

Report to Cabinet



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Greater Manchester Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy

Executive Summary

1. Transport for Greater Manchester and colleagues across the 10 Authorities in Greater Manchester have produced a Strategy for Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure. The strategy looks at the availability of and access to electric vehicle charging infrastructure and provides a clear vision, objectives and principles to inform future programmes of work for the development of electric charging infrastructure.

Recommendation

2. That the Greater Manchester Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy is approved for adoption.

Reason for Recommendation

3. Overview and Scrutiny Committee are requested to consider and put forward their views as part this strategy will be used by Officers to inform future decisions on electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

Key Points for Consideration

4. This strategy is a sub-strategy of the already approved GM Transport Strategy 2040.

Access to electric vehicle Charging Infrastructure is a part of decarbonising transport and falls in line with the national Government's ending the sale of petrol and diesel cars and vans by 2030.

Greater Manchester also has a target of achieving carbon neutrality by 2038.

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Fully electric vehicles also offer a partial solution to improving air quality. Having the available infrastructure to charge an electric vehicle will help people make the choice to switch to an electric vehicle.

Alternatives Considered

The strategy has been through a number of draft versions and Rochdale Council have played an active role in the working groups for the development of this strategy, there are no alternatives offered for this GM strategy.

Costs and Budget Summary

5. There have been no financial implications in preparing this strategy for Rochdale Council.

Future funding streams will be required to implement the electric vehicle charging infrastructure. Rochdale Council are already exploring options with TfGM and other sources of funding to increase the available infrastructure.

Risk and Policy Implications

6. There is currently no policy for Greater Manchester on electric vehicle charging infrastructure, without a strategy there is the risk that the infrastructure either does not happen or becomes fragmented which is not desirable.

Colleagues from across the Council including Corporate Policy and Public Protection are aware of this Strategy.

Consultation

7. This strategy is presented to Communities, Regeneration and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee for Consultation and then endorsement will be sought by Cabinet before it can be approved by Greater Manchester Combined Authority.

Background Papers	Place of Inspection
8. Here you should detail any background papers –	GM EVCI Strategy
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