

**Report to** Calne Area Board  
**Date of meeting** 8 December 2015  
**Title of report** Update from the Air Quality Working Group

**Purpose of the Report:**

- **To note that the group has met and the actions and discussions that are outlined in these notes.**



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## **Calne Air Quality Working Group (AQWG)**

Notes of the working group meeting: 12<sup>th</sup> November 2015

**Attendees:** **GA** Cllr Glenis Ansell (Wiltshire Council), **AH** Anne Henshaw (Calne Area Transport, CCAP), **CB** Charles Boase (Calne Town Council), **RK** Rachel Kent (Wiltshire Council – Public Health Specialist), **AM** Avril Mays - (local resident), Sue Wallace (Calne Environmental Network), **JV** Jane Vaughan (Wiltshire Council - Calne Community Engagement Manager).

1. **Apologies:** Peter Knight (Calne Environmental Network), Peter Alberry (Compton Bassett Parish Council)

2. **Siting monitoring equipment (formerly at Woodlands)** - RK reported that, following an officer site visit with members of this group, a new site had been identified. As a result it is anticipated that the nitrogen dioxide recording equipment will be re-located in Calne in January 2016.

3. **A4 Status** – There was a discussion about the current status of the A4 as a ‘Local Lorry Route’ in the Core Strategy, it was decided that this should remain an item on the agenda as the group continues to try and identify possible future actions.

### **ACTIONS**

#### 4. Wiltshire Air Quality Plan –

RK reported that Wiltshire Council would like a revised draft Calne Action Plan to add to the Wiltshire Council website.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Air Quality Forum would take place at 3:30pm, Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at the Cotswold Suite, County Hall Trowbridge.

It was hoped that members of the Calne group would attend to take part in a discussion about positive and negative experiences of the working group.

Jane and Anne would attend; Glenis and Sue would possibly be available. Anne also reported that Richard Aylen would be attending.

The group felt the most positive experience has been community enthusiasm for the Beat the Street Project – which highlighted the fact that the best way to get the community involved is to do something that is not overtly promoting the issue, but is including messages about the issue within fun and interactive activities.

Negative experiences included – trying to engage with primary schools and how to keep the momentum of a project going after the event (like Beat the Street).

RK will put together a few sentences to cover these experiences to report to the Forum.

All try to attend the Forum

RK prepare experiences for the Forum.

#### 5. Calne Air Quality Action Plan

The group went through the draft action plan to update all items. (please see appendix1) JV would send this to RK to inform the website.

Additional actions include:

##### a. Promotional Campaign

- All to approach sources of funding for promotional material (eg. t-shirts, mugs, badges, flyers etc)

JV send plan to RK

RK prepare for website

ALL

##### b. Travel to school

- Walking Bus – Engage with Schools
- Talk to Ruth Durrant at the Forum about encouraging more schools to develop travel plans.

GA

GA/JV/AH

##### c. Encouraging/enabling cycling

- Cycle stands at GP. Surgeries – JV was still trying to get

support from Highways to implement this project.

**d. Encouraging/enabling walking**

- The group decided to add a new item to the plan that would encourage the identification of 'grot spots' around the town that could be improved and enhanced to provide more encouraging walking routes.

**e. Tree Planting schemes**

- JV/GA/CB and AH had identified spots for planting and were in conversation with the Town Council about arranging a planting session that would also involve the Young People's 'Magna Carta' group.

**6. Recommendations/update for the Area Board**

**The Area Board would be asked to**

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**7. Next meeting** – The next meeting would take place on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2016, 3:30pm at Calne Community Hub.

*Notes of this meeting were taken by Jane Vaughan.*