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**LOCAL AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT: 2013 AIR QUALITY PROGRESS REPORT**

Thank you for consulting the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on Waverley BC's Air Quality Progress Report. Please find comments on the report attached.

The report provides update with respect to air quality management in the Borough. The Council has examined the results from monitoring. The report states that concentrations within the AQMAs exceeded the annual mean objective and that the AQMAs should be retained. Site God7 on Holloway Hill, Godalming also showed exceedence of the annual mean objective. The report states that the Council will proceed to a Detailed Assessment for the location. It is noted that the Council has used the national bias adjustment factor in preference to the local factor. It is also noted that if the local bias factor was used then concentrations at High Street, Haslemere would be above the objective. We recommend that the Council continue to monitor concentrations at the sites and at the new site Has15 to consider whether a Detailed Assessment will be required in the future. The report has not identified any new developments that will require further assessment.

The Progress Report includes an update on progress of the Air Quality Action Plan. The Council has made progress on the majority of measures including completion of the Hindhead tunnel and bypass. The Council has also completed the low emission strategy feasibility study for Farnham. The Council should consider whether any new measures may be required in the future, given that some measures are now complete or no longer being progressed.

On the basis of the information provided the conclusions of the Progress Report are accepted. We look forward to receiving Council's 2014 Progress Report.

Yours sincerely

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