



**Resources and Public Realm  
Scrutiny Committee**  
7 February 2019

**Report from the Director of  
Performance, Policy &  
Partnerships**

**Parking & electric car charging**

<b>Wards Affected:</b>	All
<b>Key or Non-Key Decision:</b>	Non-key
<b>Open or Part/Fully Exempt:</b>	Open
<b>No. of Appendices:</b>	1
<b>Background Papers:</b>	None
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### **1.0 Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1. This report informs the committee how the Council is implementing an electric vehicle charging network within the borough and also the management of larger vehicles parked on street in Controlled Parking Zones (CPZs).

### **2.0 Recommendation(s)**

- 2.1 The Resources and Public Realm Scrutiny Committee note the progress with the council's plans to create and enable more electric vehicle charging points (EVP) in the borough and on introducing a tighter restriction on the size of vehicles eligible for residents' parking permits.

### **3.0 Detail**

- 3.1 The council regulates and charges for on street parking to manage demand from residents, businesses and visitors, assist the smooth flow of traffic, and reduce the number of vehicle trips, particularly at peak times. This supports the Council's aims of encouraging the uptake of sustainable travel options (including electrically powered vehicles), reducing carbon emissions and air

pollution, and reducing the number of people killed or injured on the boroughs roads.

- 3.2 Car usage makes a significant contribution to the borough's carbon emissions and air pollution. The council is seeking, through its transport and parking strategies, to encourage a greater uptake of more sustainable modes of travel for those journeys including electric vehicles.
- 3.3 In April 2017 the Council introduced a revised carbon emissions-based resident's permit scheme to encourage residents to purchase low emissions vehicles. The 2016 on street parking consultation and subsequent Cabinet report (27 June 2016) resulted in wide-ranging changes to the parking service offer and charges in CPZ's, to help address the problems associated with increasing demand for parking spaces.
- 3.4 As the number of Brent residents purchasing new electric vehicles is increasing every year, with hybrid (petrol/electric) being the most popular, the Council has to face the challenge of finding potential locations for introducing EVCP's whilst having a minimum impact on the ever increasing pressure for parking.

#### **4.0 Financial Implications**

- 4.1 The report contains a number of financial implications relating to supply of equipment, installation, maintenance, electricity and annual fees.

#### **5.0 Legal Implications**

- 5.1 The London Local Authorities and Transport for London Act 2013 is the enabling legislation for the Rapid Charging Infrastructure Project that is detailed in the report.

#### **6.0 Equality Implications**

- 6.1 There are no equalities implications arising directly from this report.

#### ***REPORT SIGN-OFF***

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