

Name of Programme

Air Quality

Purpose

The policy debate on air quality – internationally, nationally and locally – is greater than ever. It has a significant cross-cutting impact across a number of council services including technology, economy, public health, transport and planning. In addition, there is a lot of current policy activity underway within Brighton & Hove. The Economic Strategy, the 2030 Strategic Framework for Transport, an Energy and Water Infrastructure and Resilience Strategy and City Plan Part 2 are all under development and have implications for air quality. Air pollution is now recognised to be the largest environmental risk to public health in the UK, contributing to cardiovascular disease, lung cancer and respiratory diseases as well as increasing the chances of hospital admissions, visits to A&E and respiratory and cardiovascular symptoms which interfere with everyday life, especially for vulnerable people. Therefore, BHCC needs to provide leadership for the city and have a single, joined up approach to improving air quality.

Role and Function of the Board

The function of the Board is to take responsibility for the strategic direction and management of the Air Quality Programme. The Board is responsible for approving budgets, defining and achieving benefits, and monitoring risks, quality and timeliness in relation to this.

The key roles and responsibilities are to:

- Provide coherent and coordinated leadership on air quality discussions and issues across Brighton & Hove
- Influence the city's approach to improving air quality including action to deliver health and wellbeing outcomes
- Develop and take responsibility for the Air Quality Programme Plan and achievement of outcomes
- Ensure synergy between all initiatives relating to air quality
- Provide proactive responses to government policies and stakeholder comments relating to air quality
- Reconcile differences in opinion and resolve disputes in relation to air quality initiatives

Membership

The Project Board is comprised of:

Name	Job Title
Alistair Hill	Public Health Consultant
Emily Robinson	Public Health Specialist Registrar
Emma Sheridan	Business Development Manager, Transport
Jim Whitelegg	Public Health Licensing Lead
Kalavati Parmar	Project Manager
Mark Prior	Assistant Director City Transport

Programme Terms of Reference

Senior Responsible Officer	
Nick Hibberd Sponsor	Executive Director for Economy, Environment & Culture
Paul Nicholls	Parking Strategy and Contracts Manager
Sam Rouse	Senior Technical Officer, Environmental Protection
Sandra Rogers	Planning Policy Manager
Simon Cooper	Fleet & Maintenance Manager
Simon Newell	Policy, Partnerships & Scrutiny Lead

A minimum of three Board members is required for the meeting to be recognised as a Board Meeting.

The Chair is responsible for convening Board meetings, although may delegate organisation to the Programme Manager or other support staff. If the usual Chair is not available, then they must nominate a temporary Chair in their absence.