


Law firm drives on with carbon neutrality commitments with launch of employee electrical vehicle scheme

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The scheme is provided by SG Fleet and will allow employees to lease an EV at a much more competitive rate than a private lease agreement and will see them benefit from income tax and national insurance savings. The cost of the lease will also include insurance and maintenance of the vehicle.

Browne Jacobson's People Director Declan Vaughan commented: "We are delighted to be able to offer this accessible and affordable way of leasing an EV to our people. It is an exciting, and valuable employee benefit that not only enhances our employer value proposition but clearly demonstrates our firm commitment to keeping Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) issues at the top of the agenda and to actively reducing our carbon footprint, as a business."

Partner Giles Parsons who heads up **Browne Jacobson's automotive practice** added: "From 2030, sales of new conventional petrol and diesel cars and vans will be banned in the UK and from 2035, that ban will extend to hybrid vehicles. As specialists in the automotive sector, we know it will take a lot of work to achieve these huge targets but there is a fantastic opportunity for industry to come together and work collaboratively to accomplish these goals. This starts with businesses funding and endorsing great EV schemes like this."

"I am proud to be part of a business that not only promotes a greener and cleaner landscape but is actively contributing to climate change in a positive way."

Browne Jacobson's automotive practice, which is part of its manufacturing & industrial sector has extensive experience of working with some of the world's leading automotive brands and original equipment manufacturers (OEMs). Their specialist lawyers support large-scale, business-critical projects and advise on various multi-jurisdictional data protection and privacy issues.

In 2021 the firm hosted a flagship roundtable event centred on the electrical vehicle revolution, in partnership with London Tech Week. The event included a panel of automotive industry experts who led a thought-provoking discussion around the future opportunities that lie within the EV sector.

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