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Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure (CCEI) Committee

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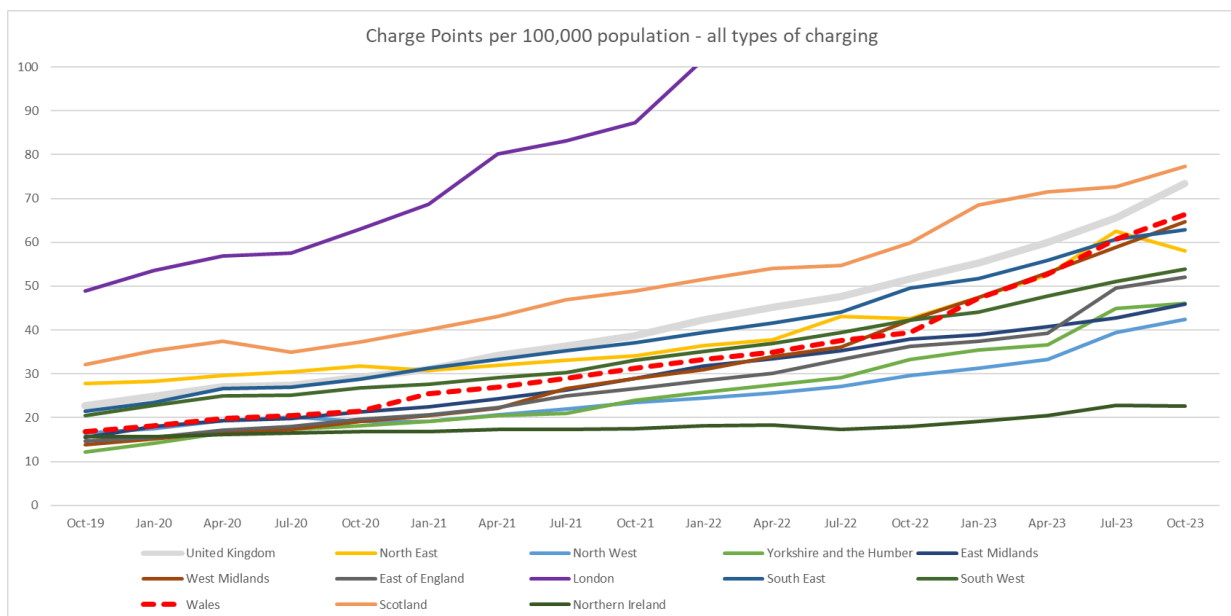
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Dear Llyr,

I am writing to provide the Committee with an update and to show the significant progress we have made since our previous response to the Committee's report on our Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Strategy and Action Plan (March 2023).

An update on the 21 recommendations within the Committee's report on EV charging infrastructure is attached. The update explains that new evidence-based forecasts for EVs in Wales have been developed to reflect market demand.

The latest report from the Department for Transport indicates that the number of EV charge points in Wales has grown 68% annually and total infrastructure per head of population is surpassed only by London and Scotland. The dotted red line on the graph below illustrates this progress.



[Electric vehicle charging device statistics: October 2023 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/electric-vehicle-charging-device-statistics)

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

The Welsh Government will continue to work with and support local authorities and private sector chargepoint operators to deploy adequate charging provision of EV infrastructure across Wales, recognising this will help drive the uptake in electric vehicles.

Given the budget and capacity constraints the Welsh Government is currently facing, over the next few months our focus will be on developing mechanisms that will incentivise the private sector to install and operate charging infrastructure where market failure has been identified.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lee', is centered on a light-colored rectangular background.

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Y Dirprwy Weinidog Newid Hinsawdd
Deputy Minister for Climate Change