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The most-read stories of 2011

A look back at the campaign letters and updates that proved the most popular during the year.

January

Government attempts to keep London air pollution information secret
<http://cleanairinlondon.org/legal/government-attempts-to-keep-london-air-pollution-information-secret/>

‘Clean Air in London’ exacts promise of cleaner air in WEZ area from Mayor of London
<http://cleanairinlondon.org/legal/mayor-promises-to-mitigate-impact-of-wez-removal/>

February

Take 10 steps for ‘Clean Air in London’
<http://cleanairinlondon.org/other/10-steps/>

March

Scientists highlight health risks of living near roads carrying over 10,000 vehicles per day as ‘Clean Air in London’ finds 13 schools near roads carrying over 100,000 vehicles per day

Link no longer available

Mayor stumbles and falls after backward steps on air pollution: no new short-term measures; no time extension for PM10

<http://cleanairinlondon.org/legal/european-commission-grants-temporary-and-conditional-exemption-to-comply-with-pm10-daily-limit-value/>

April

Consultation shows Olympic Transport Plan would lead to breaches of air pollution laws in London
<http://cleanairinlondon.org/olympics/olympic-transport-plan-would-lead-to-breaches-of-air-pollution-laws/>

Bad Air Day for 2011 as UK breaches PM10 daily limit value in London and Government issues ‘High pollution episode warning: First “Summer smog” of 2011’

<http://cleanairinlondon.org/olympics/government-issues-national-high-pollution-episode-warning-first-summer-smog-of-2011/>

May

Government maps show action is needed urgently if UK is to avoid breaching urgently air quality laws for nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), a toxic gas, from 2010 to 2015 and beyond (Note: this article was published in March 2009)

<http://cleanairinlondon.org/legal/government-maps-show-action-is-needed-urgently-if-the-united-kingdom-is-to-avoid-breaching-health-based-air-quality-laws-for-no2/>

June

‘Clean Air in London’ finds 1,148 schools within 150 metres of roads carrying over 10,000 vehicles per day after scientists warn that traffic-related pollution at schools and home may both contribute to

asthma

<http://cleanairinlondon.org/sources/clean-air-in-london-has-found-1148-schools-in-london-within-150-metres-of-busiest-roads/>

July

‘Clean Air in London’ finds 1,148 schools within 150 metres of roads carrying over 10,000 vehicles per day after scientists warn that traffic-related pollution at schools and home may both contribute to asthma

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Air quality: Fairer and more ambitious ‘CO₂ Charge’ needed (Note: this article was published in March 2008)

<http://cleanairinlondon.org/solutions/mayors-consultation-on-the-future-of-the-congestion-charge-western-extension-the-wez/>

August

Government fails to make any case for a time extension beyond 2010 to comply with nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) limit values

<http://cleanairinlondon.org/legal/government-fails-to-justify-time-extension-to-comply-with-eu-limit-values-for-nitrogen-dioxide/>

September

Plans for Olympic Route Network remain unlawful and subject to challenge through judicial review

<http://cleanairinlondon.org/olympics/plans-for-the-olympic-route-network-remain-unlawful-and-vulnerable-to-legal-challenge-through-judicial-review/>

Camfil Farr becomes first Gold Sponsor of ‘Clean Air in London’

<http://cleanairinlondon.org/hot-topics/camfil-farr-is-a-sponsor/>

October

Eight wins for ‘Clean Air in London’ in new London Plan (and five letters between lawyers)

<http://cleanairinlondon.org/indoor-air-quality/eight-wins-for-clean-air-in-london-in-new-london-plan/>

European Commission’s ‘Year of Air’ in 2013 must deliver continuity and the further tightening of health and legal protections

<http://cleanairinlondon.org/health/year-of-air-in-2013-must-deliver-continuity-and-the-further-tightening-of-health-and-legal-protections/>

Building understanding of indoor air quality

http://cleanairinlondon.org/hot-topics/indoor-air-quality-can-be-worse-than-outdoor/attachment/cf-road-show-131011_final_131011/

November

No Parliamentary Select Committee can ever have published a more damning report of a Government’s failure to protect its people from harm

<http://cleanairinlondon.org/news/eac-inquiry-damns-governments-failure/>

December

Environmental information request reveals high levels of ‘tunnel dust’ in the London Underground
<http://cleanairinlondon.org/hot-topics/high-levels-of-tube-dust/>

Court of Appeal decision: Government keeps new ‘right’ to conceal information from January 2009 relating to air quality in London
<http://cleanairinlondon.org/legal/government-keeps-new-right-under-foieir-laws/>