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Accelerating EV infrastructure with Arnold Clark



Arnold Clark is one of the UK's largest car dealers, with more than 180 branches nationwide.

With a rapidly expanding customer base of EV drivers and a vision for future-ready dealerships, Arnold Clark set out to build a robust, scalable EV charging network across its estate.

As part of its long-term electrification strategy, Arnold Clark partnered with Drax Electric Vehicles to design and deliver a nationwide network of charging hubs. And the resulting network now provides reliable infrastructure for customers, employees and its growing fleet of electric vehicles.

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We chose Drax over other suppliers because of their proven track record. They've been doing this for a long time now, so that gives you trust and confidence that we're going to get good a service.

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Jamie Green, Technical Lead, Arnold Clark





Jamie Green, Technical Lead at Arnold Clark, **Kayleigh Woods**, Energy Services Project Manager at Drax Energy Solutions, and **Terry Mohammed**, General Manager, Drax Electric Vehicles

A partner for scale and complexity

Like many organisations, Arnold Clark required more than just the installation of charging hardware. Instead, they needed a partner capable of delivering a wide range of requirements, including the rollout of infrastructure at scale across a diverse, complex and nationwide estate.

Strategic guidance was essential. With significant variables to consider – from their electrical capacity and site constraints to investment planning – Arnold Clark needed support to make informed, future-focused decisions. Ensuring infrastructure was future-proofed was key to preparing their sites for high-power charging and supporting the dealer group's long-term growth plans.

With multiple sites to manage, Arnold Clark needed a partner that could take ownership of the design and installation journey.

With chargers positioned as public-facing infrastructure, dependable uptime was also essential to ensure customers experience a smooth, reliable charge every time.

“We bring a whole host of elements together – working with distribution network operators, independent connection providers, traffic management, legals, in-house civils and electrical capability. We then wrap our whole governance and health and safety around that and deliver a full turnkey, one contract, one point of contact for our customers.”

Terry Mohammed, General Manager, Drax Electric Vehicles

"Arnold Clark really stepped up and wanted to build 100 high-powered charging hubs, and the acquisition of BMM by Drax has been key to delivering that project for them."

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From framework to nationwide rollout

The partnership began under a framework contract awarded to BMM Energy Solutions in 2021, through which AC and DC installations were already being delivered across the UK. Following [Drax's acquisition of BMM in 2023](#), the programme accelerated significantly.

Drax carried out a detailed technical assessment at each Arnold Clark site, assessing electrical capacity, site layout and future charging demand. The resulting insights created a clear understanding of the dealer group's nationwide estate and enabled a strategic approach to infrastructure planning. Rather than delivering individual charging projects in isolation, every installation was aligned to a long-term vision for growth.

This combination of detailed upfront planning and fully integrated delivery helped create a seamless nationwide rollout, providing a strong foundation for continued expansion.



62 ultra-rapid DC hubs delivered*



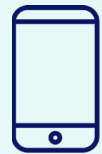
100 high-powered charging hubs planned nationwide



RFID card, Mobile app or Contactless payment options



Cost to charge £0.55 per kilowatt hour*, (vs UK average price £0.79**)



Pre-bookable slots via the Arnold Clark charge app

* As at July 2026

** <https://www.zapmap.com/ev-stats/charging-price-index>

Safe delivery in complex environments

Rolling out infrastructure across a national estate inevitably brings challenges. Site constraints, grid connections and live operational environments all require careful coordination. And Arnold Clark's Leyland Motorstore proves a good example.

Due to the location of the grid connection and the planned charging bays, a lengthy cable route was required to connect the infrastructure. Projects like this demonstrate the importance of detailed planning and technical expertise, ensuring site-specific challenges can be overcome while maintaining a smooth delivery programme.



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A lot of it is just getting the basics right, so it's picking up the phone and solving problems together. That's been really strong and positive from Drax.

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Jamie Green, Technical Lead, Arnold Clark

Throughout the rollout, health and safety remained a core priority. Delivering the project safely and efficiently required traffic management measures to be implemented throughout the installation. These measures enabled civil engineering and electrical works to be completed while maintaining full site operational status.

The close collaboration between Arnold Clark and Drax was critical in navigating these challenges efficiently. Teams ensured disruption was kept to a minimum, project timelines remained on track, and all work was delivered to the highest standards.

Enabling the next phase of growth

Arnold Clark continues to develop one of the UK's largest dealership-based EV charging networks – enhancing the customer experience while supporting its – and the wider industry's – transition to electric mobility.

Drax Electric Vehicles have been central to this process, providing the expertise and end-to-end delivery capability required to deploy infrastructure efficiently and consistently across a complex national network.

With a clear rollout strategy in place and infrastructure continuing to scale, Arnold Clark is well positioned to meet growing EV demand and further strengthen its leadership in dealership-based charging in the UK. And the partnership with Drax remains a key enabler of this next phase of growth and the long-term electrification strategy.

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The benefits are you're going to get a really good installation, really good value for money, and it's more than just working with a contractor.

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Jamie Green, Technical Lead, Arnold Clark



[Watch our video to find out more about how we're partnering with Arnold Clark.](#) Or, get in touch with our EV charging experts to find the right solution for your business.



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