

Clean Air Fund (CAF) Programme



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Air Quality in London

- Air pollution and Londoners' health
- Pollutants: Particulate Matter (PM) & NO₂
- Mayor's Air Quality Strategy (MAQS):
 - Air Quality is improving in London
 - Vast majority of London meets annual average
 EU limit values for PM₁₀ but not for NO₂
 - Local 'PM₁₀ hotspots' are at risk of exceeding daily limit values
 - Road transport major <u>local</u> source of pollution
 - Significant pollution sources are not within London - 40% of PM₁₀ coming from outside London



What has TfL been doing to improve air quality?

- Delivered a range of measures in the Mayor's Air Quality Strategy to deliver cleaner transport:
 - Low Emission Zone tightening standards
 - Reducing emissions from London's bus fleet
 - Introduced age limits for London's taxi and private hire vehicle (PHV) fleet
 - Improving public transport and investment in cycling and walking
 - Measures to smooth traffic flows
 - Encouraging uptake of electric vehicles
 - Promoting Smarter Travel Initiatives



The Clean Air Fund

- MAQS committed to deliver and test 'local measures' to address PM₁₀ hotspots
- Mayor secured a grant of £5m from the DfT for CAF in Spring 2011 that:
 - 1. short term & targeted local PM₁₀ 'hotspots'
 - 2. innovative and helped test effectiveness of local measures
- MAQS modelling identified 3 main hotspot corridors 'at risk' in Central London
- LAQN monitoring identifies other locations with high PM₁₀ pollution



3 Central London Hotspot Corridors





Green Infrastructure – planted towers, green walls and tree planting to trap PM



Trials of Cleaning and Application of Dust Suppressants to trap PM

Clean Air Fund Local Measures



Business Focused Transport Measures to reduce emissions



Diesel particulate filter fitments to buses on key routes to reduce PM emissions



No Engine Idling Campaign & Taxi Marshalling at busy ranks to reduce PM emissions

How did we evaluate the effectiveness of the CAF measures?





Diesel Particulate Filters on Selected Bus Routes





Bus Diesel Particulate Filters



No Engine Idling Programme



No Engine Idling Programme

Measures Delivered	 (1) Awareness & Education Campaign Media & Communications Activity (2) Engagement Activity, including: Taxi Marshalling & Driver Training Fleet Operators & Drivers (bus, coach, freight) (3) Targeted Signage 	
Effect	 Campaign recognition 40% Idling On-Street - Overall reduced by 5% Coaches (-11%), HGVs (-16%) Marshalled taxi ranks – engine idling reduced by 9%. Smarter driving training (Taxi and PHV) - fuel savings of 25% and 12% 	
Conclusions	 Very positive indicators of effectiveness: establishing awareness changing driver behaviour 'No Engine Idling' message needs to be sustai 	ned



Green Infrastructure





Green Infrastructure

Measures Delivered	 600 new trees & other planting 2 Green Walls LU Station - Edgware Road Mermaid - Upper Thames St 	
Effect	 Research confirmed GI traps small quantities of PM₁₀ Wider environmental benefits – soaks up rain run off, temperature regulation, biodiversity 	
Conclusions	 Supports increasing evidence base on GI's air quality benefits Green Walls offer excellent awareness raising opportunity Represents a positive supporting measures 	



Cleaning & Application of Dust Suppressants



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Measures Delivered	 Trial applications of CMA to road surface to suppress dust Expanded trial applications in range of locations Along 6 road corridors (20 miles) 5 industrial sites and 2 construction sites 	Marylebone/Euston Rd Park Lane United and a second and
Effect	 Road Corridor Study Sites c16% reduction in total PM₁₀ concentration monitored at Upper Thames St Unclear results or no effect at four other road locations Industrial Study Sites Beneficial impacts monitored at three of the four sites Horn Lane - clear drop in local PM₁₀ (31% and 59%) 	
Conclusions	 Valuable in identifying a typology of places where likely to be effective Supports use in very specific locations: high proportion of local resuspended PM₁₀ can maximise surface area applicable for treatment examples - Industrial waste, construction and demolition sites 	



Business Transport Measures & Engagement





Business Transport Measures & Engagement

Measures Delivered	 Engagement with over 600 businesses 8 Business Best Practice Guides Nine Delivery Servicing Plans Electric Charge Points (cars/LGVs) Electric pool bikes trialled with 6 employers Promoting walking – Legible London walking airTEXT daily health bulleting in botspots 	hore the second
Effect	 Good business and staff uptake of measures Some evidence of increased use of sustainable modes 	
Conclusions	 Engagement work around transport measures can change travel behaviour and in turn help to deliver air quality benefits Many businesses are not aware their impact on local air quality and must present attractive business case examples with evidence of real financial savings 	



Clean Air Fund Report

Conclusions

- Successfully delivered a wide range of measures with tangible impacts on awareness, behaviour and PM emissions
 - Bus DPFs, No Engine Idling both give short term tangible emission reduction benefits
 - Green Infrastructure has local air quality and wider benefits
 - Business Engagement can change travel behaviour and deliver air quality benefits
 - Dust Suppressants can produce positive benefits in very targeted locations industrial waste and construction sites
- Demonstrates that local measures can play a supporting role to London wide emissions reduction measures



Next Steps

- Publish and share CAF report and research findings
- Significant 10 year investment proposed in draft TfL Business Plan, including:
 - Major investment in public transport, cycling and walking
 - Reducing bus emissions:
 - 1,600 cleaner hybrid buses by 2016
 - Retrofitting upto 900 of London's older buses to reduce NO_x emissions
 - Ongoing activity to deliver the 'No Engine Idling' message
 - Promote delivery of green infrastructure incl. green walls
 - Electric vehicle delivery project
 - Mayor's Air Quality Fund for delivery of local air quality measures by Boroughs

