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## Clean green machine: first electric street sweeper for Harrow Council

The first fully electric street sweeper has joined Harrow Council's fleet in another step forward for the authority's carbon neutral pledge. The eSwingo 200+ sweeper - the first of its kind in a London borough – took to the streets of Harrow this month.

Cllr Varsha Parmar, Cabinet Member for Environment, said: "I'm so proud that Harrow is leading the way with this electric sweeper. It looks fantastic and brings so many benefits to Harrow. It will reduce our carbon footprint, save on running costs and it's a bit quieter too."



Cllr Varsha Parmar, Cabinet Member for Environment at Harrow Council, with the new eSwingo 200+

Going electric is expected to save more than 7,500 litres of diesel a year, resulting in a reduction of more than 19,875 kgs in direct carbon emissions and saving £10,500 in fuel costs. It's capable of completing an eight-hour shift on one charge.

Investing in this new technology is part of the Council's drive to address the climate and nature emergency and work towards being a carbon neutral organisation by 2030.

The sweeper complements the council's existing fleet of modern and efficient Euro 6-compliant vehicles, which also includes 15 electric vans delivering a range of services including all the Council's Meals on Wheels.

Richard Bryant, managing director of manufacturer Aebi Schmidt UK, said: "We have a long-standing relationship with Harrow Council and are delighted that they have taken delivery of their first eSwingo to help meet their green ambitions.



Schmidt eSwingo 200+ compact sweeper

"The eSwingo offers both local authorities and private service contractors not only the cleanest possible emissions, but provides sustainable cutting-edge technology and an all-inclusive package covering service, maintenance and performance needs."