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Request

Under the FoI Law I would like to know the following information in relation to the blue and pink bag recycling scheme in St Helier.

- 1) What tonnage of recycling was collected in 2015 under the scheme?
- 2) What was the estimated cost to the parish of collecting, sorting and shipping the recycling?
- 3) How much revenue was received from the sale of the recycling?
- 4) Following on from (2) and (3) above does the parish estimate the scheme runs at a profit or at a loss?
- 5) What was the tonnage of waste collected by the parish and taken to the Energy from Waste plant?

Response

- 1) 818.42 tonnes.
- 2) The parish does not pay for shipping, this is the responsibility of the recycling partner.

 Collection costs are made up of staffing and vehicles = £209.5k.

 Sorting costs are made up of staffing, vehicles and equipment = £105.9k.

 Total recycling costs = £315.4k.
- 3) £14.6k was the residual income as the cost of the shipping is borne by the recycling partner.
- 4) As can be seen above the scheme runs at a £300k loss however it was not set up to make a profit, it was set up at the request of the parishioners to be able to recycle rather than send all waste to the incinerator. If the parish did not collect the waste for recycling it would still need to be collected therefore the parish would still incur very significant collection costs.
- 5) 14,610.04 tonnes.

