

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

OFFICER EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD (Non Key)

The following decision was taken on 25 March 2022 by the Executive Director, Place.

Date notified to all Members: Friday 25 March 2022

Officer Non-Key decisions are not subject to call-in.

1. **TITLE**

Clean Air Plan - Final Full Business Case

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

That the Executive Director of Place:

- Approves the revised proposals detailed within the report
- Approves submission of the final Full Business Case to Government
- Notes the final Full business Case is subject to approvals from Central Government; a new legal Direction will be issued with the approval of the Full Business Case.

3. **Reasons For Decision**

The decision to progress with the Category C CAZ and other measures was made by the Cooperative Executive on the 26th October 2021.

Consultation has been undertaken on the final proposals and the final Full Business Case to Government is being prepared for submission in April 2022.

Until the submission and approval of the final Full Business Case, Sheffield and Rotherham Councils remain legally Directed by Government to reach legally compliant annual average Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂) levels by 2021. A revised Ministerial Direction that reflects an up-to-date timescale for compliance based on current shortest possible time delivery timescales for the scheme as set out in this report is expected once the FBC is approved.

4. **Alternatives Considered And Rejected**

In assessing options, the primary success factor required by Government is ensuring 'compliant levels of Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂) emissions within the shortest time'. The Full Business Case (FBC) appraisal process will follow HM Treasury guidance and be consistent with the approach taken at OBC.

Post Covid 19, remodelling work was undertaken to establish whether any alternative CAP approaches would be sufficient to meet the legal obligations. A

CAZ C continues to be the model most suited to achieving compliance within the shortest time and this remains the requirement mandated by Government. No other form of CAZ is permissible without Ministerial consent.

A set of technical documents detailing the analytical modelling work will be submitted to Government, forming part of the Full Business Case. These documents are currently being drafted and will be submitted to the JAQU for review by their technical assurance panel prior to FBC submission. Further detail will be published on the SCC Clean Air website after JAQU technical review process is completed.

5. Documents used in making decision:

Report of the Head of Strategic Transport, Sustainability and Infrastructure, on the Clean Air Plan – Final Full Business Case

6.1 Any conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member who is consulted by the Officer when making the decision

None

6.2 Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service

None

7. Respective Director Responsible for Implementation

Director of City Growth