

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

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Decision No.
2072

Record of Decision by Executive

Monday, 3 December 2018

Portfolio	Health and Public Protection
Subject:	Air Quality - Final Plan Submission
Report of:	Director of Planning & Regulation
Corporate Priority:	Protect and enhance the environment; Strong, safe, inclusive and healthy communities

Purpose:

This report has a dual purpose. The first is to provide an update on the public consultation which commenced following the report to the Executive of 03 September 2018. The second is to obtain authority from the Executive for submission of the Council's Final Plan which will be drafted to meet the Ministerial Direction dated 27 July 2017 Joint Air Quality Unit ('JAQU') requirements and to be consistent with the content of this report.

Following the Executive decision of 03 September 2018, the Public Consultation was undertaken and since that time further work has progressed on both the proposed measures to reduce roadside nitrogen dioxide and also the air quality modelling to refine the scale of any proposed exceedance. The public consultation was undertaken during September/October and received over 1100 responses. The public was in support of 9 of the 11 measures. The Business Engagement proposal a Charging Clean Air Zone were the measures that did not receive support. Further details area included with this report. The latest evidence is suggesting that there is one location within the study area that will exceed EU limits in 2020. The modelled exceedance is 40.55ug/m³ in 2020. 2021 is modelled to show compliance at 38.58 ug/m³. The focus of the project at this late stage, as the evidence has been refined, is now achieving a small reduction during 2019 to ensure compliance in 2020 as the shortest possible time. The Final Plan is being finalised and will be submitted before the end of December in order to meet the legal requirements of the Ministerial Direction assuming Executive permission to do so. This report sets out a broad summary of the final plan and seeks the delegated Authority for the Director of Planning and Regulation to submit it when finalised. Due to the shortened timescale, 7 of the 11 measures that were consulted upon could not be delivered in time for 2020. The final proposals however do include 4 of the 11 measures that were consulted upon for putting forward to the Joint Air Quality Unit for funding and implementation.

Options Considered:

A tabled amendment was presented in respect of this item to reflect corrections to the results of questions 10 and 11 of the Consultation document attached as Appendix E to the report.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive delegates authority to the Director of Planning and Regulation, following consultation with the Executive Member for Health and Public Protection, to submit the Final Plan to JAQU as required under the Ministerial Direction.

Reason:

In order to meet the requirements of the Ministerial Direction and to obtain funding from the Government to implement the preferred measures to ensure compliance with EU limits on Nitrogen Dioxide in the shortest possible time and to deliver improvements to air quality and public health within the Borough.

Confirmed as a true record:

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)
Monday, 3 December 2018