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EV Charger grant boost a welcome move to get businesses on the road to net zero

Tom Middleditch, Sustainability spokesperson at Europcar urges government to also address disparity in VAT on vehicle charging

“It’s great to see the government recognising the financial pressures that are barriers to businesses and private motorists switching to electric with the increase in the grants for flat owners, landlords, renters and businesses to £500 per charge point. Our recent EV Barometer highlighted that business drivers still see cost as a barrier for their employers to make the switch. Making the investment into charging at a business location could help with the total cost of ownership – as well as overcome concerns about charging infrastructure.

“However, there is still a disparity between the VAT applied at public chargers and business locations, which is still at 20%, and home charging at 5%. Tackling this issue would surely help many more motorists and businesses to see the long-term benefits of electric motoring.”

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