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ChargePlace Scotland integrates with Zap-Pay to deliver seamless EV charging payment experience

Integration expands EV driver access to charge points throughout Scotland

ChargePlace Scotland, Scotland's national Electric Vehicle (EV) charging network, has partnered with Zapmap as a payment partner.

Zapmap app users can now use Zap-Pay, its in-app payment solution, to quickly and easily pay for charging across more than 2,800 charge points throughout Scotland, in addition to the tens of thousands of locations already integrated into the payment solution.

ChargePlace Scotland operates with the support of Transport Scotland, the national transport agency for the country, with the goal of making EV ownership accessible for all Scottish drivers. The network is managed by Evolt Charging, formerly known as Swarco Smart Charging, and encompasses charge points located from Shetland to the Scottish Borders, with new charge points installed regularly. Individual charge points within the network are owned by various entities, including local authorities, public bodies, charities, and private businesses that have received grants to install them.

ChargePlace Scotland also shares a live data partnership with Zapmap, meaning that users of the Zapmap app and web map can see live status updates on its charge points at any time, as well as being able to search for charge points, plan longer journeys and share updates with other electric car drivers.

The charge point network has joined an extensive list of payment partners, including Be.EV, EVC, PoGo, Osprey, ESB Energy, char.gy, GeniePoint, Mer, MFG EV Power,

Fastned, Alfa Power, Connected Kerb, evyve, Charge My Street, Applegreen Electric, FOR EV and Monta in making payment easy for electric car drivers up and down the country.

Zap-Pay uses a credit or debit card to pay for charging, and was launched with a mission to include all the key charge point networks across the UK. The payment solution avoids the hassle of using different payment methods across the various charge point operators, providing a simple way to pay for EV charging across networks from within the familiar Zapmap app.

Drivers using Zap-Pay are also able to view their charging history, receive live status updates while away from their vehicle, and download receipts to help keep track of their spending. To facilitate easy payment, they can also use both Apple Pay and Google Pay on all Zap-Pay enabled devices across the UK.

Commenting on the new partnership, **Chris Waldron, Transport Scotland**, said:

“The Scottish Government is fully committed to tackling climate change and phasing out the need for petrol and diesel cars and vans by 2030 to deliver a healthier, cleaner and greener Scotland for current and future generations. ChargePlace Scotland has played a significant role in the transition to zero emission vehicles over the last decade. A roaming partnership with Zapmap will help us to continue on that journey towards a transport system that is sustainable, inclusive and accessible.”

Matt Lloyd, Head of CPO Networks at Zapmap, said:

“Integrating ChargePlace Scotland’s network into Zap-Pay is a great result for both current and future EV drivers, enabling quick and easy charging throughout the country. It’s impressive to see Scotland’s ongoing commitment to developing the public EV charging infrastructure and we’re delighted to play a part in the transition to sustainable transport.”

Neil Swanson, Director of EVA Scotland added:

"The Association has long advocated for drivers being able to access all charging networks from a single account, making every journey simpler. We welcome the growth of interoperability and roaming services, and it is fantastic to see Zapmap offering its service across the ChargePlace Scotland network."

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About Zapmap

Zapmap was founded in 2014 with a mission to make the EV charging experience simple, wherever you go.

The Zapmap app helps EV drivers search, plan and pay for charging, and currently has almost 900,000 registered users. Zapmap has mapped over 95% of the UK's public points on its network, more than 75% of which show 24/7 live status data.

For more information, please visit www.zap-map.com.

About ChargePlace Scotland

ChargePlace Scotland was established by the Scottish Government in 2011 with the aim of incentivising the uptake of EVs. Developed through grant funding to over 400 organisations across the public, private and third sectors, it serves communities across Scotland's wide and varied geography.

For more information please visit:

<https://chargeplacescotland.org>

www.transport.gov.scot