



orthern Ireland's leading electrical waste and recycling company for over 45 years, Avenue Recycling recently took delivery of five new 32-tonne DAF CF450FAD hook loaders with sheeting systems from TBF Thompson. The DAF CF450FAD 8x4 construction chassis cab is the choice of professionals, offering excellent on and off-road capabilities as well as superb driver comfort. The 12-speed TraXon automated gearbox provides first-class low-down torque and efficiency.

The stunning new additions are all decked-out in livery highlighting Avenue Recycling's distinctive blue and white colour scheme, and also bearing the company's familiar 'Switch on to Electrical Waste' logo. They enhance the company's 55-strong fleet which ranges from small vans to skip eaters. There are 12 hook loaders in total, split evenly between DAF and Scania. The impressive fleet also includes 14 26-tonne RCVs (refuse collection vehicles) which mostly service Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council, five rear-end loaders, four 18-tonne curtainsider and box lorries, eight 40ft



tipper trailers, a 40ft curtainsider and a road sweeper.

Founded in 1977 by Mal Lavery, Avenue Recycling has grown to employ 78 people and boasts an everexpanding customer-base. Its clients range from small local businesses up to some of the largest local authorities in Northern Ireland, including Belfast City Council, Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council, Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council and Ards & North Down Borough Council. Other clients include Health & Social Care Board, Education Authority, Smeg, Lunneys, McCoubrey's, European Recycling Platform and even TV streaming companies Netflix and HBO.

"We offer a large range of services to accommodate a wide variety of industries. We organise and provide top-class, efficient and environmentally sensitive approaches for all customers," contracts manager Albert Magill

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explains.

"We provide everything from general waste and scrap metal collections for local councils to the removal of Waste Electrical Equipment (WEEE) for the Education Authority and the Health Trusts throughout Northern Ireland. We have many clients in the private sector and have worked on film sets such as Game of Thrones and Derry Girls for over 10 years.

"In addition, we provide a waste management service to major events like the Belfast Christmas Market and the Christmas at Hillsborough Light Trail. Mal has always encouraged a mixed workforce and this has led to him winning a lot of contracts."

Avenue Recycling operates two fully-



licensed waste facilities, one located in Belfast city centre and the second – which is the larger of the two – in the west of the city. It also has a yard for parking its RCVs near Mallusk. Both waste facilities are licensed to receive hazardous and non-hazardous waste. The waste management specialist also holds accreditation with the Northern Ireland Environment Agency (NIEA) as a fully-licensed Approved Authorised Treatment Facility (AATF).

The company originated as a metal merchant yard and has since progressed into other areas within the recycling, waste management and environmental sectors. The key services offered are: Metal Recycling, Electrical Waste, IT Data Wiping, IT Equipment Destruction, Commercial Skip Hire and Waste Collection, and Event Waste Management.

Avenue Recycling's wealth of experience in the scrap metal industry has put it in a unique position to offer guidance and advice on all matters associated with metal recycling. The company can offer top market value

on any grade of ferrous or non-ferrous metal, including aluminium, copper, brass, cable, stainless steel, lead and batteries. Avenue Recycling has a 50-tonne calibrated weighbridge and can collect and accept all types of ferrous metal, ranging from household scrap to industrial, commercial and farm scrap.

It currently holds major contracts with Belfast City Council, Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council and Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council for collecting scrap metal from their various amenity sites.

Avenue Recycling collects over 15,000 tonnes of waste electrical and electronic (WEEE) per annum, making it Northern Ireland's largest electrical recycler. It collects WEEE material from retailers, businesses and recycling centres across the province. The WEEE services provided meet the WEEE collection and treatment regulations as required by the Northern Ireland Environment Agency. As part of its approval by the Northern Ireland Environment Agency, Avenue Recycling

is an approved treatment facility for the treatment and recovery of household electrical and electronic appliances.

The Belfast operation provides data wiping and recycling services for your company laptops, servers, PCs and hard drives. It utilises Blancco-certified data erasure software, an NCSC approved HMG Infosec Level 5 Enhanced overwrite of hard disk drives. Each data erasure performed creates a Certificate of Erasure, detailing the item erased and therefore a complete audit trail, ensuring the highest possible standards and protecting your company's data.

Avenue Recycling's warehouse contains five industrial shredders, three of which are dedicated to the destruction of all types of electrical waste. All waste is unloaded and visually inspected before it's sorted into different categories and begins to be manually dismantled. The materials are then put through a series of industrial shredders. This shredding process reduces your company's sensitive waste to a 15mm particle size, thus rendering all data completely inaccessible.

Strong magnets are then used to remove ferrous metals. Other non-metallic metals are removed using electronic currents. Plastic is sorted into types before being sent for further treatment. After treatment, the various recyclable materials are bulked up and sent to manufacturers for use as raw materials in a new production process, thus completing the circular economy.

Avenue Recycling provides a comprehensive commercial skip hire service. It offers a wide range of containers to suit your business' needs,

while ensuring you remain compliant when it comes to permits and disposal. Its staff are experienced and trained to provide advice on the right skip for your requirements.

The company provides flexible waste transport solutions to meet your business' needs at very competitive rates. Its extensive fleet of specialist vehicles enables it to offer bespoke and unique waste management solutions to a broad range of customers.

Avenue Recycling also provides a complete waste management solution

for events of all sizes. Its waste package can be adapted to suit the requirements of your specific events. The services include waste collection and recycling of all waste streams, litter picking, setup and take-down waste removal, postevent cleaning and power washing.

As it continues to go from strength to strength, Avenue Recycling would like to take this opportunity to thank its clients and suppliers for their support as well as its top-class team for their hard work, dedication and expertise.

Best Wishes and Continued Success to Avenue Recycling Ltd



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