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Public electric vehicle charging points in East Sussex

Electric vehicle charging

There are many ways for electric vehicle (EV) owners to charge their vehicles in East Sussex. You can find public chargers in town centres, supermarkets, restaurants, workplaces, petrol stations and many other places.

The Zap Map provides information about owning and driving an EV. This includes where existing charge points are in East Sussex.

On-street public charging points

In February 2024, the County Council secured £4.441m under tranche 1 of the Government's Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) Fund, one of the first five authorities in the country to receive this funding.

The LEVI funding will help the County Council to scale up the delivery of on-street chargepoints, enabling more residents, especially those without off-street parking, to switch to electric vehicles. We are currently working with OZEV and other agencies to support the procurement of an on-street chargepoint provider, and we expect to start the delivery of on-street chargepoints later in 2024/25. Locations will be added to the Zap Map when they are ready to use.

On-street private charging points

It is not permissible to charge your electric vehicle by running a cable across the road or pavement even with a cable protector. It is dangerous for pedestrians and may present a risk to people with sight and mobility impairments from using the path safely.

The Government recently announced a grant to help residents without driveways or private parking to buy and install EV charge points at residential properties, and this grant may be used to towards the cost of building of a gully to carry the cable safely across the pavement. Amongst the conditions of the grant funding, a resident will need to have approval from the local highway authority. To support this, the government has notified us that it intended to publish guidance to local authorities in the Spring of 2024.

Once this guidance has been published we will consider how and where cross pavement gullies can be safely installed and operated on the highway. We will

particularly need to focus on a variety of concerns raised surrounding pedestrian safety, street works, ongoing ownership of the gully, safety checks and compliances, liabilities, and the impact on residential parking.

If you would like to register interest, please contact ElectricVehicleInfrastructure@eastsussex.gov.uk

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