

Appendix 2 – Item: Air Quality Action Plan 2024-29

Considered by Streets & Environment Sub-Committee meeting on 2 April 2024

REC No.	SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATION	DEPARTMENT AND CABINET MEMBER RESPONDING	ACCEPTED / PARTIALLY ACCEPTED / ALREADY IN PROGRESS / REJECTED (inc. reasons for rejection)	IDENTIFIED OFFICER	ANY FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	TIMETABLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS IF ACCEPTED (i.e. Action Plan)	DATE OF SCRUTINY MEETING TO REPORT BACK
SE.20.23/24	The Sub-Committee recommended that the Council further consider the roles that Biodiversity Net Gain and Urban Greening could have as part of the Air Quality Action Plan 2024-29.	Cllr Scott Roche SCRER	Already in Progress The recommendations pertaining to biodiversity link into other supporting plans which the council has in place, including the Carbon Neutral Plan, adopted in 2022 and the Habitat Action Plan (Biodiversity Plan) which is still being developed and will cover various chalk grasslands, heathland, woodlands and hedgerows, cemeteries and churchyards and other open spaces. These supporting plans will be considered as part of the consultation on and adoption of any final AQDP.	Karen Agbabiaka, Director of Streets & Environment	None – this will be incorporated into existing workstreams and project.	2024-2026	TBC
SE.21.23/24	The Sub-Committee recommended that officers work with the Planning department to see what conditions around air quality could be developed for use with future developments.	Cllr Scott Roche SCRER	Already in Progress A number of the actions in the Air Quality Delivery Plan require Pollution Team officers to collaborate with Planning colleagues to achieve outcomes.	Nick Hibberd, Corporate Director of SCRER	None – this forms part of Business as Usual	Air Quality Delivery Plan Air Quality Delivery Plan	TBC
SE.22.23/24	The Sub-Committee recommended that officers consider what air quality initiatives could be embedded in the Local Plan around specific construction techniques, which could promote better air quality.	Cllr Scott Roche SCRER	Already in Progress Officers have responded to this by ensuring that the draft review of the local plan includes that all new developments should be air quality positive or at least 'air quality neutral'.	Nick Hibberd, Corporate Director of SCRER	N/A	This is business as usual	TBC