

Report of: Chair of Health and Care Scrutiny Committee

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**Subject: Health Impact of Poor Air Quality Scrutiny Review
– Findings of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee****1. Synopsis**

- 1.1 This report requests that the Executive receive the recommendations of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee following the completion of its review of Health Impact of Poor Air Quality. A response to the recommendations set out in the report will be considered at a future meeting of the Executive.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the report of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee be received.
- 2.2 That the Executive Member's response be reported to a future meeting of the Executive, including having due regard to any relevant implications of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee's recommendations.

3. Background

- 3.1 In July 2017 the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee commenced a review into the Health Impacts of Poor Air Quality in Islington and to understand the scale and nature of the negative health impacts of poor air quality in Islington, the effectiveness of current arrangements and measures for tackling poor air quality and its adverse effects on health

- 3.2 The Committee took evidence from a number of different witnesses and our recommendations seek to improve the health of Islington residents by reducing poor air quality.

4. Implications

4.1 Financial Implications

The proposals in the report need to be costed before a response is made by the Executive.

4.2 Legal Implications

Relevant legal implications will be considered as part of the response to the review.

4.3 Environmental Implications

There are no environmental implications at this stage. Any environmental implications will be identified as part of the Executive Member response.

4.4 Resident Impact Assessment

The council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and to advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations, between those who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it (section 149 Equality Act 2010). The council has a duty to have due regard to the need to remove or minimise disadvantages, take steps to meet needs, in particular steps to take account of disabled persons' disabilities, and encourage people to participate in public life. The council must have due regard to the need to tackle prejudice and promote understanding.

The Committee has had regard to any equalities implications and resident impacts identified by witnesses during the course of the review. Details of any such implications are set out in the appended report. A Resident Impact Assessment has not been completed as the Executive is only asked to receive the report at this stage. The impact on residents will need to be fully considered as part of the Executive Member response to the review, at which point a Resident Impact Assessment will be completed if required.

5. Conclusion and reasons for recommendations

- 5.1 The Committee has made a number of recommendations, following the taking of evidence, which if adopted, will lead to improvements in the health of Islington residents, particularly those suffering from respiratory conditions

Appendices:

- Health Impact of Poor Air Quality – Report of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee

Background papers:

- None.

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