

Leeuwarden: first city centre in the Netherlands with emission-free PostNL deliveries

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In 2018, PostNL is replacing all vehicles in the centre of Leeuwarden with electric delivery vans and small electric vehicles (Stints). Parcels are delivered by electric vehicles from a central transfer point in the city. Letters are already delivered by emission-free means in Leeuwarden, either by bike or on foot. Sustainable delivery also fits in with the city of Leeuwarden's ambition for a clean, exhaust fume-free centre. PostNL's has the ambition to make their deliveries completely emission-free in 25 town centres by 2025. The company has therefore, along with various authorities and other companies, signed the Green Deal Zero Emission city logistics. As part of this, in 2017 PostNL replaced over 60 car journeys in Amsterdam with electric delivery bikes.

Elfwegentocht

This year, Leeuwarden is the European Capital of Culture and is paying extra attention to sustainability. The Elfwegentocht is an ambitious plan for the whole province of Friesland to function without fossil fuels for two weeks. From 1 to 14 July inclusive, it will be a petrol and diesel-free zone. All colleges, lots of primary and secondary schools, all 20 municipalities, the provincial authorities and the business community are participating in the plan. PostNL is also participating in the Elfwegentocht. Today, in the build-up to the Elfwegentocht, alderman Friso Douwstra received the first electrically delivered package from Liesbeth Kaashoek, director of Parcels and Logistics at PostNL.

Sustainable deliveries in Friesland

In Friesland, all PostNL cars run on biogas. In addition all scooters in the province are being replaced by electric scooters in 2018. On the Frisian Islands, PostNL is also implementing entirely emission-free delivery of post and parcels. Terschelling is the first island where, since March 2017, PostNL has been delivering exclusively using electric vehicles, by bicycle and on foot. This is now also the case on Schiermonnikoog and Ameland, and it will be implemented on Vlieland and Texel

in the future.

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