

# **REA EV Forum ad-hoc meeting**

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Welcome to new REA EV Forum members

# engage: EV Assist Paythru











## Rapid Charging Fund & REA letter

REA circulated letter to Government following £500m fund for new grid connections and vision for 6,000 rapids / ultra-rapids at MSAs in England by 2035

- Draft letter circulated to members
- Feedback on 'competition at every site'
- Feedback on role for private finance / who manages connections



# Data sharing and Government's Project Alpha - OCPD

#### **Government seeking to replace National Charge Point Register**

Early recommendations include (summarised):

- CPOs to be submitting static and dynamic data
- Openly accessible datasets
- Role of OCPI
- Data includes location, speed, pricing, up-time, and amenities around a charge point
- Debate around whether market sensitive data should be submitted.
- Early proposals for CPOs to be submitting sensitive utilisation (by kW) data seem to have been dropped.
- Debate around whether charge point availability data should be made available

#### Maintenance, reliability, and uptime of public EVSE

Government sees Dutch benchmark of 99% reliability as potential target

- should charge point networks be regulated or product manufacturers?
- how long is acceptable for a charge point operator to respond to a fault notification?
- should regulations apply to individual charge points or all chargers if there is a 'hub'?
- should Government have powers to fine operators?
- should regulations differ for AC and DC chargers?
- what enforcement and monitoring policy would be acceptable to operators?



#### Debit/credit card payment

Government may look to tighten requirements around 'ad hoc' payments.

- are there any particular issues around 'ad hoc' or credit card payments that you would like us to raise?
- are there amendments to the existing regulations you would want to see made?



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- If so, in what areas?
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## 24/7 Customer service

Government is not focusing significantly on this issue yet, but REA is looking to prepare early positions.

- would you see Government mandating 24-hour customer service hotlines for public infrastructure as acceptable?
- what stipulations would you want to see as part of the policy?
- is your company currently offering this, or using another's hotline service?
- what enforcement and monitoring policy would be acceptable to operators?

Introductory comments to this discussion from EV Assist.



# Roaming / interoperability of public charging infrastructure

REA current position: strongly in favour of roaming, but at this stage it should be done in a market-led way and with no Government intervention so as to let new products and standards come forward.

Options: light touch customer focused 'assurance' scheme

Or more interventionist regulation

- Opening to % of networks?
- All CPOs open to all eMSPs and/or eMSP license?

Call for involvement in this discussion – members to be consulted on draft positions in due course.



#### **Accessibility of EVSE**

#### Background primer here.

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 Do members believe that there should be further regulations to ensure disability access to public charge point operators? If so, what speicically should be considered?



#### **Smart Charging & Building regulations**

**Smart Charging consultation** – Government has published summary of responses but no new policy decisions

- BSI PAS 1878 to be consulted on this summer
- BSI PAS 1879 to be consulted on in autumn
- Smart Charging phase one regulations likely Q1 2021
- 'Phase Two' will need to be consulted on

**Building regulations consultation** – Government emailed a request for updated cost data. Did anyone input?



# Consultation on moving the new ICE sales phase-out to 2035

Government has confirmed intention to move the phase-out of the sale of new conventional petrol and diesel cars and vans to 2035 from 2040

- Informal consultation process now kicked off
- Hybrids proposed to be included in the ban
- Government seeking policy to get to 2035
- Government listening closely to CCC and stakeholders

**Quickfire – member views on date and inclusion?** 



#### **Forthcoming EV Events**

## The Rapid Charging Fund and the future of MSAs: for 6,000 rapid charge points at MSAs by 2035, and debate on how the £500m Rapid Charging Fund should be utilised. 16<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2020

11:00am - 12:00pm



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## **COVID** and e-Mobility: How will the virus impact the green mobility

agenda in the UK and Europe?

18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2020

10:30am - 12:00pm



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