Committee: Scrutiny Agenda Item

Date: 4 October 2016

Title: Call– in of a Cabinet decision – Air Quality

Action Plan

Summary

The decision made at Cabinet on 15 September 2016, Item 16 Air Quality Action Plan has been called in by Councillor Dean, the Chairman of the Scrutiny Committee for the following reasons.

- Overall the action plan as written is not adequately specific, measureable, attainable, relevant and timely (SMART).
- In particular, but not exclusively, item numbers 1, 7 & 8, which will support the
 delivery of the Local Plan and will have high or medium impacts on air
 pollution, do not provide enough detail to give the reader confidence that they
 will support some of the options that may be included in the Local Plan. They
 are unspecific.
- The action plan needs to support relevant options that may be chosen for the
 local plan to allow for the right decisions to be taken on those options.
 Delaying the formulation of specific actions until after the Local Plan site
 selection decisions have been taken based on inadequate evidence to support
 their delivery would be contrary to the ethos of the Local Plan process.
 Currently the action plan is not timely.

Recommendation

The Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider the decision and decide whether to

- 1. Refer it back to the decision making body for reconsideration.
- 2. Refer the matter to Full Council.
- 3. Not to refer the decision and allow the original decision to stand.

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