins emptying every four weeks. I subscribe to the Garden Waste Club and the fortnightly collection is totally inadequate in the spring & summer ( when I often have to go to take it to the Recycling centre) and sometimes not needed/used in the when the brown bin can often be empty as it is not needed.
5797	We as a family of 4 have very little food waste, with the cost of eating healthy much higher than your junk food, we can not afford to be wasteful, therefore I don't feel we would benefit from having another bin. I certainly wouldn't want a bin kept in my kitchen where I have everything integrated. Perhaps recycling wood and other plastics etc would be more beneficial. The Dutch nation seem to have their recycling very efficient.
5798	Preferred option.
5799	Prefer to keep latge green bin
5800	I'm quite happy to sign up for anything that increases recycling and I think the introduction of a separate food bin is long overdue considering how this waste can be used to produce energy. I'd be fine with this option but prefer option 2 for the reasons given below.
5801	Don't like the idea of a 3 week collection, I think this would lead to more fly tipping and possibly rodent infestation. Not sure if all householders will stick to the rules though, do you think all residents will be responsible enough?

5802	<p>I'm all for recycling food waste and compost some of mine already but I believe this wasn't popular the last time we did it and could turn out to be an expensive failure.</p> <p>Why can't we recycle more things in our grey bins? My son lives in Helsby and can recycle (for example) a wider range of plastics, fabrics, and used cooking oil. We're being asked to cut down on waste in our green bins when lots of it apart from food waste could be recycled and isn't.</p> <p>Three weeks is too long between collections. Missing a collection when on holiday, for example, would make things very difficult.</p>
5803	three weeks is too long, don't want another bin either
5804	like the idea but would want bin changed weekly
5805	We do not waste much food and will not cooperate with this arrangement. Your food bin will not be accepted and will remain in the road.
5806	three-weekly collections of the green bin are not acceptable, especially in hot weather.
5807	<p>We do NOT fill one third of our green bin with waste food. Where is the research for this assumption?</p> <p>What is the cost of new bins (2)?, for the waste food. This is going to be more expensive than it returns.</p> <p>I feel that someone is trying to justify their existence (job), by coming up with hair-brained schemes.</p> <p>If you look at the problem from the other end, and sort the manufacturers and retailers out, to stop giving Food away "on offer" which will not be eaten may go some way to alleviate the problem.</p>
5808	Quite happy to use a food waste caddy. My only concern is that the outside food waste container is large enough to close by the end of the week. At present if the green bin is full in the warm weather it attracts flies if not fully closed which can then cause issues with maggots. The new outside food waste bin must be large enough so that at the odd times with possibly more food waste / meat carcass that the bin will be large enough
5809	Not really happy about the green bin collection being reduced to once every 3 weeks. Pretty sure this will result in lots of rubbish being dumped on the streets. Would have been nice if the council had consulted with those who pay the council tax for our views about the introduction of a food recycling caddy before deciding to bring it in. I seem to recall that this was tried some years ago and then died a death. Is it just going to end up being a total waste of money and result in council taxes going up?.
5810	I think that this option is good because there is no need to replace the green bin for a smaller bin. This will save the council some money.
5811	Hard to remember every 3 weeks
5812	Apart from the occasional desiccated chicken carcass we don't re-cycle food in this household. It is either eaten or, if appropriate, composted. With local authority budgets stretched to breaking point we would not regard this scheme (either option) as an important call on public funds. The current waste is (for us at least) efficient, and the cost for garden waste is reasonable. At the very least the food collection equipment should be provided only to HOUSEHOLDS THAT REQUEST IT.
5813	3-weekly collection is a terrible option.
5814	3 weeks is too long.
5815	Who sets these targets, EUROPE. We will no longer be in Europe. So leave things as they are.

5816	<p>We would be quite happy to go along with the suggestion of various bins could it be possible to use some sort of bagging system,as we will use a large amount of plastic bags.Will these plastic bags be able to be recycled or will they go to landfill sites</p> <p>Food Waste bin sounds ok would you be able to recycling the bags ? we will be ok with a 3 weeks collection What if you have a large family who struggle now ? and would struggle at Christmas and other such holidays?</p>
5817	This is unlikely to be workable due to the number of people living in our household. We already produced little in the way of food waste so this option would see us make little difference to the amount of waste in our green bin, whilst reducing the frequency of waste collection.
5818	I have a severely disabled son who uses incontinence pads and cloths,i cannot go over to having my green bin emptied every 3 weeks,we only just get by fortnightly as the bin is full with these products as it is,any longer and our bin will be overflowing and stinking attracting flies and vermin.
5819	Happy to recycle food. Think there are too many bins though. Especially in terraced housing streets. This would mean four bins outside some houses!
5820	Unnecessary,gross waste of added expenditure which should be channeled to social welfare budget
5821	This option makes more sense cheaper as we keep are bins and more economical and better for environment
5822	Option 1 seems fine and workable.
5823	<p>Not happy to recycle food at all and do not want to take part in this.</p> <p>Surely using a food bin with a LINER is just adding to the waste of plastic? Who is paying for the liners? I do not like this idea of a food bin at all especially not in the kitchen. It's disgusting.</p> <p>Need to expand the number of plastics that can be recycled. Why can't you recycle more plastics I throw away so much plastic that cannot go in the grey bin it's a joke.</p> <p>I want to keep my big green bin.</p>
5824	I'd prefer this option as it means more waste will be collected in the green bin over a 6 week period than option 2.
5825	Green bin collections every three weeks is too long as we have a dog and the bin will smell after such a lengthy period due to the dog waste within the bin.

5826	<p>Changing the green bin to once every three weeks will cause confusion and uncertainty about when they are to be put out, bins may be missed and this could cause a build up of excess green bin waste. Also, those with more than 2 occupants will have overflowing bins, and this will cause an increase in overfull bins and fly tipping. This will in turn increase the amount of alley clearances that would be needed.</p> <p>The food waste collection is a good idea, but changing the green bin days will cause chaos and more waste and cost.</p>
5827	A three week collection period is too long for general waste - if the bin were to be filled before this period for what ever reason the waste will have to be stored elsewhere. The smell might also be a problem.
5828	Does this mean that every so often all three bins will go out on the same day?
5829	Yes This is a great option. The only downside is that penalizing people for recycling is wrong and goes against your stated policy. The brown bin recycling should be free.
5830	Why are you bothering to ask, you appear to have already made up your mind. This is cynical, suggesting we have an option to influence the changes.
5831	We do not have any food waste as we cannot afford to throw away food so I do not want the extra delay in only being collected every 3 weeks. Already jump through hoops doing your job for you.
5832	<p>We agree keep the existing green bins and collect every three weeks. Seems a waste of money replacing the bins.</p> <p>We compost all of our food waste and a lot of our green waste but still require and are happy to purchase the use of brown bins and as advised grey bins continue as existing.</p>
5833	This seems to be the sensible option because if people think about it 240 litres of green bin waste will be emptied every three weeks , to have 240 capacity emptied (2 x 140bin collections) in the option B will take four weeks so in effect option 1 seems better. I also think that this a greener option environmentally regarding the trucks going around the roads!
5834	I don't want a separate food bin
5835	<p>We prefer this option but where in a kitchen which is not large is the inside caddy suppose to live? Nobody wants to have food waste in their kitchen.</p> <p>We don't think that all grey bin recycling is being properly recycled by WBC in the first place.</p> <p>We also feel that many residents of some areas don't even use their bins properly either and little is being done to combat tipping as the problem in alleyways shows. We don't have alleyways here, but are paying to clean up after dirty pigs who just dump their rubbish In the streets.</p> <p>Which bin are dog owner to put bags of dog poo in? Has this been thought of?</p> <p>It is a pretty bad state of affairs when the fifth largest economy in the world appears u able to dispose of household waste weekly.</p> <p>We are disgusted that this situation has ever arisen. We could do it when the country was bankrupt after WW2 and many times since.</p>
5836	<p>No</p> <p>This is now getting too complicated. 1 week, 2 weeks , 3 weeks</p>
5837	No
5838	I'd be happy with either option.
5839	Although proportionately this give us more capacity for rubbish, I do not like 3 weekly collections. I try not to waste food so I am not sure of the benefit. I would prefer to keep my large bin on fortnightly collections. It is in good working condition. I would only want to move to a smaller bin after a trial period of food recycling.
5840	We prefer this option as it would be too costly to replace all the green bins. Surely it won't matter if they are less full but the capacity is there for those occasions when needed, otherwise there will be more rubbish strewn around the streets.
5841	We never, ever throw any food away so this sounds like a complete waste of time and money for our household. Please don't waste your time delivering new caddies etc. to us as we have no need for them.
5842	This would be fine

5843	Not impressed with 3 weekly green bin....other than peelings I throw very little food away, so would expect more waste in my green bin, much as it is now Where am I meant to keep the external bin when there isn't room for the ones I already have?
5844	Is it April 1st. In areas that already look awful due to bins being outside homes, it will look even worse. You, or those responsible have set unachievable targets. If those targets are set by the EU then we are no longer part of that set up so make your own more achievable targets to maintain a better looking Wirral.
5845	I think option 1 is the best idea
5846	I don't like paying for the brown bin per annum there should be the option for one off collections for each house hold perhaps twice a year.  Emptying the green bin 3 weekly is not a pleasant thought. There is sanitary and nappy waste from my household and this is not nice to leave it for so long.  If you only have small food collectors for food recycling that might not be enough for big households.
5847	Happy with this
5848	when will it end ,food bins now then clothes bin ,metal bin,concrete bin ,e.t.c.and no doubt like the garden waste bin there will be a charge I am 70 years old and at the moment totally confused with the system now .
5849	This would be of no use to my household. Our food waste is minimal already, however, we are currently having to take waste to the dump ourselves as the fortnight my collection is not enough for our household. Reducing the collection further would therefore increase this problem.
5850	This option preferable , but should reconsider making us pay for using brown bin. Surely garden waste is the easiest thing to recycle ? Can be made into fertiliser and sold back , or if it ends up in landfill, it would benefit the land anyway.
5851	More bins around my home how thoughtful of you useless councilor sand in a society hell bent on getting rid of plastic bags your going to provide them to boot. Well done well thought out methinks not and another diesel vehicle on the road how environmentally friendly?
5852	If you miss a collection because of holidays it would be 6 weeks between - that's too long
5853	I think this is a more viable option. However I have concerns that bins will become very smelly over a 3 week period as I have a new born baby and so nappies are a big filler of our bin.
5854	I have very little food waste but still fill my green bin every two weeks.  I think that your main aim is to reduce the number of collections of the green bin and that waste food recycling is just an excuse to do this.
5855	Highly preferable to option 2
5856	Great idea as long as the food waste is collected every week
5857	I very much approve of collecting foodcwaite. However collecting one bin every three weeks and the others every two weeks will cause tremendous confusion. At least at present we can ask ourselves whether it is the one bin or two bin week, but I fear that many people will never be able to keep track of the weeks. Chaos will happen.
5858	We have been here before and it didn't work, smell and vermin increased. Surely recycling packaging, plastic bags etc would be cleaner and better. Three weeks is far too long and does not take into account larger households with pets that don't waste food but have sawdust, straw, pet litter to dispose of. Flies are already drawn to the bin without making it worse.
5859	Think should be left as it is now
5860	Prefer this option as we rarely have food waste & prefer the larger bin size
5861	Option 1 provides for more general waste disposal over a year and is therefore preferable, if only given a choice of the 2 options.
5862	I think collections should stay to every 2 wks
5863	Happy with the food waste proposal. Could live with the green bin proposal.
5864	Happy with either option 1 or 2.
5865	i would need to keep my large bin.. there is five of us and we fill the green bin in 5 days and there is not much food in it! its mainly packaging that can not be recycled and nappies. i would fill a smaller bin in 2 days.

5866	The green bin would be used for used nappies, cat litter & sanitary products. This would absolutely stink after 3 weeks. Inappropriate & i would have to question the cleanliness of it.
5867	Sounds very complicated with weekly, bi-weekly and tri-weekly collections. I feel that people will forget to put out bins on the correct day, especially those who are going/have been on holiday. Miss your tri-weekly collection due to holiday and you could wait 6 weeks. For the record I am not in favour of any change to the current system.
5868	Once again wirral coucil show they are a complete joke! No thought for residents just gotta meet those targets or the precious ££££ that greedy councillors crave start to disappear! Sack the lot of you
5869	I feel 3 weeks is too long for collection of the green bin. If the food waste was to be collected weekly a van would have to come just to collect the small food waste bin, surely it makes more sense to collect it along with another bin.
5870	Having a small kitchen and a cat I am unhappy with being expected to store food waste indoors. Much of the stuff currently put into the green bin is plastic food and other packaging from supermarkets and other shops.
5871	no room whatsoever for a standalone indoor food bin!!! stink. no room outside for another bin. Keep things as are.
5872	i think the green bin should remain the same size and the collections remain as they are. For a family with small babies and the need to dispose of dirty nappies etc the three week collection would be a particular problem.and a health risk, I already have three bins and don't want any extra outside my house or to have to keep a food caddy inside my house, you don't even tell us how large the lockable outside container will be. There should be the option for it to remain the same. What is the cost of the new collection options opposed to the old better collection service. You should be looking at how we can recycle more packaging such as yoghurt pots, which despite saying they are recyclable you say you can't do it. More thought needs to go into this and come back to us once you've looked at it again
5873	Yes but make the collections fortnightly.
5874	Option one is the better plan
5875	I like option 1 best
5876	I don't mind recycling food waste however I can't see this will prevent bins overflowing and a 3 weekly collection is too long. Bins in my area are already packed to capacity after 2 weeks and I am sure the food waste although locked will attract all sorts of vermin.
5877	I do not want my bin size to be reduced. We have pets so would not be able to manage with a smaller bin. We do not throw away much food. I am appalled at being given this difficult choice. We pay our rates and pay for a brown bin, our salary is not increasing yet you keep demanding more money. I have to state I would prefer option 1 but I bet we will end up going to the tip with household waste. Disgusting and disgusted.
5878	As we do not have very much if any food waste I would prefer it left as it is now.
5879	We don't waste any food. Who sets these stupid targets?????? and get these stupid figures from.
5880	Think food waste is a great idea but think 3 weekly collections will be too long in between
5881	Not impressed, I have very little food waste, i buy what we need and use it. My bin is full of packaging that can be recycled but is not. I think 3 week collections is not a good idea and appears to penalise larger families. What happens if you are away? Potentially 6 weeks before bin emptied! I think fly tipping will increase. This does not appear to be a cost effective option. I think food waste caddys are a good idea for those who need them and I would happily use for the plate scrapings but I don't think it's will be as successful as expected.
5882	I am not keen in this however appreciate the reason I would prefer collection toon every 2 weeks so prefer option 2
5883	Green bins currently stinking up the street when collection is bi monthly. I live in a street full of families with children in nappies etc every 3wks is not an option. Not to mention households with more than one child in nappies, doubly incontinent adults etc. We can't open doors or windows as it is without dirty bluebottles invading in swarms. I keep my bins clean and seal my food waste already yet I've had to clean maggots twice this week from inside and under my bin. Much more hygienic to change grey bins to 3 weekly.
5884	Great idea to recycle food waste and it will stop the green bin from being smelly.  To save money,I would retain the existing green bin and go to the three weekly collection.



5885	option 1 v 2 you should improve the grey bin. cutting the size of the green bin would be silly. Three week collection is fine you would also have to by new bins throughout the borough if you did cut the size. Option one is the more sensible
5886	We have recently moved from Staffordshire which has much better recycling than Wirral. In my opinion the thing that makes the real difference is the ability to recycle ALL plastic. when this was introduced in Staffordshire enabling us to recycle plastic pots and trays not just bottles then our recycling increased considerably.
5887	This option would probably suit small families i.e. 2 or less people but I don't think it would be practical for large families especially those with young children. We have a 1 year old who has on average 6 nappy changes a day, as it is now we struggle to fit everything in our bin in 2 weeks. I feel both options are not practical. Why can't the council keep the current sized bin and still collect it on a fortnightly basis? I understand that this is to encourage people to recycle more but in reality this is all about cutting costs. Surely this will just encourage people to use their local tip between collections which surely defeats the object. Or for those without transport would probably be tempted to fly tip.....
5888	Out of the two options this seems the better, however I don't think either will work, this was done a number of years ago and was a disaster the smell of rotting food and the increased maggots was a nightmare. There are 4 adults and a baby in my household and three weekly collections of green bin with associated nappies etc is not good enough. A smaller green bin would also not work for my household as detailed above.
5889	I oppose option 1, 3 weeks between collections for the green bin is too long
5890	Three week intervals will create a major problem with flies and other vermin!
5891	This option
5892	On balance, prefer this option as probably cheapest and allows for more green bin capacity per year
5893	Not fussed either way however, over a 6 week period up to 480 ltrs can be collected compared to 420 ltrs for option 2...
5894	I do not have a child in nappies but most days my grandson is with me therefore there will be dirty nappies in the green bin. This will attract flies leading to maggots especially in the summer. A smaller bin will certainly not be enough over the Christmas period. I also have a weak bladder but I have not told anyone about this. Therefore I have nobody to confirm this. I use adult nappies for this. I do not have a large amount of food waste as I use most of it in alternative dishes and therefore the waste in the green bin will not be reduced much therefore I feel that I would still need collections every 2 weeks.  Being an area of older people where I live I feel that there will be a considerable amount of people in the same boat.
5895	Cuts, choices I don't want, cheers Wirral Council, you are THE WORST.
5896	As an occupant of a flat the bin collection is necessary at a 2 weepy rate as it gets full within 1st week and begins to smell. Health and safety purposes requires this to be taken into account other wise there will be dumping on the street again
5897	Would be happy for this service to be used.
5898	This is my preferred option. It allows for more water to be collected than option 2. I prefer to put the bin out every 3 weeks.
5899	See comment on option 2
5900	Not happy with 3 weeks.
5901	I think the replacement of the larger bin is a waste and creates more waste, I am not sure of the 3 weekly service. Certain times of year could cause problems. The concept of recycling food waste is a good one and I would be keen to support it which ever option is chosen. Overall I think this option is the best one.
5902	I prefer this option to option 2 due to cost of the replacement of the larger bins. This cost I believe could be put to a better use. ie the Caddies and liners Larger families I am sure will need to keep their original bins as one of my nieghbours some times put their overspill in mine. Which I don't min  Will we get a weekly delivery of liners ? or will we have to go to collect our own? This as a pensioner I would find this an increasing problem as I get older. Have you thought about the old, disabled @ infirm?  What happens if we miss our collection of the weekly collection of food waste?
5903	Emptying green bin every 3 weeks is not enough. I waste very little food, so even though I will use the food bin, I will still need fortnightly green bin collections.

5904	Concerned that my waste will be overflowing after 3 weeks , not sure if by segregating food waste will reduce the volume sufficiently to facilitate the 3 weekly collection, problem is this would need trialing for say 2 months so a proper assessment could be made
5905	We prefer option 2 with smaller bin and more regular collection
5906	Oppose
5907	Issues with smell if green bin only emptied 3 weekly  Addition of blue bin means ANOTHER bin which needs space for storage
5908	I think this has been similar to what we have had before, the caddy, but we did not have an outside bin, for collections.  I think 3 weeks for the green bin would be possible without food waste in it. as it would be collected on a separate occassion.
5909	This seems the better option of the two, however a 3 week collection will probably leave us with very smelly bins due to food packaging etc
5910	I think the principal difficulty with this option is getting everyone to remember the third week for their collection. At present the alternate green/grey collection works perfectly; introduction of one weekly, one fortnightly and one three-weekly collection is a recipe for disaster. At holiday periods it could mean that bins go 6 weeks between collections which is surely too long.
5911	I do not think it is acceptable for the green bin to be emptied once every 3 weeks, particularly in the summer months when certain waste can be quite smelly, for example baby nappies. This is not a very hygienic option.
5912	Disagree - collections and bins to remain as present.
5913	Best option, 3 weeks wouldn't be that bad.
5914	3 week collection is too long.
5915	We think that the existing green bins should be kept as this is a far more economic option than issuing new smaller ones. Smaller bins may work for smaller households and apartments but not for larger households.
5916	Option 1 seems to be the most cost effective solution as the bins already in use would not need replacing and changing collection to every three weeks saves costs also.
5917	Is it hygienic enough to have waste uncollected for three weeks? Could it not lead to potential health & or vermin issues? Also not convinced that separating out food waste will reduce the waste into green bins sufficiently to reduce the size of the bin or have a three weekly collection. Particularly for families
5918	I personally think this is the best option and will cost us less by using the existing green bin.
5919	I do not agree with a 3 week collection of the green bin
5920	We as a household do not have a great deal of food waste so do not welcome the changes at all.
5921	Totally object to this - 1. don't have room for a further bin in my kitchen (no work-top or floor space) 2. if I put the bin outside either my dog will get to it or the neighborhood cats 3. we get maggots now in hot weather this will be even worse 4. my grey bin is full now and I pay for my brown bin - therefore I feel I must be doing my bit!!!! 5. why should I be penalized for others not recycling 6.why don't WBC clamp down on the people who don't recycle properly (spend the money on that and not new bins) 7. upgrade facilities for people in flats this would increase targets
5922	Three weeks seems a long time, most of our rubbish in the green bin is from our pet guinea pigs - this would smell awful left for three weeks. Id also imagine homes with nappies etc it would be an issue for.
5923	This is a very bad idea, Cheshire west have a similar approach to bin collections. It hasn't achieved any savings and has created alot of extra work. The caddys are smelly, hard to move in and out of the home, in addition to the other bins. Think of the elderly your vulnerable clients as this won't work for them. Bad idea!!!
5924	These proposed changes are all well in good on paper and in print but there is nothing here about resposible dog owners who actually put there dog poo bags in there green bin.the smell in the summer months are not pleasant and there are always maggots in the bin,this is after two weekly collections so going to three weekly will be horrendous. Personnally my current 240litre bin is always full without any scrap waste so going smaller is not a good option for me. my grey is also full to the brim we always have to jump in it to get more in. my brown bin is also full but having a large garden it takes a few weeks to clear the cuttings it doesnt help when some of the collectors are not helpful.
5925	Option 1 sounds the best choice

5926	More waste is to be collected in larger bin on a 3weekly cycle .over a period of 12 weeks the 240 litre green bin will be emptied 4times ,taking a total of 960 litres of rubbish ,more than Option 2 .
5927	If the green bin is only collected every 3 weeks, some areas on the Wirral where there are many people in each property, the bins will be overflowing and bring flies and rodents. The thought of these bins overflowing with nappies etc. etc. is horrific. and will inevitably cost more to clear up.  Please keep to 2 weekly collections whatever the size.
5928	I don't want a food bin in the house , smelly and I have no where to put it
5929	Agree we need to recycle food.. We could probably put the grey bin to a collection every 3/4 wks as it is never full on collection.
5930	Preferred option but I wouldn't use the food Bin as we compost all food waste. Significantly increasing plastic recycling would reduce waste more than food
5931	How much money is saved by going from fortnightly to 3-weekly collections? Is this change already catered for within the current refuse contract (i.e no increase from the Council Tax payers), or is it going to require a renegotiation? What will be done about non-food waste such as soiled nappies or dog poo bags? Is that really going to stay in the green bin for 3 weeks, at the height of summer and not be a health hazard?  If you must start the food waste collection, then run it for a year BEFORE changing anything else. See what the real effect it has on the waste collection. If it genuinely does have an impact as large as you claim, then maybe more changes would be easier to make.
5932	Do not want this option due to smell and unsightly containers cluttering my property
5933	3 weeks for green bin collection is unmanageable and unsanitary. We throw away very little food and are careful about recycling yet most weeks we struggle to get to collection day without over filling our bins.
5934	smaller green bin x still once fortnight. wont need to be as big. grey could also be smaller.
5935	Where do you get your info from? There is no chance 1/3Rd of the waste in the green bin in our household is food waste. Also what does it matter what size green bin we've got if your willing to still collect every fortnight, leave us with the big bin and they will only be 2/3rds full by your calculations. There is no way any bin collection should be more than 2 weeks apart so every 3 weeks is out of the question!!
5936	We do not have enough food wastage to reduce the volume of non recyclable waste we currently place in our green bin. We will still need our green bin emptied every 2 weeks.  Food recycling great idea though.
5937	This comes to a potential removal of about 4,140 litres pa (52/3 x 240)
5938	There seems to be a presumption that all households have food that is not consumed on a daily basis. I disagree with this and personally woud not fill an average plastic carrier bag in 2/3 weeks. I strongly suspect this is the case with many other households in Wirral.
5939	Preferred option as I think we will need to retain the larger capacity bin. But not supportive of the small food waste scheme.....in other areas where we used to live these small "caddies" got littered around the street....either by passers by or simply by being blown around on the day of collection....increasing the chance of waste being scattered around the street and the associated risk of vermin etc.
5940	Keeping the same size bin may mean people still use it as normal even with the more infrequent collection service. There will just be a lot of overloaded bins and people will forget when it needs emptying on a 3 week shedule.
5941	I think this will be difficult for people with nappies.  I object to this being imposed on us by overpaid, inefficient bureaucrats. We pay a large amount of council tax and if the council was run more efficiently this type of thing would not be necessary.
5942	I have two small children in nappies and don't think 3 weeks worth of dirty nappies sitting in a bin where my children play is acceptable. Its bad enough that it is there for two weeks.
5943	I have almost no food waste but what I do have I recycle myself in my compost bin. My general waste seems to almost fill my green bin after 2 weeks but I could probably get away with 3 week cycle by compaction.
5944	I don't want a small food caddy in my kitchen as there is no space and i have small children who will mess around with it.

5945	<p>I am not in favour of food collection bins(we have just done away with plastic bags and you want to issue thousands more)</p> <p>Collecting grey and green bins on alternate weeks is easy to remember - three weekly would be much more complicated.</p> <p>To reduce rubbish just tell us again what is recyclable - by brand names if possible. A lot of kitchen and bathroom products are unclear. We could all do a better job if we tried.</p> <p>Also - keep us posted ! Email us or publish each month with our Wirral figures for achievement .</p> <p>We will try to reach our target without smelly food bins.</p>
5946	Why so complicated m? Most councils maintain a garden refuse bin into which the contents of food waste is accepted. For example, works very nicely for Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council!
5947	Why change as we as a family of four have a bin full in two weeks and pay for the service of it being emptied, and then the most important thing to consider when the bin men are too lazy to take the bin it will be left for six weeks, yes regular occasion with excuse bin not out.
5948	We rarely fill our green bin anyway so fewer collections sounds like an obvious money saver.
5949	<p>We are against this, because:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Leaving (any) rubbish out for 3 weeks sounds unhygienic.</li> <li>- Our green been is old and damaged in multiple places (before we acquired it).</li> </ul>
5950	This would be my choice keeping the old green bin makes more sense and saves money for the council, its a better size for larger items and 3 weeks for this bin would be adequate.
5951	This will be fine as long as it is made easy to use fiddling with bags or having smelly food about in the summer might be a pain but I am all for the recycling idea if it is made easy for us to manage
5952	<p>I would prefer to have my collection stay at every two weeks.</p> <p>I do often have waste food and will try to use the blue bin when it is introduced</p>
5953	<p>2nd Choice</p> <p>Having food collected separately is a great idea, especially being collected weekly and it was a shame when the old mixed garden and food waste trial was stopped.</p> <p>However, keeping the larger green bin but having this collected every three weeks would be a potential problem for us and anyone with pets as their waste would then be stacking up for a longer period, with the risk of smells, flies, etc. especially during the summer.</p>
5954	<p>we waste very little food and therefore a three weekly collection of the green bin could cause a problem.</p> <p>Better to insist super markets use more recyclable packaging.</p> <p>Where are we going to put all these bins?????????</p>
5955	our household doesn't need the present larger bin, bearing in mind that so much of the refuse will go into other bins.

5956	<p>neither will be good for me i have a lot of pets so have three recycling bins which i use.</p> <p>the green bin is always full thats every two weeks in between most weeks i have to go to the local.tip. so every three weeks would be an absolute nightmare.</p> <p>blue bin i dont have any waste in food. so thats not good in our household.</p> <p>just thoight would express my feeling and thoughts openingly.</p>
5957	Three weeks is too long as, in summer in particular, the contents will rot, smell and attract flies.
5958	I personally don't like the idea of a 3 week collection I often have my grandchildren to stay and therefore have nappies go into the bin therefore 3 weeks is too long and 140 litres is not enough. I have a wormery and recycle most of the food waste anyway.
5959	Hi I am sure that in time it will be considered a good idea which ever option is decided. Keep up the good work .
5960	<p>Food left in bins attracts vermin And other animals I have experienced this service in the local town of neston and it does not work very well Most residents choose not to use the small food bins I am not in favour of this option</p>
5961	Will the liners be provided free of charge indefinitely?
5962	<p>not acceptable due to not wanting an extra bin outside my property and i do not agree with THREE ( 3 ) weekly collections we pay enough tax to the council to justify the current system not only should you collect the waste you are asking us to carry out your job in recycling the waste at 36% the current scheme we should meet 50% by 2020 if not rethink your disposal scheme! not the collection scheme as there are households now that can not survive on 2 weekly collections never mind nappies etc left in a bin for 3 weeks NOT HEALTHY NOR SANITARY</p>
5963	do not want a food recycling bin haven't got the time or effort to be bothered.
5964	Will vermin be attracted to the outdoor lockable bin from the smell that will be inevitable especially in Summer months??This is our preferred option
5965	We don't waste food. Three week collection is totally stupid.
5966	We don't put anywhere near 7 kg of food waste in the green bin. I recycle all peelings and unused veg on my allotment. However I am happy to give this option a go as we could probably put more recyclable waste in the grey bin.
5967	There is going to be that many collection we wont know where we are and what to put out. This another way to charge us for bin collections - It may be cheaper to get rid of the Chiefs who are overpaid and dont use their brains other than how to waste rate payers money. You sort the waste - you wash your empty food tins - I wont - what about people on a meter.
5968	I would prefer to have a smaller green bin and have it collected fortnightly as I think 3 weeks is too long. My existing green bin is only a quarter full at the most when collected. I think a food waste bin is a good idea, I was part of the food waste trial bin a number of years ago but you said it wasn't feasible.
5969	Against
5970	This is a terrible proposal. We produce very little food waste but we do always fill our green bin after two weeks. We always recycle what we can in the grey bin. We would never be able to last to three weeks for a green bin collection. We would be forced to take our green bin waste to the tip in the third week.
5971	Not more bins. How many liners would be supplied and how much is that going to cost?
5972	I would not want to do the household food waste in a new bin and have the green bin every 3 weeks. I remember doing the very same thing a number of years ago, only to find out that it was all a waste of time as it all went to land fill and not used as we were told .

5973	I personally think it will makes things confusing if the collection was only every three weeks as it wouldn't be on a set rota ie. every other week . I think people would miss collection days . I however am not sure I like the sound of the caddy at all !
5974	We don't have food waste. Silly idea!! Although there are only two of us living here we fill our green bin every two weeks, how will bigger families cope!! Silly idea - rubbish will build up and we will have a rat and mouse epidemic!!!!!!
5975	Three weeks is a long time between collections, and as we already compost a lot of food waste the majority of rubbish we put in this bin is non recyclable packaging etc. However this bin Size is more suitable for a family
5976	Those who don't waste food will be penalised!
5977	No leave it as it is. We have a baby, nappies will be stinking the street out
5978	I believe that your options are a danger to public health and are a retrograde step for the community as a whole. I think we will be over-run with vermin and have foul smells polluting the atmosphere. How have the Council arrived at these recycling targets? If it is through the EU, I have news for you the nation has voted Brexit so these stupid targets do not need to be applied through these silly schemes.
5979	Happy with this option, although for the size of our household and the amount of non-recyclable waste we produce a smaller 140 litre bin would be adequate, even for a 3 week collection. We currently home compost vegetable peelings, egg shells, tea bags, etc. and would continue to do so. We would welcome a weekly collection of food waste that we cannot compost at home, although we produce only a small amount of this.
5980	Good idea as long as people adhere to this. No doubt some will continue to put food in the green bin and with 3 weekly collections the smell and maggots will be a problem. Education seems to be the answer but I wish you luck.
5981	Exceptionally confusing for elderly people
5982	Dear Wirral,  I have no food waste at all: I put the correct amount on my plate and eat it. I was born in an air raid in 1942.  The scheme is unnecessary for me but will not inconvenience me: my green bin is usually almost empty.  Hope that helps.
5983	As I have a house of 4 people and 3 cats I need a bigger green bin as I have a lot of cat tray litter to dispose of. However this will disgusting if only collected every 3 weeks. It smells bad enough in the summer when collected every 2 weeks. I have a composter for my food scraps already so I don't find this option very helpful
5984	Another bin! How have you arrived at the calculation for the waste food, what is the basis of the assumed cost? Surely every household will be different depending upon the number of occupants etc. Where will the majority of households keep the additional bin or the indoor caddy?  If you intend to impose one of these options then Option 1 appears to be the better option avoiding the need to replace the green bin and then recycle the old green bins.
5985	You could have a very smelly bin.so sorry not for me.
5986	The food waste idea is food although id not imagine we would have that much food waste. Its mainly reclying and green bin for us due to packaging on foods and goods.
5987	No more bins!!!!!!!!!! Enough is enough!!! Just leave it alone and spend your money on keeping the streets clean
5988	I'm happy to try this. However I think the real problem still lies with people not recycling into the grey bins. It's just laziness if you ask me. Also I think more could be done to extend further what could go into the grey bins. Not sure I like the idea of 3 weekly collections either.

5989	<p>I struggle to believe that a third of waste is food as ours is so little.</p> <p>I think we should be lobbying or legislating food suppliers to improve packaging to be more recyclable with less polystyrene foam etc. Why can we still not recycle juice cartons kerbside? We need to improve the recycling service we have for the grey bins which doesn't involve the public first.</p> <p>Our grey and green bins are fine and need no replacement, so happier with this option.</p>
5990	I prefer this option as we won't have to mess around changing our green bin.
5991	I like the idea of option 1 knowing that I still get the ability to use the 240 litre bin as I have children and having a bigger green is perfect for us. Brilliant idea on the food waste bin means less flies around the bins
5992	I currently have three wheelie bins, green, grey and brown. This option means I keep my 3 bins and add a food bin. I have limited space at my property for the aesthetics of housing bins, so I would prefer Option 2 because I would hope a smaller green bin plus a food bin will fit in the space I have for a large green bin. Also I wouldn't want some bins going weekly, some fortnightly and some every three weeks. The logistics of what goes out when would be a nightmare.
5993	I certainly could manage with a smaller bin as I live on my own. I would be happy to use the bin responsibly and have it emptied every 3 weeks. I could see that families might find this more difficult.
5994	Disgusting. The target is an EU target so you do not have to meet it anymore. Stop playing games.i
5995	<p>A collection only every three weeks will mean additional rubbish will be dumped in the local area. It will also be a health hazard due to the maggots that will result. There are already maggots regularly in bins currently after 2 weeks.</p> <p>We currently have a composter and therefore have very little food waste and still fill our green bin in two weeks. This is cost cutting, the waste levels in green bins will not reduce by 40%. We should get a food bin and keep our current bin and 2 week service</p>
5996	Willing to try this option but why don't we recycle tetrapak, yogurt pots, plastic wrapping etc. ?
5997	We would not be happy with 3 weekly collections of green bin
5998	We don't have anywhere near 50lt of food waste a week so to propose changing the green bin collection to every 3 weeks would be quite disastrous for us.we are a family of 4 and our green bin is rammed every 2 wks with very particular recycling . Absolutely outrageous suggestion.
5999	<p>We don't have a lot of waste food, we compost uncooked vegetable matter, and tend to shop frequently so don't get much food that is out of date that needs to be disposed of.</p> <p>Even though the food waste bin would be collected weekly I'm not sure how much we would use it.</p> <p>We wouldn't like a three weekly collection.</p>
6000	I think this would be fair. However I think there should be no charge for the brown bin as garden waste can be recycled, so why charge?
6001	I feel it is ridiculous and a health problem to only have the green bin collected every three weeks. I do understand how anyone can be so idiotic as to think this is an acceptable return for our tax money.
6002	<p>Happy to have our green bin collected every 3 weeks as it will not have any decomposing food inside. May not be suitable for families though who are putting in nappies or families disposing of dog waste as this would be very smelly after 3 weeks.</p> <p>Like the idea of recycling food waste to produce power although not sure how cost effective this is overall.</p> <p>I subscribe to the brown bin collection service - does the council sell discount compost made from the garden waste?</p>
6003	Can we pay for an additional green bin? A huge amount of our waste comes from having 2 children in nappies. A nappy bin would mean that we could manage with a 3 weekly green collection.
6004	Are WBC going to pay the storage costs for any additional bins and as you are essentially cutting services, will council tax demands be reduced by an equal amount?
6005	3 weekly collection is not enough.
6006	<p>We don't want food recycling bins it's unhygienic in the house.</p> <p>3 weeks for the green bin is probably manageable.</p>
6007	I'd personally prefer option 1. My main concern is with your assumption that people produce a large amount of food waste.we do not and therefore penalised .

6008	<p>I would be very unhappy if the general waste collection was collected only every 3 weeks; if we missed putting the bin out for collection for any reason (illness, being called away unexpectedly, etc) then the bin would not be emptied for 6 weeks.</p> <p>I am a keen recycler and I already compost all vegetable waste, teabags etc so a food waste bin is not going to reduce the amount of general waste I produce by very much, if at all. My green bin is not usually full on collection day but it is often more than two-thirds full. The new regime would leave me with an overflowing bin by the end of 3 weeks.</p>
6009	we have very little food waste and no room for an unsightly indoor food container. We recycle our own food waste through wild bird feeding and composting and are happy to continue to do so. we are more than happy with our green bin both size and 2 weekly collection and do not wish for any change.
6010	No we don't waste much food and still struggle now with both green and gray
6011	Initially I thought option 2 would be preferable due to the cost of new bins, however you are suggesting that the cost is not an issue. I therefore prefer option 1. Even though food will be being recycled, meat containers, wrappings etc, still give off offensive smells, so I would prefer my bins collected every 2 weeks.
6012	I have 2 cats and change their cat litter at least 2 times a week. That would mean I would have at least 6 loads of dirty litter sitting in my bin waiting to be collected. This is not hygienic, it's already bad enough with 2 weeks, especially in the summer. The smell would be horrible and it would attract flies and could potentially cause illness
6013	I am not happy about having a food bin in my kitchen, I prefer to put all my rubbish, straight outside in the appropriate bin.
6014	Great idea I'd like to see the rest of green bin waste go to an anaerobic digestion plant to be used to make renewable heat and electricity
6015	Do not agree or want food recycling due to hygiene reasons Repeat do not want or agree with your proposals
6016	Absolute load of cobblers, there is no way you can justify reducing the green bin collection to allow for an extra food collection. You know that the reduction in food waste will in no way take place of green bin waste. What happens to people like myself who doesn't have any food waste? Do I loose out? Oh yes I think so. You have already tried this in the past and it didn't work so please don't try and bull the people by trying to make out your trying to be greener because it doesn't wash. All you are trying to do is cut costs by the back door. Guess what will happen when our bins are overflowing, yes fly tipped, oh what a surprise! You really don't care about your constituents and I will make it my personal job to ensure as many people try to stop this happening and if it goes ahead I will make sure you shower don't get voted back in.
6017	should keep larger bin for a few more years and do more to increase recycling items taken by they grey bin
6018	cost should be the same £35 for off line as well as on line  current green bin should be collected every two weeks not three
6019	We produce very little food waste and what we do produce is composted. We do not want a further waste bin. Ideally we wish to keep the present system. If not, we prefer to keep the large green bin collect ed every 3 weeks.
6020	This is only reverting back to what we used to do in the late 1950's only then it was a tin bucket and was called the "pig swill" bucket and the contents, as the name implies was fed to pigs which is no doubt a contributory factor as to why I have been a vegetarian for the past 30+ years! This is an excellent idea and I would be surprised if responsible households will not be able to get to grips with this very speedily. Well done and please keep up the initiatives as we need to get to grips with recycling of all types
6021	There are only two people in our household and generate negligible food waste as we control our food buying. This will not release enough space in the green bin to permit 3 weekly collections. It will also mean 3-4 collections some weeks which will be difficult to track, and a corresponding increase in fly tipping (although not by us).



6022	<p>The Council could save most of the 16,000 tonnes by going back to a free brown bin collection. I know lots of people who dispose of their garden waste in the green bin. The Council must also be aware that this is going on.</p> <p>Small indoor caddy - I have no intention of using a small indoor caddy for waste food. My mother lived in Wrexham and they tried this there. It didn't work. I have nowhere to put it and do not want to put up with the smell in my kitchen. Will householders be getting free liners for ever? I doubt it.</p> <p>Green Bin - although mine is never full it does get very smelly with cat litter and a 3 week collection, especially in the summer, will smell appallingly and attract more flies than at present.</p> <p>Grey Bin - fine</p> <p>Brown Bin - make free as before</p>
6023	<p>Our food waste is nil therefore we would not use an indoor 'caddy' nor its liners. this would also apply to the lockable food waste container outside.</p> <p>I also consider this as a health hazard, especially in warmer weather. Not for me thank you.</p>
6024	<p>Keep system the same.</p> <p>Do not want a food recycling caddy, smelly and unhygenic</p> <p>Want to retain large green bin, only just big enough for 2 week collection and moving to 3 weeks would encourage infestations in stagnating rubbish</p>
6025	<p>the green bin must be collected every 2 weeks as it can be very full all so my son and daughter have familys each has my son has four children all under 10 years old and my daughter has 3 children under 5 years old thiis the green bin gets full after a week and they have got to put the black bags into the garden</p>
6026	<p>Who decided on the 50% recycling figure? I wasn't consulted on it. I suspect it was used to make the reduced bin collection system work. Why don't you employ some serious negotiators to sort out a proper refuse collection service within your budget but of course this would mean that you and your colleagues earning your wages and pension pots!</p>
6027	<p>This would work for me as I am a concientious re-cycler. However, I have seen other peoples grey bins when they have either been knocked over in high winds or just the lid has blown open and notice that a lot of people just seem to put anything in their grey bins and then when green bins have been exposed you can see lots of recyclable items in them. . They either dont care or dont know what is and what is not recyclable.</p> <p>Option one would work for me as I do do it correctly and would use my food waste containers and then three weeks wait for collection of green bin wouldnt matter as there would be no food inside to go off and stink. I moved from Wales and this system was in operation there already.</p> <p>But the people who dont care (and there are a lot of them) this option will mean food waiting in green bins for three weeks which would be horrific in the summer. I'm afraid option one only works in a perfect recycling world.</p> <p>Both options work for me but because of lazy people, I would choose Option 2.</p>
6028	<p>This option seems workable, saving the replacement of the existing Green bins. More education needs to be done on the recycling front - Open Days at the recycling Plants and work with Schools and Housing Associations.</p> <p>Could firms like Amazon and Hermes collect cardboard packaging when they deliver throughout the Wirral - save on save in the grey bins as Home shopping increases!</p>
6029	<p>This is a better option for me only issue I have where to place new bin out side as limited space will the council be extending are storage area</p>
6030	<p>This food waste didn't work the last time it was implemented and in my opinion it will not work this time either. I refuse to have some waste food caddie inside my house. This is a dreadful idea in my opinion and it will not work. Collections of green bins every 2 weeks as it is now is not frequent enough for some larger Wirral families. I don't remember ever opposing any proposal made by Wirral Council BUT I oppose this ridiculous plan 100 percent.</p>
6031	<p>Keep the larger green bin. We do not have much food waste. Virtually no food packaging. Vegetable/fruit trimmings, tea bags, coffee grinds, etc. go on the compost heap from our own food caddy.</p> <p>We use the Garden Waste Bin.</p>
6032	<p>I think the large green bins can go</p>
6033	<p>I think 3 weeks between collections would be too long as there are many other types of plastics such as tetra packaging and other wrappings that are not recyclable and would still need to go into the green bin.</p>

6034	I am in favour of option 1. Since food waste makes up a large percentage of the general waste in the green bins then a three weekly cycle of collection would seem sufficient to me.
6035	don't like collection every 3 weeks.
6036	What a lot of rubbish !!  The present system works and I will not keep a "food" waste in my kitchen.  Will this mean more rubbish fly tipped on the streets if you only collect "Household Waste", three weekly, or if you reduce the size of a bin !!!  Yes it probably will !!!!!!!
6037	My dogs cat and hens eat my food waste 3 weeks is too long it will lead to fly tipping
6038	I would be happy with this option. I compost all my fruit and veg peelings anyway, but I would welcome being able to recycle cooked food waste. I have plenty of room to store an extra bin both in the kitchen and outside. I would prefer the council to reintroduce the free garden waste collection service.
6039	I think the food waste collection is a good idea though we compost at our house. Obv it would be usefully for cooked or off food. I am concerned that we fill a 240l bin every two weeks and feel that the food waste would not equate to the 100l difference and therefore waiting another week for the green bin to be collected could be problematic.
6040	I don't like this option because of the three week cycle for the green bin. Our bin is usually full after two weeks.
6041	I do not like this idea at all it's another bin I think it's a way for wbc to introduce chargers
6042	Believe the green bin should remain as 240l and continue with 2 weekly collection. Not all households have the same needs. Some household bins may be lighter as they recycle better, or have less waste.  Why go to the expense of replacing with smaller bins. Some weeks you can have more waste than other times, surely better to have greater space. By reducing size you could have scenario of overflowing bins and increase in fly tipping.  At least have a trial period of a year to see how the addition of food recycling has an effect on the green bin use. If there is a massive reduction in the amounts collected then consider the cost of putting out smaller bins.
6043	Absolutely ridiculous to even suggest a 3 weekly green bin collection. Our bins are disgusting enough as it is due to being collected every two weeks. I've had to deal with maggots because of this as I have my disabled son's nappies in there!!!
6044	We will probably need existing bins for 3weekly collections.
6045	We have very little if any food waste.I suppose we do have used teabags and potatoe peelings.We do have dogs who's faeces are triple sealed.The thought of having them in a bin for THREE WEEKS does not appeal. What does bug me is the amount of stuff which isn't recyclable.Having said this some of the 'non-recyclable'items can be deposited at collecting points in supermarket carpark's.Does this waste also end up in landfill or is it processed somewhere else?
6046	Nope 3 weeks is to long
6047	My husband and I live together in our house. The only food waste we ever have is vegetable peeling and bones from meat. Stale bread goes out for the birds. We are proud to say we don't have food waste,we only buy what we need,so a bin would NOT suit us. I think a lot of older people are in the same place as us,therefore the bin would be a waste for us. Hope this helps in your decision.
6048	It is difficult to believe that the Council hasn't got more important priorities for funding than purchasing more bins and funding more collections, and more important priorities to engage its time. As for the householders, more hideous bins to house is a depressing prospect. Therefore neither option is preferred.
6049	I think 3 bins is enough , if I have to have a forth bin I will cancel my garden waste bin I do not want a food waste bin , the food waste could go in brown bin ,as it is only compost . to say it is an EU directive is nonsense as we are not in the EU anymore,,,, I object ,object ,object
6050	I like the idea of food waste collections weekly. I think two weeks is better for us for the green bin as a family of four and could really do with the grey bun being weekly so I can recycle more! This bun is always overflowing for us and I end up putting recyclables in the green bin if any space, and so the full bin cycle begins!!
6051	I have had the indoor caddies in the past and don't like them. They are messy and smelly. I would rather be able to put food waste directly in the locked bin outside. Have no strong feelings on size or frequency of collection of green bin.

6052	Have no food waste at all.Keep bin collects as they are.
6053	As we currently have a food disposal unit in our home, it's very rare that we need to throw food waste in the green bin. But the green bin is near enough full anyway right before collection. We own 2 pets who go through a lot of food packaging which is currently not recyclable, so we would struggle as a household to have our collection every 3 weeks. Also, we would run the risk of our bin smelling quite unpleasant if left for that long.
6054	3 weeks is a long time but hopefully if food is in another bin there won't be as much likelihood of smells from the green bin.....except for loads of disposable nappies from some houses.
6055	i won't be able to cope with three weekly collections and will have to take waste to the tip myself and I don't think that fair or sensible. I think you should speak to households who do not recycle - you are picking on those who already recycle you should put your energy into prosecuting people who don't. I am not prepared to keep food waste in my kitchen and think this is a terrible idea
6056	The idea that a third of what we put in our green bin is food waste is NONSENSE! I estimate that food waste is only about FIVE percent. Most of what goes in my green bin is non-recyclable packaging from supermarket and other purchases.  By the way, can we please stop talking about "bins being collected". Bins are EMPTIED.It's the WASTE that's collected.
6057	Still need the green bin collected every 2 weeks as this is the smelliest
6058	Not happy with waiting three weeks for bin to be emptied
6059	Having moved into a newbuild property in 2012 we had to buy our new bins they were not provided free. If we have the 240litre bins removed will be reimbursed for this.
6060	Clearly option 1 is more efficient in terms of using the existing labour resource plus avoids the additional capital cost of providing smaller green bins for each household (cost estimate £3.75 million - see details in option 2 comments ) plus recycling (or far worse disposing of) the existing larger green bins.
6061	Can see us forgetting when to put the green bin out.
6062	1/ Waste of money 2/ unhygienic in your kitchen 3/ I think it will bring rats .4/ Disable people will find it hard to do your food bin . I hope that helps
6063	Yes i think its a good idea to what your saying to this food collection but that means there is more room in the green bin now i pay for my brown bin to be emptied so why dont you put garden waste in the green bin and do away with the brown bin collection
6064	This would be the better option as when you compare the litres of waste over a 6 week period, the 240 will be emptied twice which is 480 litres. This is more than option 2 which is the same time period, would be collected 3 times but would only amount to 420 litres. More fuel would be spent as the bin men would need to take more regular trips for the smaller bins as well. There shouldn't be an issue of smell as the food waste is weekly.
6065	No. Three weeks is too long an interval especially in warm / hot weather. I rarely if ever fill my current green bin.
6066	NOT HAPPY ABOUT THE 3 WEEKLY COLLECTION I THROW AWAY BARELY ANYTHING AT ALL.LOT GOES ON COMPOST HEAP.CAN OLD CAT FOOD SCRAPINGS GO IN THE FOOD BIN??
6067	I wonder why I bother to vote when the subset of individuals can come up with hairbrained ideas such as this. Where's the common sense in this? Let the status quo remain and stop meddling to attain political targets. We recycle as much as is reasonable and often have both green and grey bins full of their respective rubbish. Local wildlife (foxes, hedgehogs) see off the scraps of food that we leave. As for joining the 'garden waste club', forget it. Prefer to take the green stuff to the local tip. Much cheaper option.
6068	I think this 3 week collection will cause an increase in rats and smells.
6069	I am absolutely delighted that you are finally going to start food recycling . I am not sure about the three week pattern for the green bin as I am currently used to two week slots and its routine. Also, with less food waste in the green bin a smaller bin will do.
6070	Happy to accept the Food Waste Caddy; we found the system worked simply in Cheshire where we lived prior to our move to Wirral. We would most certainly object to a three weekly collection of general household rubbish - we find that even fortnightly can be unsatisfactory in the summer months if we have hot weather. It food waste that can become smelly. If a 3 weekly collection were to be adopted the time between collections could become totally unacceptable when scheduled collections are cancelled due to public holidays. For example over Christmas we could find rubbish uncollected for 5 or 6 weeks at a time of year when most households have far more rubbish than usual.
6071	As a family with 2 children, we are very careful with food waste. Our meals are planned and food waste takes up a very small amount of weekly rubbish. We recycle carefully, using not only our bins but also Bidston Recycling Depot. Option 1 for our family would not be suitable as our green bin is full by the collection date. Waiting three weeks would cause a backlog of rubbish.
6072	Weekly waste food collections good idea. Fortnightly collection of food encourages flies etc. Not happy about 3 weekly green bin collection.
6073	We have very little food waste, our main waste is cat litter as we have indoor cats.

6074	There was a food waste collection some time ago. Having food waste in the kitchen is unhygienic and encourages flies. The food waste collection didn't work the first time, so what makes you think it will work this time?
6075	May still have too much rubbish to be collected every 3 weeks, but could always use the tip?
6076	I think that changing the green bin collection to 3 weeks is a bad idea, as larger families generate more waste and need their bins collected a minimum of 2 weeks.
6077	I dont waste any food so would hardly use the indoor food bin, and smelling of any rotten food inside the house puts me off. I would miss having the two weekly green bin collected and the size is good. I think most people would just use the green bin for food waste to save the hassle of messing with the food waste bin/collection.
6078	Cheaper for you I would guess. And therefore cheaper for everyone. Use the same bins, less collections
6079	Both options are ridiculous. Food waste is nothing. It seeps into corners of the bags etc. The real problem you need to tackle is recycling then half the packaging wouldn't be filling up the green bin. I previously lived in Hertfordshire, they recycle aerosols, plastic food containers, tin foil, tetra packs. More or less anything. This is the real reason our green bins are full not food. Hertfordshire trailed the small food caddy. I lasted 2 weeks in the heat of summer the food stinks there are maggots even when the box is kept cool. You seriously need to recycle more then the bins would be OK every 3 weeks at normal capacity. When I moved here I put everything in recycle bin. Then I got a notice of what we could & couldnt. Since then my green bin is full within one week & we resort to jumping on it. There is no way most families would survive with a smaller bin. I reiterate..... More recycling is the only answer. .... Ps does anybody even rad these comments???
6080	Another way for Wirral Council to save money at ratepayers expense
6081	A 3 week collection of the green bin will mean the smell will be unbearable (it bad after 2 weeks) . We've had the food bins before and the mold it generates is unhealthy. How many bags will we be given. This just means more bins for people to keep up with especially older people.
6082	i think a lot of our rubbish comes from things we are not able to recycle such as tetra packs, foil, other plastic, cellophane
6083	We waste very little food. The majority of waste in our green bin is made up of incontinence pads and plastic packaging, I am concerned that if the bin is only emptied every third week it will smell.
6084	We need to keep our existing 240 litre bin as food waste is only a small part of the waste we generate for the green bin. The rest is non-recyclables. There will still be a overfill problem if the green bin is not emptied fortnightly.
6085	We have so little food waste that this is unlikely to change the balance of our waste disposal. We already compost any raw vegetable waste and we only put in the green bins what we are not allowed to put into the Grey bins. We do not agree with the green bins being collected only every 3 weeks. In a hot summer this is not hygienic - especially for families that have nappies and other organic waste that is not food waste. We have never agreed with charging for brown bin waste. In the summer we have more than will fit into a brown bin and so we compost most of our waste. Any extra we take to the tip every few weeks
6086	This seems a better option, to have the same capacity plus not a cost by giving everyone new bins!
6087	Provide a free compost bin and /or free garden waste bin and I am sure targets will be met (I pay for a brown bin) but several don't, and grass cutting weight a lot wet.  No problem with 3 weekly green waste collection, cost reduction should be used to fund the above.
6088	I would have to go with this option as we are a family of 5. The size of green bin is significant although, we do have a allotment & currently take green waste to our compost bins.
6089	I have little or no food waste and my 240ltr green bin is always full by collection day therefore I reject this option.
6090	I already have a small green and grey bin which are adequate for my needs. An extra bin will clog up the streets even more than they are now as people leave their bins out on the pavements and in entry's all week. I also pay for the collection of my brown bin.
6091	Would probably suit large households creating a substantial volume of non-recyclable waste. The capacity of the food waste bin needs to be sufficient for the households that create the largest volume of food waste.
6092	This would allow for a larger capacity of waste per week (240 litres = 80 litres x 3) However a three weekly collection for the green bin could result in confusion regarding which bin goes out each week. Currently the green bin goes out one week and the grey the next week, with the brown bin going out the same week as the green bin. We have a wormery and virtually no food waste goes in our green bin as we feed our worms who then produce fertiliser for our garden and greenhouse.

6093	Think it's a great idea to recycle more of what we can recycle but think there needs to be more education for householders to keep their bins and waste areas within their households clean, sanitised and safe. I think options should be available to have your bins professionally cleaned when emptied but like me I'm unsure of who and what it costs?
6094	The green bin contains dog muck, nappies and sanitary waste so to have this collected every 3 weeks is very unhygienic and will encourage flies and maggots.
6095	Seems ok, but as a small household, we would prefer option 2
6096	Look the green bins stink in the warmer weather are covered in ants so I want my green bin collects every two weeks, so it will become a health hazard. You are going to get an increase with fly tippers the same old areas that will just dump the rubbish. That is what could happen. Also I don't have room in my kitchen for a caddy. I am sure it will cost you more than it will save you. You are also making us pay an extra tax to recycle garden waste it started at 30 pounds and you have had the cheek to put it up for the last two years. So I am now going to revert to putting it my green bin as I can do that. So you are annoying your residents. You also add insult to injury and don't collect for at least one Month of the 12 so that is not a service either. So I want to go for this option and keep the 240 litre bin and save myself 35 to 40 pounds.
6097	I live alone & certainly do not have 30% by weight of my green bin as food waste! Most of what is in there is packaging that cannot be recycled e.g. cling film  I don't actually put my bin out every 2 weeks as it is, as it takes me far longer than that to fill it.  So I don't really care what you do.
6098	I don't see the point in replacing the 240 litre bin which will obviously cost to replace with 140 litre bin. The 240 litre bin is there so retain what you have and save cost there. In relation to 3 week collections, I don't see why this is an option. Just keep everything as is, size wise and fortnightly and carry on. There's never a need to complicate matters. If you suggest that there will be additional cost to engage the weekly food collections, well I'd suggest that the avoidance of paying the levy and the money you should receive for supply waste for renewable energy should cover this. If not, you should maybe put the contract out to tender so that it is or build your own place on the Wirral thus creating jobs and creating a local recycling centre for all products and make money back that way.
6099	I don't agree with a three weekly bin collection. I believe this will cause more environmental issues such as fly tipping.
6100	Green bin should be collected every 2 weeks as is now. No extra cost with a new green bin
6101	Food waste- good idea, one I don't mind doing. Green Bin- 240 litre bin is ESSENTIAL! Three weekly collections are absolutely ridiculous, it just won't work. Our green bin is FULL at collection two weekly, so three weekly will mean black bags collecting and smelling at the side of the bin until it is emptied and then put into the bin. Not to mention dogs etc ripping the black bags open. Our green bin has the waste from our two dogs and one cat, which takes up quite a bit of space over two weeks. Shall I ask them to cross their legs for an extra week? You will find the streets will become unclean from dog waste as there will be little space to put in the green bin. You could I suppose, waste more money and give us an animal waste bin??? Don't get me started on paying for the Brown Bin! We do pay for it to be emptied but this is daylight robbery as we pay council tax to cover this....yeah right. Grey Bin- no change so that's fine. The changes to the Green Bin, whichever way it goes, WILL NOT WORK.
6102	A complete and utter waste of time and money, too many waste containers involved and the current 2 week collection frequency for general waste is already pushing the limit for healthy collections, get rid of half the current councillors if you want to save money!
6103	We live in a flat that don't use communal bins and other people are constantly putting their refuse into each other's allocated wheelie bins. We have asked on 3 occasions for a replacement grey bin, with no success, for the one that was taken by local youths. I feel that any attempt at recycling we do is undermined by other neighbours who access the bins and dispose of their waste in any bin despite the restrictions. There are even a number of bins containing refuse that have not been emptied over a 2 year period due to others putting a mixture of refuse inside them and they will no longer be accepted by the bin men. Therefore a 3 weekly collection of the green bin would create health and environment problems in our area as it would contain items that should be in the weekly food recycle bin. Just in the last few weeks we had maggots over all of the bins due to the increase in temperature before our collection date for the green bin. This is what I will expect to be happening regularly with a 3 weekly cycle.
6104	Three weeks interval between collections is undesirable. there will still be odorous and unpleasant content.

6105	Prefer Option 2
6106	Option one seems the most sensible. Why go to the expense of purchasing new green bins? Anything to improve the collection and use of waste is to be commended. Without food waste in the green bins, we can't see anyone objecting over a three weekly collection.
6107	If recycling properly, a smaller green bin should be more than enough for anyone. I heard one man on the radio saying that if the bin would smell if left for three weeks - it won't if there is no food waste in it!
6108	I put my dogs faeces in the green bin. For this reason I would be very unhappy if it was only collected every three weeks. Food waste yes why not? i personally compost my vegetable waste.
6109	I prefer this option. A smaller green bin will mean I won't be able to shut my green bin. I throw very little 'food waste' away. It does concern me leaving rotting things like dog poo in a green bin for three weeks about how awful this would smell!
6110	I prefer this option as my green bin is mainly filled with plastic packaging
6111	Every three weeks for a general waste bin is not enough, even if you do remove the food from it
6112	This option would suit me fine. Where I lived previously (Kent) I was used to a weekly food collection system and it worked very well
6113	Three week cycle would be difficult for some people to remember/schedule when in combination with rotating 2 week cycles for grey and brown bins
6114	Rubbish, we do not have food waste
6115	NO  NO  NO  NO  A disgraceful and disgusting idea that WILL fail at the council tax payers expense
6116	I don't like the indoor caddies with liners.
6117	I don't have anymore room for a extra bin and a smaller green bin is not the answer
6118	Do the people who make these decisions ever consider the elderly population who get very confused about what items go in which bin. This will confuse them even more. Put more recycling into flats and you will meet your target.
6119	Definitely do not want a smelly indoor caddy in my kitchen, too many flies by around. What about big families who have more rubbish, would your collectors take bin bags of excessive waste that does fit in having to wait 3 weeks? Would this encourage fly tipping? Would it not be better to target excessive packaging by companies, particularly with online shopping today, huge boxes containing very little. If you must, stay with the larger bin. Do it like either. Stay as is.
6120	Collecting the green bin only every 3 weeks will cause terrible problems for those of us with babies and those household with adults who require continence products. It will be a health hazard in the summer and a problem with the sheer volume produced by nappies/continence products all year round, whilst more than happy to recycle food (it's about time Wirral's recycling service improved) collecting the green bin every 3 weeks will cause great problems for those with children and/or disabilities
6121	Acceptable
6122	We would prefer to keep the bigger bin to enable us to continue to have the ability to dispose of larger rubbish. The indoor caddy will be of no use to us as we have nowhere to put it and I would certainly not want it on a work surface. We have very little food waste anyway as all fruit and vegetable waste is composted and used on the garden. We do feel that remembering which bin to put out when will be unduly complicated - and very confusing for older residents. You should definitely consider reintroducing a printed timetable for collections to give easy reference.
6123	This seems to be the better option of the two and more cost effective than replacing existing bins with new ones
6124	Rediculous idea to store waste food both in the kitchen and outside in a lockable container, the smell in the heat of summer will be hideous regardless of whether it is collected every week.
6125	Prefer this option, you will not have to replace everyone's green bin. I expect most people won't choose this option but would be ok for us, there are only 2 adults in the house

6126	Much more preferable than a smaller bin every fortnight, although at the same time very disappointing indeed that this will only be collected every 3 weeks. But I'd rather have this option than have to put up with a smaller bin. The fact that we can't recycle a greater range of stuff in the grey bin is not residents' fault and we are effectively being punished by the council's own failure to achieve this or negotiate a collective approach to facilitate better recycling facilities.
6127	Ive a friend who has a small food caddy collection bin in Chester. In a 'word' he hates it. It attracts flies, smells in the summer and is in his view a waste of time. The money to pay the staff, cover the vehicle costs and not to mention the effect on the environment makes this a wrong direction.  Sometimes I wonder what the council is here for. It certainly doesn't do the important stuff such as repair roads, keep weeds in gutters under control, cut the verges sufficiently enough. A pot hole in a road caused £900 pounds of damage to his car. I could go on but I won't.
6128	I have no objection to this proposal.
6129	I believe this is the best of two bad options as I think most people will still struggle due to the reduced capacity/collections of the options. If I was to take all my waste food out it would not take up much space in my green bin, so I don't see how reducing the capacity or collections will help and I believe we are going to have over flowing bins and maggots everywhere. It is not usually the cooked foods that cause the smells it the out of date uncooked foods. The green bins will still have bloodied packaging etc in which will cause issues. I feel you need to upgrade your sorting plant to be able to recycle everything and possibly have the smaller green bins on a weekly collection
6130	Green bin collection every 3 weeks is ridiculous!
6131	Total waste of money as we compost our food waste already
6132	This sounds ok, but I have extra bins for medical waste,which I can't do without, but 3 weeks is too long for pickup
6133	Prefer to keep the 240l bin as we have more waste due to our young daughter! However x3 week collection will mean increase in bad smells.
6134	No
6135	Lesser of the two evils. I don't believe that a third of green bin waste is food. Try educating the public to either buy less food or use what they have bought.
6136	I have doubts about the three weekly collection of the green bin. Most of the general waste is non food from here.
6137	I don't mind option 1. One saving would be not having to buy new bins. But the downside is people will still fill it. However big it is. So might not reduce recycling!
6138	I already compost almost all my food waste. So a 3-weekly green bin collection would be a disadvantage.
6139	Awful idea
6140	it is unhygienic and impractable to leave the green bin collection 3 weekly. I do not have the storage space for a caddy or outside disposal system. This idea is a discrease.
6141	We would prefer to keep our bigger bin as we are a family of 5 and it be emptied every 3 weeks
6142	This would work for myself as I live alone, however please note that a number of residents will have a waste disposal unit in the kitchen which will take the bulk of there unwanted food.
6143	Since I have absolutely no possible chance of the Local Authority paying any regard to my views I decline your kind invitation. How many rats and/or other vermin will be grateful for the opportunities your scheme will present? By how much will you increase my rate bill next year?
6144	No point commenting as you will do as you please regardless. It does make me wonder whyi pay council tax tho
6145	If the system has to change i would prefer option one as i have a large family and also feel the smaller bin may not fit larger unrecyclable waste in; so would prefere less frequent collection of larger bin in order to manage this.
6146	I don't like the idea of the green bin being collected once every three weeks, it seems a bit long and there's too much to remember along with the other bin collection requirements.
6147	Green bin will surely smell . I'm thinking about nappies in particular. Bad enough as it is.

6148	Great idea. I don't (I think) produce much food waste. Vege peelings etc go on the compost heap or wormery, food left over goes down the waste disposal unit and we tend not to chuck out much other than bones. Not everyone has these luxuries, so anything to encourage more recycling has got to be good. However, after 2 weeks, my green bin is usually pretty full, so not sure how we'll get on with 3 weekly collections ! Probably stand in the bin and squash it all down. Go for it, we can always go back.
6149	Firstly, following on from all the misinformation associated with Brexit, I am wary of 'facts' such as a family throws away £60 worth of food a month - am assuming this is a Wirral statistic and not one that relates to the whole of the UK. For myself I am extremely careful of food waste and often shop daily, and as I also clear my plate, I generate very little food waste - possibly a few carrot tops. Thus, my green bin use age is likely to remain pretty much the same, and so would not welcome a three weekly collection.
6150	every three weeks would help to reduce how much the bin is used. A similar system existed in Wales and it worked well.
6151	Too infrequent collection of green bin
6152	This seems a good plan- does it involve both cooked and uncooked food?
6153	Not viable with a young family with dirty nappies. Ideally these should be collected weekly and fortnightly as the worst case scenario.
6154	Leave the green bin same size and collected same frequency 2 weeks. Some houses will still struggle. Issue food containers as planned. What about cost incurred!!?
6155	I have a small green been already that stinks despite being collected every other week, especially in the Summer. I do not agree with a collection every 3 weeks.
6156	I can see why you are trying to do this, the problem we have is that we have a very small kitchen so hardly any spare countertop space for a caddy.  We would prefer the keeping the existing green bin size option.
6157	I am happy with option 1. My green bin is still in a reasonable condition so I don't see the need to change it. I also feel keeping this larger one would provide the space for extra needs at times such as Christmas, birthdays, family visiting etc. I think it's good progress to save food waste, as I don't compost, so it will put this to better use than sitting in landfill. It's not that much more work and would actually be more hygienic than sitting in the green bin. Count me in.
6158	After 3 weeks non recyclable food containers will be smelling and attracting pests. The foodstuffs listed are compostable which is what we already do. Another container is a waste of money and space.
6159	What a waste of good Council Tax money. If this goes through (as no doubt it will) where will it end? Will we have a number of other boxes /bags to clutter up our bin storage area and thus the pavement outside our property?
6160	Stupid idea. 3 week collections. You obviously don't have children!
6161	Presumably Option 1 will mean that on some weeks both large bins will have to be put out - as well as a small food bin. I can't imagine the confusion!! Or the pleasure of dragging all three bins up 15 steps and down an alley to the street - and back again.  Great if you have drive, shed or garden to store all these bins. But what will places like King St in Egremont look like, when every crappy bedsit for half a mile has 3 bins outside.  Will Biffa learn how not to scatter food waste as widely as everything else they 'collect'?
6162	Option 1 is my preference.
6163	I'm happy with this option although I don't personally think I would need that large a bin.
6164	I have read your questions and answers and I still have one question Why waste the money on 'New' green bins. If as you believe the wastage will be reduced per household due to the new food collections then the wastage in the 'Green' bin will be the same amount regardless if the larger or smaller bin. I think you're wasting money on new bins needlessly. Why not trial the food bins and leave the bigger bins in place for the oddest and then re think it? Seems a pointless waste of money My other concern is the 'lockable' bin will be flimsy and after a few collections will be broken thus causing flies and insect/possibly rodent infestation?
6165	Excellent idea. Just concerned re maggots in food wrappings in green bin if only collected every 3 weeks



6166	As a family of 4, we have problems with the existing fortnightly collection of the green bin (being full to overflowing) and believe that this would get worse with option 1.
6167	An absolute disgrace - not emptying the main green bin for THREE weeks????? I don't want and don't have space for "indoor caddies" - especially those that have been featured in the press - I've spent a lot of money to make my house look nice and do NOT want these monstrosities. I take it my council tax payments will be reduced accordingly due to failure to collect refuse?
6168	A three weekly collection would be too long, bins could overflow and encourage vermin. I am not happy about keeping old smelly food in my kitchen, I am sure this option will cause problems for many people.
6169	Would prefer this option
6170	Whilst I think it commendable to recycle food waste, and having lived in Cheshire where this has been done for a while, I do not find this option optimal for my household.  Currently we put food waste in our compost bin in the garden (excl. meat, pasta, etc), yet we still struggle with the current system. We would be unable to reduce our waste to fill a 240 litre bin that was collected every three weeks.
6171	We prefer this option as we do not throw away much food.
6172	We do not have food waste.
6173	Please do not use a food waste bin. Having lived in preston for a long period of time i know the hassle involved in these little bins. The smell can usually be unpleasent in the house, it also attracts animals when left out, we already have issues with foxes in the area. I promise you the amount of complaints you will recieve will be astronomical.
6174	Our household has a food waste disposer which we put all our food waste into, therefore a bin for food waste is pointless.
6175	Not keen on food recycling scheme Want green bin emptied every two weeks
6176	I cook lots of things fresh so don't have much food waste. I also compost my peelings so a food bin is useless to me
6177	By food do you mean things like tea bags, veg peelings, egg shells, coffee grounds as well as the obvious? I throw away almost nothing described as "food" Think that for most families a twice weekly collection will still be needed. We are only a couple so could cope easily with less often but am afraid it would lead to more fly tipping.
6178	I am wary of this food recycling idea - what happens to the food? Surely it isn't recycled in any meaningful way?  My older son has this in London and it is pretty disgusting.  I don't think it's a workable or desirable idea, any of it. Sorry.
6179	We do not waste food at all and are totally against the change
6180	Neither option is an improvement, but option one less ridiculous. I throw away very little food, and resent the opinion that everyone is throwing away vast quantities of food. I do not want a small caddy with smelly waste food in my kitchen as this surely would attract flies etc in the hot weather. Just leave things alone, that's the best option
6181	I would be happy to go with this option
6182	I will not be taking part
6183	I see no harm in the idea, however I am not sure that there would be no on increase in our Council Tax in the long run to pay for:- 1) the cost of three extra containers per household, in some cases even more for large families. 2) the cost of a weekly collection.
6184	Better of the two options, we don't actually have much food waste but would willingly put tea bags and peelings in a separate bin. No worries about the green bin only been collected every 3 weeks.
6185	Agree that the weekly collection of food waste is necessary to avoid the plagues of flies that most households are having to manage at the moment. I would prefer a fortnightly collection of the green bin to continue as due to the lack of recycling actually being completed by the council most things e.g. food packaging, still needs to be placed in the green bin. Due to the cost of replacing all the green bins currently in use why not replace them as they become damaged? Lots of households have bought new bins so they are not all 20 years old, surely staggering the replacements. would be more cost effective

6186	<p>A three weekly collection of the green bin could cause confusion. I already have a smaller green bin and therefore would prefer the second option of the present fortnightly collection which means that 2 of the bins are collected the same week and the 1 bin the other.</p> <p>I do feel however more needs to be done about the amount of non recyclable plastic waste. I visit friends, relatives in various other parts of the country who are all able to recycle such waste and express surprise when I say that we are not able to. So many ready meals etc. are contained in this type of container as well as all the yoghurt, cream, soft fruits tubs, margarine, soft cheese spreads containers etc. that must be a large part of the household waste.</p> <p>Another way that encourages people to cut down on waste is where my daughter lives in Australia. They are given a reduction in the equivalent of our council tax when they opt for the small bin!</p>
6187	<p>the 3 weekly collection for green bins would be terrible:- I have 2 dogs and when the fortnightly collection is due, the smell from the green bin is awful and lots of flies &amp; bluebottles swarm it whenever I open it. (the dog waste is securely bagged but still the "odour" permeates). I have very little food waste (dogs eat scraps) and I also have a compost bin - I tend to think that there would be more fuel used by food bin collection lorries than would be manufactured by recycling the waste so it would be a redundant exercise.</p>
6188	<p>We would sooner keep the large bin which is still fully serviceable and in no need of replacement. Most of our presently non-recyclable waste is not food but is food other non-recyclable packaging, (polystyrene trays, yoghurt pots &amp; milk &amp; drink containers.</p> <p>It would be better if more pressure could be put on sellers, supermarkets etc to reduce the amount of unnecessary packaging which Wirral is unable to recycle.</p> <p>Will the plastic liners supplied for the food waste be of the recyclable or bio-degradable type and if not WHY NOT</p>
6189	<p>We have hardly any food waste as we only buy what we eat, so as a recycling point of view you won't get much more of us that way. Plus we have a little baby so we will still have lots of nappies, plus we have pet geuniea pigs and 75% for our waste is generated by them. So we would still be filling our current wheely bin every 2 weeks. Plus when we could have baby's nappies sitting there for three weeks, I will invite you round to enjoy the smell. Why cant we just keep the current bin system and just have the food bin along side.</p>
6190	<p>Very happy to go with option 1. The more we recycle the better. Do appreciate the bin collections! Don't want to downsize green bin. Thanks</p>
6191	<p>Three weekly collection for green bins is too long, especially in the summer when the non recyclable non food waste such as nappies will smell.</p>
6192	<p>The thought of having dirty nappies hanging around in a bin for three weeks horrifies me, the stench is bad enough now.</p>
6193	<p>Sounds great in theory but yet another bin??. We already have 3 outside - can we charge then Council ground rent for the space they take up?</p> <p>Seriously, I do support this initiative but I do wonder how people with small/no gardens will cope with another bin.</p> <p>A similar scheme was introduced in Cheshire West a few years ago - what is the feedback from that as I recall it was not generally well received by residents there at the time?</p> <p>Will the waste contractor be penalised if they fail to make the promised weekly collection? What happens if they go on strike?</p>
6194	<p>Not of interest see below</p>
6195	<p>Not a good idea.</p>
6196	<p>I think a three week collection for a green bin is to long as our green bin is full to capacity for a two week collection. And I think I speak for a higher percentage of people, and do think it will encourage more people to fly tip.</p>
6197	<p>We do not have any food waste with the exception of egg shells, apple cores and orange skins.</p>
6198	<p>Totally against this option. I think it is totally unfair for me to pay £40 for a garden bin for a small garden in a council house whilst 200 metres away homeowners on Noctorum Lane with huge houses and huge gardens pay the same price. Many people are not paying it and putting the garden waste in green bins, hence you are not meeting your target</p>
6199	<p>This will not work as our food waste is a small proportion of the current green bin. making this 3 weeks will contribute to major concerns about health especially in the summer. What are you going to do regarding dog mess that would be in the green bin?</p>
6200	<p>This is the better of the 2 options</p>
6201	<p>Most of my food waste is home composted, so very little is currently placed in the green bin. If there is little in my green bin, I don't put it out.</p>
6202	<p>Green bin emptied every 3 weeks is not practical for a large household and will also be unhygienic.</p>
6203	<p>Don't like the idea of waste sitting around for 3 weeks</p>
6204	<p>As. we through very little food away we will not benefit from a three weekly collection of the green bin but this is preferable to having a smaller bin</p>

6205	<p>i would want bins collected as soon as possible on a regular basis. i would be happier with a smaller bin, collected every 2 weeks. i live in a flat, so if the other option of 3 weekly collections happens, my food will be rotting for longer as i wouldnt get the food recycling until 2018.</p> <p>what about the cost of people loosing keys for lockable bins?</p>
6206	don't like the sound of this option I think a 3 week green bin collection would lead to a real stench with general waste.
6207	See comments for option 2
6208	Prefer option 2
6209	No thanks this is a terrible idea!
6210	<p>Negligible amount of food waste as this household has waste disposal unit.</p> <p>As bins are 9 times out of 10 full at the end of the two weeks period, 3 weekly collections not acceptable.</p>
6211	I wouldn't have room in my kitchen for a food waste caddy, I already have 2 bins in there and it's a very small bungalow.
6212	<p>I have very little food waste and therefore a green bin collection every 3 weeks would encourage maggots etc.</p> <p>I would prefer collections to remain the same at every 2 weeks for the green bin and keep the 240 litre bin</p>
6213	I don,t like the idea of having the bin emptied every 3 weeks and don't like the idea of a separate container for food waste.
6214	Agree
6215	depends on how big a family it is,and you can green bin garden waste(grass cuttings) in a bin liner i have been told..so i dont think it will work to be honest we are a family of 4 and its just right at the moment, just two people will have nearly an empty green bin...regards..
6216	<p>We compost any waste vegetable food, so a food bin would not be used.</p> <p>Less frequent refuse collections will increase fly tipping.</p> <p>Instead:</p> <p>Improve your recycling- Recycling on the Wirral is more limited than other areas such as Newcastle-upon-Tyne where many more items can be recycled eg. all plastic containers, bottle tops etc.</p> <p>Set up initiatives to reduce food wastage</p>
6217	Three weeks is a LONG time to wait and the volume of food going into the new lockable bin would NOT be much (unless people waste a great deal of food). I would think not enough to compensate for waiting three weeks for a collection.
6218	This option best, would cost too much to replace green bins
6219	Not happy with new prposal.rats are a major worry.also the cost of this stupidity must outwiegh any benifits.i currently cannot see your point in this exercise.
6220	<p>My food waste is next to nothing in weight or volume.</p> <p>I have had this scheme with 2 other councils. The food recycling in other councils is not very effective because the food bins smell and everyone gives up after a while. They attract flys and ants. As a result you will be wasting money implementing this as people will put it in their general waste.</p> <p>What one of the councils does which is more effective is to allow some food waste to go in the brown (garden waste) bin e.g. potatoes, fruit, onions, salad etc. This is very effective.</p> <p>The other thing that Wirral could do better is recycling more paper, card, plastics and metals. There are currently too many restrictions on what your contractors recycle. They must try harder - if others can do it so can they.</p> <p>We need general waste collected every 2 weeks!</p>
6221	A definite no as wouldn't want a three weekly green bin collection.
6222	This is the least displeasing of the two options and at least it will stop the maggots in food waste with the current unhygienic 2 weekly collections. I think basing the reasons for change on food waste being a third of the rubbish by weight is flawed as it is volume that matters.
6223	Sounds fine.
6224	<p>Not happy having food waste around house it will stink not very hygienic it will end up with maggots in it already seen this in Somerset where the council has introduced this scheme</p> <p>Also green bin to be emptied every 3 weeks will end up with overflowing and cause rats and mice to infest gardens paths etc what will the next cut be empty green bins once a month and the food waste every 2 weeks come on council get a grip ????</p>

6225	No issue with this option
6226	i am not the average house hold. we waste very little food am happy with this option
6227	Would not choose this option.
6228	We have had maggots already 3 times this year which I think is from baby's nappys we couldn't leave them for 3 weeks
6229	We don't have a lot of food waste, certainly not enough to fill 1/3 of a 240L bin. This option is BAD for us.
6230	Tried this before and maggots were found in the food waste bin. Not in favour as it is a health risk.
6231	I really like the idea of having a food waste collection as I am very conscious of the wastage of food and feel guilty whenever I throw food away. I am not sure whether a green bin collection every 3 weeks is quick enough though, with a young child there is probably a lot more general waste than with adults especially if there are nappies.
6232	<p>I am 90 years old and badly disabled ,through various failed NHS operations, and live on my own, I also walk with a 4 wheel rollator all the time and I would find it difficult to sort food out and take to another outside bin. Another container in my kitchen would be very awkward as it is a dining /living kitchen in a bungalow and is not huge. I have a cleaner once a week but could not leave decaying food all that time.I</p> <p>I manage now to sort out the two bins but with difficulty.</p> <p>I would be happy to have a smaller green bin for a two week service,even now.</p> <p>I obviously have assistance with the bins .</p> <p>Another problem would be the supply of bin liners. How many and more plastic !</p> <p>I feel rather despondent as it is another "mountain" for me to climb , but I wish to remain independent .</p> <p>I am not against "progress" but there are many "ifs".</p>
6233	Horrendous
6234	<p>COMMENT RELATES TO OPTIONS 1 AND 2.</p> <p>You state that food waste accounts for 33% (by weight) of green bin waste. However The percentage by volume will be significantly less due to the very nature of general waste. Let us say it is 20%. Therefore (and assuming current bins are full or nearly full by the time of collection), the proposal (Option 2) of reducing the size of bins from 240 to 140 will clearly be an excessive reduction. Simple maths confirms this: 20% of 240litres = 48 litres. 240 - 48 = 192 litres bin size required.</p> <p>Similarly (Option 1), changing to a 3 week collection will mean there will be insufficient storage capacity in the existing bins.</p>
6235	A food collection service was supposed to be introduced when the green bin was introduced. Why was this service not implemented? A small brown caddy was delivered, another wait of council money. Will the lockable food container be opened by the bin men?
6236	We have 3 people in our household. We have a small (140 litre) bin, small grey recycle bin and pay for the garden waste scheme using the large brown bin. We waste next to no food, so the food recycle bin would make very little difference in the amount of green bin waste we generate. The small green bin is full after a fortnight and requires emptying every two weeks. When the new scheme comes into effect and the green bin is emptied every three weeks we would actually require our small green bin to be exchanged for a large green bin (240 litres)!
6237	We do not want my green bin emptying reduced, the only food waste we have are a few bones, all our green waste goes in my compost (except prickly hedge clippings), I have built 3, 1 cubic metre compost bays any left over food is given to our 2 dogs
6238	This surely must be a more economic choice the cost of new bins alone must stop the number 2 choice
6239	I prefer option 1
6240	<p>I am uncomfortable with the thought of other waste not being collected for three weeks, this could be unhygienic especially through summer months, smells could be a problem.</p> <p>I already have a small size bin, I would not cope with three week collections.</p>

6241	<p>Firstly have you actually done any research into whether people will ever use this facility? My neighbor (for example) just throws everything in the one bin. Maybe you should be targeting people who don't recycle first...</p> <p>Secondly the small lockable food waste containers are too small to survive the amount of wind we receive. Sure they won't spill, but they will still just blow everywhere.</p> <p>so yes, keep them as is. However, replace damaged bins, or offer a discount to do it.</p> <p>To be really honest, this could actually negate my need to regular collections. I suspect that I'd only need a green bin once every 9 week, food once a fortnight and grey once every 6. Maybe drive community incentive to share bin resources for reductions in charges???</p>
6242	Every 3 weeks to collect the green bin is far too long, i do NOT like or agree with this option.
6243	By charging for the brown bin you have decreased the amount recycled. Is it about figures for recycling or about being "green". Min
6244	This is difficult as a family of 6 we would still need to 240l collecting every two weeks, we would just not manage with the smaller bin. I recycle everything and have very minimal food waste.
6245	There is absolutely NOTHING wrong with the present system so Why change it??
6246	Not our preferred solution.
6247	My green bin is in great condition, I live alone but I want to keep it as my family often visit and then it is full, rubbish should NOT be left on the driveway for 3 weeks EVER there will still be some food waste in there attracting maggots and vermin, as a pensioner I don't feel I should even have to pay for garden waste, in my opinion this is the councils next step to shrugging off the responsibility of waste collection.
6248	It will cause horrible smells an attract rats plus why should i pay for a brown bin i already pay £150 a month for what !!!! Dont need this tubbish total waste of money !!!
6249	I would prefer option 2 as the green bin will be collected every 2 weeks as apposed to every 3.
6250	I know in Michigan they introduced a machine that would separate the trash into its individual components to where they recouped the cost in less than 3 years
6251	<p>Grey bin - no problem</p> <p>Brown bin - still a bit of a rip off but no problem</p> <p>Green bin- every 3 weeks! You have got to be joking. I recycle as it is without much food waste and my bin can barely cope with the current fortnightly collection!</p> <p>Food caddy- disgusting. impractical health, vermin and hygiene hazard. Stupid idea which people in west cheshire are forced (but do not use) to subscribe to.</p> <p>Given what I pay in council tax, this proposal is outrageous. Who benefits from the proceeds of all this recycling? Certainly not me, or my tax wouldn't be so high.</p>
6252	Green bins emptied every three weeks would put a greater strain on households and have overflowing bins by collection week.
6253	<p>Far better for my household out of the two options given and certainly more cost effective for the council due too:</p> <p>POSITIVES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Not having to purchase new smaller sized wheely bins</li> <li>2) Major fuel saving using the 3 weekly collection</li> </ol> <p>NEGATIVES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Absolutely 0% food waste from this household,</li> <li>2) Green bin occasionally full within 2 weeks</li> </ol>
6254	Every three weeks for green bin collection is not enough!
6255	Do not agree with either option. What is the point of all this expense. Would prefer to keep with existing system. We do not have room in kitchen for food waste and think this is most unhygienic attracting flies etc. The other thing to consider is the cost implications of these changes, especially when the council do not even keep pavements clear of weeds and do nothing about uneven pavements! The roads in Bromborough and Eastham look really scruffy. So unlike what the area used to look like.
6256	As we dont believe we throw out much food waste we would like to keep the larger bin.

6257	Acceptable option if you stop some households having two green bins. Our neighbours have two green bins , don't sign up for garden waste but have plenty of room in their green bins for it. These are the families you need to target not the ones like ourselves who recycle using the appropriate bins and never have bins overflowing. Families with 2 green bins should pay a subscription if wanting a second green bin.
6258	A collection once every 3 weeks is not sufficient for a family. How do ensure hygiene is adhered too to stop the spread of waste food that will attract flies vermin etc not all householders are clean and I am concerned food waste not bagged properly will cause more mess and maggots!!
6259	seems better option as no cost replacement of green bins.
6260	Would prefer this option as we recycle more than goes to landfill although we rarely have food waste. It would be good if retailers used much less packaging in the first place and that supermarkets didn't wrap things to excess.
6261	Some time ago we took up your offer of a wormery. This takes almost all of our uncooked vegetable waste. Firstly, this should be added to the amount that you, as a Council, recycle. Secondly, this will be a lot of what other households would put in their new food waste bin. You have not made it clear what "food waste" will be allowed in the new food waste bin. I am frustrated that a lot of stuff that is marked as being recyclable is not allowed to go in the Wirral grey bin. You could meet a lot of your target by allowing it. There is still quite a lot of "smelly" stuff to go in the green bin so I would not favour extending the collection frequency to three weeks.
6262	Prefer option 2 as too many dates to remember if on bin 1 week , 2 bins 2 weeks, 1 bin 3 weeks!!!
6263	I'm a pensioner and have very little food waste, if any. I understand and fully support helping the environment but think more thought ought to be given to people in my position. The amount of food waste in my case would be negligible.
6264	I will go along with the change. I live on the Woodchurch Estate and at least 50% of the people need to be educated on how to use the bins and what to put into the bins, when I see garden waste going into green bins it annoys me. I pay for the brown bin but I sometimes wonder if I should use my green bin.
6265	I think this is an excellent idea. Collection of food waste separately and weekly would be good. I would prefer to keep my existing bin and have it collected every 3 weeks as it is still very serviceable and I prefer the aesthetics of 3 equal sized bins. If food waste is collected separately there is no reason why they should smell.
6266	I have a household of 6 people usually so the option of keeping the larger green bin suits me best . We have little food waste as we're mindful of being wasteful . I like the idea of the food waste bin though especially for the veg peelings etc to go in and I think this will be a cleaner way of disposing of this .  I already use the councils brown bin Collection service for garden waste and I think it's well worth the cost per year .
6267	I am very surprised that your assessment is that the food in our green bin contents amount to 1/3rd in weight. It is definitely that proportion in our household.  So, I would prefer to retain our 2 weekly collection; I would also prefer to keep the existing bin as to exchange this for a smaller bin is an unjustified expense. I am surprised that this is NOT one of the options. I can't imagine that WBC will replace all of the existing green bins for smaller bins at that tremendous cost with no real saving. To retain the existing bins and reduce the collection frequency is surely a much more economic option.  So my real preference is an option that is not available, but out of the options given, I would vote to retain the existing bin for a 3 weekly collection.
6268	I am not too surprised that your recycling rate is so low. I can guess the rate had gone down after the introduction of charges on brown bin. I suspect a lot of household just put all garden wastes into the general waste, thus increasing your general waste %. I am not sure the cost of administer the brown bin scheme pays either.  It just proves that the Council do not have a cohesive policy. It is like a patch up job all the time.  What should have been done is to set objective, then target, followed by a strategy. It is obvious to me that the Council is just keep chasing its tail. I suppose it is a job creation and retention exercise for people in a bubble.  Bad luck to all rate payer.

6269	<p>How can the outside container be emptied by the collectors if it's locked?</p> <p>More bins = more inconvenience. Our household already do their bit.</p> <p>We have almost no food waste to be recycled but we do need our green bin emptied at least every two weeks.</p> <p>I guess, as with the charge for brown bin emptying, we'll finish up doing it anyway.</p>
6270	<p>As your general waste bin will contain items of sanitary waste, used nappies and other such waste items I think it is necessary for your general waste to be collected on a regular basis, 3 weeks I feel is to long to wait between collections. Particularly in the hotter summer months. At the moment if you miss a collection your waste is left a month, if you miss a collection on a three week basis your waste will be rotting for a six weeks in total. This is unhygienic and would be particularly unpleasant for the refuse workers.</p>
6271	<p>Where are we supposed to store another bin? Also 3 weeks for the green bin is not acceptable in the Summer. Even without food this attracts maggots and smells in the heat</p>
6272	<p>We have very little food waste but for those who do it would be easier to educate them regarding waste in general, where will dog poo go?</p>
6273	<p>We have no food waste as we value food Bring back free brown bin and you will hit your target.</p>
6274	<p>We do not like this option. We would like to leave things as they are. We do not have any food waste. We eat all the food we buy. The small kitchen bins have been used in the past and are useless and not hygienic.</p>
6275	<p>This option concerns me as 3 weekly of green bin is not workable . The problem isn't the household recyclers it's the stores we buy from . the packaging they are using is insane some items are wrapped in a ridiculous amount of packaging you are tackling the wrong people . Also we have seen a growing issue with seagulls coming inland prob due to bins waiting to be emptied . personally my food waste is really low - I don't waste I freeze what's left over and use it another time you would be better educating people to use these options !</p>
6276	<p>People may have difficulty remembering every 3 weeks. Also I can see the advantage of a new bin, as our hinges have been replaced twice due to ware and tair over the years.</p>
6277	<p>My bins will be overflowing by the time they are emptied if I have to wait 3 weeks. A small food bin is a waste of time as any scraps the dogs eat.</p>
6278	<p>Much better option. You get more space per week with this option-space is more important for families than the frequency of collections.</p>
6279	<p>Im happy with either option but plastics are the biggest waste and the food bags should be recyclable! Also, changing the bins would cause real and unnecessary plastic waste. Cheshire people recycle many more plastics than Wirral - why not shate their facilities?</p>
6280	<p>I hardly produce any food waste and so would NOT be putting out a food bin like the messy ones that litter and are scattered all over the kerbsides and pavements in Cheshire!!</p>
6281	<p>Frankly the idea seems ill conceived, my green bin will not last 3 weeks! How much food do you think we throw away! The green bin is full of non recyclables!</p> <p>Is the brown bin waste calculated in the recycling tonnage?</p>
6282	<p>Depending on household size generally speaking the 240 bin would be too large. Don't accept 3 weeks collection so happy to reduce bin size. Presume bin liners will be provided on a regular basis??</p>
6283	<p>We don't really have much food waste. Anything organic goes in our composter/wormery but we do need the full-size green bin emptied every two weeks for non-recyclable material. Please leave things as they are.</p>
6284	<p>This won't work. Our bum is full to capacity for all collections now. We have a small 1930's kitchen and nowhere to store food waste on a weekly basis. We pay a considerable amount in council tax and this is completely unacceptable, but to mention unhealthy. If this goes ahead then we will put more waste in the tip as it won't be left outside our house attracting vermin.</p>
6285	<p>This is a good option for small families or families without small children in nappies.</p>
6286	<p>Option 1 will not benefit my household or the environment/recycling. I have very little food waste and any I do have ie egg shells, teabags etc goes into my own compost bin and not my green bin. If option 1 is chosen, I will still have the same amount of waste in my green bin, not less, yet it will only be collected every three weeks and therefore with the extra week added before it is collected, my green bin will be overflowing/ have extra bin bags. These will not be taken, only the waste that is actually in the green bins and no more.</p>
6287	<p>I have noticed that the green bins we have at present are not enough for some families as often see black binbags on or around green bin,so a smaller one is going to be worse for them.So you need to find out whether peoples needs will be met with smaller bin.</p>

6288	I have a compost bin don't need a caddy! 3 weeks for green bin is a No!
6289	Good - apart from general waste only once every 3 weeks - my husband has Multiple Sclerosis and uses 'nappies' - if these were only collected every three weeks the smell around our bin (especially in warm weather) would be awful. Also this kind of waste tends to mean our general waste bin is often quite full at the end of 2 weeks. I am really keen that food waste should be collected and used in some way.
6290	An absolute disgrace we have enough trouble with the bin getting collected every two weeks. I have extreme hygiene issues with this proposal in hot weather we are plagued with maggots no matter what we do despite cleaning the bin vigorously.
6291	3 weeks is too long in the summer.
6292	great idea, no extra cost to replace the green bins.
6293	This would be agreeable.
6294	Smaller bins would be better
6295	Rubbish
6296	Problems every six weeks with both bins being collected on the same day? Also other waste e.g.nappies and dog/cat waste being held for three weeks, increases the maggot problems of the past. Much cheaper in the short term to keep existing green bin.
6297	My concern is that my 240 bin is always full and I have little food waste due to cooking efficiently, I would worry that with 3 week collections the bin may overflow  also I agree with the food recycling but only have a small kitchen and your new handed out bin may not fit
6298	Most of the waste in our green bin is non recyclable waste. Removing it every three weeks would only add to the stench of empty containers. Adding another two bins to the already unsightly bins we have is not practical. Where in my home do I make space for these bins?
6299	It is a DISGRACE to propose to only collect the green bin every three weeks. Again, the brown bin should revert to being free of charge as it was when first introduced on Wirral. I already have two bins and you are proposing to inflict one more in the form of an indoor caddy inside and a lockable one outside. I do not have either the room in my house or the inclination to accept any more containers.
6300	I think this is a brilliant idea IF people lock the food bin. My son lives in Scotland and they are really into recycling. I always feel guilty that I don't do enough - not through choice though. This option now gives me a wider range of recycling options.
6301	I don't like the 3 week cycle for the green bin - it will be confusing having the grey/brown bins picked up fortnightly(alternate weeks) and the food bin weekly - I won't remember when to put out the green bin. At the moment the green/brown go out one week and the grey the next- simple to remember!
6302	Concerned about the smell and rodents if only collected every 3 weeks, not attracted to this option
6303	3 weeks too long for green bin as contents are likely to smell.
6304	Very Poor service, missed collections. Never reply to noticed web requests to pick up missed bins. On hold trying to call for 18 minutes plus then cut off!!! As a paid service, normally any other business would reimburse, for non delivery of service. This paid service is an additional cost to our rates. Very Poor. Please can someone in charge contact me to discuss?
6305	This is my preferred option, as there would be no additional expenditure to replace the serviceable green bin.
6306	This is The better of the two options.  You state 1/3 by weight is food - however the bulky items that are not recyclable still have to go in the green bin so I can not see how the 3 weeks filling the non recyclable bin will not result in it overflowing. The food waste does not constitute 1/3 by volume therefore issues will arise re the bins becoming over full or people having to make trips to the local tip. Not environmentally friendly.  Wirral council need to increase the number of items that can be recycled and control the waste given to customers in supermarkets - food trays etc. Everything seems to be packaged these days and it's not needed !
6307	The objective should be to reduce food waste!!!



6308	I'm all in favour of cutting waste and can actually remember my Mum having a 'pig hacker's for food scraps! And I rarely completely fill my green bin in the two week period, but, my concerns about going to three weekly collections are these :- I don't often waste food as I hate wastefulness especially where food is concerned, so there shouldn't be too much to collect from me, however, many of my neighbours already fill their green bins to bursting and leave them out on the streets for long periods both before and after collection days. I can foresee many green bins having their rubbish spilled onto the streets, especially when there is a strong wind. While I know and agree with the aim to reduce rubbish, I do feel three weeks is going to be tough for some people, particularly if they have a family. Will those with a large family for example, be able to get another bin? Or would that be seen to be defeating the object?
6309	I prefer option 1 as this does not waste public money on issuing new bins. Also I don't know if my food waste will be 30 per cent and neither do you
6310	Don't agree with bins being emptied every three weeks would increase vermin risk
6311	Worried that we don't have much food waste as we recycle this at home, we struggle with the green been as it is.
6312	Surely it isn't the food which is a problem. Not sure how you would recycle FOOD. Prefer to keep my existing green bin, because of the packaging that Wirral doesn't recycle ie juice cartons, yoghurt pots etc. Would like a clearer explanation of where the food is going.
6313	Preferable option of the 2 ore waste will be collected over a year.  This change is unworkable to a family of 5 that doesn't and can't afford to waste food.
6314	It's complicated. You are going to have to put out very clear instructions.
6315	I feel that 3 weekly collections of the current green bin is too long a period.
6316	I don't think we have very much food waste to recycle in this house. I believe the green bins should be emptied weekly. I find the prospect of dirty bins laying full for up to three weeks during warm weather is disgusting. I cannot understand civilised people being required to keep rotting food inside the house for up to a week. The next step could be possibly to provide a communal storage bog in order to save on sewage disposal.
6317	I am unhappy with the option of having the green bin emptied every three weeks as this is quite unsanitary. We live in a rural area and I am sure it would encourage rodents, cats and foxes.
6318	Would prefer option two. It would help if leaves from council owned trees could be collected more often than twelve weeks as residents currently have to sweep up this debris and put in whatever bin has capacity to stop the drains clogging up and pavements becoming unusable. Even better would be the regular pollarding of avenue trees which have been ignored for at least twenty five years. Roots are now breaking into sewage pipes as no pollarding has taken place.
6319	Would like to keep the existing collection system!
6320	This scheme assumes households produce a lot of food waste. I for one, place vegetable peelings, etc into a wormery which in time produces eco friendly garden compost.  I dont have a lot of food waste, as I buy according to my daily/weekly needs. Due to my work commitments I am not always around to put my bin out for regular collections, so if I had any food waste this could be left to fester for longer periods outside of scheduled collections. An awful situation should this be the case in the warmer months.  So to sum up, I dont want or need a food waste collection. It is a waste of tax payers money and time. Quite frankly I don't see the need and I'm sure many people in the borough will agree. I also seem to remember the council giving us food caddy's in the past, this scheme failed in a short time as I imagine this new incentive will too.
6321	Tell me how you plan to recycle bins you are considering replacing. My waste consists of 60 litres of kitty litter & one small bag of non-recycled waste per fortnight which fills the 240L bin (in which I can just pull it down the drive for collection); there is no food waste so please tell me how extending the collection period retaining the 240L bin where I will put the excess kitty litter which fails to fit in the bin for collection! Why don't you consider improving your recycling abilities (grey bins) eg tetra packs/microwave food packages; that way you would actually do something good for the environment.
6322	Around Christmas the green bin should be collected more regularly as 3 weeks would be insufficient.  There should also be a free option to get the green bin collected on an extra ad hoc basis up to 3 times a year to assist with birthdays etc.

6323	<p>We can not accommodate yet another bin outside - we dont want the garden converted into a refuge centre just so the Council can meet its targets. Perhaps the targets need to change. You are suppose to provide us with a service we need not us doing it for you.</p> <p>We do not want a smelly indoor caddy inside nor do we have room</p> <p>If you dont go for a food bin the green one will need to be collected every 2 weeks</p> <p>Think again</p>
6324	<p>The green bin is the one that smells and attracts flies and vermin I do not believe this is due to food waste , although I welcome anything to improve recycling I think to only collect the green bin once every 3 weeks would constitute a health hazard and for this reason I am strongly against it . I currently compost any vegetable waste so do not feel it would make much difference to the amount that I put in the green bin , it is often fairly full as it is</p>
6325	<p>Reducing the green bin collection is not advisable. For residents who do not recycle this will build up too much waste, the litter problem on Wirral is already increasing.</p>
6326	<p>Prefer to have the larger green bin, but would like to see the fortnightly collection retained as the majority of waste in this bin is NOT food but containers that are not recyclable eg plastic margarine and yoghurt as well as plastic wrapping. Two weekly collections should continue until the grey bin recycling can include a wider variety of plastics as found in other Council Areas. I would also be concerned at times such as Christmas when the volume of non-recyclable packaging increases dramatically. Also many friends now put some garden waste in their green bin as they refuse to pay for the brown bin. Returning this service to a free service would substantially increase its usage and reduce the amount going to landfill, either in the green bin or at the tip. Also, all these points will only increase the level of fly-tipping across the borough.</p>
6327	<p>Prefer to have the larger green bin and also because I have a large garden could we have a collection of the brown bin once a week in the summer.</p>
6328	<p>Prefer option 1</p>
6329	<p>I'm concerned about the 3 week collection of the green bin.</p> <p>There will still be some food material like sauce and meat product etc. found on the packaging as I can't see residents cleaning all packaging before placing in green bin. This will make a very unhealthy environment after 21 days: flies leading to maggots and smell or rodent infestations.</p> <p>Keep the two week rota and only replace the 240 litre bin with the smaller one as they become necessary to replace.</p> <p>The best way forward is too provide recycling of tetra packs, yohgurt pots, food packaging etc. thus enabling 100% recycling. Then move to the smaller 140 litre green bin. I understand the reason you can't at the moment but if the machine can be upgraded or personnel hired to sort then so be it, there must be a way forward. This is the real challenge!</p>
6330	<p>I wholly agree with the principle of trying to recycle more waste My green bin has very little food waste. Both our green bin and our recycling bin are full after 2 weeks though, we are already recycling 50% of waste. If my green bin were collected less frequently than every 2 weeks then I would be accumulating waste and have to find some other means to dispose of it. This would only work if the council provided some communal waste bins in many locations (as you see on the continent) for people whose green collection is insufficient. However there will generally be people who cannot be trusted to dispose of waste appropriately if they had access to such bins and these bins are generally unsightly. I would probably rely on generous neighbours with smaller families who would allow us to use their spare capacity.</p>
6331	<p>I prefer this option. Why go to the expense of replacing bins. I have very little food waste because I compost most of my waste. The items that contribute most to my green bin are the plastics that cannot go in the grey bin, such as the plastic trays in which many food items are sold. These ARE recycled in so many local authorities. Why not here?</p>
6332	<p>I do not agree with separate food waste. No room in kitchen for indoor caddy which will only smell &amp; attract flies in summer. Strongly opposed to this change.</p>
6333	<p>Don't object in principle, but I'm running out of places to put bins. Also, whoever currently has the contract for grey bins needs to up it's game and start recycling more material, such as bits of wood, fabric etc. Things like this have to go in the green bin and needlessly add to landfill</p>
6334	<p>Emptying bins every 3 weeks is not acceptable. As it stands leaving rubbish for two weeks is just about long enough. And as we recycle a lot of food waste already, this would not be beneficial to us and therefore making the green bin smaller would not be suitable either Emptying bins every 3 weeks is not acceptable. As it stands leaving rubbish for two weeks is just about long enough. And as we recycle a lot of food waste already, this would not be beneficial to us and therefore making the green bin smaller would not be suitable either</p>
6335	<p>I prefer this to option 2.</p>

6336	i think there is no need to change the waste collection at all.. the money could be used for other things such as more help for children with special needs., and more help for the elderly.
6337	<p>You expect the public to do all they can with regards to waste. Ive been recycling way before all the bins were in operation and find it a joke and an insult that the council expects a payment for the brown bin. As a struggling single parent ive not bee able to avoid the the charges tili have a brown waste collection.</p> <p>I dont want some caddy bin in my kitchen and dontwishbto have yet another bin cluttering my garden up as a bigger eyesaw.</p> <p>End of the day a decision has already been made by thilose above so tgis survey is just your way of letting publuc think their say matters.</p>
6338	We think the green bin being every 3 weeks is to long, who told you that a third of all green bin waste is food, we don't believe that is the case
6339	We have very little food waste not worth recycling
6340	<p>We have little food waste but still produce sufficient ordinary waste to fill the present green bin in a fortnight. A collection only every three weeks would represent a deterioration of the current excellent service.</p> <p>Going to a three-week cycle would confuse many of the older members of the community you serve. We have difficulty enough with the present system!</p> <p>No problem with a small indoor caddy for the little bit of food that goes to waste.</p> <p>Grey and Brown Bins - Keep up the good work!</p>
6341	Three weekly collection is not enough for green bins. I don't put much food waste in mine but it is still full every 2 weeks.
6342	This is the best option. It is better than spending money on new, smaller green bins.
6343	<p>Terrible idea,</p> <p>Don't have food waste as have a dog</p> <p>We have a disabled person who has pads and convens so bin always full every two weeks 3 weeks is not on who wants pads for 3 weeks</p>
6344	Personally any foodstuffs are eaten by our dog so none are binned and any non edible remains are disposed of by means of food macerators and flushed into the drains. The size of the green 240 l bin should not be replaced as a matter of course but on an ad hoc arrangement when a reduction in size of bin can be chosen if deemed necessary as at present two sizes of bin are available for households so the lorries are capable of emptying both on a single trip. Those who have chosen the smaller bin for a two week cycle may not stretch to a three week cycle so extra expense to replace small bins with larger. The adage " if it aint bust don't fix it" seems appropriate. A full bin of whatever size takes just as long to empty as a half full one so why reduce collections to once every three weeks? the collection wagon will collect more households before needing to visit the depot so using less fuel per day
6345	Not sure I like the idea of a bin collection only every three weeks. I fully support the proposal of having a food recycling bin and a separate bin to contain this.
6346	Not keen on any bin only being collected every three weeks, but food waste recycling good idea.
6347	I'm not keen on the idea of the green bin only getting emptied every third week.Cat litter and nappies will be very smelly after 3 weeks.
6348	I have a small green bin and do not put food in it as i only buy what i need and only cook what is needed! People need to learn not to waste food! 3 weekly bin collection not good for small bin as there could be too much other waste for the bin to cope with on a regular basis!
6349	<p>A ridiculous idea why would anybody wish to house rotten smelling food in their kitchens.</p> <p>The current system means that you empty your household food waste outside and there it remains</p> <p>In closed bags with the bin lid closed so that wasps mice and rats do not treat this as a food bank.</p> <p>Also for most people with small kitchens how are they expected to find extra space within a restricted area also a further hazard for older people.</p> <p>Sorry most people are already fed up with Council and its lack of sensible direction.</p>
6350	prefer to keep the 240l bin emptied every 2 weeks

6351	<p>complete nonsense.</p> <p>I/we pay all taxes as levied by Wirral Borough Council. Part of the levy is for the collection of household waste, meaning that is what we pay for.</p> <p>If you are unable to meet the needs of the Borough of the people i suggest resignation, further i note having collected the tax funding you are obligated to deliver the service and failure to do so could be construed as obtaining money under false pretenses. I am ashamed you representing the people of the borough.</p> <p>if you cannot deliver services then i suggest the option is that of opt out and i will empty my own bins in return for return of taxes</p>
6352	Would be difficult to keep up with green bin collection dates with it being every 3 weeks.
6353	We throw very little food out (though I accept that some people do throw out more than us). We compost all our vegetable peelings/mouldy fruit/egg shells/scraps of paper/used tissues etc. On a purely personal basis we won't have much food to put in a separate bin and would be happy with a three week green bin collection. We work in gardens and I often look in people's bins. I often sort out the bins of my customers and my neighbour.....I don't think people read the rules properly or can't be bothered.....shredded paper in grey bins/ used tissues in grey bins/plant pots and cellophane from the purchase of flowers in brown bins. I have even seen cat litter in a grey bin.....I am sure that you have too! I often wonder if this contamination leads to entire wagon loads being rejected? I think it is impossible to get people to 'obey the rules'....maybe there could be some sort of extra sorting at your depot that would improve recycling rates??
6354	Second choice. I would prefer to maintain a two weekly collection schedule even if this means a smaller green bin.
6355	Option 1 is the better, i seldom fill green bin every 2 weeks plus there will be no need to purchase smaller bins and discard old bigger green ones.
6356	Happy with this. Saves replacing all the current green bins for smaller ones. Most waste is pod related,so good idea for it to be recycled
6357	No to The both option one and two we will have maggots everywhere and it will stink just in the cheap way of solving the problem
6358	Keep it as it is! If any collection should go to every three weeks it should be recycling! Not green! Baby waste and sanitary waste needs removing more than every three weeks! This is a stupid idea yet again! I have a brown bin that's taking up space that now has a Cost attached to it
6359	I think green bins should be kept to save money and not all immediately replaced.....a huge waste of money !!!! That money could be spent elsewhere. I am not keen at all on 3 weekly collections, though i do agree with the need to recycle more. This option is better than option 2. Supermarkets should be encouraged to use less packaging !!
6360	I don't want a food recycling bin as I compost! Prefer this option if we are forced in to a corner which it seems as if we are. Total waste of money.
6361	Collection of food waste every week is better than having it in the green bin for two weeks in the hot weather.
6362	A 3 week collection cycle for the green bin is too long.
6363	i would want to keep the 240l bin. What capacity are the exterior food storage bins?
6364	We waste very little food and do not think it would warrant a separate collection. The 240litre would not have sufficient volume to last 3 weeks even in our household with minimal waste.
6365	We compost much of our food waste so I doubt we throw away anywhere near 30% in the green bin.
6366	Not happy about one as we are very thrifty pensioners and we hardly ever waste much food , as it cost too much to waste.  Would not be happy to wait for 3 weeks to have my Green Bin Emptied.
6367	My 2 bins, have very little food waste in then anyway, but I do sometimes however have up to 3 babies/toddlers in the house for several months at a time, which means a VAST amount of dirty nappies, having them in the bin for an extra week would be unbearable and possibly even more overflowing than I do already, as along with the 3 babies, I have a school child and 4 adults... As for a waste food bin in the house, no intention of having one, my home will stink from the rotted food. Then stale food outside, rotting in a bin in the heat... NO THANKYOU!!!!!!!!!! The flies and other vermin that it will bring will be disgusting...
6368	If the green bin collection drops to once every three weeks, I think the 240 litre bin would be needed as I do not have a lot of food waste yet fill my green bin every fortnight.
6369	I would prefer option 1 simply because there is absolutely nothing wrong with my present green bin. I don't see the point of going to the cost of supplying another bin. I do think having separate bins for food waste is a good idea.

6370	Concerned about maggots etc in kitchen caddy as even with as much care as possible, especially in summer months, this would appear unavoidable. Also from your image it would appear not to have a lid. Would prefer to keep 240 litres bin.
6371	Would prefer option 2
6372	Totally against this. The green bin in summer is a real problem - maggots and flies so 3 weekly collections would increase this problem. Food waste in the green bin isn't the issue its pet waste. Even bagged and then placed into a black bin liner they still end up crawling with maggots.
6373	This was tried before without success. Large accumulations of spent food waste is not desirable due to reasons of hygiene, particularly in summer months.  Something like this was tried before - as i recall it wasn't very popular or successful - what makes this different.  Food waste only takes up a small amount of the volume on the green bins, so less frequent collections are not an answer.
6374	Prefer option 2.
6375	No thanks
6376	My fears about this option is that unless there is some sanction, too many people will not recycle food and that a three week collection will mean more overly filled bins which will attract flies and vermin. Our neighbour never recycles so her green bin is bursting every fortnight. 3 weeks would be very unpleasant
6377	I think it's disgusting having tried this many years ago in west Kirkby it didn't work then and it won't work now ! It will breed more vermin and lead to fly tipping. I'm totally against this idea.
6378	I have experience of food recycling as my daughter has this system and see no problem with it. I would think it would be cheaper to keep the old green bins than replace them, though it might be more complicated to remember to put them out for collection than alternating with the grey.
6379	I agree with food collection waste, but am opposed to 3 weekly collection of green bin..My green bin is totally full when it is collected every two weeks..If we are are changed to a 3 weekly collection of green bin it will increase fly tipping and also involve more trips to a waste diposal depot.  I agree with charging for brown bin as some people do not have gardens and do not need a brown bin...
6380	A 3 weekly service in a 240 litre green bin for a young family would be difficult to manage. I can see people especially the elderly finding it difficult to keep up with all of the different collection timings. The rest of the proposal is fine depending on how practical the food waste system is.
6381	Would you remove the current 240L bins and recycle them or would we be left with even more bins in our drive?
6382	We would prefer two weekly collection to avoid smell
6383	We have 7 people in the household 6 of whom are tax payers. We have 2 of the 240 litre green bins and would therefore need 2 of the 140 litre bins and had a lot of trouble getting the second one emptied. I don't want this hassle again therefore would opt to stay as we are
6384	Using this option would mean a greater waste capacity for the household over a 12 month period. The downside would be remembering a three weekly cycle.
6385	The green bin now is full every 2 weeks and the smells will only get Worse if you change when something why o why councils decide to change it need to cut back on other things first then you will be charging for the liners next you are just jumping on the green energy band.wagon and who is going to carry the food waste container to the road and how are we going to save energy when you have to have more vehicles and more personnel and how do we save energy when you transport waste to WIDNES please look again at your figures
6386	Ridiculous!!!the stench will take us back to the dark ages...what idiot doesnt take in the attraction of rats n mice?
6387	Ridiculous! I do not have room for another bin, either inside or outside the house. I am also pregnant so do not look forward to 3 weekly collections of dirty nappies - entirely unsanitary. My neighbours bins already spill over well before collection day. Waste is often left to the side of the bin and then gets blown into my garden and the rest of the road. Collecting the bins every 3 weeks will exacerbate the issue and indeed neighbourly relations. The number of complaints to the Council about neighbours will increase. Vermin complaints will also rise. Overall a very poorly conceived idea.
6388	Providing that residents actually use the food bins, then 3 weekly collections of other waste will be fine
6389	Preferable option
6390	Not this option please
6391	I prefer option 2, having a pick up of the green bin every 3 weeks is too long, despite having the larger bin. However I am totally in favour of waste food collection.

6392	<p>I hate the thought of waiting 3 weeks for my green bin to be emptied. I recently walked around my area on green bin collection day and every road stunk and it really wasn't pleasant! I understand that you're saying the green bin wouldn't be as full however I have many nappies which would still smell awful after 3 weeks!</p> <p>I used to live in Cheshire where they already do the food bin scheme. Everyone hated having a good waste bin in the house and the liners ran out very quickly and weren't replaced!</p>
6393	<p>I do not want my collection to be three weekly. I feel it is unhygienic and I want my rubbish disposed of quickly and not 'hanging' around. The service is constantly decreasing and at extra cost, public hygiene should not be just for the wealthy. The knock on affect will be dumping at more than one cost to the majority. I am happy with a food bin, not filling my green bin but nevertheless concerned it won't be big enough with another two weeks to wait.</p>
6394	<p>Disagree with food waste collection. Will attract vermin and is yet more work for busy householders.</p> <p>Need green bin every 2 weeks and large bin as a family of 5.</p> <p>Grey bin fine and brown bin fine.</p>
6395	<p>As we do not waste food we would not need a waste bin. We have had rats in the area in the past and regularly have visits from foxes. This idea would increase the problem.</p>
6396	<p>Absolutely ridiculous we are a family of six 3 weeks for our green bin to be emptied full of nappies etc flies everywhere!!!! No thanks</p>
6397	<p>3 weekly to long ..... might encourage vermin and attract flies .</p>
6398	<p>good idea in principle....although presently there are some weeks our green bin is full, to wait an extra week for collection would be problematic, even with the food waste bin taking up some of the slack.</p>
6399	<p>We very seldom have any food waste. We eat what we cook and seldom eat take aways or manufactured food. We compost uncooked vegetables and re-heat what is not eaten on the first meal. We boil bones and carcasses to make stock so again, no waste. We have no need therefore, for a food waste bin. Surely the Council should be targeting people who have poor diets and eat manufactured food which comes with excess packaging, is nutritionally poor and is more expensive for the poorer members of society to buy; in order to reduce waste.</p> <p>And can we not opt in and out? Do we have to have a food waste bin?</p>
6400	<p>We have negligible food waste as all is either eaten, fed to animals or composted. I would much rather be able to recycle more household items and containers at the kerbside. I think the council are taking the easy option of collecting food scraps just to try to reach their targets. These things should have been put in place long ago.</p>
6401	<p>We don't have any food waste whatsoever. If you stopped charging for brown bins people would stop putting garden waste in the green bin, perhaps just charge for 2nd brown bins, that way there would be much more to recycle. It would be better to have a separate collection of newspaper and card which is being contaminated in the grey bin.</p> <p>As for changing the green bin for a smaller one, (what on earth are you going to do with the old ones), some people fill them every two weeks without any food waste.</p> <p>I guess my opinion means nothing as the decision has already been made. I won't require a food bin.</p>
6402	<p>Stop charging for the brown bin, a straw poll of our immediate neighbours shows that only about 50% pay for a brown bin, the rest now use their green bin for garden waste. Have you assessed how much extra green waste you are now sending to landfill due to this misguided policy? I did warn that this would happen when the charge was introduced but the Council knew better and so it has come to pass. Our household doesn't put more than a pint glass full of food waste into the green bin every fortnight, however it is at least 50% full of garden waste due to the policy outlined above and this has been the case since the charge was introduced. Multiply that by the many thousands of others doing the same thing and you have a major issue of your own making.</p> <p>Our green food waste goes in a compost bin via an indoor caddy. We won't be requiring a second one for your collection.</p>
6403	<p>Ridiculous. Not hygienic, a simply cost cutting exercise disguised as recycling development.</p>
6404	<p>I feel, like most people I imagine, that there is very little food waste compared to other general waste as people can't afford to throw money away. My green bin is bursting after 2 wks &amp; having dog waste aswell as waste food containers I have found maggots in my bin on a number of occasions. This risk would increase if it wasn't emptied for another week. If we were able to recycle tetra packs via grey bin this would vastly reduce general waste.</p>

6405	I and my neighbours have no room to store any more bins. The place where I live was designed with bin stores with space for one bin per property. At present we just manage to squeeze three bins into the bin store and the fourth bin needs to be stored at the side of the bin store. I use a wheelchair and, if my neighbours and I need to make room for two food waste containers per bin store as well as our existing bins, then I will not be able to come and go from my property because my way will be blocked by bins stored in the over-capacity bin store. In order to prevent this, the only place to store food waste bins will be on top of the existing bins. Here they will be open to the elements and will very likely blow away whenever the wind gets up. I would prefer developments like mine that have dedicated bin stores to be supplied with fewer large (660l) bins, shared by 2 or 3 neighbours (depending upon household size) that would be collected on the same basis as commercial waste which is, as I understand it, sorted at a dedicated waste sorting/recycling centre. Therefore, I cannot support collection option 1.
6406	Great idea.
6407	Do not like this idea
6408	We would like a better definition of what is meant by "food". Does it include unused food which is past its sell by date and still in its packaging? Considerably less than one third of what goes in our green bin currently is food and we do regularly fill it. If we are honest maybe a small part of it could go in the grey bin instead but we think we would struggle with either option 1 or 2. We would marginally prefer option 2 as we assume it would be possible for us (no doubt at an additional cost) to have a second 140 litre bin if necessary.
6409	We have a small bin, which is not our choice, but was here when we moved into our property. If you wanted to move to three weekly collections you would need to replace small bins for large bins for those that have them. However, I feel a three weekly collection is not a good idea and it will lead to more fly tipping. This will end up costing the council more money and will also make the environment people live in worse.
6410	We are content with either option
6411	We are a family of five who recycle a lot but still struggle with the fortnightly collection of the green bin as it gets very full - having it collected every three weeks with the addition of a food waste bin would not be often enough as we do not waste much food.
6412	Unworkable
6413	This is fine but three weeks for the green bin is a little too long as during summer flies start getting into the bin and bags and start laying their eggs.
6414	Provided the food collections are done weekly I think the 3 week collection for the larger green bin may work, depending on the fact that we know exactly what is to be put into the bins for recycling, and no collections are missed.
6415	Not sure if the changes are really needed, also unsure how the 240 liters would hold out for 3 weeks,
6416	My bin is primarily filled with rabbit litter and hay, along with cat litter and this won't reduce.  I'm happy to recycle any food waste (not much of that) but I would love the rabbit litter to be composted. I do have the space for this. Rabbit litter consists of wood chip litter plus hay and rabbit droppings.  Could this rabbit litter be used in the digester. Basically it's vegetable waste.  A smaller green bin or less often collection would be equally difficult for me.
6417	I would like to keep my current green bin also we compost most of waste and feel that the list of items that cannot go in the grey bin you should find some way to recycle these
6418	I think this may be my preferred option as surely it will mean more expense if you have to give everyone new smaller green bins. Recycling the food waste will involve a lot of training for my family though and I am a bit concerned about the smell from the waste and the fact that it would attract flies and vermin.
6419	I think this is too long to leave a family household I do not use convenience food and have very little food waste. Peelings etc but I don't over cook and leftovers are either frozen or used the next day so I don't want a green bin sitting for three weeks  Also I really don't want a food bin sitting in my kitchen it's aesthetically unpleasant and I won't be storing in my kitchen
6420	I think that a three-weekly collection is not frequent enough so I do not prefer this option.
6421	I object to having to pay £40 per year to recycle my garden waste when other councils do not impose this charge.

6422	<p>I am not clear of the exact meaning of food waste. Do you mean all consumables such as bones?</p> <p>If this option includes all food waste then a three week collection would not be a problem. If not , then there are health concerns during periods of warm weather.</p> <p>I hope the bin for food waste is wheel able to enable ease of movement to the curb.</p> <p>I guess for some the storage of an additional container outside their home would be an issue.</p>
6423	Agree this saves fuel etc too but think too impractical for public to accept
6424	We would prefer to keep the existing green bin,as we are unable to drive to take things to the tip,we need the space that the green bin provides.
6425	This is marginally less objectionable than option 2, don't have much food waste/ goes to dogs/composted/waste disposal unit. Would MUCH prefer status quo. Having green bin only emptied every 3 weeks is questionable from a public hygiene point of view, and what if you miss it due to holiday/forgetfulness?
6426	It's not necessary to keep the larger bin
6427	Id be interested to know what percentage the the brown bin collection recycle waste went down once you had the cheek to make us pay for it. 3 weeks is ridiculous for green bins. I assume council tax will be lowered, as I assume you get paid for recyclable waste by the tonne, going into council coffers? It's not like your giving it away is it!!
6428	I would prefer to keep the larger, 240 litre green bin, to be emptied every 3rd week, and have a weekly food waste collection bin.
6429	I totally understand the need for recycling but, I feel that all that is going to happen, for me personally and for other people, it wil just mean that I go to the local recycling plant more often to get rip of household waste that cannot be contained for 3 weeks in my existing green tin. Currently I am already having to take household rubbish to the dump once a week, if the collection are reduced to every three weeks, I will have to go more often as much of my household waste is prepacked food packaging, cartons, yogurt pots etc. etc. as opposed to food waste. So for me, this new system will not work and increase the amount of times I have to visit the local recycling plant to dump non-recyclable waste.
6430	I think that the food recycling scheme is a good idea but every 3 weeks for the Green bin collection is too long.
6431	I am neutral on this as an option.
6432	<p>Why on earth introduce plastic liners/bags ? Retrograde step to introduce more waste. If they.re not biodegradeable many people wont use them. I will not put food waste into bags.</p> <p>I have virtually no food waste so it will not impact the waste i put out.</p> <p>There is no need to change bins wholesale so keep larger bins. If they need replacing then swap for smaller ones.</p> <p>Are these outside food bins on wheels? There are many people who would struggle if they.re not.</p>
6433	<p>We do not waste food therefore the quantity of food placed in the green bin occupies minimum space.</p> <p>By extending the period to 3 weeks, an overflow situation is likely to occur. Unacceptable.</p> <p>Leave things as they are.</p> <p>.</p>
6434	Three weekly rota will be difficult to keep track of - it's bad enough at the moment with 2 bins one week on different days and 1 in alternate weeks. With an extra bin for food weekly I think we would all go cross-eyed!
6435	<p>This will be confusing, as the green bin will be out of sync with the other bins.</p> <p>And we definitely don't want to see the other bins going to a three-week collection at a later date, as we suspect may happen sooner or later if this option is chosen!</p>
6436	I have a compost and no food goes in the green bin at all. My green bin is still full fortnightly as I have a family of five.
6437	I don't see that we generate a large amount of food waste however others may - as such I personally would like to keep the larger green bin but think 3 weeks is a long time between collections. I appreciate there should be no food waste in it to go off etc however we fill ours presently over two weeks.....
6438	A 3 weekly collection for the green bin will be a nightmare, no one will know when their bin is due, and the bins will smell.
6439	3 weeks is too long! The green bins get full of maggots after 2 weeks, despite fortnightly cleaning.
6440	<p>3 weeks is too long if their are nappies, incontinence waste ect</p> <p>More packaging should be accepted in the grey bin, even if it means new machines ect</p>



6441	We hardly have any food waste; we are very good at using up odds and ends. Our small vegetable recycling bin goes into our compost bin. I don't really fancy the change to three weeks emptying on green bin as we put bagged dog poo in ours.
6442	We do not have much food waste-so more money to pay for new caddy etc (didn't you try this some years ago?)
6443	No objections
6444	I would not collect food waste
6445	I have no room for additional bins in my house.
6446	I have baby's nappies amongst my rubbish, if this is only collected once every three weeks the hygenie/smell etc would be appalling. I am paying a huge amount in council tax and this is not a value for money proposal!
6447	I don't have any food waste . What I don't eat the fog gets, what the dog doesn't want the birds get. So as you see giving me a food waste bin would be a waste of council tax money. Further-more I need my green bin emptying every 2 weeks and a smaller bin would only mean my excess waste would have to go in the grey bin.It sounds to me as though somebody on the council is trying to justify their wages by coming with more hair-brained schemes.
6448	I appreciate the need to increase the volume of recycling, but feel that increasing the grey bin recycling to include plastic trays, yogurt pots etc., would be more productive. I compost all uncooked vegetables and have little food in my green bin. I am reluctant to have yet another unsightly bin outside the house. I also have to take my bin down a long lane to the main road for collection. On occasion the bins are emptied by vandals, if this was to happen to a food bin it could result in vermin. I will have a new smaller bin to recycle every 2 weeks.
6449	I am in favour of option 1 or 2. I never fill my green bin, and have even managed with it emptied after 4 weeks due to holidays.
6450	I am happy to separate the food from waste and use another bin but I am not happy to then let the collections drop for the remaining green bin given I have 2 children under 5 the waste produced isn't going to drop my bins are full to the max as it is sometimes resulting is us doing tip runs to remove excess we can't fit in the bin ! I ask the size of your caddy bin and if it's realistic for a family to use ? I also question the cost of a new bin as I'm guessing it won't be free ! I also question the durability of your lockable units to animals ? I live in a fairly rural area and wouldn't want rats helping them selves !! Why not do a trial run with just the new bin added and no other alterations
6451	How preposterous is this idea. I cannot believe you expect householders to keep smelly food inside the house and if it's stored outside it's going to attract rats and what are this cash strapped council going to do about that !!! This is definitely a backward step to which I strongly object. When will this council ever get anything right.
6452	Do not like this idea of leaving waste for 3 weeks.
6453	3 weeks is too long to leave the green bin as there would still be some food substances (milk for example) in there and also the babies nappies. This would increase smells, attract rodents and flies.
6454	We still have the brown caddy from the previously aborted food waste recycling scheme. Why will this one work when the previous did not?  I am opposed to food waste recycling because it will be unhealthy and risks posing a nuisance.
6455	This seems the better option to me. Less expense (no replacement green bin needed, less bin lorry rounds).  You need to think carefully about food recycling rules because of a lot of it (mouldy fruit, cheese etc. and leftover takeaways) will come with piles of unwanted plastic if you don't spell out the rules.  While on the subject can you make the rules clearer about which types of plastic are recyclable? I used to be a research chemist and even I can't work it out.
6456	The idea of having the food waste bin is excellent and I do believe this will help increase recycling rates. I do have concerns about the green waste bin being collected less than fortnightly. As a home with 2 young children I think that even with use of the food recycling and grey recycling bin our green rubbish bin would be overflowing before the collection.
6457	Stinking food bin in the summer No thought for the old who will have to collect it and put it out. If the council and bin collection people got there act together, you could increase your target considerably. Most other councils allow much more items to be recycled be it tetra packs yogurt cartons paper shreadings. Most of the plastic you refuse has the recycle stamp on it . It's all madness. Any way this rant will be ignored like all other surveys.

6458	<p>On a personal household basis we have very little food waste so I expect it would easily fit into the new kitchen caddy but you give no size/capacity measurements for this . I am sure many people would want to know this if only to decide where they will put it in the kitchen!</p> <p>I have 3 cats therefore I dispose of their cat litter waste (in nappy sacks) in my green bin. I would rather this was emptied fortnightly and assume this would apply also to those people who had children in nappies.</p>
6459	<p>No no no.</p> <p>I do not waste any food.</p> <p>Food waste attracts vermin &amp; foxes even in lockable bins.</p> <p>My next door neighbour had a corner of the green bin eaten by squirrels to get in (it's still here so come &amp; view if you want.</p> <p>Brown bins should be FREE.</p> <p>Council rates far too high without downgrading service.</p>
6460	<p>I am very unhappy with both proposed changes. Collecting the green bin once every three weeks is disgusting, and having to supply new smaller bins to every Wirral resident is a gross misuse of resources. The cost and amount of plastic needed for these new bins is a disgrace. I am strongly opposed to both suggestions. I think you should introduce the new food recycling bins on an optional basis while keeping the existing green bins and existing collection schedule.</p>
6461	<p>I am not keen on the normal bins only being emptied every three weeks. It would also be hard to track bin days with them now being out of sync with one another.</p>
6462	<p>We already compost in our garden; vegetables fruit, tea leaves, egg shells etc and throw very little food away so this will have minimal impact on the volume of our standard green bin waste</p>
6463	<p>Prefer option 1 to 2. No need to change green bin, just collect it less frequently as you propose.</p>
6464	<p>Our food waste could never make the saving you expect !!! Therefore think you need to check if green bin collection has gone up since payment for brown bin was introduced. We are recycling but problem will be with packaging as sure you can't make saving you require with any of these methods.</p>
6465	<p>I have very little food waste, my veg peelings go across the road to my neighbours rabbits and everything else gets eaten. I have far more recycling waste than general waste, although I know this is not the case for the majority of people.</p> <p>Would really rather have a smaller green bin than having a big one emptied every three weeks.</p> <p>Would love a weekly grey bin collection, mine is always too full so I have to put recycling stuff in the green bin.</p>
6466	<p>I don't mind which option.</p>

6467	I believe the present bin collections should continue! The other option means finding space for further containers/bins, inside & outside the home, no doubt at more expense for these new containers! Leave well alone, why fix something if it ain't broke!
6468	Do not have food waste only a few veg that go in compost bin. What about dirty food packaging which goes in green bin? The whole idea sounds like it will encourage more vermin. We holiday in Yorkshire and Cumbria. They're only just improving cardboard and can recycling but still not up to our standards. Why do you have different targets? I suggest you use some of the money you loan to other councils to start a food waste collection but keep the same green bins emptying every fortnight.
6469	I think many people won't comply with food waste ,three week green bin collection bad idea as the smell in the summer months would be unacceptable!
6470	I think a 3 weekly collection would mean our bin would be overflowing by then. It may also smell more.
6471	I hardly throw away any food into my green bin. This means I would still need the large green bin as I am forced to throw into it all packaging from supermarkets. Other authorities will take plastic bags, fruit and vegetable trays and trays that ready meals etc come in. Why can Wirral still not recycle these? If you go on the site for Charnwood Borough Council for example in Leicestershire you will see that we recycle very little here compared to there.
6472	I don't like the idea of food waste especially in summer months but I would want to keep my bin what a waste of tax payers money swooping everyone's bins
6473	I do not like the idea of 3 different collection schedules, if I find it potentially confusing to have a weekly collection for the food waste bin, a fortnightly collection for the recycle and garden waste bins and a three week cycle for the general waste bin then vulnerable adults will probably find it a nightmare. So without a huge amount of publicity and reminders etc I can see thi one causing problems.
6474	I can see the advantage of collecting green bins every three weeks - presumably that reduces bin lorry miles.
6475	Bad idea we need at least fortnightly collected green bins please increase the grey bins to weekly or include other recycling such as papers or other materials
6476	im not happy about another bin due to where do i store it and also my elderly parents will have yet another bin to put out. HOW BIG WILL THE FOOD BIN BE WILL IT BE WHEELIE OR A CARRY ONE?
6477	Won't work
6478	Very concerned about the smell and the risk of vermin for both the food collection and the 3 weekly collection of the green bin. If this goes ahead then the green bin must be collected bi weekly
6479	Ridiculous leave it as it is
6480	Not happy with 3 weekly general waste collection particularly in warmer months. Recycling bin less risk of infestation including from neighbouring properties
6481	If you are collecting the food waste every week why not collect the green bin every week? Oh yes, that would make sense! The bins would smell & it will encourage rats - stupid idea!
6482	I prefer this option
6483	Good idea for families with small children who may not finish their food. Personally there is no food waste. What ever I cook, I eat. If it's out of a tin all that is left is the tin. Horses for courses, not every household is the same
6484	For our household because of having pets we need the green bin emptying more than every 3 weeks. we have very little food waste as it goes down a waste disposal unit in the kitchen. we would not want a separate bin in the kitchen for food waste as this would be very unhygienic.
6485	Concern about other items that would go into the green bin. We have a child in nappies and a dog after 2 weeks our bin smells foul so it would be unbearable at 3 weeks.
6486	Three weeks is a long time between collections for green bin. A very small amount of food goes into green at present. I find the whole exercise quite puzzling.
6487	This option is ok but there may be a risk of bins overflowing with waste if they are not emptied fortnightly.
6488	Think that's the best news ive heard and would like the smaller green bin
6489	Seems a great plan. It forces people to recycle more and avoids spending on new bins. Three-weekly collections seem fine. Food waste has never caused me any hygiene problems since moving to fortnightly collections, but there is a perception that there is a hygiene problem. Weekly food collections would tackle this perception.

6490	I think this option will be fine if we are now recycling food waste as well as grey and brown bins. I don't think we need the expense of changing all bins they can gradually be replaced when new ones needed.
6491	I suggest that the current-sized green bin should be retained as most waste from our household is packaging and pet-waste. We use bin liners and most pet-waste is bagged.
6492	I prefer option 1: This will enable serviceable existing bins to be used; will allow larger items better to fit in the larger bin; and reduce the frequency of collection over option 2 (thus seemingly being the 'greener' option).  Occupants of smaller properties where outside space is at a premium may prefer the smaller bin (and could be given it in any case), though they still must contend with the larger grey bin, so any such argument is not pressing.
6493	I do not have much food waste but the option 2 seems an awful waste of money to purchase smaller green bins for every household- why don't you consider piloting it for a year and check then that we are filling our green bins by 1/3 less over 2 weeks. This must be measured in some way to ensure we can monitor this....
6494	Good as council would't need to buy new small green bins.
6495	3 weeks will make the bins smell like putrid death in summer! Please don't do this.
6496	3 weeks is totally unacceptable for regular bin collections. The smell during summer would be awful with the prospect of increased pest issues.
6497	We have zero food waste, scraps of food are placed in our 2 compost containers and provide good hummus for our raised bed vegetable garden each year. We do not need the new bin. Our existing green bin can be changed to smaller 140 litre as it is rarely full.
6498	Not all of us have room for another bin indoors or outdoors!? three weekly collection would be inappropriate - packaging from food that has gone off would still be in it and even if bagged would smell over a 3 week period - animal waste/nappies etc would still be in the green bin and would again smell over a 3 week period - they do over 2 weeks especially in summer months - many people put garden waste in the green bin so this could be a problem. what is to stop people taking their own food waste to the tip - especially if you have a party!? this would not help recycling!? has the effect on the environment been assessed with more refuse lorries on the roads?
6499	Most people including me won't have anywhere to put an indoor caddy - so it all depends on actual size of "small" lockable food container for outside
6500	I disagree with the idea of having a separate system for Food. I am quite happy with the present system of 3 bins, having to manage with a 4th container-with waste food lying outside for a week just does not feel right
6501	Good option for a family such as ours.
6502	Utterly ridiculous idea
6503	Unhappy about 3 weekly green bin collection but would be happy to see grey bin go to 3 weekly collections.
6504	This sounds like a sensible plan and I would be happy with this service.
6505	I cannot believe the figures quoted for food waste, although I would imagine that the best by and use by dates on food packaging are responsible. The local Coop, recently refused to let me purchase an advocado because it was 2 days past its sell by date, totally ridiculous for fruit and veg. We keep a careful check on all food stored and I cannot imagine the food thrown out exceeds 60p per week!  I do know that people believe frozen food goes off and all fresh veg has to be consumed by the use by date. Perhaps more money could be spent on sending a circular advising about dates etc. and covering the points raised.  We already use a caddy for veg waste, which is fed to the wormery or compost heap.  Three weekly collection is too long even for the 240 litre bin  Already use the Garden Wast subscription Service
6506	Green Bin collection frequency is too low. Greater chance of hygiene issues and insects. Start up cost of distributing new Food Waste Caddy should be low as existing Green Bin does not need to be replaced resulting in one new purchase and distribution sweep.
6507	Don't like this idea at all.

6508	<p>ALLOWANCE SHOULD BE MADE FOR NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN A HOUSEHOLD.</p> <p>UNREASONABLE WE AS A FAMILY OF 4 ADULTS SHOULD HAVE SAME BIN SIZE AS OUR ELDERLY NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOUR WHO LIVES ALONE, PARTICULARLY AS OUR BIGGER HOUSE SIZE MEANS WE ALREADY PAY MUCH HIGHER COUNCIL TAX.</p> <p>WILL SEE LEGAL CHALLENGE TO THIS DECISION.</p>
6509	We think it is a good idea as long as the food bin is taken weekly especially in the summer
6510	We prefer this option. On occasions the larger bin will needed, but will generally be sufficient on a 3 week collection.
6511	<p>The target for waste recycling is due to an EEC regulation wich will no onger be applicable within 2 years or so plus the thermal efficiency of combusting food waste to produce power is ridiculous as far more energy will be consumed in both the long and short term than will ever be recouped from the proposed system.</p> <p>The suggestion to provide indor bins is unacceptable.</p>
6512	Less than half the rubbish is put into our green bin. We already have three large bins to store. This is not a good suggestion.
6513	<p>If the Green bin is only going to be emptied every three weeks it would be necessary to arrange a separate collection for clinical waste, babies nappies, stoma bags etc. etc. It would be a health hazard if these were left hanging around any longer. Also some people would need a larger bin.</p> <p>Surely the next thing we should be re-cycling is mixed plastic and cartons. South Wirral do it, why can't we.</p>
6514	<p>I would never keep 'food waste caddy' on my work surfaces. Disgusting. Imagine in the heat having maggots crawling everywhere. We don't have food waste so would refuse or never use. If pressed to take one, and in the event of having food wastage I would leave outside on top of lockable</p> <p>No problem with proposals on other bins. I don't always put out my green and grey bin so no change for me.</p> <p>Extra cost of kitchen caddies, liners as well as lockable bins causes me some concern. Who will be paying for these?</p>
6515	Having a food waste bin won't reduce the green Bin waste in my household, we will still need a large size green bin as we struggle for space now . Also fly tipping will become a bigger issue of green bin waste collections are reduced.
6516	Green bin every 3 weeks? need every 2 weeks, so will have to go to the tip as will be overflowing
6517	Either is fine with me
6518	We use a waste disposal unit in our kitchen for all food waste and our green bin is still full after two weeks. A 3 week collection will not be good. As the so called food waste bin is only very small and doesn't hold a lot.
6519	Three weeks I feel is too long, two weeks is bad enough. A collection every three weeks would increase problems with vermin etc especially in hotter weather, it would be disgusting!
6520	Prefer option 2
6521	My concern with a three weekly collection is the smell from dog poop bags which already make the bin smell after 2 weeks and attract flies, inspite if them being tied up.
6522	Last time we did the food recycling we got maggots in the bin and the bin smelt . Since then I use a compost bin for veg and fruit waste and have hardly any food waste . Would prefer this option for keeping the green bin
6523	<p>I think this option could be viable in the future, however I think we would need to know more about the size of the food waste collection container that would be outside and exactly what is able to go in it.</p> <p>I would strongly suggest that a 3 / 6 month trial period would be best before the collection of green bins was changed to 3 weekly intervals.</p> <p>Time of year is also important as there is a lot of problems with maggots at this time of year, particularly since the switch from weekly to 2 weekly collections for green bins. I understand that most of the food waste will go into the new container however would the remaining contents in the green bin be clean and be okay left for 3 weeks.</p>
6524	<p>I moved from Chester BECAUSE of their ghastly food recycling bins which were often covered by slugs and snails and ended up as a disgusting mess. I hope the refuse collectors are happy tp cope with this.</p> <p>Why are nthe bins "lockable"? Is there a belief that the contents risk being stolen?</p> <p>I am totally opposed to this project and will take steps to find a way around it by either compacting or a waste disposal unit in my kitchen. I do not want yet ANOTHER bin</p>
6525	I don't agree to the food waste bin at all and think the green bin not being collected for three weeks will cause an awfull lot of overflowing bins

6526	I am in favour of the new scheme...only reservation to option 1 being the risk of missing a collection, hence some items being there for a possible 6 weeks
6527	I am concerned about the aspects of food waste in the kitchen. We did this once before with small brown bins and we never quite found a good place for it. I would be happy with the outside storage providing it is secure. I think I would prefer a smaller, 2 weekly collection.
6528	For our household this is not necessary. We compost nearly all of our food waste and we very very rarely throw food away. We are of the generation that was brought up to never waste food.
6529	Bull
6530	WE DO NOT PRODUCE ANY FOOD WASTE AS WE HAVE TWO DOGS WHICH EAT ANYTHING THAT IS FOOD WASTE.SO GIVING US A FOOD WASTE BIN WILL BE A WASTE, NO PUN INTENDED, OF TIME AND MONEY NOT TO MENTION MY DRIVE SPACE IN HAVING TO STORE A FOURTH BIN !! THE ONLY STUFF THAT GOES INTO MY GREEN BIN IS ALL NONE FOOD WASTE AND AS WE STRUGGLE NOW WITH A TWO WEEK COLLECTION MAKING IT A THREE WEEK COLLECTION IS GOING TO MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO MANAGE. THIS WILL RESULT IN US HAVING TO USE BLACK BIN BAGS FOR THE EXTRA WASTE DUE TO YOU NOT EMPTYING THE GREEN BIN FOR NEARLY A MONTH ! BUT AS THE BIN MEN WILL NOT TAKE ANYTHING, INCLUDING BLACK BIN BAGS, WHICH ARE NOT IN THE BIN WITH THE LID CLOSED HOW ARE WE , OR SHOULD I SAY YOU SUPPOSED TO GET RID OF THEM??? ALSO AS OUR ESTATE IS OVER RUN WITH FOXS ANYTHING LEFT OUTSIDE OF THE BIN IS GOING TO BE RIPPED OPEN BY THEM AND ENCOURAGE THEM EVEN MORE TO COME INTO PEOPLES GARDENS AND ATTACK THEIR PETS, AND ALSO ENCOURAGE RATS AND OTHER RODENTS. THE SOLUTION TO YOUR PROBLEM IS LEAVE THE SIZE OF OUR BINS ALONE, DO NOT ALTER THE COLLECTION PERIODS AND GIVE A FOOD WASTE BIN TO ANYONE WHO ASKS FOR ONE.THIS WILL STOP YOU MAKING LIFE DIFFICULT FOR THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE ON THE WIRRAL WHO ALREADY LIVE EXTREMELY STRESSFULL LIVES THANKS TO AUSTERITY MEASURES.
6531	Ok with the food waste plan but do not agree or would wish to have the green bin emptied 3 weekly. Smelly waste would be particularly noxious after 3 weeks.
6532	I would be happy with option 1.
6533	I only have a small green bin so for this option I would need a 240 litre bin
6534	Happy with this.
6535	Good option. Why spend more money on changing bins and vehicle devices to suit as per Orion 2. However the cost of the brown bin is to high, what are we paying council tax for?
6536	Find something better to do with council money than around with more sodden bins,
6537	There should be no change. When are you going to start listening to the people who pay the rates and your salaries. You keep chopping other devices but persist in apparently having no problems spending our money on unnecessary systems. There is also the health aspect, legal teams will have to be engaged as a separate food collection bin is totally unnecessary figures show that there has already been increases in the rat population, and of course the council no longer have the teams to fight the increased Infestation.And make no mistake if any health problems arose because of this then the council will be taken to court and held responsible. If it ain't broke stop trying to fix it.
6538	The small lockable food waste container will blow away in the strong winds experienced in our exposed location. Green bin emptied every 3 weeks will be difficult when the grandchildren stay as the bin is filled with nappies which are not recyclable. If it is proposed that the smaller 140l bins can be emptied every 2 weeks and that this volume will cover households then there should be no problem in emptying the existing bins, which will have fewer contents, 2 weekly.
6539	The food waste bin will be of very little use to us and a nuisance, as we waste very little food. Moving from a 2 week collection of the green bin to 3 weeks is also an inconvenience. It's highly unlikely we'll even use the food waste bin
6540	Struggling to cope with current fort nightly collection so going to three weeks would be difficult ! Usually end up at tip inbetween !

6541	Proposed food waste system -not nice. Keep it as it is please ie fortnightly for green, brown and gray
6542	No objections to this option.
6543	<p>Issue with storing a receptacle in my kitchen as space already limited, and probably not very aesthetically pleasing. Also, what about people who already compost the majority of their food waste? Couldn't you offer a composting bin in place of the brown bin using the money you would have spent on a slim smaller green bin.</p> <p>I prefer keeping existing green bin, as I don;t see the point in cost to replace this. If we already have a green bin, why replace it costing more money to the council!</p> <p>3 week green collection is ok as long as no smelly rubbish contained within.</p>
6544	Food should not be wasted. Better education to encourage people to reuse leftovers would be a better option. I do not waste food and rarely have anything to throw out - any peelings etc, go into compost.
6545	<p>Agree with food collection.</p> <p>Green bin should be collected every two weeks as three weeks will lead to confusion as to when it should be put out</p> <p>Smaller green bin</p>
6546	Total waste of council taxpayers money. Who wants stinking rotting food anywhere else but in the green bin where it belongs. Option 2 is even more stupid, my green bin is always full. What about bringing back weekly collections?
6547	Ridiculous idea...I totally opposite this
6548	Only emptying the green bin every 3 weeks is unacceptable they will start to smell it could also encourage people to fly tip I don't like the idea of keeping food waste in the kitchen for a week
6549	I would go along with any new suggestion, but my concern would be the people who can't comply to the rules already and would they leave food not bagged properly which would attract vermin, argyle st south is a sight already with bins never mind adding food bins.
6550	<p>I object to this.</p> <p>I do not put food waste in the green bin.</p> <p>If recycling targets are being missed the brown bin collection should be made weekly for either the same cost or for free. Recycling targets are being missed by WBC because residents are being forced to pay for a recycling service that is carried out at an inadequate frequency.</p>
6551	<p>Where do I begin? This council are just a law unto themselves. I'll certainly be voting for someone other than Labour for the first time in my life come the next elections.</p> <p>Where is the option to stay as we are?</p> <p>I won't be using any food waste bin. And I'll also abandon my brown bin and stick the garden waste in the green bin if you want to continue to play with the bin system.</p> <p>And by the way, could you please get someone to let the Council in on the "secret" that we have voted to leave the EU - since she is quoting EU fines if we don't "do something".</p> <p>This council makes my blood boil lately.</p>
6552	We do not generate much food waste and already compost peelings etc
6553	Prefer option 2
6554	Option 1 please
6555	No I do not like this at all. Please retain the present system.

6556	<p>Neither option 1 nor option 2 are better for the HOUSEHOLDER than the system we already have.</p> <p>However, at least food will be collected weekly on both options so that is something of a small advantage.</p> <p>Option 1 will save the council money in that the green bin will be collected only once every three weeks and given that it wont contain any materail that will create smelly rot would seem to be fine and better than option 2</p>
6557	<p>I have no interest in food waste as I compost everything except bones.</p> <p>3 weekly collections maybe OK except if you are away then it's 6 weeks between collections which is not acceptable.</p>
6558	<p>Good</p>
6559	<p>As I do not have much food waste, reasons being that food is too expensive to throw away, I try to budget what food will be eaten over the period of my shopping spree, I hate to see food being thrown away, I would therefore consider the extra bin as not really being beneficial to me whereas my green bin needs to be emptied every two weeks and not three</p>
6560	<p>Would like to leave well alone but if we have to change the option ONE</p>
6561	<p>No problem with this as long as we do not get charged at a later date as we did with the garden waste. Please also allow us to recycle yogurt pots and similar plastic products as they do in other countries. It is confusing to some people and I am forever taking this type of non recyclable plastic out of the grey bin to comply with the current guidelines.</p>
6562	<p>Like this option but as only 1 person lives here, the green bin might be too big.</p>
6563	<p>I don't believe as a family we have enough waste food to warrant reducing the green bin size of the frequency of the collections.</p>
6564	<p>How long will the supply of liners last and will the council continue to provide them?</p>
6565	<p>Food waste in the house brings concerns about getting mice in the house. And rats in the garden due to the smell.</p>
6566	<p>As the green bin is for nappies and sanitary towel I would strongly object to it being collected every 3 weeks. I already feel that it is unhygienic leaving it for 2 weeks. There are lots of plastics and tetra pack cartons etc that this council don't recycle so I would suggest recycling more of these things.</p>
6567	<p>A stupid idea. The food waste only takes up a small % of the volume of the bin and a three weekly collection on the green bins would have them overflowing</p>
6568	<p>i think anything i write would be a waste of my time as your going to do it anyway</p>
6569	<p>We have done this all before still have the small brown bin. Complete waste of money and time. Why are we trying to do this again.</p> <p>How much has this cost to look into this failed once</p>
6570	<p>We don't have waste food in our house , as we are prudent shoppers , also we would nothave space for another bin .</p>
6571	<p>Too much hassle, put it all in a black bag and take it to the tip.</p>
6572	<p>I think three weeks is too long to go between collections. We will also get very confused with one collection being every three, one every two and one every week.</p>
6573	<p>3 weeks too long between collection of green bin.</p>
6574	<p>we do not throw out food, we freeze everything therefore totally against this silly idea. there are two of us and our green bin is nearly always full. collecting this every 3 weeks will mean more fly tipping.</p>
6575	<p>The lockable outside container for food waste seems a reasonable idea.</p> <p>I'm concerned about other waste such as babies' nappies if the bin is only emptied every 3 weeks.</p>
6576	<p>Option 1 is best</p>
6577	<p>Neither option finds favour with me. If the target cannot be met by existing means then change it.</p>
6578	<p>More bins outside the house look very messy</p>
6579	<p>I have no problem with the extra food bin but my green bin is full every two weeks with non food waste. A smaller green bin (2 weeks) or the same size bin collected (3 weeks) are of no use to me.</p> <p>I want the same size bin collected every two weeks with the food bin collected every week. As this fits into neither of your opitions I have no doubt you will ignore it!</p>
6580	<p>I find it irresponsible of the council to suggest these changes when they have no control over the collection of waste at this time.</p>
6581	<p>Hopefully a separate food waste weekly disposal during the summer will be better than what's happening now. As long as the council don't change their minds. Otherwise I suggest that the green bin is collected every week during the summer &amp; every 3/4 weeks during the winter. Therefore eliminating the unhygienic practice currently in use.</p>



6582	Good idea to remove food waste on a weekly basis problems with maggots this summer on hot days and as stated the green bin would not need emptying as often
6583	Food waste recycling caddies are smelly unhygienic things and an outside store disgusting. Moving to 3 weekly is suboptimal but keeping the larger bin is preferable to option 2. I presume you are reducing the council tax accordingly since you are able to offer fortnightly bin collection under option 2 at no extra charge.
6584	Collecting any bin every THREE weeks is simply not acceptable. Collections should be weekly or fortnightly at worst.
6585	We don't actually put any food waste in bin. All veg goes in compost anything else goes to the dog. We only have a small green bin anyway. No change for us. Here's an idea why not get supermarkets and large companies to get their act together and you would reach the target easily? ???,?
6586	This is fine.
6587	Sorry can't agree with this. Where are we supposed to store your extra bins, and to have food waste in the kitchen can't be healthy and again where are we supposed to put it as it will end up a HSE trip hazard.
6588	Prefer option 1 as allows for one off clear outs.
6589	Only concern is will 3 weeks be enough before bin is full? And what if bin becomes full. Will you remove bin bags placed next to bin?
6590	I would prefer to have a smaller green bin and keep the fortnightly collection as it is easier to remember the routine if all bins (green/grey/brown)are collected on a two or four week cycle.
6591	40,000 brown bin subscribers c£1,500,000 more than the cost to operate per your leaflet re the introduction proposal where 30,000 were required to break even so c£400,000 PROFIT for the council - where's that going, why increase the cost !?
6592	I don't need a 240 litre green bin as my volume of general waste is low
6593	3 week cycle is too long for green bin.  Better information about what can & can't be placed in each type of bin is necessary. Many items placed in grey bins actually cannot be recycled.
6594	3weeks is too long to keep contaminated packaging(blood from meat etc) Also nappies,dog poo bags and sanitary items would get highly offensive.
6595	I don't want a food slop bin I had enough of that disgusting. Bin in London and it was putrid Don't bother to give my home a slops bin as I refuse to use it
6596	I do not want to change but this is my preferred option.
6597	Absolutely disgusted with this new proposal, i need a fortnightly collection for green bins, why can't you leave things alone and just add the food bin, the council are a disgrace
6598	Ridiculous, can't think of anything worse. We have a small baby and the last thing I want is a bin full of dirty nappies - 3 weeks worth!
6599	No comment
6600	It's becoming bin city - were are we going to find room for all the bins that will eventually come on line in the future. It's becoming a full time job as it is.
6601	Have enough blue bottles and flies around the bin in the hot weather without waste being left for 3 weeks. Plus, as there are no dog poo bins around here, it all goes in our bin, again, being left in there for three weeks. Very unpleasant. Already have to pay the extra for the brown bin. Not happy about that.
6602	Green bins only being emptied every three weeks is too long. I currently have to frequently take house hold rubbish to the tip already which will get worse with every three weeks collection. Also, the council have tried once recycling food waste and stopped it?
6603	Don't want my green bin collected every 3 weeks - this is just a cost cutting exercise dressed up to look environmentally friendly- let's cut councillors instead
6604	We are careful not to waste food and so do 'our bit' on this at source - we certainly do not have anything like 1/3 of our green bin waste as food scraps.  I also am very much against being forced to have a council supplied 'caddy' (bin) lying round in my kitchen - I have just spent a fortune to have my kitchen replaced which includes hidden bins.  This move by the council is a joke and nothing more than an excuse to collect the bins less frequently. I will most likely continue to put the few bits of food waste I have in the green bin - along with your 'caddy'.

6605	This works for me but not all non recyclable waste will manage 3 weeks uncollected. Households with nappies will create a health hazard particularly in summer months.
6606	This is the lesser of the evils but am still totally against this
6607	The food recycling doesn't work and will only serve to attract rodents - as has happened in other places around the country. We are not in favour of this option
6608	I think this is a good option and would strongly support. Without food waste going into the green bin, it should largely be residue plastics and as such will not smell over a three week period.
6609	I do not like the idea of a food waste bin at all, i will not be using it.
6610	3 weeks is too long for waste to sit rotting.
6611	The green bin collection should never be more than 2 weekly. I already have a smaller bin and there would be little difference if food was separate, I don't have a cat but I have to clean cat muck from my garden daily. The thought of having it in a bin for 3 weeks especially in summer. You also need to increase what can be recycled eg Tetra Pak, yoghurt, ice cream cartons to be re-cycled
6612	Don't agree .another labour bad idea!!
6613	As I compost a large amount of veg peelings etc I don't think I would have much food waste
6614	Terrible
6615	We have very little food waste(there are only two of us). However we bag all our green bin rubbish and by the end of two weeks the green bin is often full. To add a further week would be totally impractical, it would lead to trips to the tip.
6616	Absolutely NOT a real option. Ditch it. It is stupid,  The Council just inflict continuous misery on residents. Green bin to be emptied EVERY WEEK.
6617	I want to keep the large bin, which I paid £38 to the council for, and still have 2 weekly collection. I realize that whatever WE, the public, decide that the food caddy will be brought in anyway. I live in a ground floor flat and all of these bins are kept under my window because I have nowhere else for them to go. I'm lucky the people who live above me do not have any space to keep theirs. I cannot see why the bigger bin cannot be emptied fortnightly, this idea is just something dreamt up by a pen pusher. I will fully expect a refund should the smaller bin be brought in. I also want to complain about the "roadshow", I did to go the one in Heswall, I only knew about it because I saw it on Wirral Newsbeat. I think that it should of been advertised much better than this, not everyone uses a computer. I work with elderly and virtually none of them have a PC, my parents included, how are they supposed to find out about these things. this should of been put in the local paper and not gone ahead, until better advertised for all. Very shoddy, until they want the grey vote come election time.
6618	Three weeks is too long - potential unwanted smells especially during warmer weather. Thinking dog and cat poo!
6619	No to a 3 weekly collection. It is a health hazard
6620	Option 1 is the option that i would prefer.
6621	The food waste idea is a good one and I will support that. The green bin every three weeks is a ridiculous idea, every two weeks is bad enough.
6622	Wirral Council scrapped the original food waste recycling scheme. Why do you now think you can make it work?  Does it matter how big the green bin is if you empty it regularly? Fortnightly emptying is a must - 3 weeks isn't workable for the average family. We don't have much food waste, recycle everything that can possibly be recycled and still our green bin is 3/4 full. Another week and it would be overflowing.  Having people pay to recycle garden waste simply results in the waste not being recycled at all.  I don't think any of these proposals will reduce waste - you need to educate the people not punish them. You need to encourage manufacturers to product more recyclable packaging not punish the residents because they can't recycle it.
6623	Least preferred option. 1) 3 weekly cycle is harder to remember and therefore easier to miss - means personally I would have to note in diary etc etc. On a wider scale then it could mean more fly tipping. 2) Also, having another waste receptacle with the current size bin is more to store - more space taken up by bins

6624	I do not want a bin in my kitchen for a 2 week period, particularly when some of the meals prepared contain garlic, or are curry based. There is nothing wrong with the current system other than people not observing the necessary segregation rules. It would be money better spent on educating people to recycle correctly.
6625	3 weeks far too long. Keep to 2 weeks with food collection also but a lot of people like me dont require this. proposed collection which in any case where food is involved even weekly collections are not enough for the residents who may use the bin and have surplus food.
6626	I do not want to have a caddy in my kitchen for food waste. I already have two bins in my kitchen, one for cardboard, bottles etc and one to go in the green bin. I recently bought these to fit in the small space I have in the kitchen and I do not want to have to buy different ones again to fit all three in my small kitchen. I do not have room for a further bin.  I also do not want to receive a monthly Council newsletter which is a waste of resources. I would rather this money be used to save jobs and maintain or improve the salary grades of current Council staff. This newspaper will go straight in the bin as I never read newspapers. We are in a digital age now and I read all 'newspapers' and publications online.
6627	I think every three weeks is insufficient for the green bin to be collected and I would be concerned that the rubbish would begin to smell after this length of time.
6628	Re: Food recycling collection. I do not think this has been thoroughly thought through. In my case I have an elderly parent living with me who uses pads. I have a second 'green' bin solely for pads, which is full at the end of two weeks. Similarly, my father on certain days does not finish his meal which in turn obviously creates more waste. Therefore the proposal to reduce the size of bins or introducing three week collections is unhygienic and unworkable.
6629	should have our green bin cleaned weekly. Think it's ridiculous that you'd even think about making it a three week collection.
6630	Ridiculous
6631	I live in a block of 10 flats and we do not have space for the caddy never mind the lockable container or the 240 litre bin.
6632	Would prefer option 1 where green bin is collected every 3 weeks
6633	Food waste bin(s) - outside lockable - why? is it to stop hungry people stealing my cold sausages? Small ? as in size of a small elephant small? or small car? or small child?  Would prefer to keep my 240litre green bin - so that I can dispose of my garden clippings....  Brown Bin - didn't anyone think that the introduction of the charge would mean that garden waste that can be recycled would end up in Green Bins, going to landfill?  Why are we only being consulted on two options?
6634	Our Green bin only gets half full anyway so I wouldn't choose this option. However many houses in our area of Rock Ferry do not have a grey bins - they have been taken by previous residents of house or filled with non recyclables and took away- so when we put our green bin out in the entry we end up adding bags from overfull bins. Could you do more to leaflet houses to remind about what can be recycled and also how to get a grey bin?
6635	I fail to see the need to alter the current arrangement. If money is to be saved stop the Bank Holiday collections which I understand BIFFA staff are paid 5 times the hourly rate , allegedly. Further more surely it will cost thousands to replace the bins with the new stuff. This is just a case of following other councils without any original thought.
6636	The main waste in my green bin apart from food are nappies... 3 weeks of dirty nappies is unrealistic. I use nappy bags but the smell would still be unbearable.
6637	Unacceptable, I am not going to use this food bin. I think collecting rubbish including items like nappies, sanitary towels, cat litter etc etc every 3 weeks if obnoxious and should not be countenanced. Is bound to increase fly tipping in alleyways etc. There are enough problems in humid weather with 2 weekly collection never mind 3 weekly. Is a stupid ideal
6638	Three weeks is too long. We are a family of five three of which are 19, 16 and 14. We produce very little food waste the volume of which naturally takes very little space and currently our green bin is basically full after two weeks. All that would happen is increased trips to Clatterbridge HWRC. I find it very frustrating that we as a family of five are expected to manage with the same size bins as 2 people. Could the size of the bins not be determined on occupancy?

6639	<p>I've already changed my green bin for a smaller one due to the difficulty in wheeling the larger one on my gravel pathway - the wheels of the larger one are wider than the paving stones. I have very little food waste but my (smaller) bin is usually full after two weeks. Reverting back to the larger bin is not an option - otherwise I'd have kept it in the first place.</p> <p>I have no spare space in my kitchen for another separate food container and virtually no space outside for the larger one as I already have three bins outside.</p> <p>I live in a very windy location - The relatively heavy green, brown and grey bins blow over even when full. The tiny and light food bin would be blown half way down the road or across a main road. I take no responsibility for its "safety" or for any collateral damage caused by it blowing into traffic.</p> <p>Therefore, I reject this option for these reasons.</p>
6640	<p>I like the food caddy but 3 weeks of the green bin to collect, I believe is wrong. It will be infected with insects and make the bin very smelly, as some packaging cannot be recycled.</p>
6641	<p>It is a disgusting idea to encourage people to store waste food in this manner. It could encourage vermin. Buying less food, stopping wasting it and recycling should be encouraged. Any forced or inconvenient changes to waste management on the Wirral simply means that more rubbish is fly-tipped or thrown on to the beaches or up side and back alleyways. Such is the mentality of many residents here.</p> <p>We already pay for the grey and green bins to be emptied through Council tax. Brown gardening bins usually pertain to people who live in houses large enough to have gardens, and therefore possibly have more money to pay for this extra service. Although I do not know of another council who charges to empty gardening bins.</p>
6642	<p>This seems a good option particularly as I have animals which need cleaning. My green bin is therefore always full.</p> <p>It also saves money by not having to change existing bins.</p>
6643	<p>We Do NOT WANT any more bins. All you see while driving round Wallasey is BINS. As for having a bin in my kitchen No Thank you.</p>
6644	<p>This idea would save alot of money</p> <p>Why not just have updated machinery to recycle more goods ?</p> <p>Make brown bin service free ?</p> <p>Always for money never for the public</p>
6645	<p>This involves not having to provide the whole of wallasey with a new bin, surely better for the environment. On 10l/week difference anyway.</p>
6646	<p>This option would be okay but I'm not sure whether removing the food waste would provide enough room in the green bin to go an extra week without collection.</p>
6647	<p>Green bin collection every 3 weeks wouldn't work for us</p>
6648	<p>The proposal to introduce a food caddy is not new. Caddies were given out to everyone when wheelies where introduced. The idea fell flat on its face and tax payers money wasted on thousands of caddies. It did not work then what makes the council think it will work again.</p> <p>Three weekly collection will still result in maggots and fly infestation as a large part of that waste is food packaging with remnants of blood and smells of food. If the council suggest washing packaging they should think about people who are on water meters.</p>
6649	<p>I don't have a lot of food waste but food cartons that can not go in the grey recycling bin.</p> <p>My green bin is overflowing at the end of 2 weeks and it is ridiculous that I should wait 3 weeks for it to be emptied.</p> <p>When you have a house full of adults that eat at different times and a baby in nappies it will be terrible to wait 3 weeks</p>

6650	<p>I had a small food caddy last time the council thought this was a good idea and i returned home to find my kitchen floor covered in maggots which came from this.</p> <p>A three week collection might be ok for up to three people but for four or more this is totally impractical. We will find there are overflowing bins and irresponsible people will dump their extra waste causing extra litter an unsightly mess and increased vermin. The council do not have the money or manpower to clean as it is and this saving on bins would be false economy.</p>
6651	<p>Three weeks is far to long between collections for the green bin-it will be overflowing with non recyclables and non food waste long before three weeks elapses. This will be inconvenient for all but single people and discriminatory against people with families.</p> <p>Grey bin is fine-but more work needed to tackle packaging industry continued use of non recyclable materials</p> <p>Brown bin charge has proven to been counter productive to Wirral's recycling rates and despite 40000 people paying the surcharge we now cannot meet our targets and are having this scheme inflicted upon us</p>
6652	<p>I do not like this option. I do not believe we waste the amount of food you state. Please clarify if 50% recycling or 16000 tonne reduction is the target.</p>
6653	<p>Good idea but feel that 3 weekly collection is too long as this bin will be used for non -recyclable waste egg nappies cat litter etc which.is not hygienic to be left for that length of time especially in the warmer months. A reduction in Brown bin fees would be welcomed.</p>
6654	<p>I disagree with a food recycling scheme which is being brought in by stealth. I have insufficient space in which to store an additional bin and so will expect a resultant decrease in council tax charges, especially as the food waste turned into fuel and soil improver would bring a financial benefit to Wirral Council.</p> <p>As Option 1 retains the current bin and an "allowance" of 80 litres per week, this is my preferred choice, although this is not a realistic choice.</p> <p>In addition, I would happily pay a £35 per year charge for collection of garden waste, if it were not for the charge for a brown bin being levied also. I will continue to use landfill waste for my garden waste until this approach changes.</p>
6655	<p>This option is a good one it's just that with the green bin emptied every three weeks one of the weeks will fall the same as the Gray bin</p>
6656	<p>A food waste bin is an excellent idea. However for households like ours who have very little food waste (teabags and egg shells are the only items that spring to mind) it will do little to reduce our general waste. We are a family of five and fill our green bin every two weeks and this would be unlikely to reduce enough to allow for collection every three weeks.</p> <p>There are however items that could be moved from the green bin to recycling if improvements were made to the authorities recycling capacity. This would include the recycling of yogurt pots, fruit juice cartons and aerosol prays such as deodorant. These items should not be going into landfill and other authorities recycle yogurt pots and juice cartons.</p> <p>This option is a definite no - more needs to be done to recycle other aspects of general waste.</p>
6657	<p>This option would not help in my situation. I waste very little food as I have a dog , I recycle everything I possibly can and I pay for the brown bin . What I cannot cut down on are my disabled husbands incontinence pads which at 3 per day adds up to 21 per week and 24 after 2 weeks . These alone almost fill my green bin . I could not last 3 Weeks with the bin we have now .nor could I manage for two weeks with a smaller bin. I would have to resort to putting them in the public bins which would be most unhygienic. I am not alone in this situation . What are your thoughts ?</p>
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6659	<p>Collection of green bins 3 weekly is disgusting. What are people supposed to do with nappies or other personal hygiene products? 3 weeks worth is simply wrong and cannot be reduced.</p>
6660	<p>More of an attraction for pests, more hassle for residents. We already have to make extra trips to the tip for household waste with two weekly collections</p>

6661	<p>I am disgusted &amp; totally object to this proposal. Our green bin is full within 2 weeks &amp; we already recycle our food waste as we have a composter. In fact in the warmer weather when the prospect of flies &amp; maggot infestation increases, they should be emptied weekly.</p> <p>There is also the food packaging that is not classed as recyclable for the grey bin e.g. from raw meat &amp; fish goes in the green bin &amp; would contribute to the smell &amp; potential for attack by foxes, rats, mice etc. Also we have a dog, so although we bag it's poo I don't want 3 weeks worth sat in the bin.</p> <p>In summary, do not agree with either option &amp; rather than householders just being given additional responsibility, we would like to see a more collaborative approach (council - recycling processes/manufacturers/suppliers/householders).</p>
6662	<p>Has the introduction of food recycling been costed and, if so, where are the figures? That is, what if there is 0% uptake compared to 100%?</p> <p>Has the Council considered the environmental aspects of 3-weekly collections, specifically in the summer? What about increased fly-tipping (evidence please, to justify that this whole move has been thoroughly investigated).</p> <p>What is to stop people placing non-food waste in the food bins?</p>
6663	3 weeks is a long time if you have nappies, sanitary products or Doggie foul bags in the bin
6664	Our household needs the larger bin however I am concerned about the three week collection particularly in the summer months due to flies and vermin .
6665	Of the two options this is preferable - but (by way of example) we are a family with two small children. We routinely have too much waste, not because we are frugal but this is the reality of nappies (mainly), packaging etc. I would suggest that much higher than two thirds of our waste is non-food.
6666	<p>Every three weeks for green bin collection?</p> <p>Families with children in nappies need that bin empty especially when you have two under two in nappies!</p> <p>With a collection every three weeks the streets are going to be messier and they will stink from the green bins</p>
6667	<p>Do not agree. Big enough problem with RATS in Birkenhead ,especially Oxton. Any possibility of propose system giving extra sustenance to Rats is not acceptable.</p> <p>As I walk around the area ,It is obvious that 240 litres is best for most households ,so leaving them for 3 weeks ineffect means bins that are already correct ,will have to hold 33 percent more? If already full after 2 weeks ,where does the extra go?</p>
6668	I'm signing this petition because I do not have any food waste, In my house there is no waste food Waste... Love Food Hate Waste, as WBC recycling moto is! My tea bags, egg shells etc goes in my compost bin any thing else (if any) goes in my Dog!
6669	<p>I do not want another bin to keep inside of outside my home. Smelly in the summer attracting flies and vermin. what about dog waste being left in bins for 3 weeks? Disgusting!!!!</p> <p>Are the bin liners recycable? What happens, when you have used them all? I want green bin size and collection to stay as it is..</p>
6670	<p>I don't have the room in my kitchen for anything else on my worktops and I &lt;1% food waste per month.</p> <p>With regard to the food waste container, I would assume that the liners are 100% biodegradable?</p> <p>Even though there are times when I don't need to put out my green bin every two weeks, I am happy with the current size as there are times when I do need the extra capacity.</p>
6671	completely unhygenic - what is the cost saving in reality here - including withdrawal of bins and repalcement with new ones. In Europe the local councils can manage with daily collection. I see no correlation between the need to achieve a ' target' and the reduction in collection. If you could publish some financial benefit to the Council and ultimately to the Householder I would be very surprised.
6672	Prefer option 2
6673	I do not think this option is viable
6674	Larger bins do not mean, of necessity, that the collection cycle need be 3 weeks. There are somethings that would be awful to leave there that long especially in hot weather.... nappies, dog excrement.... 2 weeks is quite long enough.
6675	Sounds sensible to me.
6676	<p>Agree with proposal for food waste.</p> <p>Strongly disagree with proposal for three week collection. The likes of disposable nappies cannot be left around for three weeks before they are collected. Whatever one might think about the 'green issues' surrounding disposable nappies they are a reality in today's world and proper provision must be made for their collection. Failure to do so would be a public health issue.</p>
6677	I think this would be just a waste of time. There are so many people who only use the green bins and they put everything in it and do not recycle at all.

6678	I'm all for recycling food. I strongly disagree with 3 weekly collection for current green bin. Not acceptable at all!
6679	<p>1. indoor caddy - my kitchen along with many other Wirral residents, is very small, so it would be interesting if the council could advise where I can find space for said 'caddy'. How will households obtain a replenished stock of liners?</p> <p>2. Green bin every three weeks appears to be cost saving on the council's part. During the summer months, the smell of some overflowing bins after 2 weeks is somewhat difficult to bare when walking past. People have reported problems with maggots even with the current 2 week colleaction, this problem would increase considerably with 3 weekly collections. Have families with 5+ hoousehold members been consdiered? They already find it difficult with 2 weekly collections with such a large household.</p> <p>3. One third of green bin weight is food - Where did the council 'obtain' these figures from? This is no where near an accurate figure for my waste. Having had some disussions with others, this doesn't appear accurate for them either??</p> <p>4. Brown bin - there is now a charge for this service, will the food caddy end up the same?</p>
6680	For myself as a single occupant of the property it would make no difference. I very much doubt I would have food waste to put out weekly as I have a garden and four compost bins, it is very rare that I have any food waste other than compostable waste ie peelings, banana skins, apple cores. Look at neighbours with families their current green bin is full after two weeks, obviously I don't know how much of the waste in there is food waste but would suggest most families would struggle with a three weekly collection.
6681	i fill my green bin every 2 weeks at 3 weeks i would have to fill black bags about 10 per cent of this is food i have maggots now after 1 week so what would it be like after 3 weeks black bags everywhere smaller bins are not an option
6682	I prefer this option and it would seem more efficient to keep the existing bin, rather than have the cost of replacement with a smaller 140 litre bin.
6683	i would like to stick with option 1, once a fortnight is fine for us.
6684	With food waste collected weekly I think the general waste left could be collected every three weeks, retaining current sized green bins would be beneficial to those who currently do not have huge quantities of food waste.
6685	Plastics not able to be recycled at the moment need addressing this forms a large part of my household waste. NOT FOOD. 3weekly collection would result in very smelly bins especially for those with small children and people who have medical waste. To up the recycling percentage you need to change to a firm that can cope with all the plastic that we dispose of in the household waste.
6686	No good ,make brown bin free again !!!
6687	I do not feel this is a suitable option. We are a large family that recycles very well already. We rarely have any food scraps as we use everything. We still continue to have a full green bin every fortnight.
6688	<p>We hardly throw any food away, so just wouldn't use food waste bins. How much would all this cost Council Tax payers? Seems like a absolute waste of money.</p> <p>The main reason too much is being put in the green bins and isn't being recycled, is because the Council started charging for garden recycling bins. People stopped using them and shove it all in the green bins! Stop the charge. Also, why is there no collection for 6 weeks over the Christmas period?</p> <p>Also, we have cats. Do you really think it is acceptable to leave cat litter in a bin for 3 weeks, especially in Summer? What do Environmental Health think of this idea?</p>
6689	collection every 3 weeks, more people will forget to put out for collection
6690	As always Inadequate option
6691	<p>Food waste makes up very little of my waste as I have a very hungry dog who eats all the scraps.</p> <p>The idea of changing the size of the bin or moving the collection is ridiculous.</p> <p>It's bad enough as it is every two weeks.</p> <p>My bins are already full at that point, by three weeks I would need to pay someone for a tip run and that just isn't an affordable option.</p>
6692	There are 3 adults in our family plus 2 house cats. Our green bin is full to the brim every two weeks and most of this is cat litter. Would not be able to cope with collection every three weeks and also concerned about the smell.

6693	<p>This option is probably the better of the two as it does give a larger amount of waste storage (average of 80 litres per week as opposed to 70 litres a week with smaller bin collected fortnightly) and the items left in there shouldn't cause any flies/maggots problems - not that I have ever had any!</p> <p>My concern is that I already compost all our leftover fruit / veg &amp; peelings, grass clippings &amp; garden waste etc in our compost bin in the garden and we very rarely have a significant amount of leftover food from meals so I don't feel I will contribute much to this BUT will still have the problem of a reduced size green bin. I am a diligent recycler (even making the effort to remove the "windows" from envelopes) and the bin sizes &amp; collections at the moment fit our use perfectly - though I still cannot understand why we are unable to recycle the pure juice cartons which declare themselves to be recyclable?!?</p>
6694	<p>How many bin liners are given for food waste? How do you get more and is there a cost involved? Our food waste is very small. Fruit cores and skins plus tea bags - that's it.</p> <p>We throw out much more in plastic that can't be recycled such as yogurt pots and microwave plastic. Making this happen would be so much better for us. All this plastic is currently going in to the grey bin, as we have no option, and you want to shrink the bin or make it 3 weekly?</p>
6695	I am happy with either of these 2 options.
6696	I worry about bins not being collected for 3 weeks when households have small children still in nappies.
6697	<p>How many liners would be provided?</p> <p>How much would they cost and where can you get them from?</p> <p>I believe that this would be a cost to the household so how would people on low incomes manage?</p>
6698	<p>Move to 3 weeks collection and retain the larger 240 bin....</p> <p>All food waste is bagged currently anyway... we do not waste anywhere near £60 per month !!!!</p>
6699	We are surprised that a third is food waste. In our household is definitely not high. The bulk of our green bin waste is packaging that is not recyclable e.g. Food containers like dairy and meat products as these cannot be out in the grey bin unless they are clean. If you introduce the new model you will need to change rules for the grey bin usage.
6700	A green bin collection every three weeks would be adequate for me personally but I would have concerns for families who use a lot of disposable nappies / sanitary products.
6701	<p>What happens if you have more food waste than can fit into the blue bin - can food be put in the green bin without any penalty - ie the bin not being emptied by the council bin collectors?</p> <p>If the recycling targets are met will the cost of the brown bin be reduced as a reward/incentive?</p> <p>I do not want a food waste bin in my house due to space and am not keen on one outside either. What happens if your food waste bin is not collected due to error on the householders or bin collectors part?</p>
6702	<p>Packets which have had raw meat in will surely stink the bins out.</p> <p>Also people who have their bins in alleyways will attract more pests such as rats</p>
6703	<p>The caddy has been tried before and whilst it works in certain areas of the Wirral others areas recycling is not a priority. This is where the council needs to focus its efforts.</p> <p>How are the residential homes going to do this?</p> <p>Try looking at other council dept and services and their recycling.</p>
6704	<p>Surely if the collection date cycle changes then every 6 weeks all 3 bins would be on the pavement for collection this would congest the pavements as they take up so much room.</p> <p>Not practical and will cost more see below at option 2 for additional comment to the whole of the scheme.</p> <p>What happens when there are Bank Holidays and no collections has this been considered?</p>
6705	2 weeks is often too long for the green bin, never mind three! Also I would not use the food service as I have very little food waste and limited space outside and in the kitchen
6706	Neither option. I'm all for more recycling, but its hard when your council don't allow alot of recyclable products! Like the majority of meat and food packaging! Were a family of 4 with 3 pets and our own compost bin and next to.no food waste. My green bin which we have multiple allowance are full by 2 weeks with nappies and pet waste plus tonnes of plastic packaging YOU wont recycle. Stop blaming your residents and look at your own mistakes.



6707	I hardly waste any food so this would not work for my household, i object to both proposal and will be seeing my MP about this, we will have a modern plague with rubbish strewn make the packaging more recyclable on products and we would have less to send to landfill.
6708	I feel that the council are taking the easy way out. The problems being the people of Wallasey who cannot be bothered to recycle properly and put half eaten pizza's in the box and fizzy drinks bottles still with some drink left in them in the recycling bin and have done ever since the recycling started. The council should have bin wardens giving people warnings and fine them if they do not comply. I feel that the cost to replace all the bins is a gross waste of taxpayers money and could be better spent.
6709	At present my husband has to take our "green bin" bags to the local skip once a week - in between collections - in the summer due to the smell and risk of flies / maggots, smaller bins and 3 week collections will do nothing to improve this, I live in a terraced house and already have to drag my recycling bin through my house due to lack of space in my garden, I do not want another bin of any description located on my property, especially a food only one that would stink to high heaven in the summer months. Not all people are going to "lock" this food bin in the same way as they leave bins out on the streets and rubbish overflowing from them, this is a very poor idea from Wirral council and does not take into account small terraced houses and the lack of space we already have. I have NOWHERE to place this food bin !! My current green bin sits under my front room window (means I can not have my front room windows open) and my grey bin in the back yard, do you want to take away the tiny amount of space I have left too?
6710	I do not support this option. I am a family of 3 with pets and currently fill my green bin fortnightly without fail. I do not particularly have alot of food waste, therefore I am concerned that my bin will continually be overflowing, which they will not collect either and attract vermin!...  There are few things that residents are passionate about and collection of bins is one of them.
6711	Collection of green bin every three weeks is a stupid suggestion as most green bins are full after two weeks this will lead to an increase in fly tipping, vermin and disease.
6712	i dont like the idea of the green bin being collected every 3 weeks  also not sure about this lockable container outside. how big will it be, will it be a permanant fixture unlike current bins which you bring in and out. will they be an eye sore  how solid is this container. can they be attacked by foxes, etc
6713	Rejected. I already recycle all my rubbish plus we also use the local recycle centre, my bins are always full. Perhaps scrapping the charge for brown bins would encourage people to use these again.
6714	A three week collection would be detrimental to health and hygiene. Every year through out the summer months we are plagued by maggots, due to flies laying eggs un-emptied bins. We have 4 adults living in our home(including) my elderly father together with my teenage son. As you can imagine we produce a lot of waste, I am all with recycling but this cannot be at the expense of health and hygiene.  Public safety must be paramount and I feel the cost saving of such a scheme would be outweighed by people like myself who would be calling on the council to deal with pest infestations especially if it was caused by the council not fulfilling their duties to provide a ADEQUATE waste disposal service.

6715	<p>Perhaps some form of direct letter and leaflet for each household on this consultation will be a start - many people will have this 'done' to them as you neglect to see how many in this borough have digital or internet access of any form. This is very poor.</p> <p>Out of the two options - of which i consider you have restricted the choice artificially - this is the least damaging option. It will also result in unnecessary costs associated with the collection and recycling of the current green bin estate and the costs of providing new bins.</p> <p>Maybe you should also consider the needs of families two, as part of a two person household at present but looking to move in with my partner and start a family in due course, you seem to forget how much waste is generated by a family of four, and whilst recycling is welcomed the food waste bin is too small. Also public health issues as i dont see any evidence this is airtight to prevent bacterial growth which represents a hazard in summer months.</p> <p>You also propose liners for the new food waste bins - these should be provided free indefinitely and not as a one-off supply which will run out. This is an additional cost.</p> <p>If you wish to encourage garden waste recycling, halve the cost of this. It is ridiculous and i am sorry but people will not pay an additional stealth tax of this order when already penalised through Council Tax for having houses with gardens.</p>
6716	Easier to roll out, more complex calender
6717	Three weekly colelctoins would have a negative impact on residents with nappies wouldn't as the odours would build up over three weeks as opposed to two. Also the calandar for colelctions would become a bit complicated and would elderley residents cope with these changes?
6718	I would not be happy with my green bin being collected every 3 weeks. We bag all of our waste in thick bags and we also pay someone to clean our bin every month but in the summer we have still had maggots around our bin area.
6719	The £37 replacement cost of a bin shouldn't apply to an "old" bin which has failed due to it's age. If this option is agreed by Council a time limit of say 10 years should apply to the replacement cost after which a free replacement bin is supplied. I can understand the charge if the bin has been damaged or lost due to inappropriate use but residents do not have a choice about the type of bin to use and isn't it a Statutory duty of the Council to provide a "waste" service? (paid for in part at least by Council tax).
6720	Unacceptable. The current service is inadequate. This will make it worse. If you want to save money reduce the grey bin collections to every three weeks.
6721	I have neighbours s who have 2 or more green bins per household (took them from vacant properties) which are always overflowing at the present fortnight pickup therefore I'm concerned that more waste will accumulate in alleyways next to my home resulting in rats and mice entering my garden where my children play
6722	<p>First I am not hacing another box or bin thing stuck in my front gardem, I cant get into the back with a bin, and take a pride in my front garden, I have my bins both small grey and green behind a wooden fence all neat, and no room for anything wlse. The bins today are a discrace in the front of a lot of houses, and not laways there fault.</p> <p>PLEASE WHAT HAPPENS WITH DIRTY NAPPIES, If they are left for 3 weeks god help the people in the houses around the bin, its bad enough now they stink, ALSO DOG DIRT.</p> <p>3 WEEKS , WELL GOD HELP US. its a discrace to even be thinking about it never mind moaning about it. Im an OAP (ok moaningone)but I have a small bin and many times its over full, not every week, but thats my problem</p>
6723	<p>This is the lesser of the two evils.</p> <p>Keeping the existing green bins reduces the cost of replacement to smaller bins.</p> <p>Main concern is you state the food waste is 40% BY WEIGHT not volume and as such the existing waste put in green bins will continue to be a higher proportion of larger waste containers.</p> <p>Those people that have dogs and dispose of their waste in the bins - 3 weekly collection = maggots and very smelly bins.</p> <p>What is needed is the council / government to tackle the supermarkets packaging policies as the amount of bulky waste created by them is increasing dramatically.</p> <p>Why does the council not increase the number of products we can recycle - other councils around the country recycle aluminium foil - yoghurt pots- food trays etc.</p> <p>We are very limited in our recycling options here on the Wirral !!!!!</p>

6724	<p>Re the food caddy - Ok if it's really necessary but consider routes to prevent food waste eg love food hate waste campaign.</p> <p>Re the green bin - wouldn't like this as we have baby's nappies to dispose of &amp; don't want them in the garden for up to 3 weeks.</p>
6725	<p>Why don't you just remove the charge for the brown bin then your recycling % will increase a lot. Wagons still use the same fuel even if they only pick up 4 brown bins in a road when usually they pick up over 30 bins in a road. Also when granting planning permission to new apartment blocks/businesses ensure that they have to provide a recycling bin for the residents as many only have a large bin for everything.</p>
6726	<p>I think keeping the 240l bin is best as replacing all the bins will be a large waste in itself.</p>
6727	<p>As a family with 3 young children we have a lot of nappies. For these to be only collected every 3 weeks I am seriously worried about the smell and contamination. I also do not know where I would store a food caddy as for hygiene reasons I would not want it in my kitchen. I know people who have had fly infestations due to the bins and also worry about ants.</p>
6728	<p>I think this would be better but feel you should gradually introduce 3 week collection as some people don't like change /like to be awkward if you gradually introduce they will be prove wrong bigger bin better for just incase of extra waste for celebrations /family get together etc</p>
6729	<p>I buy food on a day to day basis and don't throw anything leftover away, so wouldn't make use of this new bin being introduced.</p>
6730	<p>I don't prefer this option, but...</p> <p>Where is the small indoor caddy to be stored?!</p> <p>I won't store a small caddy on the floor in the kitchen as I have a dog and I have no room on my work surfaces.</p> <p>How 'small' is the small lockable food waste container? How can you determine how much food waste each home will have? If a home has more than the container will hold, where is the rest of the food waste meant to go?!</p> <p>How will this work, ie some homes have 1 person living there and some have large families?</p>
6731	<p>No issues to the new green bin &amp; food waste collection proposals. I still strongly disagree with the Council's decision to charge for the brown bin collection.</p>
6732	<p>A food waste bin would not serve any purpose in our household since we tend not have produce many leftovers at all. Of greater concern is bathroom waste (soiled nappies, sanitary-wear etc) - are we to assume that these items would sit in green bins for three weeks? If so, this is not acceptable.</p>
6733	<p>I already have two bins in my kitchen for green and grey bins. I do not have room for a food waste bin also.</p> <p>You haven't considered large families. The bin we have now is not big enough to cope with two adults and four children, two of them babies under six months old. Have you thought about the nappies people put in bins that will be left for three weeks in the summer? Its bad enough now with fortnightly collections. We get maggots in the bin outside. I wouldn't mind recycling food if I could keep my bin and still have fortnightly collections of the green bin</p>
6734	<p>Sounds like a better and cheaper option (collecting and replacing existing bins will be costly)</p>
6735	<p>Think the 3 week collection is too long - we still bin nappies got 1 of our children plus there is a huge amount of food packaging that can't be recycled...I think we'll still fill a large bin in 2 weeks.</p>
6736	<p>Food bin yes rest of option unsuitable</p>
6737	<p>Stupid idea. What about people with babies still in nappies?</p>
6738	<p>Regardless of the fact that food waste won't be in the green bin a collection schedule of three weeks would be too long and the bins could still get infested with insects.</p>
6739	<p>Its a shame that the council takes a view that they deny children free use of the swimming baths in the school holidays on financial grounds yet they can find money to introduce a ridiculous ill thought out scheme like this, the cost involved to change the bins then the transport cost involved hauling it to Widnes not to mention the extra pollution from the road haulage, This will not be well received</p> <p>HAVE RETHINK DO WHAT THE PEOPLE WANT THATS WHAT YOUR THERE FOR, NOT JUST TO RAISE MONEY AND MAKE OUR LIVES A MISERY</p>

6740	3 weeks is a ridiculous time to go between bins being emptied. It was bad enough going from weekly to fortnightly but this is ridiculous. Are my child's nappies and my female hygiene e products supposed to sit festering in and bin for up to 3 weeks outside my house, amongst other things? Disgusting.
6741	If this council took a more positive approach with the recycling of other products by investing in the required equipment, or, came to an agreement with a council that can recycle waste that we can't then there would be no need for this fiasco. As for THREE weekly collections I hope you intend to authorise crews to pick up bin bags from alongside existing bins, some of which are struggling on TWO weekly collections. GREY BINS certain products are not being accepted even though it is possible to recycle them.
6742	I am against the collection of our green bin every 3 weeks as already this summer even with a 2 week collection in the heat we have had infestation of maggots last week in the bin .... Old food put into a caddy in the kitchen is going to stink the kitchen and house out with rotting food !!!
6743	This will be a public health risk in the summer. In addition people are likely to have to transport waste to the tip which will end up in landfill anyway. Complete non starter.
6744	Good idea but feel leaving green bin to three weekly is risky people won't opt in at first and runs risk of vermin especially families with small children and nappies !!
6745	Three weeks is too long for families with small children using nappies and families who have animals that use trays to go to the toilet, the bins will stink, I already suffer with maggots with a 2 weekly collection.
6746	Introduce the food bins by all means especially now that cooked food can go in as well but who will supply the liners the people or the council? Whats the point in replacing every bin some fill it anyway regardless of food waste with non-recyclable items such as pots,bags, costa cups and we all know what's happened there this week! Sometimes youre preaching to the converted its the younger families who just dont get that we need to separate plastics correctly. You need to do a school initiative to get the children to encourage their parents to 'do the right thing'
6747	This is nonsense. All bind should be collected at least once a fortnight. And the brown bin should be free too. That's what's caused thus problem - green bins have to take garden waste now too.
6748	You cannot be serious, and expect families to do this, plus the fact the binmen cannot even empty the green/grey bins without putting rubbish all over the road.  have you considered the hygiene issue as well for three weeks of waste decomposing in the green bins, mice, rats and other creatures.  My thoughts are leave it as it is, and collect weekly the green bin. I refuse to pay more council tax for a half cocked idea.
6749	We have a young baby and only just have enough room with the current arrangements with nappies etc. I strongly believe that moving to three weekly collections would lead to deeply unpleasant bins.  Other options need to be thought of.
6750	No thanks
6751	I'm concerned about the smell this would produce, especially in the summer with the heat. Although in sacks, nappies would produce an awful smell, as would dog waste.
6752	I am concerned as to where you suggest I put all of these bins. I don't have sufficient room in the kitchen for a caddy and I only have space outside for 3 wheelies. Aren't you better asking people to compost there own food wastes and providing composters? I am TOTALLY unhappy about an indoor caddy. Surely you can come up with something better than that for YOUR residents?
6753	People will put less in their green bin if the charge is scrapped for Brown bins. Collection for waste from green bins every three weeks is absolutely not an option. People with young children, pets etc having waste around for three weeks is not an option and is a health hazard. Fly tipping will increase. The food waste option is something to abandon.
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6755	I'm in favour of keeping the present green bin.I believe I'm right in saying that a small amount of household waste put into wrong bin can contaminate a whole lorry load .If that's the case why do we spend time sorting it.I know of at least one neighbour who puts his waste into whichever bin is closest to his back door at the time & none of it is wrapped.
6756	The green bin currently smells dreadful after 2 weeks so heaven help us with a collection every 3 weeks. It is impossible to comment as you haven't stated the size of the food bin / caddy. It would have to be at least 40L size.There are some items that wirral is not currently recycling and I think you should look at expanding the items that can be recycled rather than this scheme.

6757	<p>I used to live in Sefton, the caddy and small lockable container works very well.</p> <p>However, there is no requirement to reduce the frequency of green bin collection at this time. Keep the usual collection schedule and allow people to get used to the new scheme.</p> <p>Provide education if people are putting wrong waste into the green bin, ie food, garden waste or recyclable material. Then, once people have become used to less waste going into the green bin, look to reduce schedule if necessary.</p>
6758	I live in Hoylake and my road has NEVER had a brown bin, even when they were free, despite having a garden. All my garden waste HAS to go in my green bin. How do you propose I manage with it only being collected every 3 weeks?
6759	I prefer option2 what will happen to households (like ours) where there are severely disabled people living at home and double incontinence pads in use?
6760	I don't want the food bin, but could live with three week green bin collections
6761	I already pay for brown bin collection and have a caddy for selected food waste that I bought myself to use with a garden composter. Less than 1% of my waste in the green bin is food. Even so I doubt I could manage for 3 weeks in between the green bin being emptied. In my opinion you would be better scrapping the brown bin charge so less garden waste is put in the green bin by those not paying and encouraging certain areas of the borough to recycle appropriate waste instead of putting it in their green bin as I have seen many occasions where recyclable items are not in the grey bin.
6762	I think that the existing green bin should stay. If there charge for the brown bin hadn't been introduced you would have meet the recycling target. The collections should stay as they are every 2 weeks. That is what we are paying out council tax for.
6763	Awful idea. I like the fact we will be recycling food waste but 3 weeks worth of 2 childrens nappies outside my house is discusting, 2 weeks worth is bad enough. 1 baby with 6-8 changes a day and a incontinent special needs child with 2-4 changes (on a good day) that is approx 210 nappies in my bin.
6764	3 weekly bin collections will just encourage more fly tipping. You really should do a shift with the bin men and see what they really do. Most of the green bins i see are overflowing and putting a small food collection bin isn't going to stop that. You saying doing nothing is not an option. What about the waste we have to put in the green bin that should be going in the grey bin i.e biscuit/sweet tins, margarine tubs, ice cream tubs, yoghurt pots. Why cant you try and recycle them as they are recyclable. Instead you choose not to because your machines cant manage them yet your going to waste thousands making people use more plastic food bins or issue new small green bins. I am all for recycling. Why not leave the 2 weekly collections for the green bins and leave them the same size and take the food ones every week aswell. Surely if we are recycling so well we wont have as much rubbish in the green bins anyway. Wirral Council i am disgusted in your attitude. Enough is enough with your crazy ideas. What is Europe going to do to us ? Nothing because we are getting out. I have always been a labour voter and i cannot and will not let you carry on cutting as you have done. The next election you will be voted out. The people of Wirral are fed up with you and your forced ideas..
6765	This option works at " citizen smith" level, so the problem must be at your end.
6766	I have recently moved from one of the top performing councils in terms of recycling and I am shocked at how little Wirral council collect for recycling in the grey bin. We are left with no choice other than to put lots of things eg plastics in the green bin which other councils recycle. The argument that a third of waste is food waste is ridiculous, as you're making the claim based on weight then quoting volumes for bin sizes. I would be happy to support this idea if you collected more things for recycling but you don't, this is a ludicrous idea.
6767	Totally unworkable. We do not put large quantities of food in the green bin. We do not have space for a 4th outside bin. We already sort recycling in the home and make full use of the grey bin. Our green bin is full within 2 weeks. Three weekly green bin collection will lead to more fly tipping, more vermin problems. The smell from 3 weeks worth of nappies will be awful, especially in summer. Our old neighbour used to regularly miss the bin collection day and would dump waste in their drive causing awful problems (no one did anything as it was on their private land, not public). If I'm away or ill and miss bin day, waiting 6 weeks for a collection would be disgusting.
6768	<p>Ridiculous proposal. People working full time and running a family will not be able to visit recycling centres for additional waste this will create. You should be prepared for increased fly tipping.</p> <p>Remove the brown bin cost.</p> <p>Perhaps you should consider reducing the council tax amount if services are being reduced?</p> <p>Having lived in London and used these food bins I can advise first hand they are unhygienic, attract vermin, and will be greatly unused.</p>

6769	<p>One third of my green bin waste is not food. I am more than happy to recycle food waste but the proposal to collect the green bin every third week is absurd. Have you considered making it possible for us to recycle more items that are recyclable that we currently cannot put in the grey bins? Our green bin is nearly full every other week as it is, yet I go out of my way to recycle plastic bags and tetra pack cartons. I also compost a lot of waste and pay for our brown bin collections. Why can we not put plastic bags, tubs and packaging in our grey bin? Also, the tetra pack cartons, aerosol cans, foil and shredded paper for example.</p> <p>My green bin has bags of dog poo and will soon again have nappies in, less frequent collections is not an option, not only because of attracting flies etc but there will certainly not be the space without more items being recyclable first. Food waste is certainly not the problem. We, as a family, do not waste hardly any food.</p>
6770	Not a good idea for grandchildren's nappies!
6771	Not keen on the idea of food waste being kept in this way - flies etc
6772	<p>NO NO NO!</p> <p>Are you trying to encourage more fly tipping!, you are a joke, bit by bit we are getting less for our money first the brown bins...try repairing some roads and doing a bit of weeding instead of spending millions on consultation and how much will it cost to collect old bins and provide new ones.</p> <p>High vis wearing clipboard warriors! If this goes through im dumping my rubbish in town hall!!</p>
6773	Absolutely ridiculous - food bins were tried a number of years ago and did not work. The results of this consultation will be totally twisted as usual as you have not given a 'dissatisfied with both' option and it will therefore be reported back as if the public have chosen an option. Typical of Wirral Council and Councillors.
6774	On option one what happens if you run out of liners in the week? How do they get replenished? How do the council expect to cope during busier times such as Christmas and easter?
6775	<p>The existing green bin is full after 2 weeks</p> <p>What makes you think nearly half of that 240 litres is food waste</p> <p>The reduction in bin size buy 100 litres is extreme</p> <p>If you want to reduce landfill, just add the food caddy which the contents of, will not go into the green bin</p>
6776	An appalling idea
6777	I not believe that recycling food waste will achieve the 50% recycling target alone. You have to extend the packaging that can be recycled. Plastic trays & tubs make up a large percentage of the green bin. Wales have got the right idea. As a family with young children (and hence disposable nappies!) having a bin not emptied for three weeks cannot be an option.
6778	I prefer option 1. I wish you'd recycle tetra cartons.
6779	One week three bins, one week one bin, three weeks two bins, one week one bin, rinse and repeat. I'm having difficulty working that one out, near impossible for some older residents, especially now a schedule is only available on line. Ridiculous suggestion. Plus small bins easier to trip over if out on its own.
6780	Emptying a bin every 3 weeks would create more fly tipping as people with families would have their bins over flowing with waste and wouldn't want it stored in their gardens ,it would attract mice and rats,not one of your brighter ideas,leave well alone ,
6781	Good idea. Saves waste and forces people to recycle
6782	<p>Our green bin is full on each collection and we very rarely have food waste so if collections went to every 3 weeks we would have excess waste which would end up overflowing from the bin.</p> <p>I also dont agree with paying for brown bin collections. You want us to recycle but I live on the woodchurch and when you cut the public grassed areas you just leave the grass laying and it does not get collected or recycled. I think if you want people to pay you need to collect you owe waste first.</p>
6783	<p>Disgusting, we are a two adult household with 3 cats.</p> <p>We recycle all things we can. Our green bin is full to the brim on being collected every two weeks. It is not food waste at all. I am an ex chef and I'm loathed to throw out food waste. This is a ridiculous suggestion by someone who is being overly idyllic.</p> <p>Our waste contains cat litter. Where is this going to go??</p> <p>Sort out the recycling before you start trying to cut corners on the bins being left stinking outside our homes. We pay council tax, fix the problem but not by punishing the public with a poor service.</p> <p>Make big business cut down on packaging so that we can recycle??</p>
6784	Awful proposal, my bulk household waste is cat litter And non recyclables not food waste. I object to my small garden becoming fly ridden with waste that's not being cleared for almost a month! Also the general hygiene issues it will create across the borough!

6785	WBC is missing their recycling target having decided to charge for the brown bin - the take up is 33,000 households, hence a lot of garden waste is now going to landfill. The attitude the "not everyone has a garden and it's only fair that those who do should pay" is a laugh. People without a garden in flats/terraced houses are in band 1 tax, and most people with gardens are in band 3 or above - so we already pay via increased council tax bills. It's a joke for a Labour council to say "it's only fair that the people who use the service should pay" Good job Aneurin Bevan didn't use the same logic when it brought in the NHS! No to Option 1
6786	i think this is a stupid idea we have a bad enough time with flies and rats and you want us to have food waste in foster children with disability's this is going to be a health hazard
6787	As our household has a dog and we clean up after it as dispose of the waste in bags in the general waste bin responsibly, the 3 week collection schedule is untenable, as I would imagine it would be for families who use disposable nappies. During the warmer months even a two week schedule leaves the bins smelling terribly despite having them steam cleaned regularly.
6788	I feel this is a great idea I personally think every 3 weeks is fine if the green bin stays the same size
6789	Food bin not required as food does not get wasted in my household. Green bin currently gets full after one week so having a three weekly collection is a ridiculous idea as i would just end up putting rubbish bags that don't fit at the end of the road, Would we pay less council tax for the fewer bin collections??
6790	Fly tipping is a big problem now with people overfilling their bins which then aren't emptied so the bags get dumped in the nearest entry or green space. Leave things as they are as it's not pleasant seeing this rotting, dumped rubbish and wrong to expect council employees to collect it after it's been festering for weeks !
6791	Not acceptable for our family. This has come about as a direct consequence of introducing charges for brown bins. Drop that and see levels begin to rise again. Dropping green bin collection to 3 weeks is not acceptable in any way. Vermin will still be attracted by the waste that's not suitable to be kept in the caddy.
6792	I produce very little food waste and what i do my pets eat. I struggle with once a fortnight with the green bin and often make trips to the tip, going 3 weeks will mean more trips to the tip or overflowing green bin. Why are you presuming we all produce a lot of food waste?
6793	Having lived in Ellesmere Port for over 25 years and have experience with this type of recycling, it is terrible, messy and unmanageable. Leave the current collections alone and keep what we have. The local and national government should be putting pressure on the supermarkets and manufacturers to have recyclable packaging on more products, after all we are only binning what they provide us. The vast majority of people would fully support that. As for the brown bin, having to pay for this has always been absurd
6794	Three weeks, is too long for a collection. Large families will have a lot of waste. Three weeks is way too long. It's ludicrous. I certainly don't fill a third of my bin with food. I love the idea of the food caddy. But your green bin plan is awful.
6795	Has there been any assessment of the proportion of garden waste being put in green bin since introduction of the garden waste bin charge? I have witnessed numerous instances where green bins have been used in this way, and would be interested to discover the extent to which such misuse is occurring. Clearly this could potentially contribute significantly to the 16,000 tonne target.
6796	Prefer this option. Would rather have a weekly food collection and keep the existing bins sizes and frequency of collection but have an additional weekly food collection.
6797	Not everyone has big kitchens for another bin but option 1 is better than option 2 I do not like the idea of a smaller green bin. So not everyone fills it completely but some families need more than 1 bin to fill
6798	Disgusting. Completely disagree. No to 3 weekly collection and no to storing food waste in my house. There is 2 adults and three children in my house with two children under 3 in nappies I do not want my green bin sat there for three weeks.
6799	No problem with recycling food waste as we have very little food waste from our household anyway. However, to reduce the collections from every other week to every 3 weeks is unacceptable. If this option is decided I do hope the refuse collection staff won't leave excess waste bags lying in the road. This will without doubt lead to more fly tipping and if overflowing bins are not collected we will have litter strewn all over our streets which will then cancel out any proposed savings. This will then need to be rectified at further expense from the public purse.
6800	Unacceptable
6801	There is no way we can go to 3 week collections for the green bin.... My bin gets filled up by neighbours as it is. What about nappies and pet waste/food? Gross

6802	<p>To be fair as a household of 2 adults and 1 severely disabled 11 year old child who is doubly incontinent, we don't have very much food waste, therefore the proposal for a new food waste bin, is a waste of time for me, so will not be using it.</p> <p>As for the green bin being collected every 3 weeks, this is shocking! My daughter uses a minimum of 60 pads a week, which after a 2 week period, my current 2 green bins are always full to the brim and stinking.</p> <p>So to be expected to wait 3 weeks is unhygienic for a start! The stench will be disgusting! Which in turn will encourage flies!</p> <p>Are there plans to reduce my council tax if this happens, to cover the cost of me having to go to the tip regularly????</p>
6803	<p>So I am going to have a green bin full of baby's nappies for 3 weeks, it's bad enough now with all the blue bottles, I think the people who make up these rules need to live in the real world</p>
6804	<p>I feel a bin collection every 3 weeks would be insufficient as we have a 4 month old baby and two cats, meaning large volumes of nappies and cat litter! I'd be afraid of an on-going problem with maggots in the warmer weather (this often happens now with the fortnightly collections!).</p> <p>There would also be the potential of missing a collection due to a holiday etc, therefore the bin would not be emptied for 6 weeks which could lead to pest problems and safety concerns.</p>
6805	<p>Concerned about hygiene of food waste, where to put caddy and will liners be biodegradable if not it seems completely pointless. How will waste food be recycled or disposed of after collection? Not happy about 3 weekly collection, we do not waste alot of food as a household. Wouldn't a compost bin be more sensible?</p>
6806	<p>Ridiculous. Fortnightly bin collection isn't enough as it is never mind three weekly. You'll see fly tipping increasing ten fold when this changes as nobody has time to wait in huge queues at the tips.</p>
6807	<p>I object to option 1, my green bin is full after 2 weeks and I have hardly any food waste, I object to having a smaller bin that will not be used.</p>
6808	<p>Don't like it. Three weeks is a long time with no green bin collection, especially with a young family going through nappies etc.</p>
6809	<p>I think this is a ridiculous idea,so far there has been no indication of the cost incurred in this project. surely the whole idea should have been costed before any consultation was put out.How much will it cost vehicles travelling to Widnes every week? How much will the bins cost?How much will the smaller green bin cost?How much will it cost to collect and dispose of the larger green bins? etc. What will happen to people living in flats? will there be a large number of new food bins outside flats? This whole idea should be scrapped as a waste of money.One Councillor said we could be fined by the E.U. if we do not meet targets for waste.We are leaving the E.U. (thank goodness) and if we refuse to pay what could the E.U. do? -throw us out.</p>
6810	<p>Whilst it is a good idea to collect food waste we use a lot of our food waste for the compost bin (veg/salads etc) so we don't bun a huge amount food and our green bin is always full wihin the two weeks so reducing the collections to 3 weeks or reducing the size of the bin would not be a good move. This will cause overflowing of bins which in turn will bring other problems such as rats/mice etc. Surely that would be unhygienic and cause families/households problems????</p>
6811	<p>When I look at all the waste that goes into my green bin it is mostly (80% +) non-recyclable plastics. I have a compost.bin which takes all our vegetable waste and brown cardboard. My grey bin is usually more full than my green bin. I will NOT be using the food caddy under ANY circumstances but I do need to keep the larger grey bin which MUST be emptied fortnightly. From time to time I have to store cardboard in the garage as the bin gets too full ... the local household waste centre is heaving as it is so badly run so it is not an option for recycling. You would be better off investing in facilities capable of recycling mixed plastics.</p>
6812	<p>Every 3 weeks is a bad idea, Who wants to store food waste, locked container or not, Then again One way to give residents no choice to pay for pest control for rats as we will be overrun with them, This didn't work when food was collected with garden waste !</p>
6813	<p>Il prefer this option, ad I think most families would struggle with a smaller green bin. If there is no food in it, it won't need emptying as often.i don't like the idea of a three week collection.</p>
6814	<p>My bin gets stolen nearly every week introducing a further bin will just mean more calls and emails to the council as it's another bin for people to take. Also having a rotation of 3 bin collections seems confusing people in my area already don't understand the difference between green and grey bins</p>



6815	<p>As there is no real choice i would choose this option being the lesser evil.</p> <p>As a family of 4 we do not waste much food and the majority of our waste is items that cannot be recycled. Currently we only just manage with the fortnightly collections and would worry if the frequency or size of the bin is reduced.</p> <p>The indoor caddy will be ugly and smelly in our kitchen, if we could find the space for it.</p>
6816	I think its ridiculous to empty the green bin every three weeks. There is no way a family of five could manage and what about nappies - already in the summer the smell is terrible leaving them for two weeks.
6817	Horrrific option - what about the families with nappies, or adults that have to use incontinence aids ? We already tend to get maggots easily in the bins
6818	Being a household of 5 with very little food waste and an overflowing maggot ridden green bin this is a ridiculous idea
6819	Having a green bin collected every 3 weeks will encourage pests such as rats and the growtg of maggots in the bins. Also we live in a household of 3 adults and 3 children (2 in nappies) and with nappy waste we fill 2 bins every 2 weeks. We also recycle everything we can. I cannot see how this plan is plausible as it doesn't consider larger households. Also will we receive a reduction in council tax if we have a reduced bin collection.
6820	This is a ridiculous idea. Where exactly do you propose we dispose of chicken carcasses? It would be too large to go in a small waste bin, assuming you would want bones in that bin? The alternative would be the potential of leaving the bones in the green bin for up to three weeks thus increasing the risk of maggots and flies and bad smells. Can you imagine those families who have babies still in nappies? The stench of three week old nappies could be unbearable in the summer. Would there be exceptions because of this? Sorry this idea is rubbish!
6821	Disgrace, fed up of Wirral council increasing council tax whilst simultaneously cutting services. Nearly £2,000 a year and receiving this sort of proposal is laughable.
6822	Seems the best option as long as people use the caddies correctly
6823	<p>Just don't change anything. collecting food waste every 3 weeks is disgusting and un-hygenic. The idiots you employ now don't collect the waste properly and people are often left with full bins, so what is the mess going to be like after 3 weeks.</p> <p>You want to cut costs (cos that what this is really about), then get rid of the useless staff that work for the council.</p>
6824	I would prefer this option as it seems a waste to replace the green bins.
6825	if the green bin is only going to be collected every three weeks a lot of people will get confused by this .plus the green bin will only be emptied 17 times a year. a extra collection for the food bin will still have to be done the week you have no collection. with both bins being emptied every other week you now do 52 collections a year if you add on the food waste as well the new collection will be 95 a year plus the cost of the new bins is it cost effective.Also some people who have small children or baby's will have three weeks of nappy's in there bins this will also effect people who use incontinence pads will you have a extra collection for these people
6826	This will be a public health risk in the summer. In addition people are likely to have to transport waste to the tip which will end up in landfill anyway. Complete non starter.
6827	This option would have been suitable until we had our baby. With a large amount of nappies being used in our household three weeks would be too long to wait until the bin was emptied.
6828	I don't really have food waste and would not like smelly rotting food in a caddy in my kitchen there's nothing wrong with the way the bin collections are at the moment and I pay for the brown bin aswell why try fix something that isn't broke
6829	Very much in favour - great idea!
6830	I already have a small green bin and want to continue having it collected fortnightly so this option is not for me but
6831	<p>We don't have any food waste. We are a family of 5 and the green bin only just copes with our needs every 2 weeks. We will have too much household waste to go into the bin every 3 weeks. How will the Council deal with the extra weeks waste?</p> <p>This proposal is ill conceived and badly thought out. Who in their right mind thinks families produce so much "food" waste. How are we going to cope other than to start burning the excess household rubbish?</p>
6832	Keep existing green bin and empty every three weeks, otherwise it's a large expense to change everyone's bins. It is only the food waste that attracts the flies anyway and the problem will be eradicated by new food waste collections which we are not being given a choice about.
6833	Whilst the council can spend money on a unwanted newspaper they are cutting back on services. This is not a consultation as there are only two options published yet there are other options clearly available. Why cannot the council recycle foil? Other councils can do this so why cannot Wirral?
6834	Why don't you look at extending the range of packaging for recycling? Wirral doesn't recycle many things that other councils accept. Surely this is the most straightforward way of increasing recycling?

6835	<p>I like the idea of removing food waste from the green bin contents.</p> <p>This will hopefully reduce the number of complaints over why people can't have a weekly collection.</p> <p>Although people will probably complain over the 3 weeks recommendation ...</p>
6836	<p>You tried this once before and it was quickly scrapped.....I do not accept your changes but you appear to want to place one unacceptable option or another on us.....so you want us to keep smelly nappies in a bin for three weeks.....be ashamed.....but of your two poor options I prefer option 1.....but do not publicise this reluctant acceptance as support.....</p>
6837	<p>Totally ridiculous idea. In our household we very rarely have food waste and any we do have (peelings etc) are put into our compost bin which Wirral borough council encouraged and even offered a good deal when you bought a bin with a water butt ( which we did) Our green bin of 240 litres is full after 2 weeks. We also pay for the brown bin collection so our garden waste goes in there and not the green bin - we also make trips to the tip if we have a lot of garden waste to dispose of. Wirral Borough Council imposed a charge on the brown bin using an excuse that not everyone uses their brown bin. So I assume we will now have a useless food waste bin however small and have to make even more trips to the tip to dispose of our regular household waste as a 3 week collection will just not work for us. We cannot do any more in respect of recycling.</p>
6838	<p>Would rather this as no cost for replacing bins plus this option means you take more rubbish. Bin collection is one of the only things I benefit from from my council tax, my street is full of pot holes and half the street lights don't work.</p>
6839	<p>This is the better option from my point of view as the added extra week of collecting rubbish is counteracted with keeping the bigger size green bin. The bin liners for food waste are a good thing as this will stop animals gaining access and making a mess.</p>
6840	<p>3 weekly collections for the Green Bin will be a disaster, especially for families. The food recycling idea will make no difference to the amount of rubbish people have to put in the green bin. That means overflowing bins or paying for frequent trips to the council tip. Please don't do this. It's bad enough having to pay for garden waste collection.</p>
6841	<p>This option would seem to be the more cost effective.</p>
6842	<p>I don't mind the food waste bin but I don't think the lockable bin is big enough considering potato peelings and anything eatable goes in fruit and veg etc. Keeping the 240 litre bin is good idea but 3 week collection not a good idea I struggle fort nightly and often go to the tip. Having a dog also keeping poop bags for 3 weeks is a no go.</p>
6843	<p>I don't like the thought of green bin collections being reduced either way, but this seems the better option of the two. The bigger bin will definitely be needed if it goes to three weekly.</p>
6844	<p>3 weeks is far too long to wait for a green bin to be emptied. What if it gets a pest infestation and you have to wait 3 weeks for it to be emptied to clean it.</p>
6845	<p>i only have a small yard it already takes up alot of room for the two bins. The smell from the bin is bad enough after two weeks with my dogs waste i also pay to have my bin cleaned and disinfected after each collection to keep the smell to a minimum. the thought of leaving it stinking is unbearable. Also my dog is a counter sufer so he steals food left out i certainly would not be leaving a container out with food in as he would have it i wouldnt have any waste as he would eat it.</p>
6846	<p>The bins are already a mess my area and for them to be collected every 3 weeks would attract maggots and the smell would be unbearable and to where is the evidence that 40% is food waste ?</p>
6847	<p>Think this would be silly collecting rubbish every three weeks, encourage fly tipping rats flys etc</p>
6848	<p>We already have two in door recycling recepticuls and three external bins very few people have space for more There is no way that 40% of our general waste is food, its mainly packaging. Our green bin isfull by the time the 2 weekly collection is made so smaller bins or less frequent emptying is not an option. Food waste left outside for aweek will attract vermin especially in the summer. <b>THIS IS NOT AN A ACCEPTABLE OPTION</b></p>
6849	<p>This would probably be sufficient for our household, however neighbours with larger families, young children in nappies etc. Already have smelly bins after 2 weeks, a good efficient alternative will need to be provided for them. Also an extra collection over the Xmas period will probably be required as packaging etc. Gets very out of control, we struggle with bin space currently at that time of year ,and there is only 2 of us.</p>
6850	<p>Option one sounds better as surely it would cost more to replace the green bin</p>
6851	<p>I have other waste such as nappies to throw away I do not like the idea of leaving them on a bin for 3 weeks! It would be a lot worse if I had a newborn.</p>
6852	<p>I think a 3 week collection on the green bin is too long. What happens to waste such as nappies and dog waste? Even though these are in the relevant bags to have them sitting in bins for upto 3 weeks in the height of summer is not very hygienic, the smell will be unbearable and they could attract flies.</p>

6853	I would like to keep the larger bin as this is always filled to capacity over the two week period. But, i think a 3 weekly colection is far too long for it to be emptied. Therefore, option 2
6854	I think the current scheme should remain.
6855	This idea stinks,literally. The vermin will have a field day, the green bins will be over flowing. Let's be honest here,you are cutting down collection to every three weeks? Less again for more council tax money.....
6856	I refuse to use a waste bin. I am not prepared to decant used food from one bin to another.  I would not be happy with green bins only being emptied every 3-weeks as it is simply too long.
6857	Keep the 240 litre bin but collect every week or 2 weeks, as well as doing the food recycling and make the brown bin free again
6858	Don't want waste food collection. Too many smely bins already. Option NO food waste collection
6859	We won't need a food caddy as we don't throw away food. I only cook what is needed for any particular meal and use up fresh food before it needs throwing away. I am a post war baby so know not to waste. People need educating. Also kitchen way too small to have a caddy hanging around. Also, it's easy at present to remember which bins go out when, i.e. last week was grey, so this week is green, and vice versa. If one is fortnightly, and one is three weekly, people are going to get confused. Those that don't recycle now are certainly not going to bother remembering which bins and when. If this goes ahead, please keep the large green bins. Waste of money to replace them just for the sake of it. Replace them when they need replacing, i.e. damaged, lost or stolen. THIS IS THE PREFERRED OPTION, BUT FOOD CADDY - NOT FOR US.
6860	I think the introduction of the food caddy is an excellent idea and believe this should have been done some time ago.  However based between options 1 and 2, option 1 clearly outweighs option 2 with the amount of waste collected.  During a similar timeframe over the course of a few months, if the green bin on option 1 was at capacity then the waste collected would be significantly more than option 2.  As above, option although has fewer collection dates, due to the larger bin there is more waste collected overall. If you look at the figure over 12 months, roughly 400 litre's more waste would be collected with this option.
6861	Three weeks is too far apart for collection of the green bin.
6862	You don't seem to have given any thought to those who have pets, the poop that is picked up goes in the green bin now and absolutely stinks after two weeks and even more so in the warmer summer months. It will be even worse if left for three weeks. The caddy that you want us to use in the kitchen hasn't been thought through at all, what if you have no room in your kitchen? or out side as we already have three bins.
6863	As a household who lives in a small terrace house with near to no outdoor space it would have to be left on the pavement as an obstruction and an eyesore.
6864	I will not collect food waste in my kitchen. It's disgusting. A bin is for outside.
6865	We currently have a problem with next door putting their waste in our bin, both neighbours have small children so the smell of nappies etc is already causing an environmental waste concern... what contingency does the council have in place for pests such as maggots mice rats etc.
6866	Leaving a bin for three weeks without collection is unhygienic and an health concern. Despite not having food stuffs in it will still be an attractant for pests and vermin.
6867	My comment is this will be another total waste of money as people will not use these food bins as will attract vermin. Bring back weekly collection for green bin to encourage more people to recycle more as not enough space in green bin for 2 weekly collection.
6868	Really, so the stinking festering fly and fox ridden green bin will be sitting by my front door for 3 weeks? Lovely.  We waste very little food, but do throw away chicken skin, fish skin, the fat off meat etc. That'll be lively!
6869	This would be OK but would need to be collected every 2 weeks an it doesn't say is I would be charged for the green bin to be emptied?
6870	This is ridiculous I have three children two who are in nappies one who is disabled and incontinence. My two Green bins are over flowing on a regular basis and I'm sick of getting maggots due to hot weather so every 3 weeks will result in bins being over flowing more and more maggots and will result in more fly tipping. Why not introduce the food bin and still keep fortnightly bin collections.
6871	Best option in my opinion as those with large bins can keep them (rather than having to make a lot of small new bins) and overall a large bin is more likely to last 3 weeks than small one which is half the size lasting 2 weeks.

6872	This is appalling! We do not waste any food in our household therefore the food waste recycling bin would be pointless to us and yet we would be penalized by having our Green bin collection reduced. This bin is nearly full every 2 weeks (mostly due to having to throw away things that Wirral Council can't recycle in the grey bin, e.g. tetrapaks, foil, other types of plastic such as yoghurt pots). We cannot manage with a reduced collection - what will happen when we go away and the bin only gets emptied every 6 weeks! We already subscribe to the Brown bin collection and it would be better if the Council just expanded what could be put in the Grey bin.
6873	This would provide cost savings in terms of reduced refuse collection vehicle journeys and would not require the outlay on new bins but overall I prefer option 2.
6874	This is definitely my preferred option. Or being given a composting bin.
6875	This option has no regard for the number of residents, while it should be no problem for singles or couples, larger households are not going to cope.  This household has very little food waste but struggles already with the current green bin capacity, at least once a month we have to go to the tip with the backlog of general waste.  If you want to squeeze the service, some sort of proportionality needs to be introduced eg based on number of occupants or number of bedrooms. If this doesn't happen then larger households are greatly discriminated against.  Your statistics in this exercise are based on weight, the larger users have a problem with capacity(volume) not weight.  Your last change to the collection service (with the brown bins) has actually reduced your recycling statistics, this latest exercise with its limited options is even more ludicrous to many users.
6876	Don't want any bin collection to change to 3 weekly at all.  At the moment, it is at least easy to tell which bin needs to be put out as they are both fortnightly and alternate.  Missing a bin collection would mean it would be 6 weeks before it is collected!
6877	It would be confusing putting the bins out with one bin on a two-weekly schedule and one on a three-weekly schedule because some weeks there would be just grey, some weeks grey and green together, some weeks just green and some weeks none!  The charge for garden waste should be removed and returned to being part of the service that is already paid for by council tax.
6878	Leave it as it is, pathetic cost cutting excuse
6879	There are 2 adults in my household and we have very little food waste. By reducing the green bin collection to only every 3 weeks you will encourage vermin and flies. Also many households do not have enough room for all of these bins.
6880	Do not agree bins still need to be collected every 2 weeks. I have 2 children one a 4 month old and old nappies in a bin for 2weeks is bad enough a three week collection of poo filled nappies would be disgusting. You have not thought about families Also some of us do not have big houses and kitchens with space for extra items to store smelly food in with bottles and sterilisers etc again you have not considered us working class family people have you ?
6881	I prefer this option as it doesn't require extra expenditure providing new green bins
6882	About time. I've lived in other councils that have had food recycling coupled with garden waste recycling for many years. However to encourage others to actually recycle green bins should be smaller. I have far too many older relatives that don't recycle efficiently and not having room to do otherwise may just make them actually do it. I do not agree with the charge for the brown bin. This often leads to garden waste being put in the green bin instead by those who don't care about recycling.
6883	I prefer this option although I don't have food waste
6884	Great idea but I don't think the collection every three weeks is a very good idea. There are still people who don't recycle and these same people won't use the food waste bin. As a result their bins will be overflowing come collection day.  Since no one on my road keeps their bin in their yard, overflowing bins will mean I will have to walk past smelly rotten rubbish which will attract all sorts of vermin.
6885	What about if u have small children that use nappys the smell of leaving them for 3 week would be horrendous I get maggots now in my bin with them being emptied every two weeks

6886	My concern with having a small child would be soiled nappies sitting in the bin for three weeks, this would be very smelly especially in the hot months so I think three weeks is too long between collections. But I think the food recycling is a fantastic scheme.
6887	<p>I welcome the food waste recycling bin. I do, however, worry that the 3 weekly collection of the green bin will make things difficult for us. As a family of 5, with a baby in nappies, the amount of food we will be able to recycle won't create the extra room needed in the green bin for a 3-weekly collection. This is demonstrated by the size of food waste bin being offered - it's obviously not expected that the amount of food being recycled will be very large as the bin offered isn't very large.</p> <p>I feel that we use our grey bin well, and having just checked the list of what can be recycled again I know that we are recycling what we can. Until you accept extra things into the grey bin eg. yogurt pots, margarine tubs, tetra packs I don't really know what else we can recycle. This needs looking at before reducing the green bin collection as it's these things which take up a lot of space.</p> <p>Will there be different sized bins for families of different sizes? If you have a couple living in a house and they have the same sized green bin as a large family they're not going to be encouraged to recycle more because their rubbish will always fit into the bin. If you're trying to make people recycle more give smaller bins to smaller families too.</p>
6888	The concern for this option is the amount of fly tipping that already happens in the area, with this option it will get alot worse. Neither are really good options
6889	<p>If you have babies and younger children in nappies, do you really think it is appropriate to collect that every 3 weeks, the smell especially in summer will be unreal. This will not make people recycle more, it will encourage more fly tying and waste attracting rats building up around homes,especially in ally's.</p> <p>To get people to recycle more, how about going back to fining people for not doing so!</p>
6890	Green only being collected every three weeks is difficult for family's with children or over 4 living in a property
6891	I would be happy with this if more plastic was taken to be recycled too. Far too much plastic is being sent to landfill on Wirral that is recycled in other areas.
6892	Why can't the grey bin be collected every 3 weeks and the existing green bin collection be kept the same?
6893	It is irrelevant what I think about either option 1 or option 2, as you have already decided what reduction in waste collection you want to make and that is option 2, as this option will result in approximately 22% less waste being collected, so it is the cheaper option for the Council to progress. Also, most members of the public won't want their green bin sitting around with used nappies, incontinence pads, feminine hygeine products, cat litter and bagged (you hope) dog dirt in it for 3 weeks, so most will opt for option 2, where fortnightly collections are kept, albeit with a bin that has only just over 58% capacity of the current 240ltr one. The 'Wirral fortnightly average' of 7kg of food waste does not equal a reduction of 100ltrs per fortnight of green bin and you are stupid if you think that we don't realise this. This change will result in less service to us tax-payers for the same amount of Council tax - where is the best value in that? Democratic consultation, I don't think so, an underhanded pre-decided outcome, yes.
6894	<p>What if I don't have somewhere to keep the lockable container.</p> <p>Also need to find somewhere in a small kitchen to keep an extra container just for food waste....not ideal in a small kitchen and if people have pets.</p> <p>What if the food waste is accidently missed....you'd expect someone to keep this waste for 2 weeks....this is not hygienic.</p> <p>3 weeks to empty bins that may contain dirty nappies or pet waste????</p>
6895	A three week collection will encourage animals to attack the food bins etc causing unknown damage and disease. Really silly idea.
6896	Excellent, I agree residual collections should only take place every three weeks. However, as much as I agree with this I do think personally that my household will struggle and we are only 2 adults and 1 child, this is due to not being able to recycle plastics pots, tubs and trays. Large parts of our waste are made up of this material and removing these from our green waste bin would have a greater impact on the rate we fill it. I'm very happy to see Wirral introducing a food waste service but as the majority of my food waste already goes in to my wormery it won't personally reduce my residual waste by a third. Only being able to recycle plastic bottles is definitely the biggest issue for our household waste as they are only a small proportion of our plastic waste.
6897	The whole idea is a farce and will increase fly tipping and incorrect disposal of household waste in streets and alleyways behind houses.
6898	Don't feel this is appropriate. Things like nappies and other dirty waste which isn't good will be sitting for up to 3 weeks?! This will become a health hazard.

6899	This sounds like a good idea in general but a three week period between emptying bins will most likely cause an increase in litter in the streets and smelly bins left to rot even longer. Are the council going to offer a bin cleaning service to go with it? Many people pay privately to have theirs cleaned but many people don't, I'm many many of these people who don't get their bins cleaned will be the ones that leave them out in the street to inconvenience others.
6900	I would prefer to keep my 240 litre bin and have it collected every three weeks.
6901	U cannot leave babies nappies in the green bin for 3 weeks. This in unhygienic. The smell will be terrible and will attract flies
6902	As I have very little food waste, but regularly almost fill the green bin, therefore, the larger bin is preferable.
6903	Much better option, no need to waste all that money replacing everyone's bins
6904	LEAVE IT AS IS
6905	Green bin - 3 weeks is too long.
6906	Food Waste: As I have very little food waste I doubt if I would use the caddy especially on a weekly basis.  Green Bin: Happy with being collected every 3 weeks but I doubt if many will.  Grey Bin: I would like to see more plastic being recycled ie non food contaminated wrappings.  Brown Bin: I do not use as I have 2 compost bins.
6907	There is not a great deal of difference between the options if you break it down over 3 weeks a 240 litre bin would be 80 litres a week, a 140 litre bin being collected fortnightly would equate to 70 litres a week. Option 1 may be more cost efficient as bins would not need replacing and less collections would surely cost less.
6908	I would be very happy with this option
6909	SHOULD FIND WAY TO RECYCLE HARD PLASTIC - NOT MUCH FOOD WASTE
6910	brown bin collections should be free and not chargeable as my neighbours put their garden waste in the green bin...so that defeats the object!  Happy for the green bin to be collected every three weeks - we only put ours out once a month anyway.
6911	We live in a household with 3 people with one our child who is in nappies at night and therefore generates more waste. If we had to wait 3 weeks it would become smelly and not pleasant at all. Whilst we do recycle everything including the fact we don't have food waste as we are fully educated on how to not generate food waste!.  We bake our own bread, we rotate food so the most recent date is eaten first. We also have a problem that neighbours litter the street and therefore tend to pick up litter and place into the bins as we don't see a street cleaner anymore.
6912	Good idea
6913	Do not agree with a weekly food recycling collection. I feel it would not be very hygienic.
6914	Worried about putting things like dirty nappies in a bin that's only emptied every 3 weeks
6915	Both options seems fine for me - I would be happy with either.

6916	<p>Before review of Options one / two I would suggest two things.</p> <p>1) A review of other councils - such as Sefton Council in Liverpool. Until recently they had a scheme that did this, food recycling. It certainly drew the ire and reluctance of people I know who were forced into it but also they have or are about to stop the scheme.</p> <p>It maybe useful to learn from what they found to help avoid mistakes going forwards but also consider why they have since stopped doing the service also. It will effect their numbers and statistics much like Wirral is hoping it will, so they must have a reason for this.</p> <p>2) Numbers for the sake of numbers - I understand the need to recycle, but from the outside it seems like a exercise to make numbers up for little gain of minor amounts of gas fuel.</p> <p>While the results of recycling are not always efficient (the end product vs the effort and energy and resources to make it are weighed heavily against it - but is an excepted part of recycling and a necessary thing to do too) I feel this is a quick way to gain little but see some numbers rise vs honest gain and reason.</p> <p>I can't but help feel the money and income that would be needed to setup the scheme could and would be better spent surely in the recycling centres / or tips the Wirral have. After being several times and seeing the scope and honestly great service that it is, if more where aware of the capabilities or shown it is not an intimidating service then this may give rise to recycling figures and at a fraction of the cost of what this may end up being.</p> <p>This seems more a decision that 'sounds nice' hitting the 50% or such, but this seems like a way to increase spending at a time when we should consider such things very heavily before investing, making the most out of what infrastructure is there and refocusing in another area, and if so take it on the chin that the quota couldn't be met / apply some common sense and refocus priorities.</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Option one - Normal bin, longer to empty. I think of the two options, I think this one would make more sense.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ The bins are already installed and setup ready to go.</li> <li>+ The benefits of having a larger bin such as physically compacting items into it.</li> <li>+ Size of the bin I think has a greater chance of lasting the 3 week wait.</li> <li>- Though food will be collected, additional problems of smell might begin.</li> <li>- Consideration for people in flats with the 140 bins who might struggle with 3 week collections.</li> </ul>
6917	<p>Already our green bin is chronically full by the two week collection and we have hhardly any food waste. So I am appalled at the idea of a three week bin collection. Utterly ridiculous.</p>
6918	<p>WE HAVE NO NEED FOR A FOOD WASTE BIN. WE DO NOT THROW FOOD AWAY (IT'S NOT HARD!)</p>
6919	<p>I like the idea of a weekly food collection, am unsure at the moment whether I would need to keep my big green bin or whether I would be able to downsize as I am unsure to how much waste would be left after the food had been taken away.</p>
6920	<p>No real opinion with regratd to the collection cycle</p>