

## Local authority heating contracts retained by Liberty

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Property services provider [Liberty](#) has retained two heating contracts with Exeter and Leeds city councils, worth more than £21.6m in total.

In Leeds, the £4m per annum contract with the council sees it being retained for an initial period of four years, starting in April of 2024 with the possibility of four one-year extensions.

The contract will see the company deliver gas servicing and repairs as well as fitting new boilers to over 16,000 homes.

The business reported it commits to giving back to the local community through the contract by:

- Hosting two mental health awareness and crime reduction sessions annually.
- Donations to community projects at the start of each contract year.
- Staff dedicating more than 390 hours per year to volunteering.
- Host CV/mock interview sessions quarterly.
- All materials will be sourced in Leeds to support the local economy, and the company will hold four “meet the buyer” events for local suppliers.

Over in Devon, the three-year contract with Exeter City Council, which recently kicked off is valued at £1.4m annually and covers gas safety services for over 4,000 homes.

The contract will also see the company provide:

- Two apprenticeship positions.

- 90 volunteer hours from its team.
- Active engagement at local tenant events.
- Four work experience and mentorship programmes each year, in collaboration with Exeter College.
- Additionally, it will provide five free decarbonisation surveys, complete with monitoring kit installations, and the provision of five retrofit plans and decarbonisation reports.

Group managing director Ray Jones said: “We are thrilled to continue our partnerships with both Exeter City Council and Leeds City Council and remain committed to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of those communities through the provision of high-quality gas services.

“We look forward to providing employment opportunities, apprenticeships, work experience and volunteering initiatives, further strengthening our ties in both communities and helping to make a positive impact.”

Leeds City Council chief officer of housing Gerard Tinsdale said: “We are delighted to continue working with Liberty on our gas servicing and maintenance contract. Gas compliance is always one of key drivers for keeping our customers safe and the additional social value commitments made by Liberty will be of great benefit to the communities involved.”

The company offers the full range of property services, and its teams are experts in reactive and planned maintenance across all technical disciplines, refurbishments, mechanical and electrical projects, construction, and whole-home decarbonisation.