

Eric Wright continues electric fleet expansion as it commissions 100th vehicle

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<u>Eric Wright Group</u> has officially handed over its 100th electric fleet vehicle. The Cupra Born car was presented to the Group's new Bid Writer Prabjeet Kaur who joined the civil engineering arm of the business earlier last month.

Prabjeet was handed the keys to the vehicle from Group Fleet and Transport Manager Steve Openshaw at Sceptre House, the company's head office in Bamber Bridge. Commenting on the presentation Steve said: "It's a landmark moment for us to have 100 electric vehicles in the fleet and it's lovely to present it to our newest member of staff, Prabjeet.

"This marks the moment we also exceed the halfway mark for the Group's car fleet being fully electric. Over 250,000 electric miles have been driven between January and August 2022, which has significantly contributed to the Group's overall carbon reduction targets."

Eric Wright Group's current fleet is 76% ULEV (Ultra Low Emission Vehicles) while 50% are now fully electric. The company was aiming to have 60% of its leased car fleet as hybrid, plug-in hybrid or pure electric by 2025 but is now set to meet that deadline in 2023.

Commenting on receiving her new car Prabjeet added: "This is the first time I have had an electric vehicle and I'm delighted to be able to drive it in my new role. The provision of local charging points has increased rapidly in recent years and we now have twenty at Sceptre House and thirty at our sites across the north west region. I'm confident that it will be a smooth transition to driving an electric vehicle and that it will have a significant impact on the business's carbon reduction plans."

Earlier this year Steve was announced as Fleet Manager of the Year at the national Fleet News Awards and



the business also picked up the Fleet of the Year award.

Group Managing Director Jeremy Hartley added: "Steve has worked tirelessly to bring forward our conversion to an entirely electric fleet and this is another great milestone for the business. We are committed to minimising environmental impact from all Group activities and have implemented plans to ensure that the business delivers net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2030."