



I am a terraced-house resident in Orrell (no private parking) and I'm keen to consider switching to an electric vehicle. However, I have concerns about charging access:

- I understand Wigan currently has no on-street residential charge points.
- The Greater Manchester strategy prioritises residential charging hubs within ~400 metres of homes lacking off-street parking.

Could you please clarify:

1. What plans are in place for installing on-street or nearby hubs for residential areas like Orrell?

We have been allocated funding via Greater Manchester Combined Authority to support the installation of new electric vehicle charging points, including in areas where residents do not have access to off-street parking, and are actively working on the plans and processes to start implementing new on-street electric vehicle charging infrastructure in residential areas.

2. What is the expected timeline for bringing public charging within walking distance of terraced properties?

As a point of clarification, Wigan Council has adopted the [Greater Manchester Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Strategy](#). There is not an objective in this Strategy relating to EV charging infrastructure within 400m of homes without off-street parking. Therefore, this target is not applicable to Wigan Borough.

The Council's installation of new electric vehicle charge points across the borough is due to begin in early 2026. We have been working to assess demand and identify suitable locations for these installations, including recording all requests received. The locations will need to be agreed with the successful Charge Point Operator(s) once appointed.

Future funding opportunities secured by the Council will support the continued expansion of electric vehicle charging points in the borough.

3. What support or exemptions are available for residents (like me) who cannot charge at home?

Until on-street charging points are available, residents without access to off-street parking can use other public charge points located throughout the borough. To find the nearest available charger, visit zapmap (<https://www.zap-map.com/>) or the zapmap mobile app, which provides a map of public charging locations.

4. How can residents engage with the council's planning process for EV infrastructure in terraced areas?

A dedicated page on the Council's website is currently in process of being produced.