

Cabinet Meeting Resolution

**Executive  
Forward Plan  
Reference**

**E2490**

**Proposed Air Quality Management Area for Saltford**

<b>Date of Meeting</b>	5-Dec-12
<b>The Issue</b>	<i>Following a review of the air quality across the authority an area in Saltford has been identified as exceeding the government's limits. Cabinet are being asked to determine the boundary of the air quality management area.</i>
<b>The decision</b>	(1) To DECLARE an Air Quality Management Area which extends along the A4 Bath Road, Saltford from Beech Road/Manor Road to the Southern end of Saltford which is approximately 12m from the centre of the road in each direction. Any residential property whose façade is within the area is deemed to be included.
<b>Rationale for decision</b>	Declaring this Air Quality Management Area will meet the statutory obligation placed on the authority. The area selected encompasses the area around The Crown which is exceeding the limit value of 40 µg/m <sup>3</sup> and the area around 562 Bath Road where the annual average nitrogen dioxide monitoring was 40 µg/m <sup>3</sup> in 2011 (at the limit value but not exceeding). The area was preferred by 44% of the consultees.
<b>Other options considered</b>	<p><b>Not to declare an AQMA</b> This is not an option as the Council would be in breach of Part IV of the Environment Act 1995.</p> <p><b>To declare an AQMA along the A4 Bath Road, Saltford from Tynning Road to Rodney Road</b> This is not recommended as there is a further area at 562 Bath Road which is close to the limit value and could lead to a further declaration if levels rise.</p> <p><b>To declare an AQMA along A4 Bath Road, Saltford from Grange Road to the Southern end of Saltford</b> This area includes a section from Grange Road to Beech Road which currently doesn't include any exposure as the houses are set back from the road. However it would prevent possible variations being required to the AQMA if development occurred close to the road.</p>
<b>Declarations of Interest</b>	

**The Decision is subject to Call-In within 5 working days of publication of the decision**