

<b>DECISION-MAKER:</b>	<b>CABINET</b>		
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>SCRUTINY PANEL – AIR QUALITY INQUIRY FINAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS</b>		
<b>DATE OF DECISION:</b>	<b>14 JULY 2015</b>		
<b>REPORT OF:</b>	<b>CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT</b>		
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<b>STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY</b>	
None	
<b>BRIEF SUMMARY</b>	
A report into Air Quality in Southampton, produced by the Scrutiny Panel, was presented to Cabinet in April 2015. This report sets out the Cabinet's response to the recommendations contained within that report.	
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>	
	(i) To approve the responses to the recommendations as detailed in Appendix 1.
<b>REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	
1.	The actions set out in Appendix 1 to this report support the recommendations made by the Scrutiny Inquiry and can be achieved through existing work programmes being conducted across the Directorates.
<b>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</b>	
2.	None
<b>DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)</b>	
3.	<p>On 10<sup>th</sup> July 2014 the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (OSMC) agreed the indicative terms of reference for an inquiry to develop understanding of the issues of air quality in Southampton and to identify what additional steps could be taken, if necessary, to improve it. The set objectives of the Inquiry were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To increase understanding of air quality issues within Southampton</li> <li>• To examine the causes and impacts of air pollution</li> <li>• To understand the actions being taken to reduce air pollution in Southampton</li> <li>• Learning from best practise, to identify ways of improving air quality in the city now and for future generations.</li> </ul>

4.	The Inquiry was undertaken by the Scrutiny Panel with information presented at seven meetings from July 2014 to March 2015. The final report and recommendations were agreed at the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee on 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2015
5.	The final report contains 20 recommendations in total which if implemented the Panel believe will help improve air quality in Southampton now and for future generations.
6.	The recommendations are grouped under the following key themes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building on success – Ambition and vision</li> <li>• Leading by example</li> <li>• Traffic</li> <li>• Partnership Working</li> <li>• Communications</li> </ul>
7.	The overview and scrutiny procedure rules requires the Executive to consider all inquiry reports that have been endorsed by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee and to submit a formal response to the recommendations contained within them. The report and recommendations were presented to cabinet on the 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2015.
8	A response to these recommendations is detailed in Appendix 1. Actions to deliver all recommendations, full or in part are detailed with timeframes.
9.	A response to the Final Report and Recommendations has been received by two local community groups, the Western Docks Consultative Forum and Transition Southampton.

## **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

### **Capital/Revenue**

10.	The recommendations are based within existing work programmes. As such they are not considered likely to initially present any additional financial commitments. In practice future resource implications will be dependent upon whether, and how, each of the individual recommendations within the Inquiry report are progressed. In many cases progress will be dependent on identifying and securing appropriate grant funding, approval would be sought as required by financial procedure rules before any commitments are made.
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### **Property/Other**

11.	None
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## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

### **Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:**

12.	S.1 Localism Act 2011
13.	Part IV Environment Act 1995
14.	Part 2 & 3 Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004
15.	Road Traffic (Vehicle Emissions) (Fixed Penalty) (England) Regulations 2002.

### **Other Legal Implications:**

16.	None
<b>POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS</b>	
17.	The proposals contained within the appended report are in accordance with the Council's Policy Framework.

<b>KEY DECISION?</b>	Yes
<b>WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:</b>	All

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

<b>Appendices</b>	
1.	Response to Air Quality Scrutiny Inquiry Recommendations

**Documents In Members' Rooms**

1.	None
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**Equality Impact Assessment**

<b>Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessment (ESIA) to be carried out.</b>	No
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**Other Background Documents**

**Other Background documents available for inspection at:**

<b>Title of Background Paper(s)</b>	<b>Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)</b>
1.	None