Briefing notes on Issues included in the Forward Plan Issue 6 2004/05

SERVICE AREA: Environmental Services (Environmental Health)

Report ref	Report title
	Air Quality Action Plan

Summary / Nature of Decision to be taken/Intended Outcome

Following the Forward Plan Select committee meeting on 26th October 2004, the Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) was drafted. The draft AQAP has taken on board the actions suggested by members. The AQAP includes members' general comments as well as those specifically related to North Circular Road and other related Strategic routes in the Borough.

Most of the air quality exceedances are traffic related and therefore would require transport solutions. The Transportation Unit is in the process of writing the Local Implementation Plan based on the Mayor's Transport Strategy.

Transportation Unit have proposed to Environmental Health that the AQAP and the draft Local Implementation Plan (LIP) should go to the Executive Committee on 14th February 2005. This allows the necessary time to develop both the LIP and the Air Quality Action Plan documents so that they are fully complementary/ cross referenced and for the AQAP to accommodate the findings/submissions of the LIP Working Group. Therefore further changes will be made to the AQAP to reflect policies in the LIP. The AQAP will be going to the 14th February 2005 Executive meeting.

Timescale for decision:

The report was originally scheduled to go to the Executive on 11th October 2004 but has since been pulled and will be going to the 14th February 2005 Executive meeting with the Local Implementation Plan report.

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