**Air Quality Steering Group – Meeting 9**

**Tuesday 18th July 2017**

**Present:**

Cllr Eleanor Bell (EB) WCC Shadow Portfolio Holder for

Environment

Phil Gagg (PG) WinACC

Dan Massey (DM) WCC Engineering and Transport

David Ingram (Chair) (DI) WCC Environmental Health and Licensing

Mike Slinn (MS) WTSP Transport Group

Sam Clark (SC) HCC, Strategic Transport

Frank Baxter (FB) HCC, Strategic Transport

Belinda Southwell (BS) Volunteer

Phil Tidridge (PT) WCC, Scientific Officer

Richard Hein (RH) Head of Parking Services and CCTV

1. **Apologies for Absence and changes in Steering Group Membership**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor S Miller, WCC Portfolio Holder for Estates, Councillor Jan Warwick, WCC Portfolio Holder for Environment, Simon Finch, Assistant Director, Built Environment and Steve Tilbury, Corporate Director.

It was noted that Chris Holloway would be retiring from WinACC and that Tom Brenan would be replacing her. Phil Gagg would continue as the WinACC rep on the Air Quality Steering group.

Belinda Southwell was welcomed as a new Steering Group Member. It was noted that Belinda would be joining the group as a volunteer researcher and had offered to help out by undertaking research for the Task and Finish Groups.

1. **Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising**

Minutes of the meeting held on 9th May 2017 were agreed.

1. **Update on Movement Strategy**

A verbal update was given by Sam Clark. It was noted that HCC was producing a City wide movement strategy and would be working in partnership with WCC. It was planned to have the overall strategy in place and adopted by 2018. At present, data and people’s views were being collected so that options could be produced and consulted upon. The data being collected concerned the numbers of vehicles entering the City and the time and location from where the vehicles entered. This data would be combined with data on car parking and bus journeys. A micro-simulation model would be used to analyse the impact of different options of traffic movement. It was agreed that the data would be made available to the Steering Group Members but data collection was yet to commence.

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| **Action** | **Action By** |
| Report on the data collected to inform the movement strategy to be circulated to Steering Group Members | HCC (SC/FB) |
| Map of survey area to be circulated to Steering Group Members | HCC (SC/FB) |
| Air Quality Package to show impact on Air Quality and to be included within modelling options | HCC (SC/FB) |
| DI to liaise with FB/SC over data WCC would like to be included in data collection specification such as vehicle make-up and age profile | DI/SC/FB |

1. **Feedback from the Task and Finish Groups.**

Verbal reports were received on the following:

1. **Core Measure 1** – Building on car parking pricing differential strategy – Task Group Lead: **Simon Finch**

Noted that parking charges had been introduced and these were being monitored. An interim report would be submitted to Cabinet.

Concern expressed by Phil Gagg over charges promoting additional traffic movements relating to multiple short term usage of a space.

1. **Core Measure 2** - Review and effective enforcement of good(s) deliveries by time of day -Task Group Lead: **Richard Hein**

Noted group was to be set up. Information was being collected on best practice from other authorities. Consultation with interested parties should form part of any assessment.

1. **Core Measure 3 -** Deliver – if viable, additional P&R spaces to the north of Winchester - Task Group Lead: **Simon Finch**

Accessibility to Cattle Car Park and effect of removing the car park needed to be included in any assessment of any P&R. Update to be provided by Task Group Lead.

1. **Core Measure 4 -** Introduce new parking charges/incentives to reduce diesel/old petrol vehicles parking in central car parks in favour of low emission vehiclesTask Group Lead: **Simon Finch**

Update to be provided by Task Group Lead. Definition of “older vehicles” confirmed as Euro 3 i.e 16 year old petrol vehicles. Agreed bench marking with other schemes would be beneficial.

1. **Core Measure 5 -** Ensure all heavy duty vehicles that enter AQMA meet the Euro VI standards by 2020 Task Group Lead: **Dave Ingram**

Noted joint working with Southampton City Council to understand what controls and measures can be introduced and how the standard could be met. Charging and non-charging options to be considered.

1. **Core Measure 6 -** Ensure that all Council owned, leased, or contracted vehicles are either not diesel fuelled (where practicable) and that they meet the OLEV emission standard for ultra low emission vehicles by 2020 (i.e.<75g/km CO2) - Task Group Lead: **Steve Tilbury**

Possible options being investigated in the short term are removing diesels from staff leasing scheme and in the longer term reviewing lease arrangements. Implementation of short leasing periods was being introduced where possible where OLEV vehicles are not available in the hope that emerging new technological advances would occur. The measure for ultra low emissions was also being looked at with a view to the use of emission levels rather than CO2 levels.

1. **Core Measure 7 -** Develop an Air Quality Supplementary Planning Document(SPD) - Task Group Lead: **Dave Ingram**

It was noted that discussions on a County wide strategy were taking place to adopt a consistent regional SPD and establish a degree of local standardisation in the technical content. Currently Eastleigh, Southampton and Winchester looking at a potential joint project.

1. **Complementary Measures Update**

Dave Ingram gave a verbal update. It was noted that there had been some discussion with Winchester University and the Traffic Planners Forum. An audit was being undertaken of progress to date (also see item 6).

1. **Feedback from events for National Clean Air Day on the 15th June**

Dave Ingram gave a verbal update on the events that had taken place for National Clean air day. It was noted that Kings and St Beads Schools, together with Peter Symonds College, had taken part in school travel plan initiatives and an air quality project would commence in September with both WCC and HCC input.

1. **Response to Government Consultation**

It was reported that the responses had been forward to the Government and that final policy documents from the Government were expected towards the end of July.

1. **Date of next Steering Group Meeting**

Tuesday 10th October at 1pm in the Boardroom, West Wing, WCC.