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## Air Quality and Dust Monitoring Monthly Report - November 2020

London Borough of Ealing



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#### **Monthly Summary**

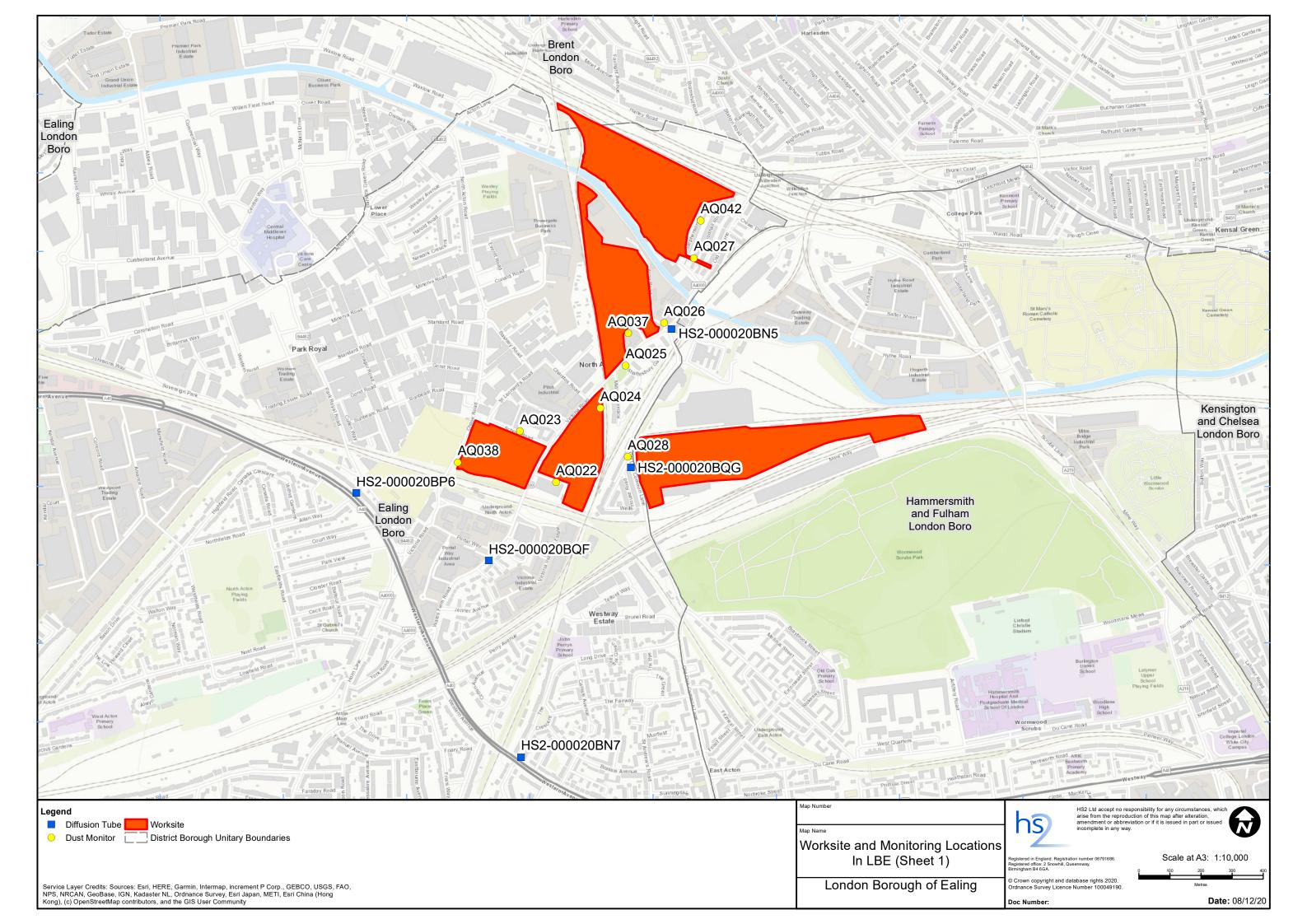
- 1.1.1 This Summary Report is published in fulfilment of commitments detailed in the High Speed Rail (London-West Midlands) Environmental Minimum Requirements, Annex 1: Code of Construction Practice, for the nominated undertaker to present the results of air quality and dust monitoring undertaken in the London Borough of Ealing (LBE) during October and November 2020 respectively.
- 1.1.2 Figure 1 and Figure 2 in Appendix A indicate the current worksites together with air quality and dust monitoring locations.
- 1.1.3 This summary should be read in conjunction with the overview monitoring report available from <a href="www.gov.uk/government/collections/monitoring-the-environmental-effects-of-hs2">www.gov.uk/government/collections/monitoring-the-environmental-effects-of-hs2</a>, which highlights: the applicable standards and guidance, as well as the air quality and dust monitoring methodologies to be implemented by nominated undertakers throughout construction.
- 1.1.4 The current phase of works commenced in October 2019 and is expected to be completed by 2025. The current worksites, as presented in Appendix A, Figure 1 and Figure 2, include:
  - Old Oak Common Depot (located in the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham) mobilisation and new site set up for the station works contractors;
  - Victoria Road Crossover Box and Flat Iron Site –groundworks, piling and utilities works;
  - Willesden Euro Terminal groundworks;
  - Atlas Road site set up and groundworks;
  - Green Park Way Vent Shaft mobilisation and site set up; and
  - Mandeville Road Vent Shaft mobilisation and site set up.
- 1.1.5 Eleven (11) dust monitors were installed around worksites, where works are underway. These sites returned a medium dust risk rating.
- 1.1.6 Dust monitoring locations and results are presented in Appendix B, Table 1, together with line charts of monthly data from each dust monitor in Figure 3. All continuous dust monitoring is undertaken using indicative monitors. Despite being Environment Agency (MCERTS) certified, indicative monitors carry a higher level of uncertainty than reference monitors, and therefore cannot be strictly compared with Air Quality Standards for human health and the environment. The purpose of the monitoring undertaken is to ensure the effectiveness of the on-site mitigation.
- 1.1.7 The trigger level for  $PM_{10}$  concentrations of 190  $\mu$ g/m³, over a 1-hour period, in accordance with the updated guidance document 'Guidance on Monitoring in the Vicinity of Demolition and Construction Sites (October 2018)' has been applied.

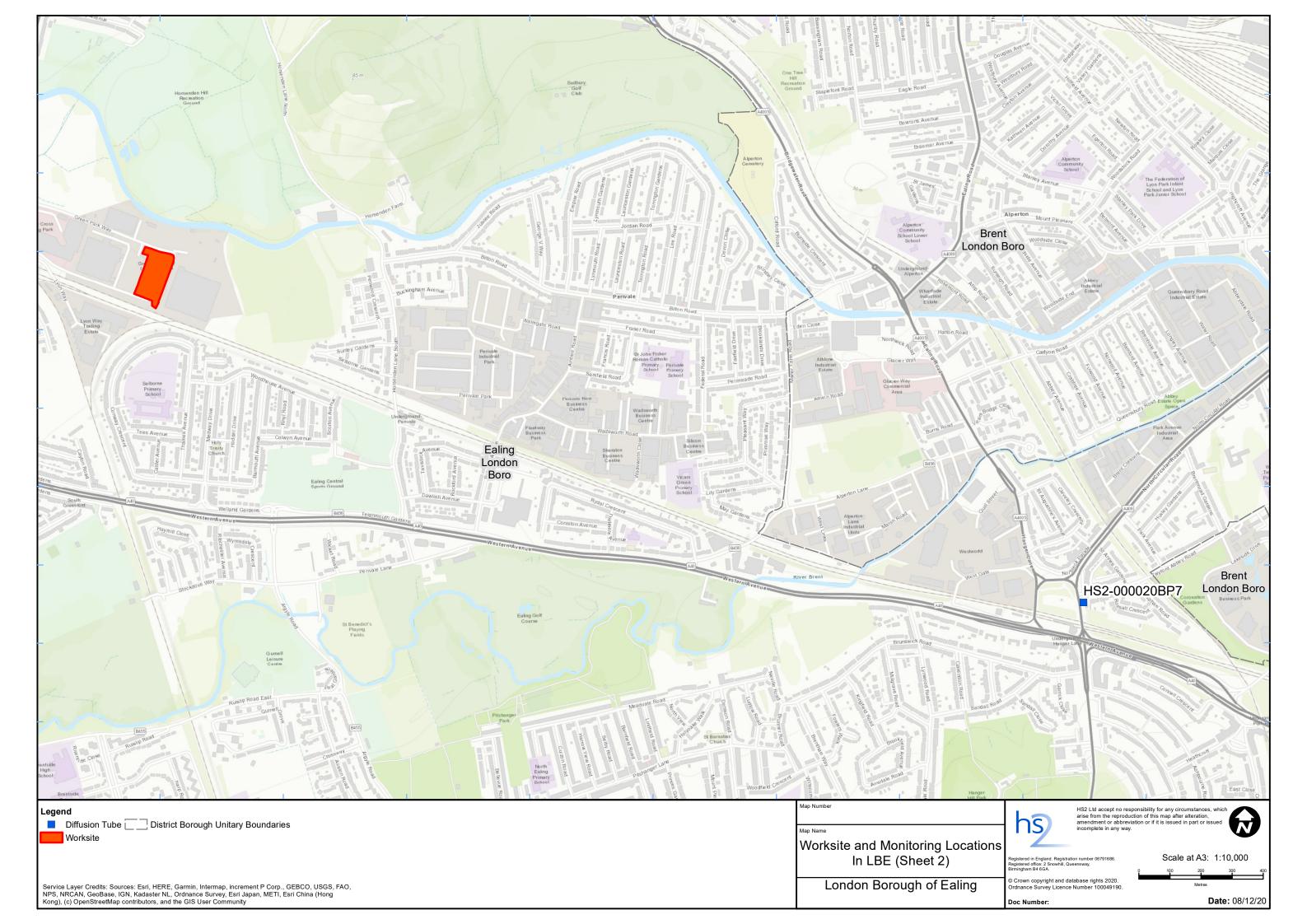
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- 1.1.8 There were two (2) dust trigger alerts recorded during the monitoring period (November 2020). Exceedances are presented in Appendix B, Table 2. All other results were in line with expected ranges.
- 1.1.9 Data capture for monitors AQ038 was below 90% for the month of November 2020 due to loss of power to the monitor, which has since been restored
- 1.1.10 Diffusion tube monitoring of Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) is undertaken at six (6) locations around highways within the LBE as part of the management of air quality where significant effects may occur as a result of the scheme.
- 1.1.11 Diffusion tube monitoring results are provided from the laboratory analysis, and therefore still require various analysis and adjustments to be undertaken. Final corrected results will be presented and described in the annual report. However, based on the results to date, no unexpected values were recorded during the monitoring period.
- 1.1.12 NO<sub>2</sub> monitoring locations and results are presented in Appendix C, Table 3, together with the 2020 running mean.
- 1.1.13 There were no (0) complaints received. Relating to dust or air quality, during this reporting period (November 2020).

# **Appendix A – Worksites and Monitoring Locations**

Figure 1 and 2: Worksites and monitoring locations within the LBE





## **Appendix B – Dust Monitoring Results**

Table 1: Dust monitoring locations and November 2020 results

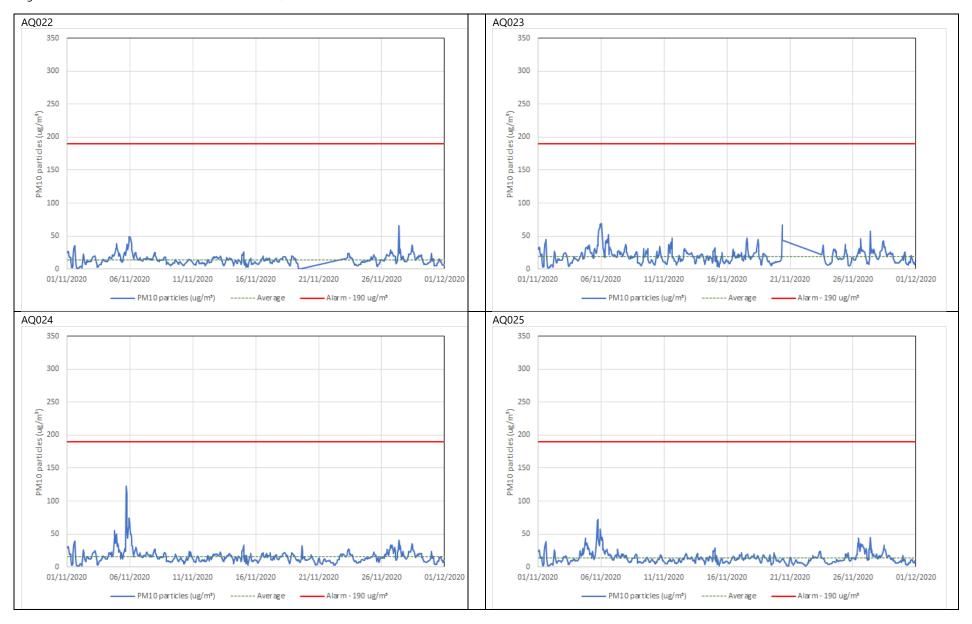
Monitoring site ID	Coordinates (X,Y)	Location description	Dust risk rating for site	Monitoring site active during period	Change to site since previous period report	Mean 1-hour PM <sub>10</sub> concentration (μg/m³)	Minimum 1-hour PM <sub>10</sub> concentration (μg/m³)	Maximum 1- hour PM <sub>10</sub> concentration (μg/m³)	Number of 1-hour periods exceeding trigger level of 190 µg/m³	Data capture (%)	
AQ022	521072, 181985	Boden House	М	Yes	N	14.0	1.0	65.5	0	82.5	
AQ023	520956, 182149	School Road	М	Yes	N	14.2	1.2	56.8	0	95.8	
AQ024	521214, 182223	Braitrim House	М	Yes	N	15.9	1.3	122.6	0	95.4	
AQ025	521295, 182360	Victoria Road	М	Yes	N	13.4	1.3	72.6	0	96.0	
AQ026	521419, 182497	Old Oak Lane	М	Yes	N	17.0	1.1	116.1	0	96.1	
AQ027	521515, 182706	Channel Gate Road	М	Yes	N	17.3	0.9	92	0	96.1	
AQ028	521302, 182067	Wells House Road	М	Yes	N	15.5	1.2	63.4	0	100.0	
AQ032	513402, 184536	Badminton Close	М	Yes	N	14.8	1.3	551.5	2	95.7	
AQ037	521304, 182464	Atlas Road	М	No	N	13.6	0.9	66.5	0	94.4	
AQ038	520756,182049	Chase Road	М	Yes	N	14.9	1.4	59.4	0	96.0	
AQ042	521537,182826	Stephenson Road	М	Yes	N	17.5	1.3	102.1	0	94.9	

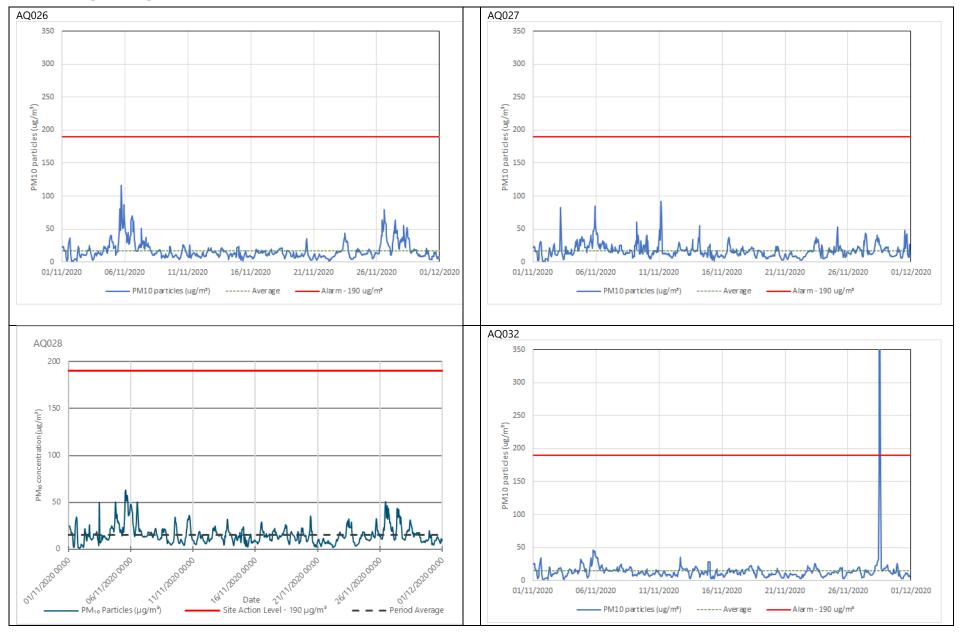
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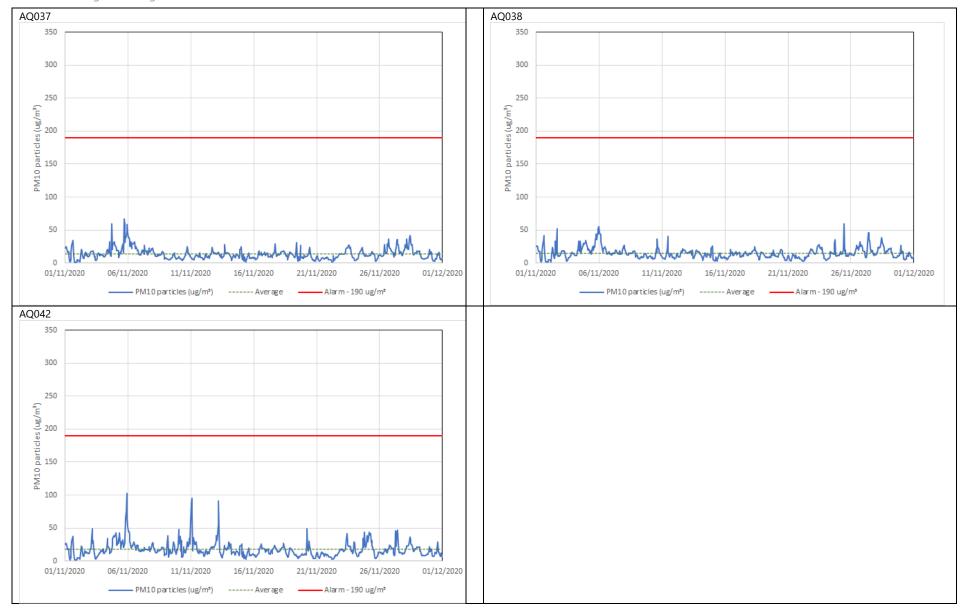
Table 2: Summary of exceedances of trigger level in November 2020

Monitoring Site ID	Period of trigger alert & Concentration	Investigation	Outcomes / Resolution / Remedial measures				
	recorded		implemented				
AQ032	28/11/2020 11:00 - 13:00: 551.5 μg/m³ and 388.7 μg/m³ (2x triggers)	Given the limited works being undertaken near AQ032 on the Saturday 28/11/20 when the site would have been shutting and the fact that both readings were uncharacteristically high, it is considered that both triggers were associated with the persistent wet weather conditions throughout November rather than dust generated by site activities.	The monitor is due its quarterly service and maintenance.				
		The combination of moisture and debris build-up and subsequent loosening within the monitor inlets is considered to be the most likely cause and has been evident in other monitors during the month.					

Figure 3: Construction dust 1-hour mean indicative PM<sub>10</sub> concentration for dust monitors







### **Appendix C – Air Quality Monitoring Results**

Table 3: NO<sub>2</sub> monitoring locations around highways, NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations and monthly monitoring results with running mean for 2020 (µg/m³)

Monitoring Site	Location description	Coordinates (X, Y)	Jan	Feb	Mar <sup>1</sup>	Apr <sup>1</sup>	May <sup>1</sup>	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Mean <sup>2</sup>
HS2-000020BN5	Sign post on Victoria Road	521443, 182477	Tube missing	46		No data		39	25	40	47	46			39
HS2-000020BN7	The Approach street sign	proach street   520959, 181102   64   55   No data			37	29	37	50	51			45			
HS2-000020BQF	Conway Drive sign post	520856, 181733	61	51	No data		42	28	43	45	41			45	
HS2-000020BQG	Lamp post outside No 1. Wells House Road on Old Oak Common Lane	521312, 182033	68	55		No data		38	27	38	44	51			45
HS2-000020BP6	Triplicate site next to the Ealing, Western Avenue Acton roadside automatic monitoring station	520430, 181950	56	46		No data		40	35	42	50	47			45
HS2-000020BP7	Triplicate site next to the Ealing, Hangar Lane Gyratory roadside automatic monitoring station	518537, 182708	77	61		No data		56	50	54	55	60			59

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and government lockdown it was not possible to conduct diffusion tube air quality monitoring in March, April and May 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Note: to aid interpretation and conform with best practice, the monthly measurements in this table are reported rounded to the nearest whole number. The annual mean presented here is calculated based on laboratory data to 4 significant figures, rounded to a whole number, and therefore may differ slightly to a mean derived from averaging the rounded monthly measurements in the table.