

## Veolia and Brent Council charge ahead with new Electric Vehicles

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Brent Council is rolling out nine electric collection and street cleansing vehicles in partnership with <u>Veolia</u> to provide a cleaner, greener, and quieter service for residents across the borough.

These new electric vehicles will save over 50 tonnes of carbon dioxide (CO2) compared to their diesel predecessors, they are also less noisy to operate, allowing for cleaner and quieter collection services. In addition to reducing CO2, they will contribute to a reduction in nitrogen oxide (NOX), carbon monoxide (CO), and particulate matter (PM) emissions, which all contribute to poor air quality.

Gisela Endres, Senior Contract Manager for Veolia Brent, said: "It is crucial for us to explore different ways of reducing the impact of our operations on the local environment. Upgrading our fleet with electric vehicles plays a vital role in helping us determine the most efficient and cost-effective ways of delivering sustainable services to Brent residents on behalf of their Council."

After declaring a climate emergency in 2019, Brent Council has worked hard to build a fairer and greener borough and Veolia is proud to support them on their net zero journey and help them achieve carbon neutrality by 2030.

Cllr Krupa Sheth, Cabinet Member for Environment, Infrastructure and Climate Action at Brent Council, said: "It was really exciting to see our contractor's new electric fleet of vehicles that will be used to keep Brent clean and green. Electric vehicles are a key component of our ambitious target of becoming carbon neutral by 2030, that is why we are installing high amounts of electric vehicle charging points across the borough and transitioning to electric fleets of vehicles where possible."