Air Quality Update -

Air Quality Annual Status Report (ASR) 2017

Air Quality Strategy Progress

•Clean Air Zone: Tackling NO₂



2017 Air Quality Annual Status Report (ASR)

• This Annual Status Report (ASR) is an annual requirement showing the air quality status in North Tyneside and to identify any strategies employed by North Tyneside Council to improve air quality.

- Conclusions:
 - No Air quality Management Area
- Progress on Air Quality strategy
- Future Actions



Conclusions

- Nitrogen dioxide and particulate monitoring found to comply with the Air Quality Emission limits for both short and long term exposure.
- No Air Quality Management Area was considered necessary.
- Report was approved and accepted by Defra.
- Report submitted onto council webpage.



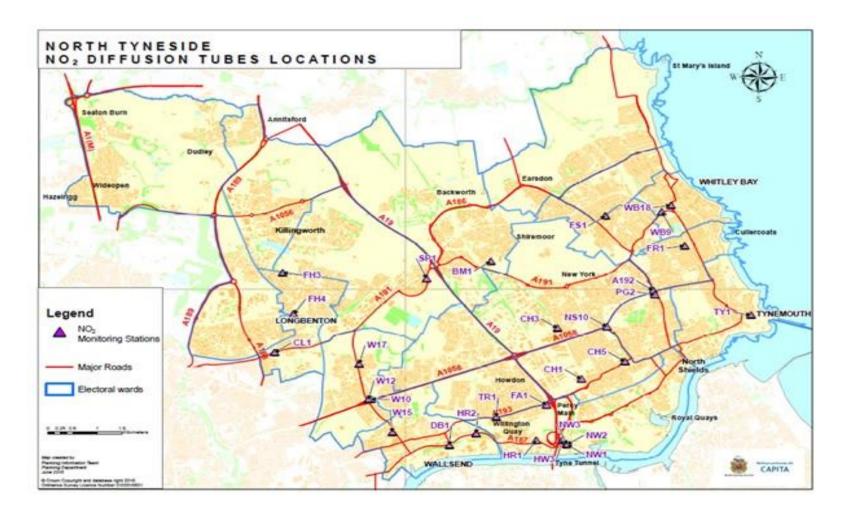
New Monitoring Points

Location of Nitrogen Dioxide Tubes

New Monitoring points about road junction and about a school have been created in Longbenton

West Farm Avenue / Benton LaneBalliol Primary School Yard.





Nitrogen Dioxide Diffusion Tube Monitoring 2017



Air Quality Strategy

- Draft Air Quality Strategy produced- still developing action plan for the next 5 years.
- Aims of Strategy:
- To ensure that all UK statutory obligations for Local Air Quality Management are complied with.
- To improve air quality within the Borough and prevent any deterioration where air quality is currently satisfactory.
- To work in partnership with strategic planning, development control, transport planning, public health, and environmental protection.
- To ensure impacts on air quality are considered when making procurement decisions
- Improve public awareness and understanding of air quality and initiatives being implemented.
- Raise and maintain the profile of air quality and ensure it remains high on local and national political agendas.

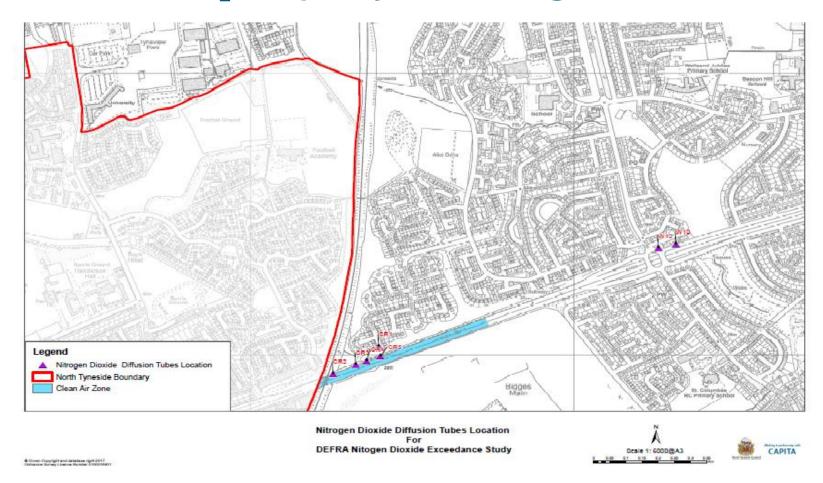


Future Actions

- •Strategy will be delayed due to publication of UK "Air quality Plan for nitrogen dioxide"
- •National air quality modelling identified North Tyneside as exceeding the NO₂ annual emission limit at the footpath about the A1058 as shown in plan.
- •A direction has therefore been issued to all 29 authorities identified with exceedances to create a feasibility study within the next 18 months on the options to reduce the NO₂ to acceptable levels at footpath in the shortest time possible.



NO2 Annual Emission Limit Exceedance Area- Clean Air Zone with NO₂ air quality monitoring locations



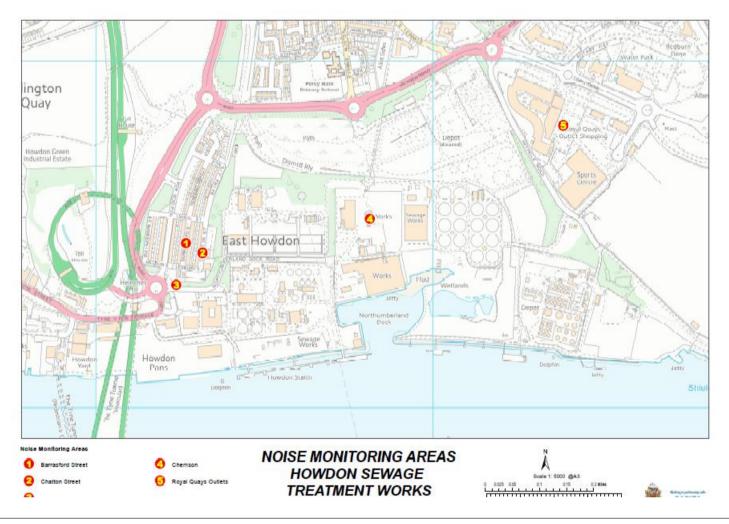


Actions to Date

- Steering Group set up to allow joint working with Gateshead and Newcastle to consider options and complete a joint feasibility study.
- Additional NO₂ diffusion tube monitoring is now in place from August 2017 which will be used to validate and monitor any actions selected to "reduce the NO₂ within the shortest time possible".
- Clean Bus Technology Fund- This Clean Air Zone has provided an opportunity for North Tyneside to develop a bid for retrofitting buses to reduce NO₂ emissions. This requires the support and agreement of those identified Bus Companies utilising the A1058 and the transport team. Arriva and Go North East has expressed their support.



Odour Issues About Northumbria Water





Odour Monitoring And Actions

- Over last 10 months only two complaints.
- Odour monitoring has identified odour issues, however, they related to breakdown of plant.
- Northumbria water investigate odour complaint s and have advised of actions which included:
- Hairline break in foul gas line part of the bio digester plant regulated by environment agency. The response of Northumbria water was to bypass bio digester to carry out repairs and to carry out additional maintenance checks.

