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Tender

BwDBC Waste Contracts 2026

Blackburn With Darwen Borough Council

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Scope

Reference

DN777613

Description

Lot 1 - The Treatment and Processing of Recyclable Waste

Lot 2 - The Treatment and Processing of Food Waste

Lot 3 - The Disposal of Municipal Waste

Total value (estimated)

- £48,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 June 2026 to 31 May 2029
- Possible extension to 31 May 2032
- 6 years

Description of possible extension:

3 x 12 month extension options

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 90510000 - Refuse disposal and treatment

Contract locations

- UKD41 - Blackburn with Darwen

Lot 1. The Treatment and Processing of Recyclable Waste

Description

The Authority wishes to appoint the Provider to provide certain services relating to the receipt, haulage and treatment of dry recyclables collected from domestic and non-domestic premises within the geographical boundary of Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council as further detailed in this specification.

The aim of the Contract is to provide the highest quality kerbside recycling service for all service users and to maximise diversion of recyclables from landfill by maximising customer participation.

Lot value (estimated)

- £6,000,000 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. The Treatment and Processing of Food Waste

Description

The Council intends to introduce a weekly Contract Waste collection service to all homes including flats within the borough. Collections are likely to be made using 5t or 7.5t vehicles from 23 litre caddies issued to residents. The Council operates all its waste and recycling collection services in-house. The Council intends to commence this service by or before the date required by central government of the 1st June 2026.

The Council currently operates a successful commercial waste collection service and intends to also offer a food recycling option to its business customers both within and outside the borough.

The Provider will be required to offer tipping facilities to accommodate all collected Contract Waste. It should however be noted that the Council does not own or have access to a tipping facility currently suitable for Contract Waste. As such the Council is looking for a Delivery Point/Treatment Site within the current boundaries of Blackburn with

Darwen Borough Council.

Lot value (estimated)

- £6,000,000 including VAT

Same for all lots

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Lot 3. The Disposal of Municipal Waste

Description

The Council invites bidders to provide innovative and comprehensive solutions to managing and disposing of local authority collected municipal solid waste (LACMSW).

Collection of waste is conducted by the Council refuse collection fleet. All waste collected will require depositing into a waste transfer station, which must be located within the Borough boundaries. Any bids received that do not meet this criteria will not be considered.

In accordance with the Simpler Recycling agenda the Council seeks to limit to the absolute minimum any waste disposed to landfill. Although the Council recognises that some waste, (asbestos etc), would be disposed in such a manner. To the extent possible all waste collected is to be subjected to the waste hierarchy principles, with a view to maximise diversion from landfill.

To the greatest extent possible the disposal of residual waste is to be managed in such a manner so as to provide energy recovery/generation and/or refuse derived fuel(s) or similar.

For the purpose of providing the Services, the Provider shall supply and maintain all necessary vehicles, plant, equipment and labour, to facilitate compliance with this Agreement.

Lot value (estimated)

- £36,000,000 including VAT

Same for all lots

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Participation

Particular suitability

Lot 1. The Treatment and Processing of Recyclable Waste

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Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Tender submission deadline

9 February 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://procontract.due-north.com/register>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

27 February 2026

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 1 December 2031

Award criteria

Lot 1. The Treatment and Processing of Recyclable Waste

Name	Type	Weighting
Price	Price	45%
Quality	Quality	40%
Social Value	Quality	15%

Lot 2. The Treatment and Processing of Food Waste

Lot 3. The Disposal of Municipal Waste

Name	Type	Weighting
Price	Price	55%
Quality	Quality	30%
Social Value	Quality	15%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

Blackburn With Darwen Borough Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government