New electric vehicle charging points installed at National Trust coastal car park near Polzeath.

- 4 new electric vehicle charging points have recently been installed in the main car park at Pentire headland, near Polzeath.
- Visitors will be able to charge their vehicles while they explore this dramatic section of the north Cornwall coast.
- The work is an important step in the National Trust's ambition to reduce carbon emissions at its places.

The National Trust at Pentire has enhanced sustainability efforts by introducing electric vehicle charging points in its main visitor car park at Pentireglaze.

Visitors can now conveniently charge their electric vehicles while enjoying the headland. The expansion of charging facilities to this coastal site reflects the National Trust's dedication to combatting climate change and reducing the carbon footprint of its places.

One of the holiday cottages at Pentire also offers visitors EV charging.

Pete Delbridge, Facilities Manager for the National Trust, said "People are already travelling by electric car when they visit Pentire, and this will quickly become even more common as the nation transitions away from petrol and diesel vehicles."

"As an organisation, the Trust is working hard on being carbon net-zero by 2030 and this futureproofing work is an important local step towards achieving this much wider ambition. And it's great that we are rolling this out beyond our houses and gardens, offering this important facility to those who visit the outdoors too."

The new charging points have been installed and are being run by destination charging operator <u>RAW Charging</u>.

The work at Pentire is part of a programme to increase the number of electric vehicles charging stations at Trust places across the country. To plan your day at Pentire visit: <u>Pentire | Cornwall | National Trust</u>

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About Pentire

Pentire headland has been under the care of the National Trust since 1936. Overlooking Polzeath, a popular North Cornwall holiday destination, the headland has been inhabited by humans since 4000BC but remains mostly undeveloped and a coastal escape for visitors.

The remnants of Iron Age ramparts can be seen at the Rumps and the scars of silver-lead mining are etched over the headland.

Our relationship with the land continues and today we are farming for the benefit of nature, supporting the abundance of wildflowers and a variety of wildlife and birds that have made Pentire their home.

Accessible routes over the headland offer spectacular views of the coast and countryside and there is an all-terrain mobility vehicle available to hire.

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