OFFICER DELEGATION SCHEME RECORD OF OPERATIONAL DECISION



TO BE UPLOADED TO THE E-MEETINGS MANAGER

Date: 11 th March 2020	Ref No: 135		
Type of Operational Decision:			
Executive Decision X	Council Decision		
Status: For publication			
Title/Subject matter: Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan – Tackling Nitrogen Dioxide exceedances at the roadside – supplementary information to accompany the Outline Business Case – Technical reports T1-T4, AQ1-AQ3, Analytical Assurance statement, Modelling Assumptions, Consolidated TIRP feedback responses			
Budget/Strategy/Policy/Compliance - Is the decision:			
(i) within an Approved Budget	yes		
(ii) not in conflict with Council Policy	no		
(iii) not raising new issues of Policy	no		
Equality Impact Assessment [Does this decision change policy, procedure or working practice or negatively impact on a group of people? If yes – complete EIA and summarise issues identified and recommendations – forward EIA to Corporate HR]	Generic GM EIA was completed as part of the Outline Business Case. A further local impact assessment will be completed at Full Business Case stage		

Details of Operational Decision Taken [with reasons]:

To approve Supplementary Technical evidence reports T1-T4, AQ1-AQ3, Analytical Assurance statement, Modelling Assumptions and Consolidated TIRP feedback response in support of the GM Clean Air Plan Outline Business case that are required to be formally submitted to the Government's Joint Air Quality Unit in response to the Ministers feedback.

Background

Bury Council is legally obliged to produce a feasibility study to identify the option which will deliver compliance with the requirement to meet legal limits for nitrogen dioxide in the shortest possible time. We have been working collectively with the other 9 Greater Manchester local authorities and the GMCA, coordinated by TfGM to produce a GM Clean Air Plan.

Locally the Outline Business Case (OBC) for the GM plan was approved on 12th March 2019 at Bury Council's Cabinet meeting and the GM Clean Air plan OBC was submitted to the government's Joint Air Quality Unit (JAQU) in April 2019. Feedback on the plan from the government required further options appraisal work i.e. analysis and modelling to provide supplementary evidence for our plan to ensure it will deliver compliance in the shortest possible time.

In an update report to Bury Cabinet on 13th January 2020 a delegation was given to Cabinet member for the Environment portfolio, Cllr Alan Quinn, in consultation with the Executive Director of Operations to approve the submission of this supplementary information and any other subsequent information that is required. So far a total of 32 draft technical reports have been approved by Bury Council and submitted.

A further 10 additional supplementary draft technical Evidence Notes have been produced and have been issued to JAQU in draft form and are now subject to approval, namely:

- 'T1 Local Plan Transport Modelling Tracking Table Consultation Option Jan 2020'
- 'T2 Local Plan Transport Model Validation Report Consultation Option Jan 2020'
- 'T3 Local Plan Transport Modelling Methodology Report Consultation Option Jan 2020'
- 'T4 Local Plan Transport Model Forecasting Report Consultation Option Jan 2020'
- 'AQ1 Local Plan Air Quality Modelling Tracking Table Consultation Option Jan 2020'
- 'AQ2 Local Plan Air Quality Modelling Methodology Report Consultation Option Jan 2020'
- 'AQ3 Local Plan Air Quality Modelling Report Consultation Option Jan 2020'
- 'Analytical Assurance Statement for the 'Option for Consultation Jan 2020'
- 'Modelling Assumptions for the 'Option for Consultation Jan 2020'
- 'Consolidated TIRP feedback and responses as at Feb 2020'

Recommendation

Cllr Alan Quinn in consultation with the Executive Director of Operations is recommended to approve the above documents for submission to JAQU.

NB these documents are unfinished but will be published prior to the GMCAP formal consultation

Decision taken by:	Signature:	Date:
Executive Director Operations – Donna Ball	Jonne Sell	04/05/2020
Assistant Director Operations – Neil Long	Neil Slong.	05/05/2020
Members Consulted [see note 1 below]		
Cabinet Member, Environment – Alan Quinn	Re Operational Decision - GM Clean	04/05/2020
Lead Member		
Opposition Spokesperson		

Notes

- 1. It is not generally a requirement to consult with any Members on Operational Decisions but where a Chief Officer considers it necessary to consult with the appropriate Executive Member and/or Lead Member, they must sign the form so as to confirm that they have been consulted and that they agree with the proposed action. The signature of the Opposition Spokesperson should be obtained to confirm that he/she has been consulted.
- 2. This form must not be used for urgent decisions.