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<u>City of Lincoln Council awards new</u> <u>£50million Waste/Recycling and Street</u> <u>Cleansing Contract to Biffa</u>

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This redesigned, respecified, and repackaged contract reflects the council's commitment to delivering improved efficiency, enhanced sustainability, and high standards of service for Lincoln's community.

The contract is valued at approximately £5.5 million per year, running for an initial term of 8.5 years.

The waste/recycling service includes comprehensive collection of residual waste, dry recycling, garden waste, and clinical waste.

The street cleansing service includes street sweeping, litter collection, fly-tipping removal, clearing abandoned vehicles, and graffiti cleaning.

The new contract will also include improved environmental credentials, including the use of electric vans and solar panels at the depot.

The tender process attracted significant interest from leading industry players, ensuring a strong

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competition. Biffa's bid was selected based on a combination of factors to assess the value for money that each tenderer provided.

The award has been made in good time to permit opportunity for specialist vehicle procurement, and opportunity to plan for the delivery of the various changes required by the new contract format.

This new partnership emphasises sustainability, aligning with the council's vision for a cleaner, greener Lincoln. Key investment in new vehicles and modern IT, will ensure the city's services continue to develop positively while reducing the environmental impact.

Cllr Bob Bushell at City of Lincoln Council, said: "This new contract represents a significant step forward in how we manage waste and ensure our city's cleanliness.

"As a council, we've incorporated innovative and environmentally friendly measures to meet the evolving needs of our community and to address our upcoming Vision 2030's priority, 'Let's address the challenge of climate change'.

"City of Lincoln Council is proud to have secured a contract that balances quality, cost, and environmental responsibility for the benefit of Lincoln residents and visitors alike."

Debbie Doohan, Regional General Manager at Biffa, commented:"Biffa is proud and honoured to continue our partnership with the City of Lincoln Council, building on our shared commitment to delivering reliable, sustainable, and innovative waste and street cleansing services.

"We look forward to supporting the council's Vision 2030 goals by introducing innovative practices and working together to create a cleaner, greener city for residents and visitors alike with the new Contract aligning to the Simpler Recycling regulations due to be introduced for household waste collections from April 2026."