

Salisbury Community Air Quality Action Plan – January 2018

Salisbury has three Air Quality Management Areas declared in respect of exceedances of the annual average objective for nitrogen dioxide. The objectives are health based and the links between health and wellbeing are now well established. This community action plan has been developed and adopted by Salisbury area board in order to support and supplement the Wiltshire AQAP. These are projects and actions the community can undertake themselves. All themes and projects listed in this plan have the overall objective of improving air quality in the Salisbury Community Area and consequently protecting all living, working and visiting from the harmful effects of air pollution.

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Strategic Transport Planning						
	Ensure there is a shared understanding and awareness of planned Salisbury Transport Strategy projects that can contribute to improved AQ, including timeframes for delivery, funding sources via S106/CIL etc.	Potential measures include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - further pedestrianisation of city centre, - travel planning (School, Workplace and Residential) - Promotion of smarter choices - Walking/cycling routes - Traffic and demand management - Public Transport + P&R See also Action S03 in Salisbury AQAP	WC Transport	See S03	See S03	Refresh of Salisbury Transport Strategy taking place in 2018

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Strategic Green Infrastructure Planning		Encourage publication of Green Infrastructure Strategy. See item DSP03 WCAQAP				Lead officer for Green Infrastructure to be invited to future meeting of AQ Action Group, to report on the new Green Infrastructure Strategy
Encourage/enable new Tree Planting						
	Develop a comprehensive tree and hedge planting strategy for Salisbury to include identification of sites for new planting	Potential for partnership working with Salisbury Area Greenspace Partnership. Initial step to map existing tree cover. Software to aid this process to be identified	SAGP	Detailed costs t.b.c.		SAGP to report back re costs etc - awaiting update of mapping software. Interim report in April/May 2018, fuller report at end of 2018
	Community days planting trees in affected areas in Salisbury	3 planting sessions done	Salisbury Community Engagement Manager	£5000 set aside in 2016/17 budget, now all spent	-	Next planting season we will begin planting again, once monitoring, maintenance and aftercare regime in place. Group needed to check existing trees are still alive, discuss new ones needed and to formulate recommendations for the after care regime

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Monitoring AQ & Awareness raising						
	Develop low cost AQ monitors and create App.	Work with young people (UTC?) Details t.b.c.				Community Engagement Manager to re-open discussions with the UTC, after checking to see if the "Know & Respond" alert mechanism on the Wiltshire Air Quality website does not already serve the purpose
NB: The group to review at its April 2018 meeting precisely how it believes it is able, by what measures and through what communication channels, it will impact upon air pollution and protect the public from any harmful effects of air pollution						
Improve Connectivity						
	Look at how connectivity can be improved and promoted across and around Salisbury, providing green safe routes for people and benefits for wildlife [links to other projects to encourage walking/cycling also]	Identify gaps and opportunities particularly in relation to strategic sites around Salisbury Promote green route network with maps, information about wildlife, apps etc	SAGP, COGS, Walking for Health			Workshop held in Autumn 2015 to initiate the process and generate ideas June 2016: data collection substantially complete & being input to GIS.
Encourage/enabling cycling						
	Make cycle training available to school children, also adults if possible	Bikeability training	Bikeability (WC)			Ongoing – targets?

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	Encourage children to walk/cycle to school	Sustrans Bike-It plus officer now working in Salisbury	Robin Imeson (Bike-it+)			Started autumn 2014 Project ended spring 2016
	Encourage adults to cycle as a means of transport for short trips in and around Salisbury	Help local people to discover local cycle rides WC Public Health Leisure Services (Cycle Wiltshire co-ordinate rides across the county and different organisations)	COGS Sky & Breeze Rides SRAM + Cycle Wiltshire			Rides programme for 2016 underway
	Monitor cycle usage in Salisbury	COGS undertake counts of parked bikes within the city centre up to 4 times a month (ongoing since 2012)	COGS			City-wide data available for analysis. e.g. Salisbury railway station: weekday average bikes: 2012: 53, 2013: 58, 2014: 62, 2015: 64
	Improve cycle mapping and signage in and around the city.	Connecting Wiltshire have funded upgrade to cycle map COGS have previously been involved in cycle route signage and maps (e.g. Golden Way).	WC + COGS working through Cycle Liaison Panel (CLP)			Revised Salisbury cycle map produced March 2016, Salisbury to New Forest cycle map produced March 2016
	Ensure cycle routes are maintained, kept clear of debris and vegetation etc	A Sustrans Volunteer Ranger group reports monthly to COGS	Sustrans volunteer ranger lead			
Encourage/enable walking						

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	Raise awareness of walking routes and recreational walks within the city & links with surrounding countryside & RoW network	Nearly 30,000 copies of the Salisbury Walking map have been distributed and a revised edition has been produced.	Walking & disabled access forum			Revised bus walks map produced Spring 2016
	Encourage people to walk for recreation and as a healthy means of travel – Walking for Health	Regulars led walks (x4 per week) encourage walking and health	Salisbury Walking for Health			June 2016- Salisbury Walking for Health – 2 walks per week 70 registered walkers, ave weekly attendance: 30 Bus Walks – 2 walks per week 84 registered walkers, ave weekly attendance: 60-65
	Promote Salisbury as a destination for walking and 'green tourism'	'Walkers are Welcome' accreditation not a viable option, alternative approach to project to be considered	Salisbury walking & disabled access forum (SWDAF)			
	Signage to help pedestrians, particularly tourists	Totem signage being installed, project led by WC, support from BID, SCC	WC			Initial totems installed, more in pipeline
	Improve pedestrian environment within city centre and routes to school etc	Further City centre pedestrianisation? (?Vision project underway?) Consider disabled access, type and location of crossing points, promote crossings which minimise pedestrian delay	?SWDAF & WC			

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	Walking Strategy to be published to support provision of high quality and well maintained walking routes in and between significant trip origin and destination points	An outstanding component of LTP3 (2011-2026). NB 21% of Salisbury residents in work walk to work, compared to 13% in Wiltshire.	WC Sust Transport			Consultation on and publication of Walking Strategy
Smarter choices – encouraging less car use						
	Expansion of Salisbury's Car share club, formerly hOURCARS, now part of Co-Cars. Members of car share clubs use cars less, also reduction in pressure on residents' parking.	hOURCARS currently (3/2015) has 14 members/1 car based in Salisbury Central Car Park. Funding has been obtained from DfT/Carplus and WC to expand to 2 nd vehicle	hOURCARS – now Co-Cars			22 members/2 cars (6/2016) 30 members/2cars (8/2017)
	Promote 'Green Tourism' – visits to Salisbury which don't use the car	See also measures under Cycling/Walking Promotion of Park & Ride				
Air Quality Improvements through the planning process						
	Ensure that developments in and around Salisbury have minimal adverse impacts on air quality	See also DSP02 re adoption of draft AQ supplementary planning guidance. Also the following specifics:				
	Ensure every opportunity is taken to provide new green infrastructure, to secure enhancements to existing green infrastructure and establish appropriate and sustainable management plans and maintenance regimes	See Policy 52 of Wiltshire Core Strategy; DSP03 and WC's draft Green Infrastructure Strategy	Dev Control; Enforcement; Housing; Rights of Way and Highways			New strategy to be published in 2018

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	Ensure every opportunity is taken to improve local connectivity with appropriate green infrastructure when sites are being developed or redeveloped	See Policy 52 of Wiltshire Core Strategy; DSP03 and WC's draft Green Infrastructure Strategy	Dev Control; Spatial Planning, Rights of Way etc			New strategy to be published in 2018
	Ensure appropriate safe access for pedestrians and cyclists, including safe crossing points on access routes, and appropriate levels of cycle parking in all new developments	See e.g. Policy 1 of LTP3 Cycling Strategy re links Policy 4 re cycle parking standards	Dev Control + Sust Transport			
	Ensure Travel Plans for new developments are produced as required, and monitored over time	See policies 1-7 in LTP3 Smarter Choices Strategy	Dev Control + Sust Transport			
	Support Car club development through the planning process including S106 money	See policy 8 in LTP3 Smarter Choices Strategy	Dev Control + Sust Transport			
	Support provision of charge points for electric vehicles through the planning system	See policy 9 in LTP3 Smarter Choices Strategy	Dev Control + Sust Transport			