

East Herts Council – Non-Key Decision Record

Record of executive decision made by an individual under Regulation 13 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Reference Number: NKD24/11

Taken by: Councillor Tim Hoskin – Executive Member for Environmental Sustainability

Decision

Adoption of the council's Air Quality Action 2024 – 2029, following formal approval by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA).

Date of Decision

18 October 2024

Reason(s) for decision

At its meeting of 13th February 2024, the Executive delegated to the Executive Member for Environmental Sustainability the authority to formally adopt the council's Air Quality Action Plan 2024 – 2029 pending formal approval by DEFRA.

As approval of the action plan was made as a key decision by the Executive, the formality of adopting the approved plan is now being taken as a non-key decision.

Details of alternative options considered and rejected

Not adopt the Air Quality Action Plan despite it having been approved by the Executive pending the formality of Defra approval – NOT RECOMMENDED as Defra required no amendments at all to the version approved by the Executive and so there can be no rationale for not now adopting it.

Seek Executive approval of a revised version of the action plan – NOT RECOMMENDED as the plan was subject to extensive consultation which the Executive took into account when approving the plan.

Does the decision or report contain exempt information?

No.

State nature of any declaration of conflict of interest made by any Executive Member who is consulted by the Member taking the decision

No conflict of interest declared.

State, in respect of any declared conflict of interest, whether any dispensation has been granted

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