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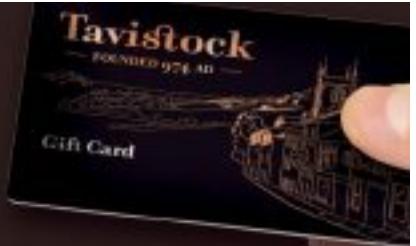
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What does a Green Revolution mean for Dartmoor?

The Prime Minister is trying to live up to his green credentials as the Government announced this month its 'ambitious ten-point plan for a green industrial revolution', which will 'create and support up to 250,000 British jobs'.

Part of the Government's plan is to ban the sale of petrol and diesel cars as of 2030. While positive news for the environment, it may not be so much for us here in Devon. Most importantly because Devon is one of the largest counties in the United Kingdom, made up of many miles of country roads, and, most worryingly, there are currently only 30 publicly accessible charge points for electric vehicles.

Devon County Council already has plans in the pipeline to boost the number of charge points accessible by local residents, including installing some in Ivybridge, Chagford, Okehampton and Hatherleigh.

But local authorities have their work cut out. Devon has over 8,000 miles of road – the largest network in the country – with almost 6 billion miles being driven on them between 2000 and 2019.

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