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## Air Quality and Dust Monitoring Monthly Report - February 2022

North Warwickshire Borough Council



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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 North Warwickshire Borough Council (NWBC) during February 2022.
- 1.1.2 Figure 1 in Appendix A indicates the current worksites together with the dust monitoring location for February 2022.
- 1.1.3 This summary should be read in conjunction with the overview monitoring report monthly 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 September 2021. The current worksites, as presented in Appendix A, Figure 1, includes topsoil stripping.
- 1.1.5 One (1) dust monitor is installed at the worksite, where works are underway. This site returned a medium dust risk rating.
- 1.1.6 Dust monitoring location and results are presented in Appendix B, Table 2, together with a line chart of monthly data from the dust monitor, presented in Figure 2. 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 mitigations.
- 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.
- 1.1.8 No (0) dust trigger alerts recorded during the monitoring period (February 2022).
- 1.1.9 Table 1 provides a summary of the complaint information relating to dust or air quality received during the reporting period, together with the findings of any related investigations.

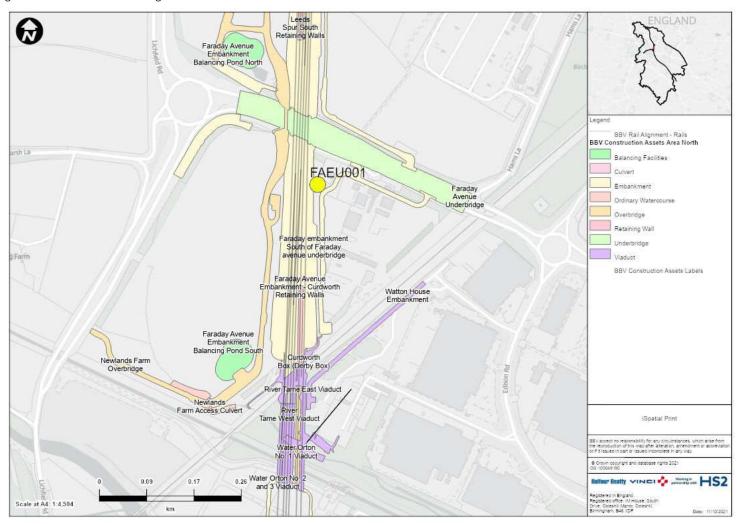
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Table 1: Summary of complaints received during February 2022

Complaint Reference No.	Worksite Reference	Description of complaint	Results of investigation
HS2-22-43250-C	N/A	Lime dust released into atmosphere from works near property. Detrimental to health & against s7 CoCP.	Mitigation used has been outlined, along with an apology that, in one case, appropriate mitigations were not in place. On that occasion works were suspended. Monthly meetings with residents will be held going forward where any further issues can be raised and discussed.

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

Figure 1: Worksites and monitoring locations within the NWBC



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

Table 2: Dust monitoring locations and February 2022 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 (%)
FAEU001	419164, 292273	Faraday Avenue Embankment and Underbridge, at Orchard Cottage	М	Yes	No	3.8	0.2	19.9	0	100.0

