



Tradelines 24 October

Published: 24th October 2018

Author: Robin Roberts

Online version: <https://www.wheelswithinwales.uk/tradelines-24-october/>

The withdrawal of the Government's plug-in hybrid grant will add about £2,500 to models and make them no longer commercially viable for many fleets, said Meridian Vehicle Solutions.

It has taken the decision to operate its current plug-in rentals but not add further versions when they are due to be replaced.

VW has introduced an old-diesel swapping scheme in Germany where 14 cities are planning to ban the worst polluters.

It will top up the part exchange price on Euro4 & 5 diesels in the affected cities and also introduce a scrappage allowance for Euro1 to 4 models across all makes.

Ben, an independent charity and dedicated partner to the automotive industry, providing support for life for its people and their family dependents, has announced the appointment of IMI CEO Steve Nash as Chair of its Board of Trustees.

Steve has served on Ben's Board since September 2014 and takes over as Chair from Robin Woolcock who has held the position for four years. Robin, who was formerly Managing Director of Volkswagen Group (UK) Ltd, and will continue as a trustee.

Arval vehicle leasing announced a new programme of initiatives to increase awareness and understanding of hydrogen vehicles and the potential they provide.

For schools, Arval is producing a range of resources for Year 10 and Year 11 pupils directly linked to the GCSE Chemistry element of the National Curriculum to give a greater



understanding of fuel cell technology and the role it plays across a range of real-world applications.

The initial proposals for the City of London Transport Strategy have been met with apprehension by the Freight Transport Association.

FTA raised concerns about its desire to introduce a Zero Emission Zone before suitable vehicles are commercially viable; it also criticises the government's poorly coordinated nationwide approach to air quality and traffic reduction schemes.