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1. Introduction

1.1. This document

This document is the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area (UK0016) air quality plan for the achievement of the EU air quality limit values for nitrogen dioxide (NO₂).

This plan presents the following information:

- General information regarding the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area agglomeration zone
- Details of NO₂ exceedance situation(s) within the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area agglomeration zone
- Details of local air quality measures that have been implemented, will be implemented or are being considered for implementation in this agglomeration zone.

This air quality plan for Reading/Wokingham Urban Area should be read in conjunction with the separate UK overview document and the list of UK and national measures that are available on the Defra website (<http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/quality/air/air-quality/eu/>). The UK overview document sets out, amongst other things, the authorities responsible for delivering air quality improvements and the national measures that are applied in some or all UK zones. The measures presented in this plan and the accompanying UK overview and list of UK measures show how the UK will ensure that compliance with the NO₂ limit values is achieved as soon as possible.

This plan should also be read in conjunction with the supporting UK technical report (<http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/quality/air/air-quality/eu/>), which presents information on assessment methods, input data and emissions inventories used in the analysis presented in this plan.

1.2. Context

Two NO₂ limit values for the protection of human health have been set in the Air Quality Directive (2008/50/EC). These are:

- The annual limit value: an annual mean concentration of no more than 40 µg m⁻³
- The hourly limit value: no more than 18 hourly exceedances of 200 µg m⁻³ in a calendar year

The Air Quality Directive stipulates that compliance with the NO₂ limit values will be achieved by 01/01/2010. However, where the limit values cannot be achieved by then, the Directive also allows Member States to postpone this attainment date until 01/01/2015 provided air quality plans are established demonstrating how the limit values will be met by this extended deadline.

1.3. Zone status

The assessment undertaken for the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area agglomeration zone indicates that the annual limit value is likely to be exceeded in 2010 but achieved before 2015 through introduction of the measures included in the baseline and the non-quantifiable local measures outlined in this plan. Postponement of the compliance date to 2015 is sought for this limit value for this zone.

The assessment undertaken for the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area agglomeration zone indicates that the hourly limit value not exceeded in this agglomeration zone in 2008.

1.4. Plan structure

General administrative information regarding this agglomeration zone is presented in section 2.

Section 3 then presents the overall picture with respect to NO₂ levels in this agglomeration zone for the 2008 reference year of this air quality plan. This includes the declaration of exceedance situations

within the agglomeration zone and presentation of a detailed source apportionment for each exceedance situation.

An overview of the measures already taken and to be taken within the agglomeration zone both before and after 2010 is given in section 4.

Baseline modelled projections for 2010, 2015 and 2020 for each exceedance situation are presented in section 5. The baseline projections presented here include, where possible, the impact of measures that have already been taken and measures for which the relevant authority has made a firm commitment to take the measure(s). However, it has not been possible to quantify the impact of all measures. This section therefore also explains which measures have been quantified, and hence included in the model projections, and which measures have not been quantified.

2. General Information about the Zone

2.1. Administrative information

Zone name: Reading/Wokingham Urban Area

Zone code: UK0016

Type of zone: agglomeration zone

Reference year: 2008

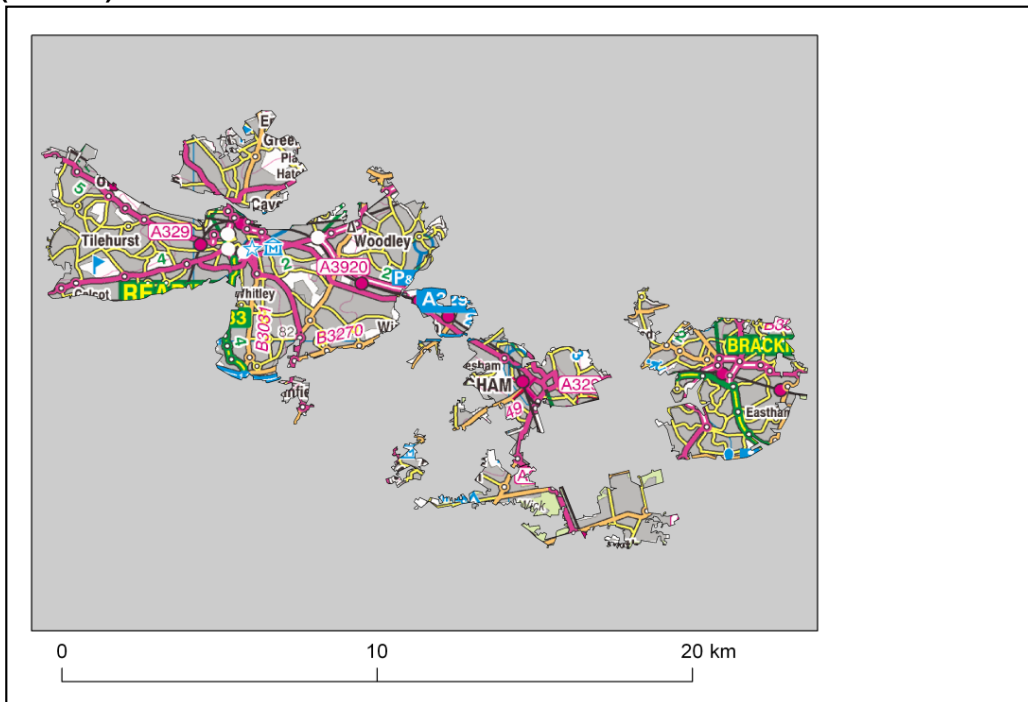
Extent of zone: Figure 1 shows the area covered by the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area agglomeration zone

Local Authorities within the agglomeration zone: Figure 2 shows the location of Local Authorities within the agglomeration zone. A list of these Local Authorities is also given below. The numbers in this list correspond to the numbers in Figure 2.

1. Bracknell Forest Borough Council
2. Reading Borough Council
3. West Berkshire Council
4. Wokingham Borough Council

(Note: Local Authority boundaries do not necessarily coincide with zone boundaries. Hence Local Authorities may be listed within more than one zone plan.)

Figure 1. Map showing the extent of the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area agglomeration zone (UK0016).



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Figure 2. Map showing Local Authorities within the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area agglomeration zone (UK0016).



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2.2. Assessment details

Measurements

NO₂ measurements in this zone were available in 2008 from the following national network monitoring stations (NO₂ data capture for each station in 2008 shown in brackets):

- Reading New Town GB0840A (98.2%)

Full details of monitoring stations within the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area agglomeration zone are available from <http://uk-air.defra.gov.uk/networks/network-info?view=aur>.

Modelling

Modelling for the 2008 reference year has been carried out for the whole of the UK (see the UK technical report). This modelling covers the following extent within this zone:

- Total background area within zone (approx): 97 km²
- Total population within zone (approx): 305786 people
- Total road length where an assessment of NO₂ concentrations have been made: 76.8 km in 2008 (and similar lengths in previous years).

Zone maps

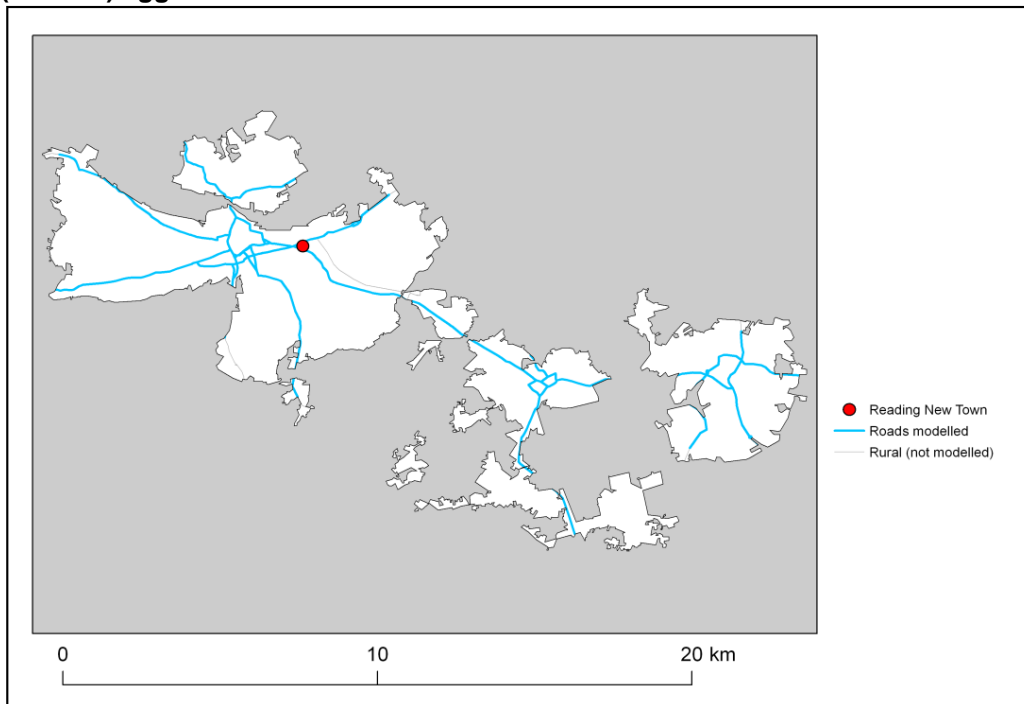
Figure 3 presents the location of the NO₂ monitoring stations within this zone for 2008 and the roads for which NO₂ concentrations have been modelled. NO₂ concentrations at background locations have been modelled across the entire zone at a 1 x 1 km² resolution.

2.3. Reporting Under European Directives

Since 2001 the UK has reported annually on air quality concentrations using a standard excel questionnaire (Decision 2004/461/EC). These questionnaires are available online from <http://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/gb/eu/annualair>

In addition, the UK has reported on air quality plans and programmes (Decision 2004/224/EC) on an annual basis depending on the reported concentrations in the previous year. Plans and programmes were first reported in this zone in 2005. Plans and programmes for 2005 and all other years for which they have been required are available from <http://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/gb/eu/aqpp>.

Figure 3. Map showing the location of the NO₂ monitoring sites with valid data in 2008 and roads where concentrations have been modelled within the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area (UK0016) agglomeration zone.



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3. Overall Picture for 2008 reference year

3.1. Introduction

There are two limit values for the protection of health for NO₂. These are:

- The annual limit value (annual mean concentration of no more than 40 µg m⁻³)
- The hourly limit value (no more than 18 hourly exceedances of 200 µg m⁻³ in a calendar year)

Within the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area agglomeration zone only the annual limit value was exceeded in 2008. Hence, one exceedance situation for this zone has been defined, NO₂_UK0016_Annual_1, which covers the exceedance of the annual limit value. This exceedance situation is described below.

For both NO₂ limit values, a margin of tolerance for 2008 and other years has been defined in the Air Quality Directive (2008/50/EC). Data comparing assessed concentrations at locations within this agglomeration zone with the 2008 margin of tolerance are presented in the annual reporting questionnaire for 2008 (<http://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/gb/eu/annualair>).

3.2. Reference year: NO₂_UK0016_Annual_1

The NO₂_UK0016_Annual_1 exceedance situation covers all exceedances of the annual mean limit value in the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area agglomeration zone in 2008.

Compliance with the annual limit value in this exceedance situation has been assessed using a combination of air quality measurements and modelling. Table 1 presents measured annual mean concentrations at national network stations in this exceedance situation since the 1st Daughter Directive (1999/30/EC) came into force in 2001. This shows that there were no measured exceedances of the annual limit value in this zone in 2008. Table 2 summarises modelled annual mean NO₂ results in this exceedance situation for the same time period. This table shows that, in 2008, 9 km of road length was modelled to exceed the annual limit value. There were no modelled background exceedances of this limit value. Table 2 also shows that the maximum modelled annual mean NO₂ concentration in 2008 was 54.2 µg m⁻³. Maps showing the modelled annual mean NO₂ concentrations for 2008 at background and at roadside locations are presented in Figures 4 and 5 respectively. All modelled exceedances of the annual limit value are coloured orange or red in these maps.

The maximum measured concentration in the zone varies due to changes emissions and varying meteorology in different years. However, the models are also updated each year to take into account the most up-to-date science, so the modelled results for different years may not be directly comparable.

The modelling carried out for this exceedance situation has also been used to determine the annual mean NO_x source apportionment for all modelled locations, along with an indicative annual mean NO₂ source apportionment. Table 3 presents summary source apportionment information in this exceedance situation for 2008, including:

- The modelled NO_x and indicative NO₂ source apportionment for the section of road with the highest modelled NO₂ concentration in this exceedance situation in 2008. This is important information because it shows which sources need to be tackled at the point with the largest compliance gap in the exceedance situation. It is not possible to calculate an unambiguous source apportionment for annual mean NO₂ concentrations for the reasons discussed in the UK Technical Report. We have, however, developed a method to provide an indicative source apportionment for annual mean NO₂ concentrations for these air quality plans. This method involves calculating the maximum and minimum possible contribution from each source to the NO₂ concentration. The final source apportionment has been calculated as the average of the minimum and maximum contributions for each source, with the results normalised so that the contributions sum to the total modelled NO₂ concentration. Further information on the methods used for source apportionment are provided in the UK Technical Report.

- The maximum NO_x contribution from each source from across all the roads included in this exceedance situation in 2008. This is important information because it highlights all the key sources that need to be tackled within the exceedance situation in order to achieve compliance across the entire area of the exceedance situation.

Figure A1.1 in Annex 1 presents the annual mean NO_x source apportionment for each section of road within the NO_2 _UK0016_Annual_1 exceedance situation (i.e. the source apportionment for all exceeding roads only) in 2008. Roads have been grouped into motorways, trunk roads and primary road in this figure.

Table 1. Measured annual mean concentrations at national network stations in NO₂_UK0016_Annual_1 for 2001 onwards, µgm⁻³. (Data capture shown in brackets) (a)

Site name (EOI code)	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Reading (GB0683A)	32 (97%)	33 (95%)	29 (9%)						
Reading New Town (GB0840A)			31 (20%)	25 (93%)	23 (95%)	21 (71%)	23 (96%)	22 (98%)	22 (51%)

(a) Annual Mean Limit Value = 40 µgm⁻³

Table 2. Annual mean NO₂ model results in NO₂_UK0016_Annual_1 for 2001 onwards

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Road length exceeding (km)	43.3	14.6	54.9	22.2	22.2	20.9	19.3	9.0	4.7
Background area exceeding (km ²)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maximum modelled concentration (µgm ⁻³) (a)	56.0	48.4	60.5	55.3	56.8	56.2	56.3	54.2	50.4

(a) Annual Mean Limit Value = 40 µgm⁻³

Table 3. Source apportionment summary information for 2008 in NO₂_UK0016_Annual_1 (µgm⁻³).

Spatial scale	Component	Highest road link (a)		Maximum (b)
		NOx	NO2 (d)	NOx
Regional background sources (i.e. contributions from distant sources of > 30 km from the receptor)	Total	9.4	(c)	
	From within the UK	5.5	(c)	5.6
	From transboundary sources (includes shipping and other EU Member States)	3.9	(c)	4.0
Urban background sources (i.e. sources located within 0.3 - 30 km from the receptor)	Total	39.2	20.0	-
	From road traffic sources	14.4	13.8	14.4
	From industry (including heat and power generation)	2.9	(c)	6.9
	From agriculture	0.0	(c)	0.0
	From commercial/residential sources	6.9	(c)	8.3
	From shipping	0.0	(c)	0.0
	From off road mobile machinery	7.0	(c)	11.6
	From natural sources	0.0	(c)	0.0
	From transboundary sources	0.0	(c)	0.0
	From other urban background sources	8.2	(c)	8.2
Local sources (i.e. contributions from sources < 0.3 km from the receptor)	Total	80.0	34.2	-
	From cars	37.0	15.2	41.8
	From HGV rigid	16.8	7.1	16.8
	From HGV articulated	6.0	2.6	21.2
	From Buses	9.3	4	18.0
	From LGVs	10.7	5.2	10.8
	From motorcycles	0.2	0.1	0.3
Total (i.e. regional background + urban background + local components)		128.7	54.2	-

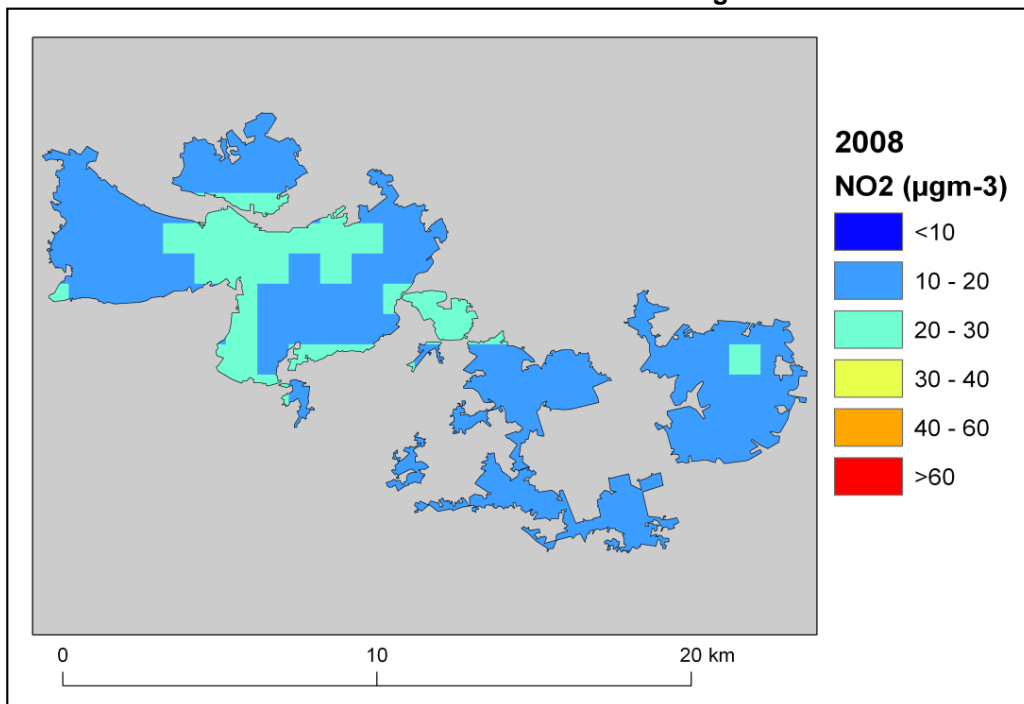
(a) The road with the highest modelled annual mean NO₂ concentration in this exceedance situation in 2008 is a section of the A329, traffic count point id 27954 (OS grid (m): 471050, 173300).

(b) This column gives the maximum contribution for each component from all the roads included in the exceedance situation.

(c) The combined modelled annual mean NO₂ concentration contribution for these components is 6.2 µgm⁻³. A more detailed NO₂ source apportionment is currently unavailable for these sectors.

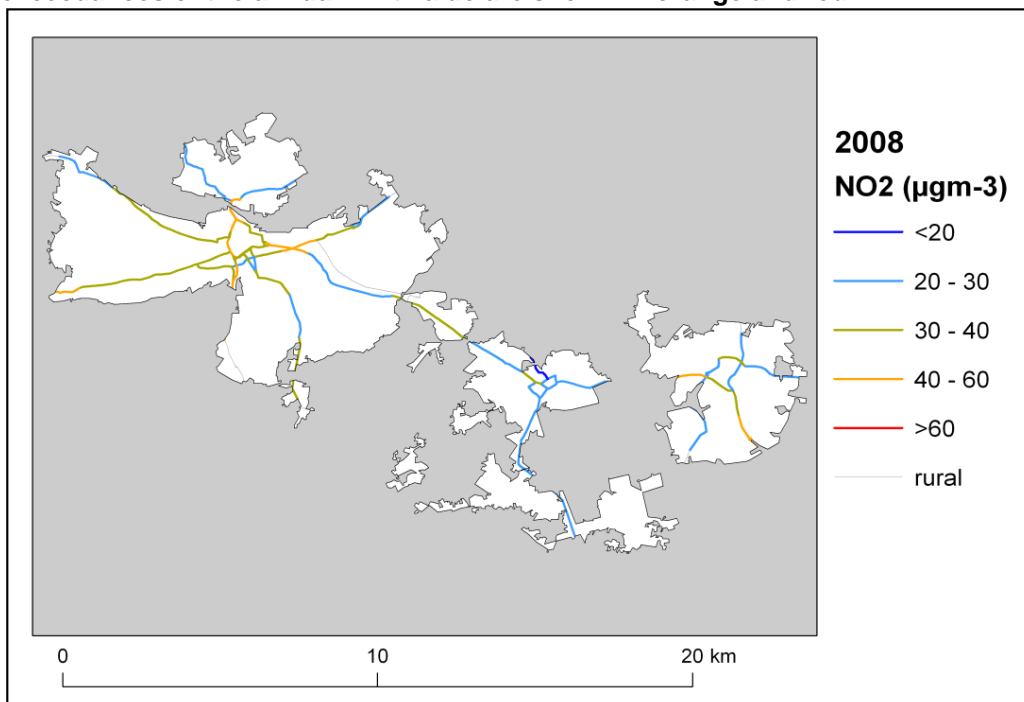
(d) Source apportionment for NO₂ is indicative, see UK Technical Report.

Figure 4. Map of modelled background annual mean NO₂ concentrations 2008. Modelled exceedances of the annual limit value are shown in orange and red.



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Figure 5. Map of modelled roadside annual mean NO₂ concentrations 2008. Modelled exceedances of the annual limit value are shown in orange and red.



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4. Measures

4.1. Introduction

This section (section 4) gives details of measures that address exceedances of the NO₂ limit values within Reading/Wokingham Urban Area agglomeration zone. This includes both measures that have already been taken and measures for which there is a firm commitment that they will be taken.

Section 5 then explains the extent to which it has been possible to incorporate the impacts of these measures into the baseline modelling carried out for this assessment.

4.2. Source apportionment

It is important to understand which sources are responsible for causing the exceedance in order to most effectively tailor measures to address the NO₂ exceedance situation(s) described in section 3 above. This can be achieved by considering the source apportionment for the exceedance situation, also presented in section 3. A summary of what the source apportionment shows and the implications for which measures would therefore be appropriate is given here.

Local road traffic was the dominant source in this exceedance location in the reference year. The largest contribution was from cars at the location of maximum exceedance with a contribution of 37 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ of NO_x out of a total of 128.7 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ of NO_x. All vehicle types were important sources on the primary roads with the highest concentrations.

This indicates that appropriate measures should impact on local road traffic sources in this zone. Other measures may also be beneficial depending on the source apportionment for the urban background.

4.3. Measures

Measures potentially affecting NO₂ in this agglomeration zone have been taken and/or are planned at a range of administrative levels. These are:

- European Union
- National (i.e. England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland or whole UK)
- Local (i.e. UK Local Authorities)

Details of European Union measures (e.g. euro standards, fuel quality directives, integrated pollution prevention and control) can be found on the European Commission's website (http://ec.europa.eu/environment/air/index_en.htm). Details of national measures are given in the UK overview document and list of UK and National measures.

Relevant Local Authority measures within this exceedance situation are listed in Table A2.1 (see Annex 2). Relevant Local Authority measures are considered to be those measures which directly target, or are in close geographical proximity to roads and/or background grid squares in exceedance of one or other of the NO₂ limit values. Other Local Authority measures may also have been taken in this zone, but they are not listed in this table. All the measures listed in Table A2.1 have been carried out, are in the process of being carried out or a firm commitment had been made to carry them out on the timetables listed at the point at which information on local measures was collected.

4.4. Measures timescales

Timescales for national measures are given in the UK overview document and list of UK and National measures.

Information on local measures was collected in autumn 2009. Hence, any Local Authority action plans and measures adopted by Local Authorities after this time have not been included in this air quality plan. Many of the measures listed in Annex 2 will either have happened before autumn 2009 or have been planned for implementation before or during 2010. Others will be planned for after 2010. It

should be noted that many of the measures taken before or during 2010 will continue to have a beneficial impact on air quality after the end of 2010.

Local Authorities report on progress with the implementation of their action plans annually and review action plan measures regularly. Where future Local Authority measures to improve air quality are under consideration these would be included in future local authority action plans and published by the local authority.

5. Baseline Model Projections

5.1. Overview of model projections

Baseline projections for 2010

Model projections for 2010, starting from the 2008 reference year described in section 3, have been calculated in order to determine whether compliance with the NO₂ limit values is likely to be achieved for each exceedance situation by the original deadline for compliance of 01/01/2010. Details of the methods used for the baseline emissions and concentration projections modelling are provided in the the UK technical report.

For national measures, it has not been possible to quantify the impact of all measures on emissions and ambient concentrations. The impact for all quantifiable measures has been included in the baseline projections.

The impacts of the individual Local Authority measures have not been explicitly included in the baseline model projections. However, measures may have been included implicitly if they have influenced the traffic counts for 2007 (used as a basis for the compilation of the emission inventory) or in the traffic activity projections to 2010 and beyond (used to calculate the emission projections). It should be recognised that these measures will have a beneficial impact on air quality, even if it has not been possible to quantify this impact here.

A number of the local measures in Table A2.1 can be considered to be 'smarter choices' measures (see <http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/sustainable/smarterchoices/ctwwt/> for a detailed description of this type of measure). We have quantified the impact of this group of measures on a national scale within the projections. Details of how this has been done can be found in the UK technical report. Table A2.1 indicates which local measures we have considered to be 'smarter choices'.

Baseline projections for 2015

Model projections for 2015, starting from the 2008 reference year described above, have been calculated in order to determine whether compliance with the NO₂ limit values is likely to be achieved for each exceedance situation by the revised deadline for compliance of 01/01/2015 on the basis of EU-wide measures and the measures currently planned. This modelling is described in detail in the UK technical report. Many of the measures listed in annex 2 of this document and the supporting list of UK and national measures will continue or will continue to have an impact beyond the original deadline for compliance of 01/01/2010.

5.2. Baseline projections: NO₂_UK0016_Annual_1

Table 4 presents summary results for the baseline model projections for 2010, 2015 and 2020 for the NO₂_UK0016_Annual_1 exceedance situation. This shows that the maximum modelled annual mean NO₂ concentration predicted for 2010 in this exceedance situation is 45.7 µg m⁻³. By 2015, the maximum modelled annual mean NO₂ concentration is predicted to drop to 33.6 µg m⁻³. Hence, the model results suggest that compliance with the NO₂ annual limit value can be achieved by 2015 under baseline conditions in this exceedance situation. Furthermore, additional model results, not available here, suggest that compliance may be achieved as soon as 2013 under baseline conditions.

The projected modelled NO_x and indicative NO₂ annual mean source apportionments for 2010, 2015 and 2020 at the location with the biggest compliance gap in 2008 are presented in Table 5. The model results suggest that this location will continue to have the highest annual mean NO₂ concentration within this exceedance situation in 2010, 2015 and 2020. This source apportionment information is useful because it shows which sources need to be tackled at the point with the largest compliance gap in the exceedance situation.

Table 6 shows the maximum NO_x contribution from each source apportionment component from any road across the whole exceedance situation. This source apportionment information is useful because it highlights all the key sources that need to be tackled within the exceedance situation in order to achieve compliance across the entire area of the exceedance situation. It should be noted that this table only includes roads which continue to be in exceedance in the relevant year. Hence, for

example, the road with the largest contribution from cars in 2010 may no longer be included in the table in 2015 if the road is predicted to be compliant in 2015.

Figures 6 and 7 show maps of projected annual mean NO₂ concentrations in 2010, 2015 and 2020 at background and roadside locations respectively. Maps for 2008 are also presented here for reference.

It should be noted that the baseline projections presented here include the impacts of measures, where they can be quantified, that have already been or will be implemented.

Table 4. Annual mean NO₂ model results in NO₂_UK0016_Annual_1

	2008	2010	2015	2020
Road length exceeding (km)	9.0	1.5	0.0	0.0
Background area exceeding (km ²)	0	0	0	0
Maximum modelled concentration (µgm ⁻³) (a)	54.2	45.7	33.6	24.2

(a) Annual Mean Limit Value = 40 µgm⁻³

Table 5. Modelled source apportionment for 2010, 2015 and 2020 under baseline conditions for traffic count point 27954 on the A329 (the road section with the maximum modelled annual mean NO₂ concentration in 2008 in NO₂_UK0016_Annual_1. OS grid (m): 471050, 173300). 2008 results are also presented here for reference (units: µgm⁻³).

Spatial scale	Component	NOx				NO2 (indicative)			
		2008	2010	2015	2020	2008	2010	2015	2020
Regional background sources (i.e. contributions from distant sources of > 30 km from the receptor)	Total	9.4	8.1	7.1	5.7	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
	From within the UK	5.5	4.7	4.1	3.3	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
	From transboundary sources (includes shipping and other EU Member States)	3.9	3.4	3.0	2.4	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
Urban background sources (i.e. sources located within 0.3 - 30 km from the receptor)	Total	39.2	32.8	25.8	22.6	20.0	17.5	15.1	13.8
	From road traffic sources	14.4	10.3	6.9	5.3	13.8	12.9	11.8	11.1
	From industry (including heat and power generation)	2.9	2.6	2.5	2.3	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
	From agriculture	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
	From commercial/residential sources	6.9	6.9	6.5	6.1	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
	From shipping	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
	From off road mobile machinery	7.0	6.6	3.5	2.5	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
	From natural sources	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
	From transboundary sources	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
From other urban background sources	8.2	6.5	6.4	6.4	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
Local sources (i.e. contributions from sources < 0.3 km from the receptor)	Total	80.0	62.7	38.3	20.6	34.2	28.2	18.5	10.4
	From cars	37.0	24.8	17.1	11.4	15.2	10.9	8.2	5.8
	From HGV rigid	16.8	15.0	7.7	2.7	7.1	6.6	3.6	1.3
	From HGV articulated	6.0	5.2	2.6	0.9	2.6	2.3	1.2	0.4
	From Buses	9.3	8.4	4.9	2.3	4.0	3.7	2.3	1.1
	From LGVs	10.7	9.1	5.8	3.2	5.2	4.6	3.1	1.7
From motorcycles	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	
Total (i.e. regional background + urban background + local components)		128.7	103.7	71.2	48.8	54.2	45.7	33.6	24.2

(a) The total annual mean NO₂ contribution for all components labelled (a) in 2008 was modelled to be 6.2 µgm⁻³.

(b) The total annual mean NO₂ contribution for all components labelled (b) in 2010 is predicted to be 4.7 µgm⁻³.

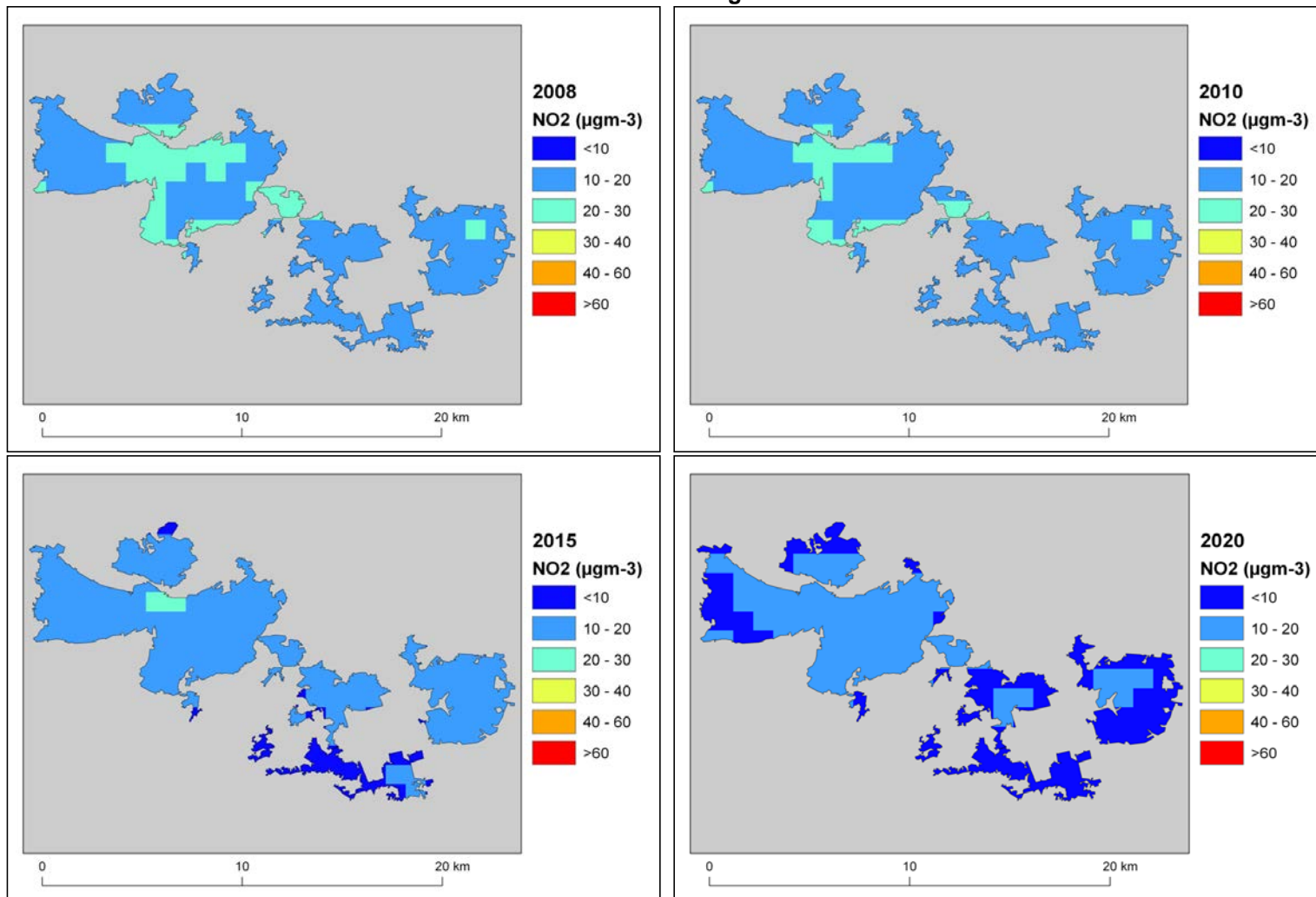
(c) The total annual mean NO₂ contribution for all components labelled (c) in 2015 is predicted to be 3.3 µgm⁻³.

(d) The total annual mean NO₂ contribution for all components labelled (d) in 2020 is predicted to be 2.7 µgm⁻³.

Table 6. The maximum NO_x contribution from each source from across all the roads included in the exceedance situation on which exceedances remain in 2010, 2015 and 2020 under baseline conditions. Zeros indicate that there are no exceedances in the relevant year.

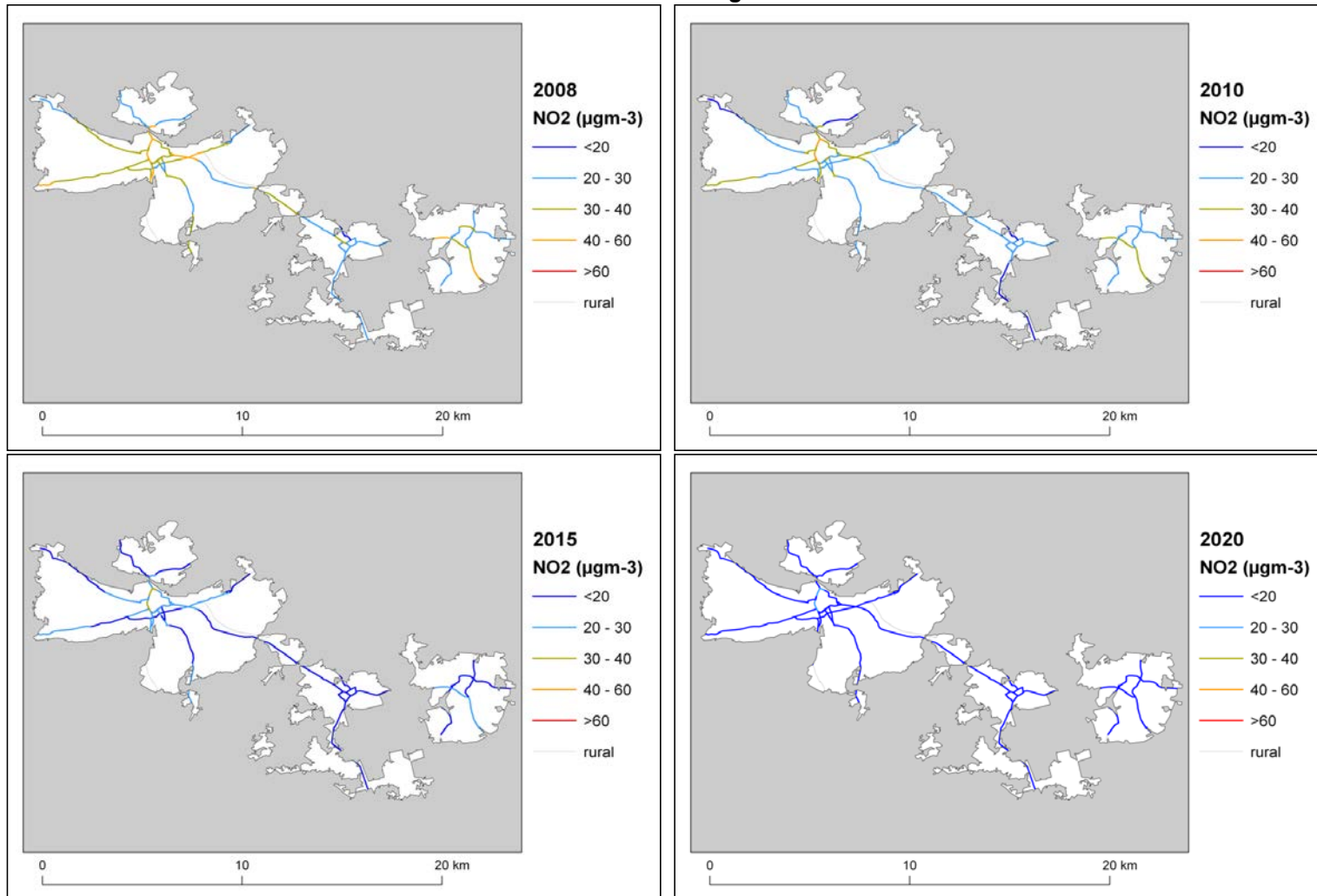
Spatial scale	Component	NO _x			
		2008	2010	2015	2020
Regional background sources (i.e. contributions from distant sources of > 30 km from the receptor)	From within the UK	5.6	4.7	0.0	0.0
	From transboundary sources (includes shipping and other EU Member States)	4.0	3.4	0.0	0.0
Urban background sources (i.e. sources located within 0.3 - 30 km from the receptor)	From road traffic sources	14.4	10.3	0.0	0.0
	From industry (including heat and power generation)	6.9	2.7	0.0	0.0
	From agriculture	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	From commercial/residential sources	8.3	7.6	0.0	0.0
	From shipping	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	From off road mobile machinery	11.6	6.6	0.0	0.0
	From natural sources	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	From transboundary sources	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	From other urban background sources	8.2	6.5	0.0	0.0
Local sources (i.e. contributions from sources < 0.3 km from the receptor)	From cars	41.8	28.1	0.0	0.0
	From HGV rigid	16.8	15.0	0.0	0.0
	From HGV articulated	21.2	5.2	0.0	0.0
	From Buses	18.0	9.0	0.0	0.0
	From LGVs	10.8	9.3	0.0	0.0
	From motorcycles	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0

Figure 6. Background baseline projections of annual mean NO₂ concentrations in 2010, 2015 and 2020. 2008 is also included here for reference. Modelled exceedances of the annual limit value are shown in orange and red.



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Figure 7. Roadside baseline projections of annual mean NO₂ concentrations in 2010, 2015 and 2020. 2008 is also included here for reference. Modelled exceedances of the annual limit value are shown in orange and red.



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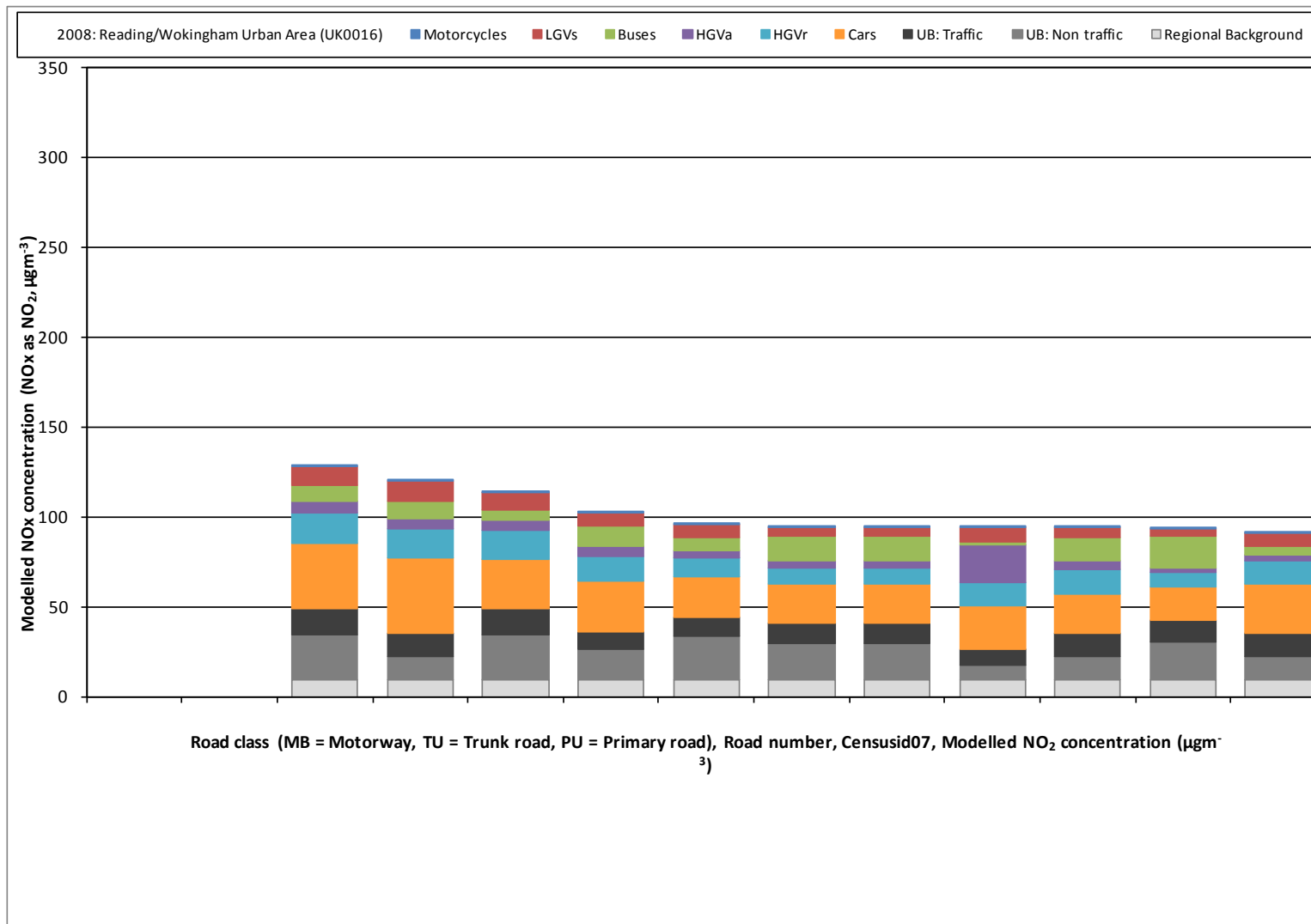
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Annex 2: Tables of measures

Table A2.1 Relevant Local Authority measures taken before or during 2010 within Reading/Wokingham Urban Area (UK0016)

LA (a)	Measure code (b)	Title	Description	Other information
Reading	Local_Reading_E1	Continue to implement the core infrastructure projects detailed in and arising from the Local Transport Plan 2006-2011	We will continue to implement the core infrastructure projects detailed in and arising from the Local Transport Plan 2006-2011, subject to the findings of the independent transport commission, specifically <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Cow Lane Bridges o Green Park Station and Multi Modal Interchange o M4 Junction 11 improvements o Park and Ride o Quality bus corridors/Mass Rapid Transit o Reading Station Upgrade o Third Thames Crossing o Oxford Road relief road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Technical • Sources affected: Transport • Spatial scale: local • Implementation date: 2006 • Reduction timescale: Long term • Regulatory: No • Smarter Choices (c) : No • Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1
Reading	Local_Reading_H1	“Quality Travel for Reading” including the new cycling strategy.	We will continue to implement the strategic themes of “Quality Travel for Reading” including the new cycling strategy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Technical; Education/information • Sources affected: Transport • Spatial scale: local • Implementation date: 2006 • Reduction timescale: Long term • Regulatory: No • Smarter Choices (c) : No • Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1
Reading	Local_Reading_E2	Development control	We will continue to use the planning processes to ensure that whilst encouraging the economic development of Reading this remains sustainable and within a balanced transport strategy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Technical; Education/information • Sources affected: Transport; Industry including heating and power production; Commercial and residential sources • Spatial scale: local • Implementation date: 2006 • Reduction timescale: Long term • Regulatory: No • Smarter Choices (c) : No • Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1
Reading	Local_Reading_A1	We will reduce air quality impacting emissions from RBC fleet use, setting targets for emissions reduction, and linking these to	We will reduce greenhouse gas and air quality impacting emissions from RBC fleet use, setting targets for emissions reduction, and linking these to other strategic targets (e.g. Local Area Agreement) where appropriate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Technical; Education/information • Sources affected: Transport • Spatial scale: local • Implementation date: 2008 • Reduction timescale: Medium/long term • Regulatory: No • Smarter Choices (c) : No • Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1

LA (a)	Measure code (b)	Title	Description	Other information
		other strategic targets		
Reading	Local_Reading_H2	We will continue to work with local businesses/schools	We will continue to work with local businesses to assist them in reducing their environmental impact through green/school travel plans and other measures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Education/information • Sources affected: Transport; Commercial and residential sources • Spatial scale: local • Implementation date: 2008 • Reduction timescale: Medium term • Regulatory: No • Smarter Choices (c) : Yes • Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1
Reading	Local_Reading_A2	Work with Reading buses to reduce air quality impact	We will continue to work with Reading buses to reduce air quality impacting and greenhouse gas emissions per passenger kilometer from Reading buses fleet use, setting targets for emissions reduction.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Education/information • Sources affected: Transport • Spatial scale: local • Implementation date: 2008 • Reduction timescale: Short term • Regulatory: No • Smarter Choices (c) : No • Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1
Reading	Local_Reading_F1	Promote air quality awareness	We will continue to support in town without my car day and other environmental awareness/sustainable travel events to promote more sustainable travel and air quality information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Education/information • Sources affected: Transport; Industry including heating and power production; Commercial and residential sources • Spatial scale: local • Implementation date: 2008 • Reduction timescale: Short term • Regulatory: No • Smarter Choices (c) : Yes • Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1
Reading	Local_Reading_G1	We will encourage the choice of non-motorised transport options emphasising positive health benefits as well as climate change and air quality benefits.	We will encourage the choice of non-motorised transport options emphasising positive health benefits as well as climate change and air quality benefits.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Education/information • Sources affected: Transport • Spatial scale: local • Implementation date: 2008 • Reduction timescale: Short term • Regulatory: No • Smarter Choices (c) : Yes • Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1
Reading	Local_Reading_A3	We will	We will introduce new license conditions in 2009 to	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Economic/fiscal; Education/information

LA (a)	Measure code (b)	Title	Description	Other information
		introduce new licence conditions in 2009 to improve emissions and produce a cleaner fleet of licensed vehicles.	improve emissions and produce a cleaner fleet of licensed vehicles.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sources affected: Transport • Spatial scale: local • Implementation date: 2008 • Reduction timescale: Long term • Regulatory: No • Smarter Choices (c) : No • Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1
Reading	Local_Reading_F2	Encourage local businesses to reduce their greenhouse gas and air quality emissions and prepare for climate change.	We will encourage local businesses to reduce their greenhouse gas and air quality emissions and prepare for climate change. We will work with Reading UK CIC, Connect Reading, key businesses and business organisations to develop practical local actions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Education/information • Sources affected: Transport; Industry including heating and power production; Commercial and residential sources • Spatial scale: local • Implementation date: 2008 • Reduction timescale: Short term • Regulatory: No • Smarter Choices (c) : No • Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1
Reading	Local_Reading_A4	Investigate mechanisms to reduce the impact of HGVs on local air quality in Reading.	We will investigate mechanisms to reduce the impact of HGVs on local air quality in Reading, producing a report with recommendations within 18 months of the publication of the action plan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Education/information • Sources affected: Transport • Spatial scale: local • Implementation date: 2008 • Reduction timescale: Short term • Regulatory: No • Smarter Choices (c) : No • Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1
Reading	Local_Reading_B1	We will work with Partners to give Reading householders easy access to discounted or free home insulation and free energy efficiency advice.	We will work with Partners to give Reading householders easy access to discounted or free home insulation and free energy efficiency advice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Education/information • Sources affected: Commercial and residential sources • Spatial scale: local • Implementation date: 2008 • Reduction timescale: Long term • Regulatory: No • Smarter Choices (c) : No • Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1
Reading	Local_Reading_E3	We will ensure through the planning process that	We will use planning processes to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimise environmental impacts from major new developments • Ensure that major development should not result in 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type: Technical; Education/information • Sources affected: Transport; Industry including heating and power production; Commercial and residential sources

LA (a)	Measure code (b)	Title	Description	Other information
		future development does not result in any further deterioration of air quality and where possible, results in an improvement in overall environmental quality.	increased emissions that contribute to air quality and climate change problems. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Locate major development in areas that are highly accessible by sustainable modes of transport in order to reduce the number of car journeys that need to be made within the Borough. We will continue to seek financial contributions for improving air quality, air quality monitoring and in pursuit of the implementation of this action plan in line with PPS 23 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spatial scale: local Implementation date: 2008 Reduction timescale: Long term Regulatory: No Smarter Choices (c) : No Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1
Reading	Local_Reading_F3	Provision of air quality information	We will continue to expand and improve air quality data on the RBC website to improve the accessibility of information. We will add information relevant to the school curriculum on the website so that local information is available for school and college science activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type: Education/information Sources affected: Transport; Industry including heating and power production; Commercial and residential sources Spatial scale: local Implementation date: 2008 Reduction timescale: Short term Regulatory: No Smarter Choices (c) : No Reference (d): Local_zone16_Reading_AQActionplan_1

(a) Name of responsible Local Authority.

(b) The Letter in the measure code indicates the main source sector that will be affected by the measure. Letters are assigned as follows: A - measures to reduce emissions from mobile sources, B - measures to reduce emissions from stationary sources, C - fuels and petrol stations, D - Economic incentives to reduce emissions (e.g. congestion charging, controlled parking zones), E - measures related to traffic planning/redesigning infrastructure, F - information/educational measures, G - change of transport mode (e.g. scheme to encourage people out of cars and onto bikes), H - Other.

(c) Measures have been classified as 'smarter choices' or not based on expert judgement

(d) References available for download from: <http://uk-air.defra.gov.uk/library/NO2ten/>

