**Context**

The Mayor of London’s Transport Strategy aims to make London’s transport network ‘zero emission’ by 2050. Despite higher levels of walking, cycling and public transport use, motorised vehicles will remain a feature of London’s streets, requiring strong policies to encourage vehicles to be as clean and energy efficient as possible.

The government intends to ban the sale of new non-hybrid petrol and diesel cars by 2040. Kingston’s draft Sustainable Transport Strategy includes objectives around reducing the harmful effects of transport on health and the environment and its contribution to climate change.

There are currently 10 council-provided charging points located on Kingston roads and in its off-street car parks. The council is looking to extend this to 100 charging points over 4 years.

**Key points**

- How we move around our city has a huge effect on air quality, and therefore on health and life expectancies. We are committed to encouraging people to walk, cycle or use public transport, but we understand it is not always easy or possible.
- In the UK, air pollution contributes to 40,000 premature deaths every year, with more than 9,000 in London. Encouraging residents and businesses to switch to EVs which have zero tailpipe emissions helps improve air quality, improving the health of everyone.
- The council’s electric vehicle plan outlines how the council will go about installing additional charging points in the borough.
- We are working with the TfL project team that is responsible for growing the rapid network in London. So far they have installed one rapid charger in the borough at Ace Parade, Hook Road by the junction with the A3. London Councils Transport & Environment Committee has agreed that boroughs should suggest 20 further potential sites by end of January 2019 for TfL to assess and we are working towards this target.
- Guidance from TfL on the location of charge points will be followed to limit the impact on the accessibility of footways, allowing fair access for all.
Medium-term (Next 1-5 years)
- Sign the new SourceLondon agreement with BPL to enable implementation of additional residential on-street charging points in line with the ULEV policy.
- Review EV bays in Kingston car parks to encourage usage.
- Identify sites and implement off-street rapid charging points in line with the policy.
- Identify sites and implement destination/top-up charging points in line with the policy.
- Monitor progress and support procurement of EV fleet.

Short-term (2018/19)
- Publish and promote ULEV policy.
- Undertake additional mapping exercises to identify suitable locations for charging points, residents without access to off-street parking and number of taxis and private hire vehicles in the borough.
- Seek to bid for Residential Go Ultra Low City Scheme (GULCS) funding.

Find out more at www.kingston.gov.uk/sustainabletransport