

Air Quality and Dust Monitoring Monthly Report – May 2026

Stratford-on-Avon District 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 Stratford-on-Avon District (SoADC) during May 2026.
- 1.1.2 Figure 1 in Appendix A present the current worksites together with the dust monitoring locations.
- 1.1.3 This summary should be read in conjunction with the overview monitoring report monthly available from www.gov.uk/government/collections/monitoring-the-environmental-effects-of-hs2, 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 worksites, as presented in Appendix A, Figure 1, include:

Southam worksite

- Installation of drainage and culverts
- Pond maintenance
- SAR and MHA construction and maintenance
- Topsoil stripping and material movement
- Further establishment of the site access road
- Bulk earthworks Southam Cutting, Windmill Hill & Ladbroke Cutting
- Southam Embankment bulk earthworks
- Embankment fill
- Earthworks for at Ladbroke Grove Farm AOB.
- Earthworks at Lower Radbourne Farm AOB.
- structures and earthworks at Lower Radbourne Farm AOB
- Earthworks and structures works at Lower and Upper Radbourne viaducts
- Southam Culvert earthworks
- Windmill lane highways
- A423 Banbury Road highways
- Kineton road overbridge
- Southam cutting
- Ladbroke cutting
- Oxford canal north and south embankment – earthworks
- Oxford canal structural works

- 1.1.5 Two (2) dust monitors are installed around these worksites, where works are underway. These sites returned a medium dust risk rating.

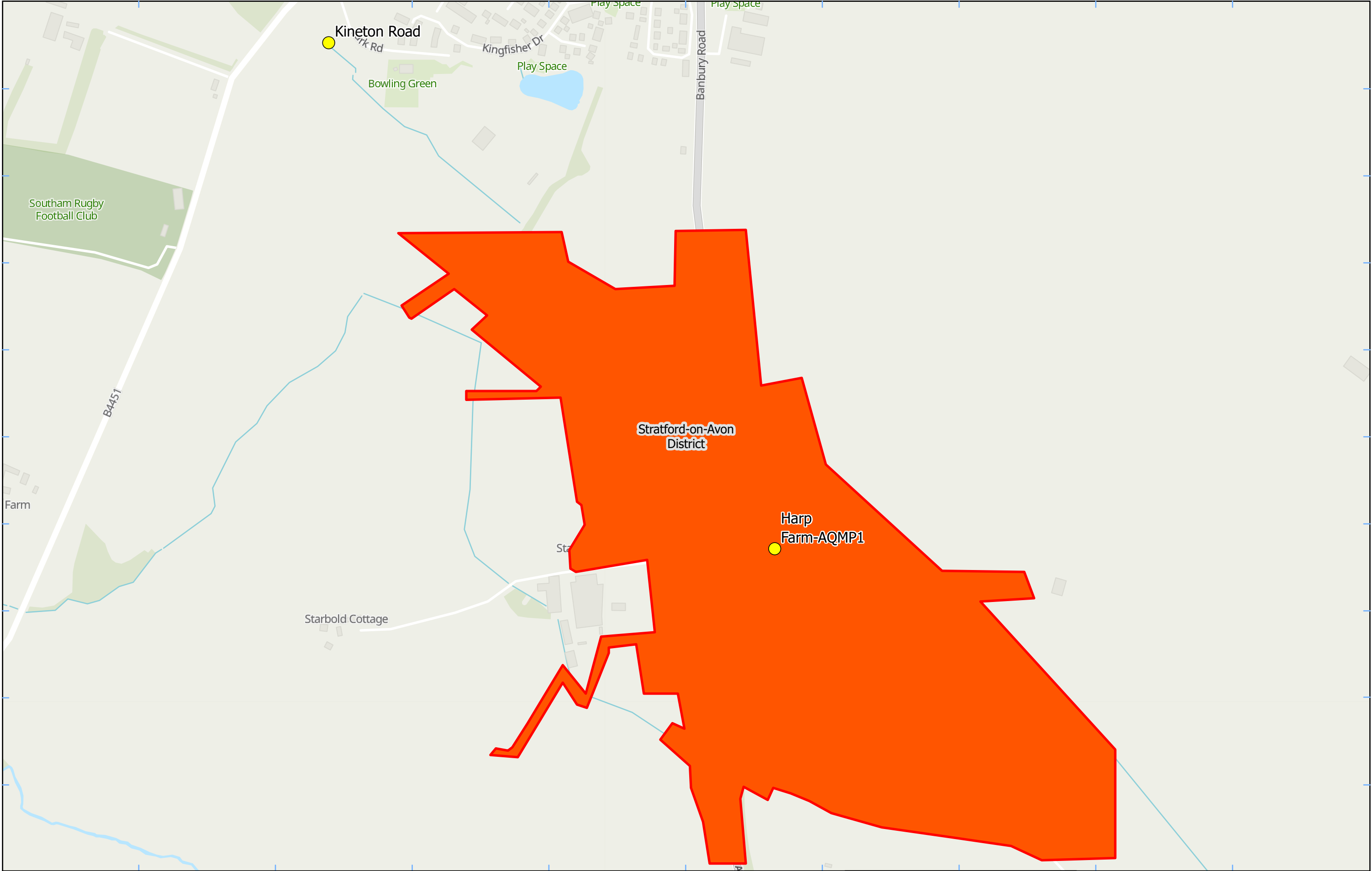
- 1.1.6 The dust monitoring location and results are presented in Appendix B, Table 2, together with line charts of monthly data from each dust monitor presented in Figure 2. All continuous dust monitoring is undertaken using indicative monitors. Despite being Environment Agency (MCERTS) certified, indicative 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 mitigation.
- 1.1.7 The trigger level for PM₁₀ concentrations of 190 µg/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 were recorded during the monitoring period (May 2026).
- 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.

Table 1: Summary of complaints received during May 2026

Complaint Reference No.	Worksite Reference	Description of complaint	Results of investigation
HS2-26-47422-C	N/A	Increase in dust in the area.	Still under investigation at the time of running report.

Appendix A – Worksites and Monitoring Locations

Figure 1: Worksites and Monitoring Locations within SoADC



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Dust Monitor

Worksite

District Borough Unitary Boundaries

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**Worksite and Monitoring Locations
In SoADC (Sheet 1)**

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Appendix B – Dust Monitoring Results

Table 2: Dust Monitoring Locations and 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 PM10 concentration (µg/m3)	Minimum 1-hour PM10 concentration (µg/m3)	Maximum 1-hour PM10 concentration (µg/m3)	Number of 1-hour periods exceeding trigger level of 190 µg/m3	Data capture (%)
Harp Farm-AQMP1	441738, 260075	Site boundary adjacent property on Harp Farm	M	Yes	Yes	6.5	1.0	27.0	0	100.0
Kineton Rd	441092, 260808	Adjacent to Kineton Road roundabout	M	Yes	Yes	6.2	1.0	28.0	0	100.0

