Austin Seven is Number Two

A 1960 Austin Seven Mini Countryman going under the Charterhouse hammer in their auction of classic and vintage cars on Tuesday 13th September is the second oldest model known to exist.

"The market for early Mini's and Austin Seven's has rocketed over the past few years with very early cars such as this Countryman taking pride of place in collections alongside Rolls Royce, Aston Martin and Ferrari," commented Matthew Whitney.





The second oldest known Austin Seven Mini Countryman De-luxe.

Body number 267, this matching numbers 1960 Austin Seven Mini Countryman Deluxe was made three months before the official launch of the Countryman. With its ash frame, it has often been likened to a Tudor house on wheels. Estimated to sell for £12,000 - £16,000, its Devon owner has entered the tartan red Countryman into the Charterhouse auction without reserve as he is emigrating to New Zealand. Having owned the car for several years, he has sympathetically restored the car retaining very rare early features such as the fuel tank fitted in the boot rather than being set in the floor, special clutch and master cylinders, original upholstery and headlining.



A well-known car to the National Mini Owners Club, the Countryman Register only know of only one older Countryman.

Entered into the Charterhouse auction of classic and vintage cars at **The Royal Bath** & **West Showground on 13**th **September, the auction starts at 12 noon**. You can follow the auction and bid live via the internet on **www.charterhouse-auction.com**

For further information regarding this auction, or to enter a car into the next Charterhouse specialist classic car auction, please contact **Matthew Whitney** at Charterhouse, The Long Street Salerooms, Sherborne **01935 812277** or email items for valuation to **info@charterhouse-auction.com**