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Document Title: Air Quality and Low Emission Zone Update

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Document Description:

A report to provide an update on the Council's Air Quality Action Plan and to summarise the results of the most recent full years (2019) monitoring data, an update work undertaken by Neighbourhood Services and City Development on the development of a Low Emission Zone (LEZ) for Dundee and confirmation of the 2020-21 Programme for Government commitment for the revised introduction date for LEZ's in Scotland, and to provide a briefing on the impact of COVID-19 on local air pollutant levels in Dundee during the lock down period between 23 March to 31 August 2020.

Intended Outcome:

Approval to remit the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to continue to take forward the Council's Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) measures, continue to work with the Scottish Government and its partners with the Cleaner Air for Scotland (CAFS) strategy and its review, and to submit the 2020 Air Quality Annual Progress Report to the Scottish Government and the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency. Also, approval for delegated authority to be given to the Executive Directors of Neighbourhood Services and City Development to utilise grant funding allocated to Dundee City Council by the Scottish Government and Transport Scotland to aid progression with measures contained within the Air Quality Action Plan and the development of the Dundee LEZ.

How will the proposal be monitored?:

Further reports to Committee will be presented during the process to develop Dundee's Low Emission Zone. A further Integrated Impact Assessment will also be undertaken for the future report to Committee when approval of the final design of the Low Emission Zone is being sought.

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A. Equality and Diversity Impacts:

Age:	No Impact
Disability:	No Impact
Gender Reassignment:	No Impact
Marriage and Civil Partnership:	No Impact
Pregnancy and Maternity:	No Impact
Race/Ethnicity:	No Impact
Religion or Belief:	No Impact
Sex:	No Impact
Sexual Orientation:	No Impact

Equality and diversity Implications:

N/A

Proposed Mitigating Actions:

N/A

Is the proposal subject to a full EQIA? : No

N/A

B. Fairness and Poverty Impacts:

Geography

Strathmartine (Ardler, St Mary's and Kirkton):	No Impact
Lochee(Lochee/Beechwood, Charleston and Menzieshill):	No Impact
Coldside(Hilltown, Fairmuir and Coldside):	No Impact
Maryfield(Stobswell and City Centre):	No Impact
North East(Whitfield, Fintry and Mill O' Mains):	No Impact
East End(Mid Craigie, Linlathen and Douglas):	No Impact

The Ferry: No Impact

West End: No Impact

Household Group

Lone Parent Families:	No Impact
Greater Number of children and/or Young Children:	No Impact
Pensioners - Single/Couple:	No Impact
Single female households with children:	No Impact
Unskilled workers or unemployed:	No Impact

Serious and enduring mental health problems:	No Impact
Homeless:	No Impact
Drug and/or alcohol problems:	No Impact
Offenders and Ex-offenders:	No Impact
Looked after children and care leavers:	No Impact
Carers:	No Impact

Significant Impact

Employment:	No Impact
Education and Skills:	No Impact
Benefit Advice/Income Maximisation:	No Impact
Childcare:	No Impact
Affordability and Accessibility of services:	No Impact

Fairness and Poverty Implications:

N/A

Proposed Mitigating Actions:

N/A

C. Environmental Impacts

Climate Change

Mitigating greenhouse gases:	Positive
Adapting to the effects of climate change:	Positive

Resource Use

Energy efficiency and consumption:	No Impact
Prevention, reduction, re-use, recovery or recycling waste:	No Impact
Sustainable Procurement:	No Impact

Transport

Accessible transport provision:	No Impact
Sustainable modes of transport:	No Impact

Natural Environment

Air, land and water quality:	Positive
Biodiversity:	No Impact
Open and green spaces:	No Impact

Built Environment

Built Heritage:	No Impact
Housing:	No Impact

Is the proposal subject to Strategic Environmental Assessment

No further action is required as it does not qualify as a Plan, Programme or Strategy as defined by the Environment Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005.

Proposed Mitigating Actions:

N/A

Environmental Implications:

N/A

D. Corporate Risk Impacts

Corporate Risk Implications:

The risk implications associated with the subject matter of this report are 'business as normal' risks. The subject matter is routine and has happened many times before without significant loss. There is comfort that the risks inherent within the activity are either transferred to another party, shared equally and fairly between the Council and another party or are negligible.

Corporate Risk Mitigating Actions: