

Mayor's Air Quality Fund Officer Briefing Event

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Purpose of today

- raise awareness about the Mayor's Air Quality Fund (MAQF) and the Mayor's broader commitment to improving air quality;
- set out some of the practical steps boroughs will need to take to apply to become a Cleaner Air Borough and access MAQF funding
- share experiences and examples from other boroughs/stakeholders who have successfully delivered high impact local air quality measures
- highlight ongoing support available throughout the Cleaner Air Borough and MAQF process.

Agenda

- 10.00 Introductions and overview
Elliot Treharne, Air Quality Manager, GLA
- 10.15 The Mayor's Air Quality Fund
Scott Leicester, Borough Projects and Programmes, TfL
- 10.30 Sub-regional approaches to improving air quality
Liz Halsted, Policy Manager, TfL
- 10.45 Clean Air Fund measures
Nick Blades, CAF Project Manager, TfL
- 11.00 Public health and air quality: integrating measures to deliver multiple benefits
Lucy Saunders, Public Health Specialist, GLA

Agenda

11.15 Borough case studies (15 mins each)

1) 14 cost effective ways of improving local air quality

Iarla Kilbane-Dawe on behalf of the Central London Air Quality Cluster Group

2) City Air programme and business engagement

Keith Cotton on behalf of the City of London

11.45 Questions and summary of next steps

Elliot Treharne, Air Quality Manager, GLA

12.00 Close

The Mayor's measures

Buses

- 300 hybrid buses
- Hydrogen trial
- Retrofitting of 1,000 older buses



Taxis

- Retiring taxis over 15 year (2,600 taxis in 2012)
- Minimum Euro V for new taxis



Planning system

- Introduced "air quality neutral" to reduce emissions from new developments.



Low Emission Zone

- tightening standards for buses, HGVs and coaches to Euro IV
- new standards for vans & minibuses



Reducing emissions from building

- Retrofitting 55,000 homes by April 2012 to improve energy efficiency
- Retrofitting public buildings



Emissions standards

- Combined Heat and Power
- Biomass
- Construction and demolition



Cabinet Member event – 10am, 13th February, City Hall

- Mayor will announce new package of measures for the second term
- Similar briefing for cabinet members of the Mayor's Air Quality fund
- Opportunity for them to meet and network with Delivery Partners
- **Please note change of date.** New invites went out yesterday and will be followed up by letter.

Mayor's Air Quality Fund and Cleaner Air Boroughs

- MAQF and Cleaner Air Boroughs part of a new approach to support additional local action.
- This complements Londonwide measures delivered by the Mayor.
- Want to support boroughs in prioritising air quality and mainstreaming it through all their activities (e.g. environment, transport, public health, planning etc)
- To this end additional funding from the MAQF will be linked to signing up to the Cleaner Air Borough criteria.

Cleaner Air Borough criteria

1. Political leadership
2. Taking action
3. Leading by example
4. Using the planning system
5. Integrating air quality into the public health system
6. Informing the public

First awards of “Cleaner Air Borough” status to take place in January 2014

Scale of ambition

- Boroughs as laboratories of innovation
- Big impact, local schemes
- Deliver against multiple objectives – air quality, climate change, noise.
- New ways of thinking: exposure reduction especially at schools, hospitals, high streets.
- New ways of working: in partnership with each other, with BIDs, with community/residents groups and delivery partners.

Additional support available

- Five sub-regional meetings organised by GLA and TfL
- Seminar programme for borough officers to raise awareness about air quality and to promote
- Specialist officer support from GLA and TfL to help design and plan schemes and coordinate joint bids
- In particular, monitoring and evaluation support both in terms of funding and design.
- Updated 2010 LAEI to provide additional information on sources

Key dates

Sub-regional meetings

- Central - 30th January; 14.30 - 16.00, London's Living Room
- East - 15th Feb; 14.00 - 16.00, Committee Room 2
- West - 18th Feb; 14.00 - 16.00, Committee Room 3
- North - 19th Feb; 10.00 - 12.00, Committee Room 2
- South - 22nd Feb; 10.00 - 12.00, Committee Room 1

Planning consultation meeting

- 20th February; 1.30pm – 3pm, Committee Room 2

Seminar programmes

- Starting end February



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