

## AA's electrification of first response vehicles

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Electric vehicle (EV) charging specialist Mer has supported the AA as it electrifies some of its breakdown vehicles.

The AA is switching selected patrol vans to EVs as it continues to decarbonise its business. These e-vans are parked overnight at drivers' homes, so the company turned to the company to install reliable and user-friendly home charging infrastructure.

The AA also required EV chargers that were compatible with the Mina Homecharge software platform, which ensures that employees do not pay for charging work vehicles at home, as the employer is billed directly.

AA group fleet manager Simon Ungless said: "For our roll-out of electric patrol vans we needed a partner who could make the entire process simple and hassle-free for our drivers. Mer is able to provide an end-to-end solution, from procurement and installation to service and repair. Every installation to date, including my own, has been very smooth and straightforward."

Head of business charging Emma Spark said: "We are extremely proud to be supporting the AA's roll-out of all-electric first response vehicles. While this is an ongoing process, we are already working with other elements of the AA to look at further expanding our relationship."

The company has installed 7kW chargers at the homes of AA van drivers, enabling them to fully recharge the vehicles overnight. The smart charger also integrates with Mina Homecharge. In addition, AA drivers can access the company's public charging network via its Connect app. Ms Spark added: "Mer understands the EV charging procurement and installation process from start to finish. Our expertise coupled with our

position as an independent provider enables us to go above and beyond a standard installation for the AA. We were able to supply the right charging infrastructure for its drivers, while also providing additional integration capabilities for the AA as a business.”