

## Electric vehicle training course for taxi and private hire drivers

The Council in partnership with the Energy Saving Trust, is hosting a free Electric Vehicle (EV) training course for our licensed taxi and private hire drivers in Luton.

The training is an opportunity for owners, operators and vehicle proprietors to test drive three different types of EVs and learn more about the financial and operational benefits that switching to them can bring.

The virtual courses cover the following topics:

- What is driving the global surge in EV sales
- EV models currently available including their sizes, functionality and realistic driving ranges
- Recharging: How, where and what does it cost?
- EV purchase and running costs
- How to drive EVs efficiently to maximise range
- FAQs including:
  - Do EVs really save CO2?
  - Will the National Grid cope?
  - How long will lithium reserves last?
  - Do the batteries degrade?

The course is being run on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2022** and will comprise two elements. It will be delivered online via virtual training in the morning (10:00-11:30) after which there is an opportunity to view and drive EV vehicles suitable for both the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire trades in the afternoon (from 12.00 onwards).

Demonstration and test drives will be held at:

Stockwood Discovery Centre (car park)  
London Road  
Luton  
LU1 4LX

To book your free place and for more information please email [SMEtraining@est.org.uk](mailto:SMEtraining@est.org.uk).

Places are limited and issued on a first come, first served basis so please book ASAP.