

# Lancashire Telegraph

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**TODAY'S WEATHER**  

 Mainly cloudy day with bright spells  
 Max 13C Min 10C

Wednesday November 12, 2025

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**Pausing for a moment of Remembrance reflection**

SPORT



**Hedges has high hopes**

## 3.5k fines for using electric car spaces



### Warning to motorists using bays improperly

LANCASHIRE County Council has issued nearly 3,500 fines over the past five years to drivers parking in electric vehicle bays without charging.

This number includes 81 repeat offenders, while in Blackburn 41 fines have been issued to motorists flouting the rules.

The data was revealed in a Freedom of Information request by

By Jack Stott

Cinch, which showed enforcement action has risen sharply since 2020, as the number of EV charging spaces has also increased.

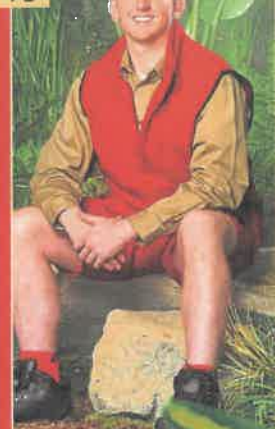
In 2020, Lancashire County Council, which covers the whole of the county except Blackburn with Darwen and Blackpool, issued 332 fines, compared with 911 in 2024,

an almost threefold increase. Additionally, between January and July this year, more than 500 penalties were recorded.

According to the council, the increase in fines mirrors the growth in demand for charging infrastructure rather than a change in enforcement policy.

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**From Bacup to the jungle for Ginge**

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**Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13 OF APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

Proposed development at: Land off Henthorn Road, Clitheroe, Lancashire, BB7 3BY. Notice is hereby given that an application is being submitted by Gladman Developments for outline planning permission for the following proposal: Outline planning application for the erection of up to 115 dwellings including affordable housing, with public open space, landscaping, sustainable urban drainage system (SuDS) and vehicular access. All matters reserved except for means of access. Local Planning Authority to whom the application is being submitted: Ribbles Valley Borough Council Council Offices, Church Walk, Clitheroe, Lancashire, BB7 2RA Any owner of the land or tenant who wishes to make representations about this application, should write to the council within 21 days of the date of this notice.

Mr Anthony Etchells. Date 05.11.2025

Statement of owners' rights: The grant of planning permission does not affect owners' rights to retain or dispose of their property, unless there is some provision to the contrary in an agreement or lease.

Statement of agricultural tenants' rights: The grant of planning permission for non-agricultural development may affect agricultural tenants' security of tenure.

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