

AQAP Steering Group meeting

08/09/2020

18.00-19.30

Online Teams meeting

In attendance

Chair	Councillor Claire Holland – Cabinet Member for Sustainable Transport, Environment and Clean Air
Host	Sabrina Chiaretti – Climate Change and Sustainability Officer schiaretti@lambeth.gov.uk
Lambeth Council	Kate Hogarth - Programme and Partnerships Lead khogarth@lambeth.gov.uk Grace Ferris - Climate Change and Sustainability Officer gferris@lambeth.gov.uk
Steering Group	Pascal Durrenberger Sandy Nuttgens Daniel Instone Charlie Holland

APs

SC to check links from AQ website through to AQAP and ASR.

SC to ask colleagues in sustainable transport about co-benefits of LTNs.

CH to circulate details about webinar with EV info.

SC to circulate anti-idling statistics.

SC and GF to provide written update against points in AQAP a week ahead of the next meeting.

18.05 introductions

18.10 Cllr Holland introduction

18.15 Projects presentation [see slides]

ASR

No discussion.

LTNs

Funded by TfL, money for emergency traffic interventions. Introduced without public consultations as they were emergency measures. Then will look to next phase. Aim to encourage confidence and safety in walking and cycling.

AQ modelling project to design baseline and assess impacts of the schemes, to run from October 2020-21 until the ULEZ expansion.

Q – DI - will another consultation be required after 18 months?

The October 2021 deadline refers to the modelling project, rather than the LTNs. Future of LTNs is unclear – statutory consultation will be required if they are to become permanent. Will look at what other boroughs are doing and speak with TfL. The LTN implementation was accelerated from 3 over 3 years to 5 over a matter of months.

Q – DI - will data be high enough resolution to monitor individual streets, and will streets outside of the LTNs be modelled too?

Streets outside of the LTNs will be monitored, and we are in conversation with the modelling consultancy to discuss data resolution.

Q – ChH – modelling vs monitoring?

Modelling is required as our monitoring stations are fixed to Brixton, Streatham and Vauxhall. Models will allow us to investigate pollution across the borough on streets relevant to LTN. Diffusion tubes aren't suitable as they monitor only monthly averages at a very localised level, so will inform the model but can't be used alone as we haven't had any in LTNs long-term.

Q – Pascal – are we measuring co-benefits of LTN alongside air quality?

Will ask colleagues in sustainable transport.

Q – SN – how do LTNs affect those physically vulnerable who depend on cars? Ongoing monitoring and discussion must involve disabled groups as we don't want to exacerbate isolation. Lambeth's infrastructure has allowed for vehicles (e.g. transport for disabled people and emergency services) to pass.

CIH - We have consulted emergency services, looking at big and small interventions e.g. drop kerbs. Encourage all those who can to walk and cycle, leaving the roads available for those that can't. Lambeth is looking at measures to improve equality for those living with disabilities. Potential for carers' permit to improve carers' access. Any further ideas, get in touch with Cllr Holland.

PD - touch on Motability scheme for increasing clean vehicle uptake. Consider liaising with an university to create a study to evaluate human wellbeing in LTN areas.

DI – could monitor/model in just a few LTNs across London and share findings to reflect impacts, reducing cost. Measuring road traffic casualties from LTNs would also be useful and straightforward.

A strong communications strategy, including good signage, is important. If possible this would explain clearly, in various media, what the objectives of the LTNs are, and why they are needed. Signage and advance warning to road users will need to be made clearer as the LTNs develop. The comms strategy is particularly important given the controversy of LTNs.

MAQF Street Sweeping

No discussion.

CAV 3

No discussion.

Anti-idling

No discussion.

Lambeth Clean Air Week 2020

Events include a webinar with Cllr Holland on Thursday 8th 5.30-5pm.

Consultations for new AQAP

Q – SC – should we have AQAP and CCAP together?

PD – yes.

ChH – yes, but there will be differences in the outputs.

SN – yes, as bringing them together is a good idea if the air quality doesn't become a footnote to climate change. They must retain equal weighting.

SC – we want air quality to be as visible as climate change, so combining them into one document could be a way to 'revamp' the AQAP. The new AQAP won't start from scratch, it will build on the previous one.

PD – want to see how we impact climate change as Lambeth residents.

SC – Kate will expand, but we are looking to benchmark our climate change work against other boroughs, as we do for climate change.

ChH – Lambeth Biodiversity Action Plan outlines more green roofs, SuDS etc. Another example of where we can integrate targets.

SC – combining the action plans will allow us to monitor progress closely, not missing out on opportunities arising for one from delivery for the other.

KH – looking at CCAP to ensure it doesn't duplicate or contradict any others.

SN – will be important to ensure we update them as new information comes in, which in this arena it will quickly. Important to assess existing ideas and where they can be expanded. For example, the CPZ.

Climate Change and Air Quality

Q – ChH – Questioned whether a map is effective for gathering information about existing projects, and if people will realise small actions to reduce carbon are welcome to be added.

KH – The interactive map is only one method of gathering and sharing information about climate action in Lambeth – we are also sharing videos and case studies, continuing to build partnerships to deliver projects, and using other communication channels like social media and newsletters. This map is part of a temporary website and the main purpose is to encourage people to think about or discover what is already happening in their neighbourhoods, or what they would like to see. In the future we would like to explore a more permanent map/directory/similar with greater reach.

SC – AQ actions are also welcome on the Climate Action Map.

Our next meeting

Evening works best for most attendees. 7th December ok.

DI – we won't need to go through all actions in the AQAP due to time so should be focused.

ChH – would like a written update against points in AQAP a week ahead of the meeting. It's not an issue if not every action is done fully, as priorities will change and some may become less relevant than others, so feel free to say this in Lambeth's review.