TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION

Decision Taken By:	Decision No:
Cabinet Member for Community Services	D240049MEM

Date: 22 May 2024

Decision(s) and Reason(s)

Community Safety Partnership Plan 2024 - 2025

(Report of Interim Chief Executive)

The report presented a draft Community Safety Partnership Plan 2024/25, which gave details of the initiatives the Partnership had carried out during the previous year and set out details of the priorities for the forthcoming year.

Particular attention was drawn to the six priorities set by the Partnership for 2024/25, as detailed in 1.1.4 of the report, and it was noted that an Action Plan had been developed with partners for each of the priorities, as part of the Partnership Plan, and would be progressed during the year and monitored by the Community Safety Partnership Strategy Group.

Members welcomed the positive progress arising from the successful projects over the year and supported future actions as set out in the Plan for the next year.

Following consideration by the Communities and Environment Scrutiny Select Committee, the Cabinet Member for Community Services resolved that:

(1) the Community Safety Partnership Plan 2024/25, attached at Annex 1, be supported and endorsed.

Reasons: As set out in the report submitted to the Communities and Environment Scrutiny Select Committee of 22 May 2024.

Signed Cabinet Member for Community Services:	D Keers
Signed Leader:	M Boughton
Signed Interim Chief Executive:	A Stanfield
Date of publication:	24 May 2024

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Decision Taken By:
Cabinet Member for Climate Change, Regeneration
and Property

Decision No: D240050MEM

Date: 22 May 2024

Decision(s) and Reason(s)

Air Quality Management Area Status Updates and Recommendations

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

The report presented the monitoring results at the six Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs) in the borough and recommended revocation of the M20 AQMA in accordance with the Local Air Quality Management (LAQM) Technical Guidance 2022 document (TG22), which provided the current statutory guidance as to how local authorities should comply with the relevant legislation to monitor and tackle air pollution.

Members noted that, according to the TG22, there should not be any declared AQMAs for which compliance with the relevant objective (annual mean NO_2 concentrations being lower than 36 μ g/m³, i.e. within 10% of the annual mean NO_2 objective) had been achieved for a consecutive 5-year period, which had been the case for the M20 AQMA, and if the respective NO_2 levels remained consistent in 2024 in the case of the other AQMAs with the exception of the Wateringbury AQMA, they would also be recommended for review and revocation in 2025.

Furthermore, it was clarified that air quality monitoring across the borough, including within the current AQMAs, would continue following the revocation as recommended.

Following consideration by the Communities and Environment Scrutiny Select Committee, the Cabinet Member for Climate Change, Regeneration and Property resolved that:

- (1) the M20 Air Quality Management Area be revoked; and
- (2) the status of the Air Quality Management Areas in Tonbridge High Street, Aylesford, Larkfield and Borough Green be acknowledged and reviewed again in 2025 with a view to revocation should monitoring results for 2024 be conducive.

Reasons: As set out in the report submitted to the Communities and Environment Scrutiny Select Committee of 22 May 2024.

Signed Cabinet Member for Climate Change, Regeneration and Property:	R Betts
Signed Leader:	M Boughton
Signed Interim Chief Executive:	A Stanfield
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