



Community Engagement Report – Calne Community Area

Calne Community Air Quality Group

Update report – 8th March 2022



1. Purpose of the Report

- a) To note the discussions laid out in the meeting notes.
- b) To support the delivery of future actions, where appropriate.
- c) To consider the proposed amendments and adopting the priority actions referred to in the revised Calne Air Quality Community Action Plan (appendix 1.)

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Calne Community Area - Air Quality Management Group

Meeting Notes – 17th January 2022 (online meeting via Teams).

Attendees: Ian Thorn – Wiltshire Council (chair), John Boaler – Sustainable Calne, Stan Woods – Sustainable Calne, Jane Vaughan – Wiltshire Council (Community Engagement Manager).

Apologies: Glenis Ansell – Calne Town Council, Sue Wallace (Calne Environment Network), Gary Tomsett - Wiltshire Council (Environmental Health & Protection team), Mark Edwards - Calne Town Council, Brett Warren (Environmental Health and Protection Team); Sophie Beglinger (Environmental Health and Protection Team);

1. Update on the current state of air quality

No Environmental Health officers were available to attend this meeting, but an update had been forwarded to the Community Engagement Manager as follows:

The draft Air Quality Strategic Planning Document (SPD) commenced internal consultation week commencing 10/01/22. The document will be consulted on externally over the coming few months (including consultation with this group). In summary, the purpose of the SPD is to set out what the Council's expectations are in terms of ensuring all developments in Wiltshire are designed so as to minimise emissions through requiring integration with sustainable forms of transport, mandatory requirements for EV charging points in new homes and ensuring that developments do not contribute to a worsening of air quality in our AQMAs (including Calne). This is to be achieved by requiring those sites which have the potential to lead to worsening of poor air quality exposure in any AQMA to implement additional mitigation such as a low emission traffic plan and if necessary, calculations of damage costs to offset any damage to be used to fund measures that improve air quality as set out in the Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP).

In addition to the above, the council will also be consulting on its new Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) this month. As discussed previously, the new AQAP includes new measures that are designed to improve air quality in Calne.

Those present discussed the update and were keen to receive further information about the Strategic Planning Document (SPD).

It was felt that:

- a) New development in the area should not be permitted if it is likely to worsen air quality.

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- b) Consultation on the SPD and the Air Quality Action Plan should be conducted more widely in the community area and the area board would be asked to help encourage community engagement.
- c) The Calne Air Quality group should meet again as soon as the AQAP is published.
- d) The area board should be asked to consider requesting an officer attend to present the AQAP and findings of the consultation at a future Area Board meeting.

2. Review of the most recent action plan and identification of priority actions to recommend to the Area Board:

Following the last meeting the group was asked to reassess several of the outstanding priorities and actions.

There was agreement that existing priorities remain relevant, but concern that actions emerging from those priorities had previously taken a long time to progress. It was decided to try and identify a target date for future actions, and these should be recorded in the plan.

Appendix 1 shows the development of the plan in green, including items for adjustment and recommendations to the area board, town/parish councils and Sustainable Calne.

3. Items for recommendation to the Area Board/Town/Parish Council/Sustainable Calne:

- d) To note the discussions laid out in these notes.
- e) To support the delivery of future actions, where appropriate.
- f) To consider the proposed amendments and adopting the priority actions referred to in the revised Calne Air Quality Community Action Plan (below)

4. Date of the next meeting: TBC, in line with publication of the Wiltshire Air Quality Action Plan (venue to be confirmed)

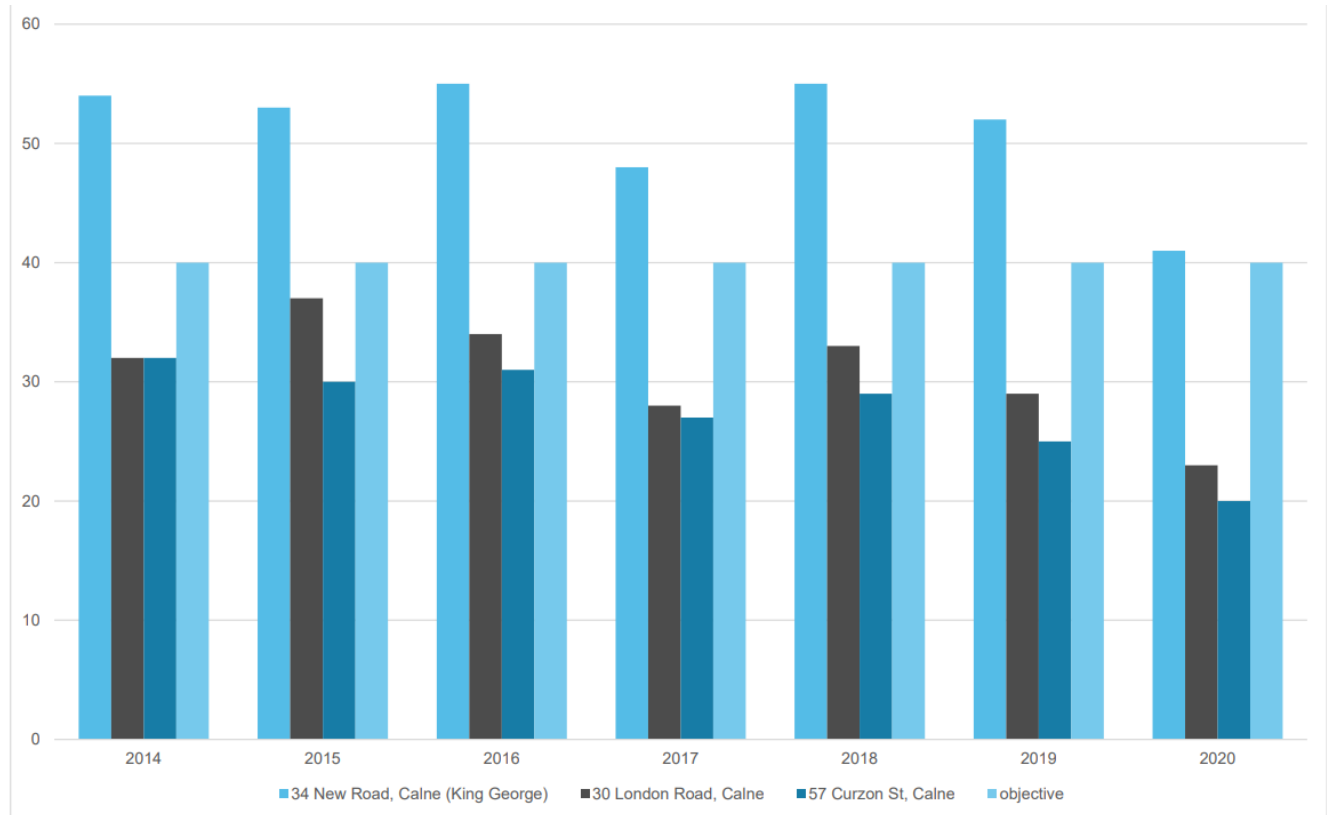
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Appendix 1.

Proposed/Revised Calne Community Air Quality Action Plan – January 2022:



Calne annual mean nitrogen dioxide monitoring results: 2015 - 2020



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The following table shows the priorities identified by the working group (in green boxes) and those action points currently identified and/or acted upon.

The action plan will be updated at each group meeting and will be reported to each area board along with any recommendations for local decision making.

1. To consider traffic flow regarding road safety and air pollution through the Calne Air Quality Management Area			
Projects/Actions	Progress, Comments, Recommendations	Lead	Target Date
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appoint traffic survey to assess impact of Hills cross site link road. <p>Item identified for re-assessment in January 2022</p>	<p>The link road within the Hills site appears to be taking significant numbers of lorries away from the AQMA; however, reliable data is not available to confirm this assessment or to determine the effect upon air quality around the town. Raw data suggests that current levels at the New Road sample point could be just below the Government guidelines and other points are well below. Baseline data (NO₂ pollution levels and traffic volume) are available from before the link road was created for comparison.</p> <p>The group decided this action should be removed from the plan as the value of data provided would not warrant the likely unreasonable time and cost implications.</p> <p>Recommendation – that this Action is removed from the Calne Area Air Quality Action Plan.</p>		<p>March 2022</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtain better equipment to get more accurate data in the marginal area at New Road <p>Reassessment of Plan in January 2022 – Action to be re-phrased:</p> <p>a) Identify and implement appropriate monitors to assess levels of PM2.5 (fine particulates)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ricardo has been contacted about the accuracy of Campbell Associates mini sample units prior to purchase and will update on progress. If we are satisfied then we can install this close to the new road passive sampler as previously advised A limited number of analysers are shared around the county. There was an Osiris PM monitor for a time in Calne. This found no exceedances of fine particulate objectives and it was moved to Westbury as there was need for background data prior to one of the applications for an incinerator. Units will be moved around periodically to gain a picture of PM2.5 levels across the county. 	<p>Officers</p>	

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<p>and Nitrogen Dioxide in the Calne Air Quality Management Area.</p>	<p>Location of the unit can be found on the Wiltshire AQ website - https://www.wiltshireairquality.org.uk/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is hoped the NO2 monitor will be ready to install soon. It is currently subject to a process of procuring a new maintenance contract for the calibration/ servicing of AQ monitoring units. <p>Recommendation – that this Action is rephrased as suggested in the Projects/Actions column.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officers to be asked to provide a target date for completion. 			
<p>2. ‘Love Calne, love clean air’ - Promote awareness of the issue in Calne community area.</p>				
Projects		Progress, Comments, Recommendations	Action Lead	Target Date
<p>‘Love Calne, love clean air’</p>	<p>Work with Calne Our Place to discuss future action.</p>	<p>Invite representatives of Calne Our Place to attend a future meeting.</p> <p>Action identified for re-assessment in January 2022</p> <p>The Calne Our Place group has come to an end and so this action is no longer relevant.</p> <p>Recommendation – that this Action is removed from the Calne Area Air Quality Action Plan.</p>	<p>Anne Henshaw</p>	
	<p>a) Hills Traffic Management Plan.</p>	<p>Repeat publicity relating to reporting of potential Hills associated lorries in breach of the Traffic Management Plan</p> <p>Action identified for re-assessment in January 2022</p> <p>The Town Council has previously promoted the process in place to report breaches of Hills Traffic Management Plan. It was not clear whether this information was still on the Town Council website. Stan offered to check.</p> <p>IT would raise with the Town Council.</p>	<p>Mark Edwards/Rob Mercer</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>

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			IT contact CTC	March 2022
Projects		Progress, Comments, Recommendations	Action Lead	Target Date
	<p>Promote tree planting schemes with branded boards.</p> <p>b) Promote the AQMA and positive actions in the community through signage.</p>	<p>Action outstanding from last Plan approved by the Area Board – Action for reassessment in January 2022</p> <p>The group discussed the nature of this action and decided that the number of tree planting schemes in the Air Quality Management Area was limited and it should be altered to embrace an aspiration to provide signage that promotes the Air Quality Management Area and actions that could be taken by individuals.</p> <p>Recommendation – that this Action is rephrased as suggested in the Projects/Actions column.</p>		
	<p>c) Use the AQMA logo and branding in future campaigns.</p>	<p>Acquire branded banners for use during community engagement activities.</p> <p>Action outstanding from last Plan approved by the Area Board – Action for reassessment in January 2022</p> <p>Recommendation – that this Action remains relevant but consultation needs to take place with all partners about the design.</p>		
3. Promote Clean Vehicle Use in the Community Area				
<p>a) Provision of Electric Vehicle Recharging Points in the Town.</p>	<p>Proposal to provide EV recharging points in the Heritage Car Park.</p> <p>Work is currently being undertaken to joint fund the implementation of EV points between Calne Town Council and Calne Area Board.</p>	<p>Calne Town Council/Calne Area Board</p>		

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	<p>This action is being developed by Calne Town Council, which has received funding from the Area Board to provide points in the Heritage Car park.</p> <p>Mark Edwards would be asked to provide an update on progress to the next meeting.</p> <p>IT reported that there has also been a Wiltshire Council initiative to provide additional points across the County.</p> <p>IT would request further information and advice on implementation of the Wiltshire Council scheme.</p>	<p>ME provide update</p> <p>IT find further information</p>	
<p>b) Encourage sustainable transport from all new estates.</p>	<p>Extensions to bus routes linked to the Tesco’s development have been introduced.</p> <p>Hopes to work with Calne Community Transport to run an additional project alongside the Tesco’s bus to cover the Abberd Way Area and the Curzon Park Area. (Ongoing)</p> <p>The new health facility to be built near the White Horse Way roundabout will need a bus service, or arrangements for a ‘call-a-ride’ service.</p> <p>Action identified for re-assessment in January 2022</p> <p>It was understood that the Town Council is leading on discussions about this issue – Mark Edwards to be asked for an update for the next meeting.</p>	<p>Calne Town Council</p> <p>ME provide update</p>	
<p>4. Promote walking for local journeys to School/work/recreation throughout the Calne community area</p>			
<p>a) Encourage School Transport Plans</p>	<p>Investigate, which schools need to update their plans – it was understood this would include Kingsbury Green Academy.</p> <p>Action identified for re-assessment in January 2022</p>	<p>Anne Henshaw</p>	

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	<p>Members believe that Holy Trinity Academy is the only school in Calne that does not have a Transport Plan; however, it is understood that they are considering implementing one.</p> <p>Action identified for re-assessment in January 2022</p> <p>This action was discussed. It was felt it would be more effective to initially move forward through engagement with the School Travel Adviser at Wiltshire Council than through direct liaison with the schools.</p>	<p>IT/JV to contact Ruth Durrant.</p>	<p>March 2022</p>
<p>b) Make walking more attractive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wordfest Calne Code Trail • CTC Beat the Street. 	<p>Beat the Street project has been re-run – request feedback assessment and legacy works. Seek update from Calne Wordfest about their project.</p> <p>Action identified for re-assessment in January 2022</p> <p>It was thought that Beat the Street had run successfully, JB reported that the Junior Park Run project was a legacy project emerging from BTS and this was progressing, funding in place and venue identified. It was also noted that future Walking Challenges were being planned.</p> <p>JV was asked to contact Wordfest for an update on the Code Trail</p>	<p>JV contact Wordfest</p>	<p>March 2022</p>
<p>5. Tree Planting Schemes in the Calne Air Quality Management Area</p>			
<p>a) Scheme for the High Street – ‘Town Trees’</p>	<p>Explore ideas to implement tree planting in the pedestrianised High Street area of Calne.</p> <p>Action outstanding from last Plan approved by the Area Board – Action for reassessment in January 2022</p> <p>The group discussed the limited opportunities to plant trees within the AQMA, however they decided the group should ask the Town Council to help investigate</p>		

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	possibilities for planting in the pedestrianised High Street Area of Calne, on the grass area adjacent to New Road between the mini roundabout and the former Woodlands Social Club. JB would contact Phil Sutterby at Calne Town Council	JB contact Calne Town Council	March 2022
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