

TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION

Decision Taken By: Cabinet Member for Housing and Environment Services

**Decision No:
D160023MEM**

Date: 22 February 2016

Decision(s) and Reason(s)

Local Air Quality Regime Consultation

(Report of Director of Planning, Housing and Environmental Health)

The report summarised a response submitted to the last part of a three stage consultation by DEFRA on the review of the Local Air Quality Management (LAQM) regime. The document invited views on Government measures to improve LAQM delivery including seven proposed changes to the framework. The Annex to the report contained answers to the questions posed in the consultation. Particular concern was expressed that the consultation proposed responsibility for and resource implications of addressing PM2.5 (small particulate material) pollution be shifted from DEFRA to local authorities despite a lack of statutory status.

Following consideration by the Housing and Environment Services Advisory Board, the Cabinet Member for Housing and Environment Services resolved that the comments submitted by officers to DEFRA in response to the third stage consultation on the LAQM regime, as set out at Annex 1 to the report, be endorsed.

Reasons: As set out in the report submitted to the Housing and Environment Services Advisory Board of 22 February 2016.

Signed Cabinet Member for Housing and Environment Services J Anderson

Signed Leader: N Heslop

Signed Chief Executive: J Beilby

Date of publication: 26 February 2016

This decision will come into force and may then be implemented on the expiry of 5 working days after publication unless it is called in.