

Mayor and Cabinet		
Title	Comments of the Sustainable Development Select Committee on the air quality action plan	
Contributor	Sustainable Development Select Committee	Item
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1. Summary

- 1.1 This report informs Mayor and Cabinet of the comments and views of the Sustainable Development Select Committee, arising from discussions held on the Council's proposed air quality action plan at the Committee's meeting on 25 October 2016.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 Mayor and Cabinet is recommended to note the views of the select committees as set out in this report and ask the Executive Director for Community Services to provide a response.

3. Sustainable Development Select Committee views

- 3.1 On 25 October 2016, the Sustainable Development Select Committee considered an officer report on air quality in Lewisham.
- 3.2 The committees resolved to advise Mayor and Cabinet of the following:
- The Committee commends the air quality action plan. However, it believes that an additional point should be added to the plan, which tasks Lewisham's political leadership with championing the issue of air quality inside and outside of the borough.
 - The Committee welcomes the proposed increase in charging points for electric vehicles. The Committee recommends that the Council carries out a campaign to encourage usage.
 - The Committee also recommends that there be a proactive and high profile anti-idling¹ campaign, which sets out the importance good air quality to the whole community.

4. Financial implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising out of this report per se; but there may financial implications arising from carrying out the action proposed by the Committee.

5. Legal implications

- 5.1 The Constitution provides for Select Committees to refer reports to the Mayor and Cabinet, who are obliged to consider the report and the proposed response from

¹ Idling: when a motor vehicle is stationary but the engine is still running.

the relevant Executive Director; and report back to the Committee within two months (not including recess).

6. Further implications

- 6.1 At this stage there are no specific environmental, equalities or crime and disorder implications to consider. However, there may be implications arising from the implementation of the Committee's recommendations.

Background papers

Report to the Sustainable Development Select Committee on air quality

<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s45996/05%20Air%20quality%20action%20plan%20251016.pdf>

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