

The Occupier

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Dear Resident

Electric Vehicle Charge Point Installation

Central Bedfordshire Council is working to bring forward electric vehicle charging provision, as supported by our Sustainability Plan (2020) and Electric Vehicle Charge Point Plan (2021). This has led to a partnership with BP Pulse, our contracted Charge Point Operator, to roll out charge points to build the public network and to provide provision for residential use.

The latter project involves bidding for grant funding to use local car parking areas to host 7kW 'fast' charge points. These provide a local charging option within a 5-10 minute walk for residents who do not have dedicated off-street parking, and thus are not able to charge at home and likely feel unable to transition to an electric vehicle.

Earlier in 2022, Central Bedfordshire Council secured grant funding for provision at 12 sites, including the parking bays in the Market Square, Potton which will receive 4 dual socket charge points over 8 parking bays. To limit the impact on existing parking availability, not all of these bays will be 'EV Charging Only' but these units will provide a local charging option for a large proportion of the identified demand in Potton, and this infrastructure is an important addition to the town.

The installation will commence on **Wednesday 11th January** for up to two days and then again on **Wednesday 18th** for another two days. During the first phase, access to the bays outlined in red (see overleaf) will be restricted whilst works are carried out and to make space available for machinery/materials. During the second phase, it is likely only the areas outlined in blue will be required, however there is a requirement for temporary traffic lights to be in place on the B1040, north of the library.

Apologies for any inconvenience caused by these works. If you have any queries, please contact us via the email address below.

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