

## NEWS RELEASE – 6 June 2023

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## Hills' retirees receive Long Service Recognition Awards after 85 years of combined service.

Two Hills Municipal Collections drivers were presented with Long Service Recognition Awards recently after decades of combined service.

David Hawkins, Kerbside LGV Driver, Sands Farm Collections, who started in 1978, has just celebrated 45 years working as both a loader and a driver around Wiltshire.

Paul Burke, Non LGV Driver, Salisbury Collections, has completed 40 years of service, working in various driving roles having started as a road sweeper for Salisbury District Council back in 1983.



Third from Left, Paul Burke, Non LGV Driver, with colleagues from Hills Municipal Collections, Salisbury.



Third from Left, David Hawkins, Kerbside LGV Driver, with colleagues from Hills Municipal Collections, Sands Farm.

A spokesperson for Hills said: "Hills are extremely proud to be able to present both drivers with these certificates in recognition of their long service. The awards are a true testament to the commitment and dedication they have shown over their long careers."

Both employees have decided to bid farewell to the business to take their well-deserved retirements.

David Hawkins said: "I'll really miss my colleagues the most. I was so

lucky to have worked with a good team who all knew that if we all pulled together, we would crack it."

Paul Burke said: "I will miss the routine of working and watching the seasons change while on the road. I'll also miss my colleagues, but no doubt I will bump into them when they are out on their rounds."

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Notes to editors:

Established in 1900 The Hills Group Limited is a privately owned family company with a broad and successful portfolio of business activities which include recycling and waste management; quarrying of aggregates and production of ready-mixed concrete; and building new homes. It is a dynamic regional business which, while centred on Wiltshire, has stretched its boundaries into neighbouring areas.

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