

Clive Wheatley offers a new EPAS system for MGV8s

An exciting new Electric Power Assisted Steering system for RV8s and MGBGTV8s is now available from Clive Wheatley mgv8parts, the well known MGV8 specialist based near Bridgnorth in the West Midlands. The high quality EPAS equipment is supplied by the Dutch group EZ Power Steering who have developed the equipment and installed it on a range of classic cars including MG RV8s, MGBGTV8s, MGBs and MGAs.

Clive is enthusiastic about the new EPAS system saying "it is well engineered with all new parts, including a new collapsible steering column, and is a simple and neat installation requiring very few modifications to the car. The system uses new EPAS parts and fittings, not new or recycled MGF EPAS parts.

A key safety feature is the new collapsible steering column - a solid centre slides up over an outer should the car suffer a heavy frontal impact – essential for driver safety.

The simplicity of the system is a major benefit - it is completely hidden underneath the dashboard and there is no hydraulic pump, no pipework and no oil reservoir to locate in a cramped engine bay. It's quiet in operation with no noise from pumping hydraulic fluid and it uses less energy than an hydraulic system as the electric motor only uses power when steering assistance is necessary.

On the road the electric power steering system is truly speed-sensitive. It will steer light at low speeds and not become lighter at high speed. The amount of assistance can be selected by turning a potentiometer located below the dashboard, so the driver can select the desired feel - for example more assistance with wider tyres and/or a smaller steering wheel.

The fail safe characteristics are good too - in the unlikely event that the electric power steering system has a defect, the car would steer exactly as it did prior to the power steering conversion."

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