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Executive Summary

The Air Quality Strategy has established the framework for air quality management in the UK. Local Authorities have a duty under the Environment Act 1995 and subsequent regulations to review and assess air quality in their areas on a periodic basis so as to identify all areas where the air quality objectives are being or are likely to be exceeded. A phased approach has been adopted for the review and assessment process so that the level of assessment undertaken is commensurate with the risk of an exceedence of an air quality objective.

An updating and screening assessment (USA) is required to be prepared every three years by all local authorities in the UK. The last updating and screening assessment of air quality was undertaken in 2012 and the next is due by the end of April 2015, with two interim progress reports.

This report is the 2013 progress report and has been completed using the recommended template. The assessment is fully compliant with the applicable policy and technical guidance.

Lisburn city council is located southwest of Belfast and is the second largest Council in Northern Ireland, it covers 174 square miles and has a population of over 114,000. Spanning parts of southwest County Antrim and Northwest County Down, the Council stretched from Glenavy and Dundrod in the north to Dromara and Hillsborough in the South, and from Drumbo in the east to Moira and Aghalee in the west.

The progress report identified no exceedences with relevant exposure, of the Air Quality Strategy objectives for 2012 for any of the pollutants assessed. No AQMA's are currently declared in Lisburn City Council Area.

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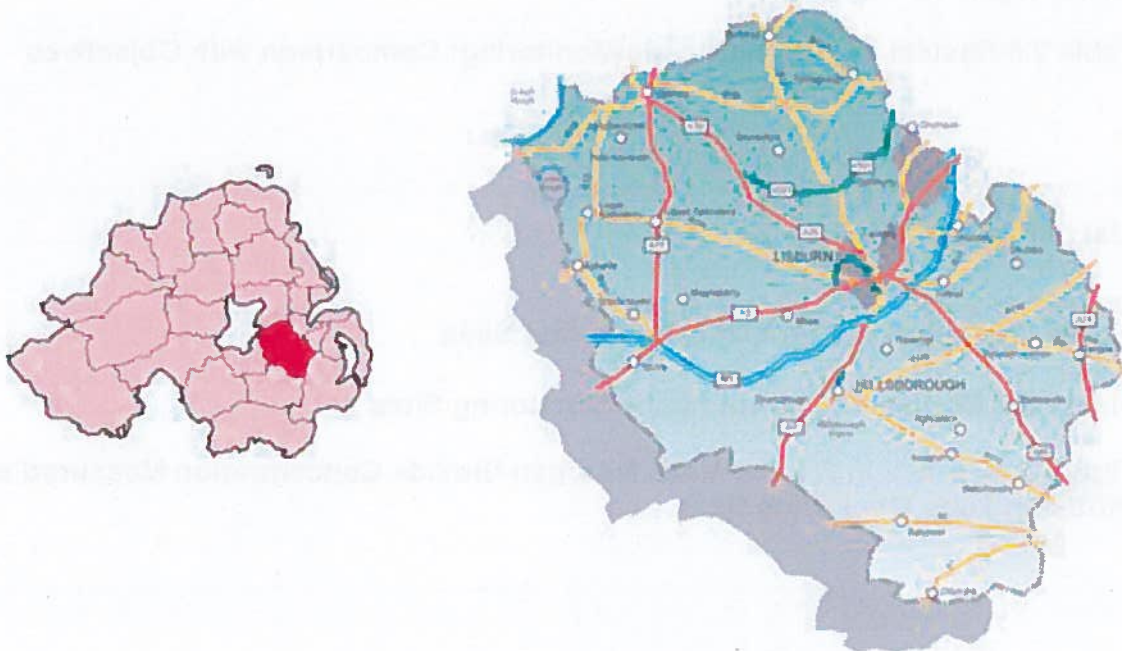
1 Introduction

1.1 Description of Local Authority Area

Lisburn City Council covers an area totalling 174 square miles of southwest Antrim and northwest Down stretching from Glenavy and Dundrod in the north to Dromara and Hillsborough in the south, and from Drumbo in the east to Moira and Aghalee in the west. The population is approximately 114,000 and it is bounded by Belfast City Council, Craigavon Borough Council, Castlereagh Borough Council, Banbridge District Council Antrim Borough Council and Down District Council.

The major road network within the Lisburn consists of the M1 dissecting the Borough on its route from Belfast and bordering on Dunmurry, Lisburn and Moira.

The A1 takes a route out of Belfast through the centre of Dunmurry and Lisburn town. At Sprucefield it forms a junction with the M1 and then takes a route, bordering on Hillsborough, towards Dublin.



1.2 Purpose of Progress Report

Progress Reports are required in the intervening years between the three-yearly Updating and Screening Assessment reports. Their purpose is to maintain continuity in the Local Air Quality Management process.

They are not intended to be as detailed as Updating and Screening Assessment Reports, or to require as much effort. However, if the Progress Report identifies the risk of exceedence of an Air Quality Objective, the Local Authority (LA) should undertake a Detailed Assessment immediately, and not wait until the next round of Review and Assessment.

1.3 Air Quality Objectives

The air quality objectives applicable to LAQM in Northern Ireland are set out in the Air Quality Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003, Statutory Rules of Northern Ireland 2003, no. 342, and are shown in Table 1.1. This table shows the objectives in units of microgrammes per cubic metre $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (milligrammes per cubic metre, mg/m^3 for carbon monoxide) with the number of exceedences in each year that are permitted (where applicable).

Table 1.1 Air Quality Objectives included in Regulations for the purpose of Local Air Quality Management in Northern Ireland.

| Pollutant | Concentration | Measured as | Date to be achieved by |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------|------------------------|
| Benzene | 16.25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ | Running annual mean | 31.12.2003 |
| | 3.25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ | Running annual mean | 31.12.2010 |
| 1,3-Butadiene | 2.25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ | Running annual mean | 31.12.2003 |
| Carbon monoxide | 10.0 mg/m^3 | Running 8-hour mean | 31.12.2003 |
| Lead | 0.5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ | Annual mean | 31.12.2004 |
| | 0.25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ | Annual mean | 31.12.2008 |
| Nitrogen dioxide | 200 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ not to be exceeded more than 18 times a year | 1-hour mean | 31.12.2005 |
| | 40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ | Annual mean | 31.12.2005 |
| Particles (PM10) (gravimetric) | 50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, not to be exceeded more than 35 times a year | 24-hour mean | 31.12.2004 |
| | 40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ | Annual mean | 31.12.2004 |
| Sulphur dioxide | 350 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, not to be exceeded more than 24 times a year | 1-hour mean | 31.12.2004 |
| | 125 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, not to be exceeded more than 3 times a year | 24-hour mean | 31.12.2004 |
| | 266 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, not to be exceeded more than 35 times a year | 15-minute mean | 31.12.2005 |

1.4 Summary of Previous Review and Assessments

Lisburn City Council has completed the following reviews and assessments of air quality in earlier rounds of the assessment process:

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| Stage 1 Report (LBC, 2000) | The first stage review and assessment found that the air quality objectives for 4 of the 7 specified parameters namely carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, PM ₁₀ and sulphur dioxide were all unlikely to be achieved by 2003-2005. |
| Stage 2/3 Air Quality Review (LCC, 2003, 2004) | The stage 2/3 review for road emissions and domestic fuel combustion concluded that an Air Quality Management Area (AMQA) should not be declared for NO ₂ , PM ₁₀ and SO ₂ , as there were not predicted to be exceedences of the air quality objectives. |
| Progress report (LCC,2005) | This reported data for 2004. The progress report concluded that PM ₁₀ , NO ₂ and SO ₂ were not predicted to cause exceedences of the air quality objectives at relevant receptors. |
| Updating and Screening Assessment (USE, 2006) | This reported data for 2005. This indicated that current objectives in relation to SO ₂ , NO ₂ and PM ₁₀ would be achieved at the location of the automatic monitoring stations. |
| Progress report (EG, 2007) | This reported the 2006 measurements |
| Progress report (EG, 2008) | This reported the 2007 measurements It continues to be the case that no current air quality objectives are being exceeded in the Lisburn City Council area. PAH levels are being monitored in Dunmurry as earlier studies have indicated elevated levels of this pollutant. |
| Updating and Screening Assessment (USA, 2009) | This reported 2008 measurements. |
| Progress Report (LCC,2010) | This reported 2009 measurements and all current objectives were achieved. |
| Progress Report (LCC,2011) | This reported 2010 measurements and all current objectives were achieved |
| Updating and Screening Assessment (USA, 2012) | This reported 2011 measurements, none of the pollutants monitored exceed the objective and a detailed assessment is not required. |

2 New Monitoring Data

2.1 Summary of Monitoring Undertaken

2.1.1 Automatic Monitoring Sites

Lisburn City Council monitored NO_x using a chemiluminescence analyser at Lagan Valley Hospital.

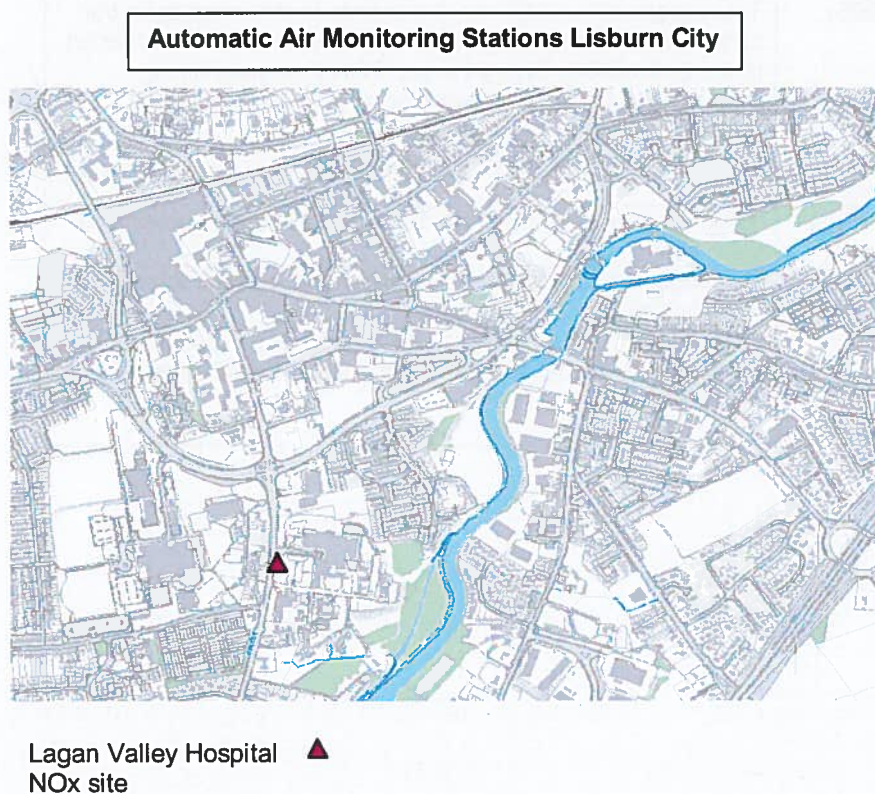
The Dunmurry High School site monitoring, SO₂, PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5}, had to be urgently relocated in June 2012 due to the closure of the school.

A new site was identified at Kilmakee Activity Centre, this was found to be suitable to relocate all the analysers to. Including the PAH and black carbon and therefore meeting the requirement for the AURN specifications.

This new site was not fully operational until 30th Sept 2012, and due to teething problems there was no reliable data available until Nov 2012. Therefore this data has not been included in the this 2013 progress report.

See Appendix A: Details of Quality Assurance and Quality Control

Figure 2.1 Map(s) of Automatic Monitoring Sites



Air Monitoring Site Dunmurry High School



(site decommissioned 30th June 2012)

New site Kilmakee Activity Centre Dunmurry



- ▲ New site Kilmakee
- ▲ Decommissioned site Dunmurry High School

Table 2.1 Details of Automatic Monitoring Sites

| Site Name | Site Type | OS Grid Ref | | Pollutants Monitored | Monitoring Technique | In AQ MA ? | Relevant Exposure? (Y/N with distance (m) to relevant exposure) | Distance to kerb of nearest road (N/A if not applicable) | Does this location represent worst-case exposure? |
|------------------------------|------------------|-------------|---------|----------------------|----------------------------|------------|---|--|---|
| Dunmurry High School (a) | Urban Background | X328595 | Y367325 | PM10, PM2.5 SO2 | TEOM FDMS UV Analyser | NO | YES 40M | 50M | NO |
| Kilmakee Activity Centre (b) | Urban Background | X327 | Y364 | PM10, PM2.5 SO2 | TEOM FDMS UV Analyser | NO | YES 10M | NA | YES |
| Lagan Valley Hospital | Roadside | X326537 | Y363700 | NO2 | chemiluminescence analyser | NO | YES 40M | 5M | YES |

(a) Dunmurry High School site was decommissioned on the 27th June 2012

(b) New site in Kilmakee Dunmurry no reliable data in 2012

2.1.2 Non-Automatic Monitoring

Lisburn City Council has maintained a number of NO₂ diffusion tubes at roadside and background sites for a number of years. The diffusion tube studies for Lisburn for the past five years do not show any particular trends. (See Fig. 2.4) Only the Northern Bank site and the Moira site show results slightly exceeding the objective. However, these are historical kerb side sites without relevant exposure. The Northern Bank site was removed at the beginning of 2010 and re-located to Sloan Street adjacent to relevant exposure, and permission has now been obtained to move the Moira site to the nearest relevant exposure at the beginning of 2013. There were also two historical background sites, one of these (Edgewater) was removed in 2011, and due to previous proposals to extend the Bentrin Road Tesco store, a new diffusion tube site at relevant exposure in Bentrin Road was identified and monitoring commenced in January 2012. Annual variation is more likely to be as a result of climatic conditions rather than changes in emissions. All other monitoring has shown results below the current objectives.

The NO₂ diffusion tubes are supplied and analysed by ESG (Environmental Scientifics Group).

Further information on the QA/QC can be found in appendix A.

Figure 2.2 Map(s) of Non-Automatic Monitoring Sites

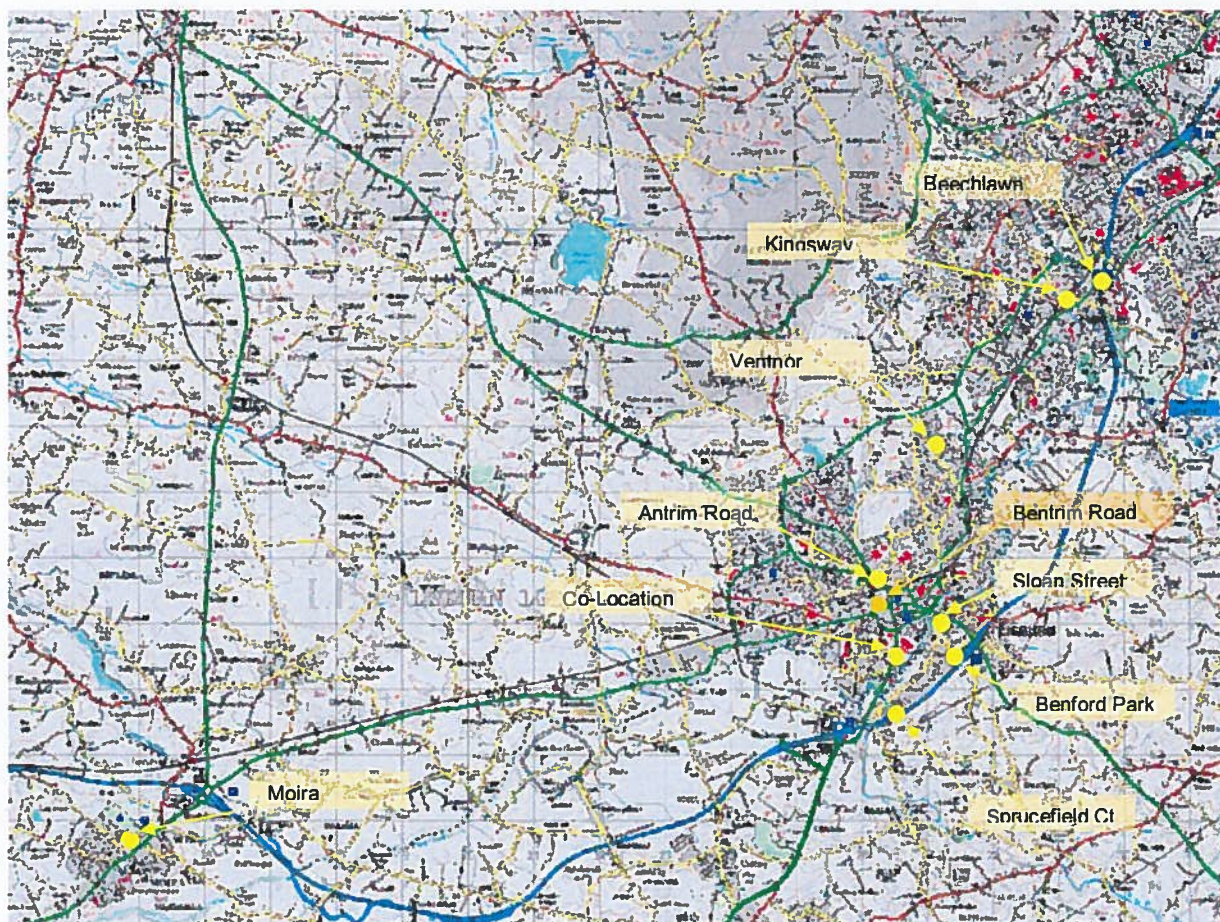


Table 2.2 Details of Non- Automatic Monitoring Sites

| Site Name | Site Type | OS Grid Ref | | Pollutants Monitored | In AQMA? | Relevant Exposure? (Y/N with distance (m) to relevant exposure) | Distance to kerb of nearest road (N/A if not applicable) | Worst-case Location? |
|---|-------------|-------------|--------|----------------------|----------|---|--|----------------------|
| Northern bank (removed 31 st March 2010) | Roadside | 326507 | 364415 | NO ₂ | No | No | 0.5m | No |
| Antrim Rd | Roadside | 326313 | 364621 | NO ₂ | No | Yes 7m | 1m | Yes |
| Ventnor Pk | Background | 326900 | 362013 | NO ₂ | No | No | 0.5m | No |
| Edgewater (ended Dec 2010) | Background | 327202 | 363718 | NO ₂ | No | No | 0.5m | No |
| Moir | Roadside | 315100 | 360621 | NO ₂ | No | No | 0.5m | Yes |
| Kingsway | Roadside | 329502 | 386915 | NO ₂ | No | Yes 30m | 1m | Yes |
| Lagan Valley Hospital | Co location | 329610 | 369105 | NO ₂ | No | Yes 40m | 5m | Yes |
| Beechlaw | Roadside | 326165 | 362491 | NO ₂ | No | Yes 10m | 1mm | Yes |
| Sprucefield Court | Roadside | 327586 | 363586 | NO ₂ | No | Yes 1m | 15m | Yes |
| Benford Park | Roadside | 326507 | 364415 | NO ₂ | No | Yes 1m | 15m | Yes |
| Sloan Street | Roadside | 327236 | 364102 | NO ₂ | No | Yes 4m | 1.5m | Yes |
| Bentrim Road | Roadside | | | NO ₂ | No | Yes 4m | 1m | Yes |

2.2 Comparison of Monitoring Results with Air Quality Objectives

No exceedences of the AQS objectives have been identified from the monitoring data collected since the last Update and Screening Assessment. All monitored pollutant concentrations have been well below their respective air quality objective limits.

2.2.1 Nitrogen Dioxide

In the following section results are presented for NO₂ at the automatic and diffusion tube sites and compared with the objective. All sites meet the objective.

Automatic Monitoring results

Table 2.3a presents the annual mean concentrations of NO₂ determined at the automatic site in 2012 from the hourly measurements.

Figure 2.3 Trends in Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentration Measured at Automatic Monitoring Sites.

Results have been consistent since installation of automatic station, there was a slight elevation in 2010 but this was more likely due to the severe climate conditions.

Table 2.3a Results of Automatic Monitoring for Nitrogen Dioxide: Comparison with Annual Mean Objective

| Site ID | Site Type | Within AQMA? | Valid Data Capture for period of monitoring % ^a | Valid Data Capture 2011 % ^b | Annual Mean Concentration $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|--|--|--|------|------|------|
| | | | | | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 |
| Lagan Valley Hospital | Roadside | N | 81.8% | 81.8% | 26 | 25 | 33 | 28 |
| | | | | | | | | 24 |

Table 2.3b Results of Automatic Monitoring for Nitrogen Dioxide: Comparison with 1-hour Mean Objective

| Site ID | Site Type | Within AQMA? | Valid Data Capture for period of monitoring % ^a | Valid Data Capture 2011 % ^b | Number of Exceedences of Hourly Mean (200 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|--|--|--|------|------|------|
| | | | | | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 |
| Lagan Valley Hospital | Roadside | N | 81.8% | 81.8% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| | | | | | | | | 0 |

(99.8 percentile
124 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)

Diffusion Tube Monitoring Data

Lisburn City Council has maintained a number of NO₂ diffusion tubes at roadside and background sites for a number of years. The diffusion tube studies for Lisburn for the past five years do not show any particular trends. Only the Northern Bank and Moira sites show exceedences above and close to the objective. However, these are historical kerb side sites without relevant exposure. The Northern bank site was removed at the beginning of 2010 and re-located to Sloan Street .A new site at relevant exposure has been identified in Moira and monitoring will commenced in 2013. The diffusion tube from the historical background site at Edgewater was removed at the end of 2010 . The Tesco store at Bentrin Road had previously proposed extending so a new monitoring site was identified at Bentrin Road which commenced in January 2012. .Annual variation is more likely to be as a result of climatic conditions rather than changes in emissions.

A co-location study has been carried out at the Lagan Valley Hospital site, and its results included in the LAQM data base. The 2012 local bias was 0.88. There are 4 co-location studies carried out within the local Eastern Group area and the average of these is 0.75, a decision was made to use this factor.

Details of the QA/QC for the diffusion tubes and the reason for the use of the bias adjustment factor **0.75** can be found in appendix A

Table 2.4 Results of Nitrogen Dioxide Diffusion Tubes

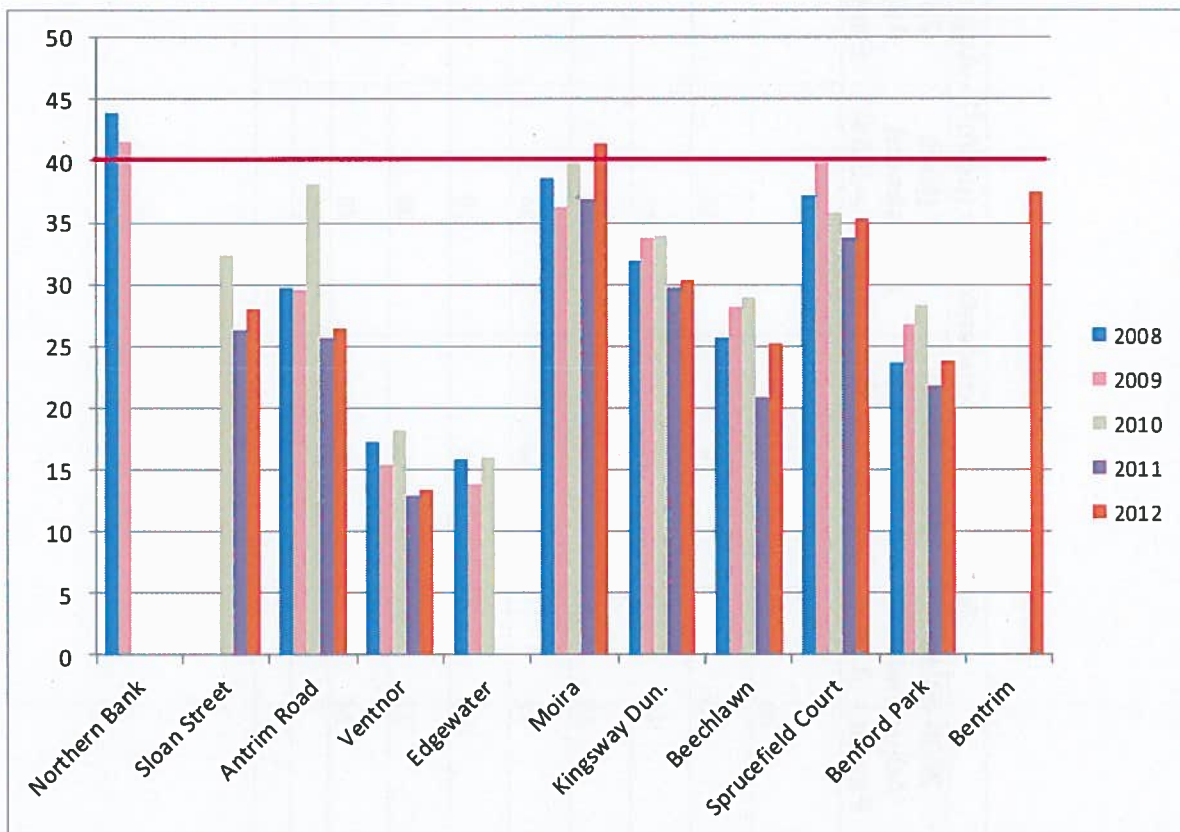
| Site ID | Location | Site Type | Within AQMA? | Triplicate or Co-located Tube | Full Calendar Year Data Capture 2012 (Number of Months ^a) | 2012 Annual Mean Concentration ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) - Bias Adjustment factor = 0.75 ^b |
|---------|-----------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------------------|---|--|
| | Antrim Road Lisburn | Roadside | N | N | 12 | 26 |
| | 22 Ventnor Park Lambeg | Background | N | N | 12 | 13 |
| | Main Street Moira | Roadside | N | N | 12 | 41(b) |
| | 18 Kingsway Dunmurry | Roadside | N | N | 11 | 30 |
| | 10 Beechlaw Park Dunmurry | Roadside | N | N | 12 | 25 |
| | 9 Sprucefield Court Lisburn | Roadside | N | N | 12 | 35 |
| | 18 Benford Park Lisburn | Roadside | N | N | 12 | 24 |
| | Sloan Street | Roadside | N | N | 12 | 28 |
| | Lagan Valley Hospital | Roadside | N | Triplicate co-location | 12 | 29 |
| | Bentrim Road | Roadside | N | N | 12 | 38 |

^b The Moira site was slightly above the objective, the nearest relevant exposure is 150m further on the same Road . To use the NO₂ fall-off with distance calculator would not be relevant as the volume of traffic and distance from the road similar. Permission has now been granted to attach the diffusion tube to the façade of the nearest relevant exposure. This was carried out in January 2013, if results from the new site are as elevated previous results from the existing site will be taken into consideration.

| Site ID | Site Type | Within AQMA? | Annual Mean Concentration ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) - Adjusted for Bias ^a | | | | |
|---|------------|--------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | | 2008 (Bias Adjustment Factor = 0.81) | 2009 (Bias Adjustment Factor = 0.84) | 2010 (Bias Adjustment Factor = 0.84) | 2011 (Bias Adjustment Factor = 0.71) | 2012 (Bias Adjustment Factor = 0.75) |
| Northern Bank (decommissioned end 2009) | Roadside | N | 44 | 42 | | | |
| Antrim Road Lisburn | Roadside | N | 30 | 29 | 38 | 26 | 26 |
| 22 Ventnor Park Lambeg | Background | N | 13 | 17 | 15 | 18 | 13 |
| Main Street Moira | Roadside | N | 39 | 36 | 40 | 37 | 41 |
| 18 Kingsway Dunmurry | Roadside | N | 32 | 34 | 34 | 30 | 30 |
| 10 Beechlaw Park Dunmurry | Roadside | N | 26 | 28 | 29 | 21 | 25 |
| 9 Sprucefield Court Lisburn | Roadside | N | 37 | 40 | 36 | 34 | 35 |
| 18 Benford Park Lisburn | Roadside | N | 24 | 27 | 28 | 22 | 24 |
| Sloan Street | Roadside | N | | | 32 | 26 | 28 |
| Bentrim Road | Roadside | N | | | | | 38 |

Figure 2.4 Trends in Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentration Measured at Diffusion Tube Monitoring Sites.

NO₂ diffusion tube results have remained consistent any annual variation is more likely to be as a result of climatic conditions rather than changes in emissions.



2.2.2 PM₁₀

Automatic monitoring using an FDMS TEOM of PM₁₀ in 2012 was undertaken at Dunmurry High School in the Lisburn City Council area and ratified by AEA. Summaries of this data, with regard to annual and hourly mean objectives, are presented below.

Unfortunately this site had to be relocated due to the closure of the school in June 2012. The data presented below is for the period from 1st January 2012 to 27th June 2012.

An FDMS TEOM monitoring PM 2.5 was installed alongside the PM₁₀ analyser in 2008 results from this have also been included in the table below.

As only six months data is available the result has been “annualised” as in Box 3.2 of TG(09) (<http://laqm.defra.gov.uk/technical-guidance/index.html?d=page=38>).

The Belfast Centre site and Strabane Springhill Park were deemed to be the most suitable.

Table 2.5 Results of Automatic Monitoring for PM₁₀: Comparison with Annual Mean Objective

| Site ID | Site Type | Within AQMA? | Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period % ^a | Valid Data Capture 2012 % ^b | Confirm Gravimetric Equivalent (Y or N/A) | Annual Mean Concentration (µg/m ³) | | | |
|---|------------------|--------------|---|--|---|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | | | 2008 ^c | 2009 ^c | 2010 ^c | 2011 ^c 2012 ^c |
| Dunmurry High School (PM ₁₀) | Urban Background | N | 94.4% | 50% | N/A | 16 | 18 | 20 | 16 13(c) |
| Dunmurry High School (PM _{2.5}) | Urban Background | N | 94.4% | 50% | N/A | 14 | 15 | 19 | 13 12 |

^c Result has been annualised as in Box 3.2 of TG(09) (<http://laqm.defra.gov.uk/technical-guidance/index.html?d=page=38>), as valid data capture is less than

75%

Table 2.6 Results of Automatic Monitoring for PM₁₀: Comparison with 24-hour Mean Objective

| Site ID | Site Type | Within AQMA? | Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period % ^a | Valid Data Capture 2012 % ^b | Confirm Gravimetric Equivalent (Y or N/A) | Number of Daily Means > 50µg/m ³ | | | |
|--|------------------|--------------|---|--|---|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | | | 2008 ^c | 2009 ^c | 2010 ^c | 2011 ^c 2012 ^c |
| Dunmurry High School (PM ₁₀) | Urban Background | N | 94.4% | 50% | NA | 2 | 1 | 0 | 11 3(32) |

^c data capture 50% for the calendar year, included the 90.4th percentile of 24-hour means in brackets

Figure 2.5 Trends in Annual Mean PM₁₀ Concentrations

PM10 has remained consistently low in Dunmurry

2.2.3 Sulphur Dioxide

The SO₂ automatic site at Lagan Valley Island was decommissioned in December 2006 and moved to Dunmurry. Automatic monitoring of SO₂ has taken place since January 2007 and ratified by AEA. Results have been low in common with all previous SO₂ measurements throughout the Eastern group area. The monitor was moved from its Civic Island site in Lisburn in order to inform the on-going measurements in relation to PAH.

Due to the closure of Dunmurry High School in June 2012 only six months data is available.

Table 2.9 Results of Automatic Monitoring for SO₂: Comparison with Objectives

| Site ID | Site Type | Within AQMA ? | Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period % ^a | Valid Data Capture 2012 % ^b | Number of: ^c | | |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------|---|--|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | | | | 15-minute Means > 266µg/m ³ | 1-hour Means > 350µg/m ³ | 24-hour Means > 125µg/m ³ |
| Dunmurry High School | Urban Background | N | 73% | 40% | 0 | 0 | 0 |

As there have been no exceedences of the objective since monitoring commenced in 2007 the percentile have not been included, results have continued be very low.

2.2.4 Benzene

No monitoring of Benzene is carried out.

2.2.5 Other pollutants monitored

PAHs

Monitoring of PAH has been carried out at Dunmurry High School since 1999 and during the winter of 2007 /2008 additional sites were operated at Seymour Hill and Lisburn. Samples during this time were analysed daily instead of quarterly or monthly as required for the national PAH monitoring network.

The average concentrations of Benzo(a)pyrene (BaP) on days when all three samplers gave valid samples were 1.4ng/m³, 0.92ng/m³ and 0.99ng/m³. The UK National Air Quality Objective for PAHs is an annual average of 0.25ng BaP/m³. The EU target for PAHs is an annual average of 1ng BaP/m³. The annual average would be expected to be perhaps 50% of the values measured over a winter quarter. This suggests that none of the three sites is likely to breach the EU target however all are likely to be in exceedence of the UK national objective.

Further actions would need to be pursued to ensure reduction in emissions below the NAQO however this has not been undertaken to date to due to lack of funding.

PM_{2.5}

Automatic monitoring of PM_{2.5} has been carried out in Dunmurry alongside the PM₁₀ using TEOM FDMS , the results are included in table 2.7 and the reported ratified data included in appendix A.

Radiation Monitoring

Radiation monitoring has been carried out in Lisburn City Council for a number of years periodically throughout the year.

The measurements for 2012 are listed below:-

| | 2012 |
|----------------|----------------------|
| Date | μGy hr ⁻¹ |
| 26/01/12 0.07 | 0.07 |
| 16/04/12 0.064 | 0.064 |
| 30/07/12 0.07 | 0.07 |
| 31/10/12 0.07 | 0.07 |

2.2.6 Summary of Compliance with AQS Objectives

Lisburn City Council has examined the results from monitoring in the City Council area. Concentrations are all below the objectives at relevant exposure; therefore there is no need to proceed to a Detailed Assessment.

3 New Local Developments

Lisburn City Council confirms that there are no new or newly identified local developments which may have an impact on air quality within the Local Authority area.

Lisburn City Council Council confirms that all the following have been considered:

- **Road traffic sources**
- **Other transport sources**
- **Industrial sources**
- **Commercial and domestic sources**
- **New developments with fugitive or uncontrolled sources.**

4 Planning Applications

Anerobic Digestion Combined heat and Power Plant

It is proposed to develop an anerobic digestion CHP facility at an industrial site in Lisburn. The main potential for air quality impacts include the following:

Emissions to the atmosphere of typical combustion gases such as nitrogen dioxide, sulphur dioxide and carbon monoxide from the CHP unit combustion stack associated with the proposed development.

Emissions to the atmosphere may include particulates from the CHP unit combustion stack

Emissions from the CHP stack may result in localised increases in levels of air quality pollutants although the potential ground level concentration (GLC) of NO₂, SO₂ and CO at receptors has been predicted using the AERMOD atmospheric dispersion model and the predicted ground level concentrations show levels significantly below the limit values.

5 Local Transport Plans and Strategies

The Belfast Metropolitan Transport Plan 2015, of which Lisburn is part, proposed a number of transportation initiatives, which it stated will further enhance Lisburn's accessibility and support its role as a strategic location within the region, many of these should have a knock on effect on air quality i.e:

- The improvement of the rail services by up to 50% between Lisburn and Belfast, served by trains to/from Belfast and by the Belfast-Dublin Enterprise service;
- The provision of park and ride facilities at Kennedy Way on the M1 and the development of park and ride opportunities at Sprucefield;
- Development of a Quality Bus Corridor between Lisburn and Belfast City Centres;
- The introduction of Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) solutions including Variable Message Signs (VMS) in conjunction with parking provision; and
- The widening of the M1 and junction improvements on Westlink.

Further significant improvements to the M1 between Blacks Road and Sprucefield, and the connection between the M1 and A1 are proposed. It is expected that the implementation of these measures will be outside the Plan period. However, development pressures in the Sprucefield area or at the Maze area may require these schemes to be implemented earlier, with developers responsible for their funding either in full or in a very substantial part.

In order to encourage greater use of public transport and more walking and cycling, thereby reducing car dependency, a range of measures are proposed which include:

- The development of an integrated network of Quality Walking Routes and cycle routes including the provision of improved links to bus and rail stations;
- Improvements to local bus services and inter urban bus services with improved frequencies on core routes supported by the introduction of bus priority measures at key junctions and in the city centre one way system;
- And a contra-flow bus lane that enables buses to access the bus station without having to pass round the full one-way system.

6 Conclusions and Proposed Actions

6.1 Conclusions from New Monitoring Data

No monitoring sites at relevant exposure within the Council Area have showed exceedences of the air quality objectives.

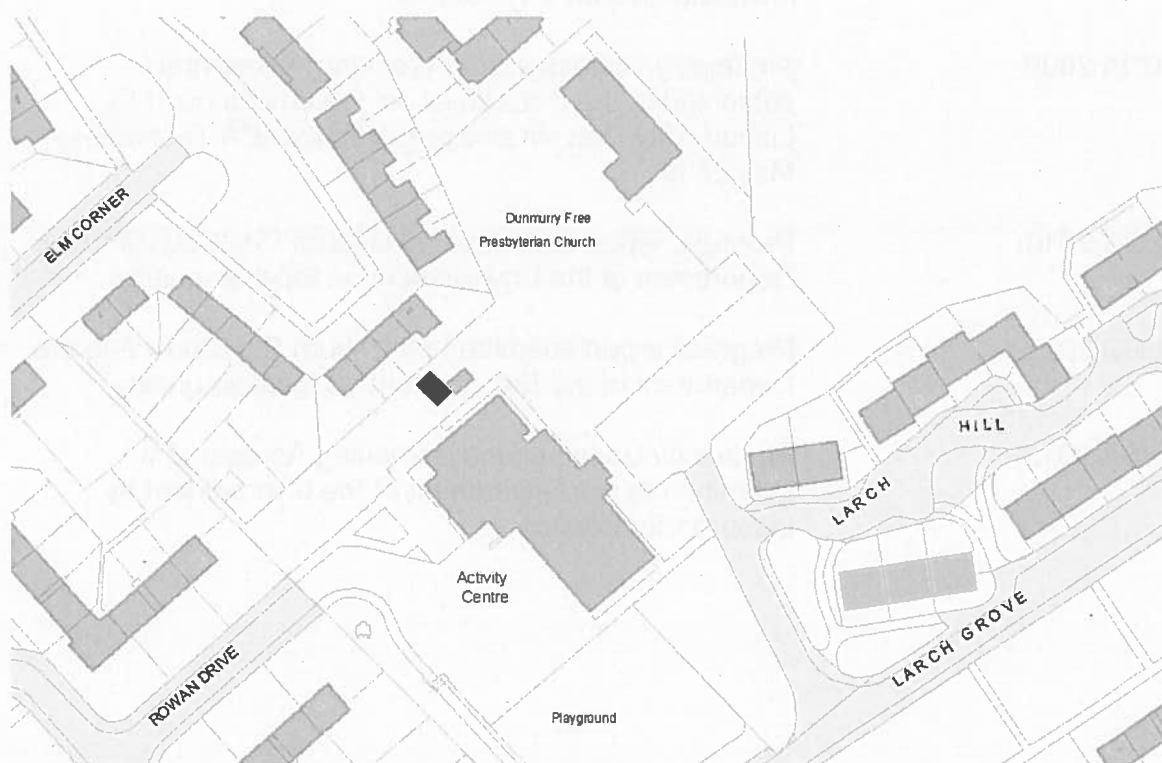
6.2 Conclusions relating to New Local Developments

N/A

6.3 Proposed Actions

Lisburn City Council has decided to fund the Lagan Valley Hospital NO₂ site and continue monitoring for a further 12 months. The Dunmurry High School site was decommissioned in June 2012, due to the closure of the school.

A new site was identified and the SO₂, PM₁₀, PM_{2.5} Black carbon and PAH monitors were relocated to this new site at Kilmakee Activity Centre in July 2012. An application has been made to the DOE for continued funding.



■ Position of new site Dunmurry (Kilmakee Activity Centre)

7 References

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| LCC 2000 | Air Quality reported submitted to the Department of the Environment Northern Ireland by Lisburn City Council. |
| LCC 2003/2004 | Second/Third stage review and assessment of local air quality submitted to the Department of the Environment by Lisburn City Council |
| LCC 2005 | Progress report submitted by Lisburn City Council to the Department of the Environment on local air quality |
| USA 2006 | Air Quality Updating and Screening Assessment submitted to the Department of the Environment by Lisburn City Council and prepared by AEA Technology May 2006 |
| EG 2007 | Eastern Group Air Quality Progress Report. Annual report on air quality in the Eastern Group of local authorities including Lisburn City Council |
| EG 2008 | Eastern Group Air Quality Progress report. Annual report on air quality in the Eastern Group of local authorities including Lisburn City Council. |
| USA 2009 | Air Quality Updating and Screening Assessment submitted to the Department of the environment by Lisburn City Council and prepared by AEA Technology May 2009 |
| LCC 2010 | Progress report submitted by Lisburn City Council to the Department of the Environment on local air quality |
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Appendices

Appendix A: QA/QC Data

Appendix A: QA/QC Data of automatic sites

In 2012 Lisburn City Council commissioned AEA Technology to provide the QA/QC of the automatic measurements of NO₂, SO₂, PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} at the Lagan Valley Hospital and Dunmurry automatic sites. AEA Technology is the current QA/QC contractor for the national automatic urban and rural network (AURN) operated by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and the Devolved Administrations. Local authority staff act as the local site operator and visit the sites on a weekly basis carrying out any manual calibration or filter changes required. Audits of the site are carried by AEA Technology on a six monthly basis. Environmental Monitoring Services were employed to service and maintain the analysers.

Below are the results from the ratified data.



LISBURN LAGAN VALLEY HOSPITAL 01 January to 31 December 2012

These data have been fully ratified

| POLLUTANT | NO | NO ₂ | NO _x |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Number Very High | - | 0 | - |
| Number High | - | 0 | - |
| Number Moderate | - | 0 | - |
| Number Low | - | 7186 | - |
| Maximum 15-minute mean | 870 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 193 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 1467 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ |
| Maximum hourly mean | 805 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 157 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 1366 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ |
| Maximum running 8-hour mean | 590 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 131 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 1011 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ |
| Maximum running 24-hour mean | 352 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 95 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 609 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ |
| Maximum daily mean | 333 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 86 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 582 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ |
| 99.8th percentile of hourly means | - | 124 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | - |
| Average | 20 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 24 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 55 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ |
| Data capture | 81.8 % | 81.8 % | 81.8 % |

All gaseous pollutant mass units are at 20°C and 1013mb.
NO_x mass units are NO_x as NO₂ $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$

| Pollutant | Air Quality Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003 | Exceedences | Days |
|------------------|--|-------------|------|
| Nitrogen Dioxide | Annual mean > 40 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 0 | - |
| Nitrogen Dioxide | Hourly mean > 200 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 0 | 0 |

Produced by Ricardo-AEA on behalf of the Eastern Group

LISBURN DUNMURRY HIGH SCHOOL 01 January to 27 June 2012

Site Closed 27 June 2012

| POLLUTANT | PM ₁₀ ⁺⁺ | PM ₂₅ [~] | SO ₂ |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Number Very High | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Number High | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Number Moderate | 16 | 107 | 0 |
| Number Low | 4063 | 2491 | 12647 |
| Maximum 15-minute mean | 155 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 121 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 101 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ |
| Maximum hourly mean | 155 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 111 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 27 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ |
| Maximum running 8-hour mean | 114 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 78 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 18 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ |
| Maximum running 24-hour mean | 70 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 52 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 12 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ |
| Maximum daily mean | 62 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 50 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 9 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ |
| Period Average | 18 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 12 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 3 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ |
| Data capture | 94.4 % | 60.0 % | 73.0 % |

+ PM₁₀ as measured by a FDMS

~ PM₂₅ as measured by a FDMS

Particulate matter concentrations are reported at ambient temperature and pressure.

All gaseous pollutant mass units are at 20°C and 1013mb.

| Pollutant | Air Quality Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003 | Exceedences | Days |
|--|--|-------------|------|
| PM ₁₀ Particulate Matter (Gravimetric) | Daily mean > 50 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 3 | 3 |
| PM ₁₀ Particulate Matter (Gravimetric) | Annual mean > 40 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | - | - |
| Sulphur Dioxide | 15-minute mean > 266 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 0 | 0 |
| Sulphur Dioxide | Hourly mean > 350 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 0 | 0 |
| Sulphur Dioxide | Daily mean > 125 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ | 0 | 0 |

QA/QC of Diffusion Tube Monitoring

The NO₂ tubes are supplied by ESG (Environmental Scientific Group) in Didcot Oxfordshire. Their preparation method is listed below.

Nitrogen Dioxide Diffusion Tube Analysis Report

The samples have been analysed in accordance with ESG's standard operating procedure HS/WI/1015 issue 15. This method meets the guidelines set out in DEFRA's 'Diffusion Tubes for Ambient NO₂ Monitoring: Practical Guidance.'

The tubes were prepared by spiking acetone:triethanolamine (50:50) onto the grids prior to the tubes being assembled. The tubes were desorbed with distilled water and the extract analysed using a segmented flow autoanalyser with ultraviolet detection. In the WASP intercomparison scheme for comparing spiked Nitrogen Dioxide diffusion tubes, Scientifics is currently ranked as a Category Good laboratory. This result can be found on the LAQM Support Web site

<http://laqm.defra.gov.uk/diffusion-tubes/precision.html>

Diffusion Tube Bias Adjustment Factors

Lisburn City Council lies within the Eastern Group area. There are five neighbouring councils within the group. Ards Borough Council does not carry out automatic monitoring of NO₂ but the remaining four have carried out co-location studies.

The bias adjustment factor calculation of these is shown below.

The average of these four studies is **0.75**.

They were all calculated using the R&A support precision and accuracy spreadsheet.

<http://laqm.defra.gov.uk/bias-adjustment-factors/co-location-data.html>

and in accordance to current guidance summarized in the

[Technical Guidance LAQM.TG\(09\)](#).

These results have been submitted for inclusion in the national bias adjustment factor database.

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Checking Precision and Accuracy of Triplicate Tubes

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From the AEA group

| Diffusion Tubes Measurements | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Period | Start Date dd/mm/yyyy | End Date dd/mm/yyyy | Tube 1 μgm^{-3} | Tube 2 μgm^{-3} | Tube 3 μgm^{-3} | Triplicate Mean | Standard Deviation | 95% CI of mean |
| 1 | 28/12/2011 | 01/02/2012 | 32.0 | 33.0 | 34.0 | 33 | 1.0 | 2.5 |
| 2 | 01/02/2012 | 29/02/2012 | 40.0 | 38.0 | 35.0 | 38 | 2.5 | 7 |
| 3 | 29/02/2012 | 28/03/2012 | 34.0 | 35.0 | 27.0 | 32 | 4.4 | 14 |
| 4 | 28/03/2012 | 25/04/2012 | 22.0 | 28.0 | 23.0 | 24 | 2.1 | 9 |
| 5 | 25/04/2012 | 28/05/2012 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 19.0 | 20 | 0.6 | 3 |
| 6 | 28/05/2012 | 27/06/2012 | 23.0 | 25.0 | 28.0 | 25 | 2.5 | 10 |
| 7 | 27/06/2012 | 01/08/2012 | 10.0 | 24.0 | 21.0 | 18 | 7.4 | 40 |
| 8 | 01/08/2012 | 29/08/2012 | 21.0 | 23.0 | 20.0 | 21 | 1.5 | 7 |
| 9 | 28/11/2012 | 02/01/2013 | 42.0 | 40.0 | 40.0 | 41 | 1.2 | 3 |
| 10 | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | | | | | | | | |
| 12 | | | | | | | | |
| 13 | | | | | | | | |

It is necessary to have results for at least two tubes in order to calculate the precision of the measurements

| Automatic Method | | Data Quality Check | |
|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Period Mean | Data Capture (% DC) | Tubes Precision Check | Automatic Monitor Data |
| 27 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 30 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 28 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 28 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 22 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 20 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 18 | 100 | Poor Precision | Good |
| 17 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 32 | 100 | Good | Good |
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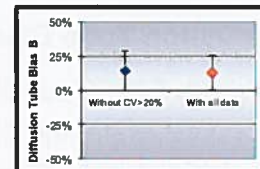
Overall survey →

Good precision Overall DC

(Check average CV & DC from Accuracy calculations)

| | |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Site Name/ID: | |
| Accuracy (with 95% confidence interval) | |
| without periods with CV larger than 20% | |
| Bias calculated using 8 periods of data | |
| Bias factor A | 0.87 (0.78 - 1) |
| Bias B | 14% (0% - 29%) |
| Diffusion Tubes Mean: | 29 μgm^{-3} |
| Mean CV (Precision) | 7 |
| Automatic Mean: | 26 μgm^{-3} |
| Data Capture for periods used: | 100% |
| Adjusted Tubes Mean: | 25 (23 - 29) μgm^{-3} |

| | |
|---|---|
| Precision | 8 out of 9 periods have a CV smaller than 20% |
| Accuracy (with 95% confidence interval) | |
| WITH ALL DATA | |
| Bias calculated using 9 periods of data | |
| Bias factor A | 0.88 (0.79 - 0.99) |
| Bias B | 13% (1% - 26%) |
| Diffusion Tubes Mean: | 28 μgm^{-3} |
| Mean CV (Precision) | 11 caution |
| Automatic Mean: | 25 μgm^{-3} |
| Data Capture for periods used: | 100% |
| Adjusted Tubes Mean: | 25 (22 - 28) μgm^{-3} |



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Checking Precision and Accuracy of Triplicate Tubes

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| Diffusion Tubes Measurements | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Period | Start Date dd/mm/yyyy | End Date dd/mm/yyyy | Tube 1 μgm^{-3} | Tube 2 μgm^{-3} | Tube 3 μgm^{-3} | Triplicate Mean | Standard Deviation | 95% CI of mean |
| 1 | 30/12/2011 | 02/02/2012 | 45.0 | 44.0 | 58.0 | 49 | 7.8 | 16 |
| 2 | 01/03/2012 | 01/03/2012 | 52.0 | 51.0 | 44.0 | 49 | 4.4 | 9 |
| 3 | 29/03/2012 | 29/03/2012 | 60.0 | 60.0 | 59.0 | 60 | 0.6 | 1 |
| 4 | 29/03/2012 | 28/04/2012 | 49.0 | 48.0 | 49.0 | 49 | 0.6 | 1 |
| 5 | 28/04/2012 | 29/05/2012 | 55.0 | 54.0 | 55.0 | 55 | 0.6 | 1 |
| 6 | 29/05/2012 | 26/06/2012 | 54.0 | 47.0 | 49.0 | 50 | 3.6 | 7 |
| 7 | 02/08/2012 | 02/08/2012 | 35.0 | 54.0 | 43.0 | 44 | 9.5 | 22 |
| 8 | 02/08/2012 | 31/08/2012 | 46.0 | 47.0 | 45.0 | 46 | 1.0 | 2 |
| 9 | 31/08/2012 | 27/09/2012 | 40.0 | 40.0 | 41.0 | 40 | 0.6 | 1 |
| 10 | 27/09/2012 | 01/11/2012 | 51.0 | 50.0 | 47.0 | 49 | 2.1 | 4 |
| 11 | 01/11/2012 | 30/11/2012 | 57.0 | 59.0 | 59.0 | 58 | 1.2 | 2 |
| 12 | 30/11/2012 | 04/01/2013 | 58.0 | 47.0 | 57.0 | 54 | 6.1 | 11 |
| 13 | | | | | | | | |

It is necessary to have results for at least two tubes in order to calculate the precision of the measurements

| Automatic Method | | Data Quality Check | |
|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Period Mean | Data Capture (% DC) | Tubes Precision Check | Automatic Monitor Data |
| 37 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 35 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 41 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 41 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 49 | 70 | Good | or Data Capture |
| 42 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 28 | 100 | Poor Precision | Good |
| 33 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 31 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 43 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 43 | 100 | Good | Good |
| 41 | 100 | Good | Good |
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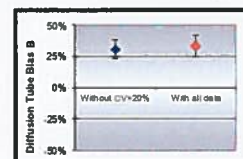
Overall survey →

Good precision Overall DC

(Check average CV & DC from Accuracy calculations)

| | |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Site Name/ID: | |
| Accuracy (with 95% confidence interval) | |
| without periods with CV larger than 20% | |
| Bias calculated using 10 periods of data | |
| Bias factor A | 0.77 (0.73 - 0.81) |
| Bias B | 30% (23% - 38%) |
| Diffusion Tubes Mean: | 50 μgm^{-3} |
| Mean CV (Precision) | 6 |
| Automatic Mean: | 39 μgm^{-3} |
| Data Capture for periods used: | 100% |
| Adjusted Tubes Mean: | 39 (37 - 41) μgm^{-3} |

| | |
|--|---|
| Precision | 11 out of 12 periods have a CV smaller than 20% |
| Accuracy (with 95% confidence interval) | |
| WITH ALL DATA | |
| Bias calculated using 11 periods of data | |
| Bias factor A | 0.76 (0.71 - 0.81) |
| Bias B | 32% (24% - 41%) |
| Diffusion Tubes Mean: | 50 μgm^{-3} |
| Mean CV (Precision) | 7 |
| Automatic Mean: | 38 μgm^{-3} |
| Data Capture for periods used: | 100% |
| Adjusted Tubes Mean: | 38 (35 - 40) μgm^{-3} |



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| Diffusion Tubes Measurements | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Period | Start Date dd/mm/yyyy | End Date dd/mm/yyyy | Tube 1 μgm^{-3} | Tube 2 μgm^{-3} | Tube 3 μgm^{-3} | Triplicate Mean | Standard Deviation | Coefficient of Variation (CV) |
| 1 | 29/12/2011 | 02/02/2012 | 55.0 | 49.0 | 81.0 | 55 | 6.0 | 11 |
| 2 | 02/02/2012 | 01/03/2012 | 63.0 | 60.0 | 64.0 | 62 | 2.1 | 3 |
| 3 | 01/03/2012 | 29/03/2012 | 56.0 | 60.0 | 56.0 | 57 | 2.3 | 4 |
| 4 | 29/03/2012 | 23/04/2012 | 45.0 | 48.0 | 46.0 | 46 | 1.5 | 3 |
| 5 | 23/04/2012 | 28/05/2012 | 43.0 | 50.0 | 42.0 | 45 | 4.4 | 10 |
| 6 | 28/05/2012 | 02/07/2012 | 41.0 | 39.0 | 43.0 | 41 | 2.0 | 5 |
| 7 | 02/07/2012 | 30/07/2012 | 30.0 | 32.0 | 34.0 | 32 | 2.0 | 6 |
| 8 | 30/07/2012 | 31/08/2012 | 32.0 | 30.0 | 31.0 | 31 | 1.0 | 3 |
| 9 | 31/08/2012 | 24/09/2012 | 39.0 | 38.0 | 43.0 | 40 | 2.6 | 7 |
| 10 | 24/09/2012 | 29/10/2012 | 47.0 | 48.0 | 43.0 | 46 | 2.6 | 6 |
| 11 | 29/10/2012 | 26/11/2012 | 59.0 | 59.0 | 59.0 | 59 | 0.0 | 0 |
| 12 | 26/11/2012 | 03/01/2013 | 57.0 | 61.0 | 61.0 | 60 | 2.3 | 4 |
| 13 | | | | | | | | |

It is necessary to have results for at least two tubes in order to calculate the precision of the measurements

| Automatic Method | | Data Quality Check | |
|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Period | Data Capture (% DC) | Tubes Precision Check | Automatic Monitor Data |
| 35 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 34 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 39 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 28 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 30 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 23 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 15 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 18 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 23 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 30 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 36 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 44 | 99 | Good | Good |

Overall survey →

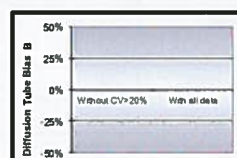
Good
precisionGood
Overall DC(Check average CV & DC from
Accuracy calculations)

Site Name/ID:

| | |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Accuracy (with 95% confidence interval) | |
| without periods with CV larger than 20% | |
| Bias calculated using 12 periods of data | |
| Bias factor A | 0.62 (0.57 - 0.67) |
| Bias B | 62% (49% - 75%) |
| Diffusion Tubes Mean: | 48 μgm^{-3} |
| Mean CV (Precision) | 5 |
| Automatic Mean: | 30 μgm^{-3} |
| Data Capture for periods used: | 99% |
| Adjusted Tubes Mean: | 30 (27 - 32) μgm^{-3} |

Precision 12 out of 12 periods have a CV smaller than 20%

| | |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Accuracy (with 95% confidence interval) | |
| WITH ALL DATA | |
| Bias calculated using 12 periods of data | |
| Bias factor A | 0.62 (0.57 - 0.67) |
| Bias B | 62% (49% - 75%) |
| Diffusion Tubes Mean: | 48 μgm^{-3} |
| Mean CV (Precision) | 5 |
| Automatic Mean: | 30 μgm^{-3} |
| Data Capture for periods used: | 99% |
| Adjusted Tubes Mean: | 30 (27 - 32) μgm^{-3} |

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| Diffusion Tubes Measurements | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Period | Start Date dd/mm/yyyy | End Date dd/mm/yyyy | Tube 1 μgm^{-3} | Tube 2 μgm^{-3} | Tube 3 μgm^{-3} | Triplicate Mean | Standard Deviation | Coefficient of Variation (CV) |
| 1 | 28/12/2011 | 31/01/2012 | 54.0 | 52.0 | 55.0 | 54 | 1.5 | 3 |
| 2 | 31/01/2012 | 28/02/2012 | 59.0 | 58.0 | 43.0 | 53 | 9.0 | 17 |
| 3 | 28/02/2012 | 27/03/2012 | 56.0 | 44.0 | 59.0 | 53 | 7.9 | 15 |
| 4 | 27/03/2012 | 25/04/2012 | 35.0 | 37.0 | 32.0 | 35 | 2.5 | 7 |
| 5 | 25/04/2012 | 28/05/2012 | 37.0 | 39.0 | 36.0 | 37 | 1.5 | 4 |
| 6 | 28/05/2012 | 26/06/2012 | 38.0 | 35.0 | 36.0 | 36 | 1.5 | 4 |
| 7 | 26/06/2012 | 31/07/2012 | 38.0 | 35.0 | 36.0 | 36 | 1.5 | 4 |
| 8 | 31/07/2012 | 28/08/2012 | 31.0 | 33.0 | 33.0 | 32 | 1.2 | 4 |
| 9 | 28/08/2012 | 25/09/2012 | 35.0 | 34.0 | 31.0 | 33 | 2.1 | 6 |
| 10 | 25/09/2012 | 30/10/2012 | 48.0 | 47.0 | 49.0 | 48 | 1.0 | 2 |
| 11 | 30/10/2012 | 27/11/2012 | 59.0 | 63.0 | 64.0 | 62 | 2.6 | 4 |
| 12 | 27/11/2012 | 03/01/2013 | 56.0 | 61.0 | 61.0 | 59 | 2.9 | 5 |
| 13 | | | | | | | | |

It is necessary to have results for at least two tubes in order to calculate the precision of the measurements

| Automatic Method | | Data Quality Check | |
|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Period | Data Capture (% DC) | Tubes Precision Check | Automatic Monitor Data |
| 33 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 35 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 36 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 25 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 30 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 29 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 25 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 22 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 24 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 42 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 45 | 99 | Good | Good |
| 49 | 99 | Good | Good |

Overall survey →

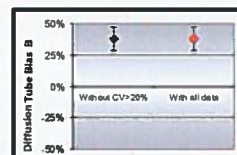
Good
precisionGood
Overall DC(Check average CV & DC from
Accuracy calculations)

Site Name/ID:

| | |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Accuracy (with 95% confidence interval) | |
| without periods with CV larger than 20% | |
| Bias calculated using 12 periods of data | |
| Bias factor A | 0.73 (0.69 - 0.78) |
| Bias B | 37% (27% - 46%) |
| Diffusion Tubes Mean: | 45 μgm^{-3} |
| Mean CV (Precision) | 6 |
| Automatic Mean: | 33 μgm^{-3} |
| Data Capture for periods used: | 99% |
| Adjusted Tubes Mean: | 33 (31 - 35) μgm^{-3} |

Precision 12 out of 12 periods have a CV smaller than 20%

| | |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Accuracy (with 95% confidence interval) | |
| WITH ALL DATA | |
| Bias calculated using 12 periods of data | |
| Bias factor A | 0.73 (0.69 - 0.78) |
| Bias B | 37% (27% - 46%) |
| Diffusion Tubes Mean: | 45 μgm^{-3} |
| Mean CV (Precision) | 6 |
| Automatic Mean: | 33 μgm^{-3} |
| Data Capture for periods used: | 99% |
| Adjusted Tubes Mean: | 33 (31 - 35) μgm^{-3} |

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Factor from Local Co-location Studies (if available)

The local bias adjustment factor from the co-location study carried out at the Lagan Valley Hospital site in Lisburn City Council is **0.88**, however a decision was made to use an average of the 4 local studies within the Eastern group area of **0.75**

NO₂ diffusion tube results, bias applied 0.75

| | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|-------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Northern Bank | 44 | 42 | | | |
| Sloan Street | | | 32 | 26 | 28 |
| Antrim Road | 30 | 29 | 38 | 26 | 26 |
| Ventnor | 17 | 15 | 18 | 13 | 13 |
| Edgewater | 16 | 14 | 16 | | |
| Moir | 39 | 36 | 40 | 37 | 41 |
| Kingsway Dun. | 32 | 34 | 34 | 30 | 30 |
| Beechlawn | 26 | 28 | 29 | 21 | 25 |
| Sprucefield Court | 37 | 40 | 36 | 34 | 35 |
| Benford Park | 24 | 27 | 28 | 22 | 24 |
| Bentrim | | | | | 38 |

Discussion of Choice of Factor to Use

The national bias adjustment factor for Environmental Scientific Group is **0.79**

There is a co location study carried out at the Lagan Valley Hospital site in Lisburn and the calculated bias adjustment factor is **0.88**.

There are 4 co-location studies carried out within the local Eastern Group area all analysed by Environmental Scientific Group, the average of these is **0.75**.

Consideration was given to use the national bias adjustment factor but as it would not have changed the overall findings a decision was made to use the average of the 4 local studies. Lisburn City Council has confidence in the QA/QC of all the four local studies (all using ratified data), also all the sites are situated in similar location in major provincial towns and climatic conditions.

The table below shows the results from the three studies. The Moira site has exceeded the objective, however there is no relevant exposure at this site. The Moira site has been moved 2013 to the nearest relevant exposure.

| Site | Raw Data | Local Bias Lisburn 0.88 | 4 x Local Average 0.75 | National Average 0.79 |
|---------------|----------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Sloan Street | 37 | 33 | 28 | 29 |
| Antrim Road | 35 | 31 | 26 | 28 |
| Ventnor | 18 | 16 | 13 | 14 |
| Moir | 55 | 48 | 41 | 43 |
| Kingsway Dun. | 40 | 35 | 30 | 32 |
| Beechlaw | 34 | 30 | 25 | 27 |
| Sprucefield | 47 | 41 | 35 | 37 |
| Benford | 32 | 28 | 24 | 25 |
| Bentrim | 50 | 44 | 38 | 39 |

Short-term to Long-term Data adjustment

As only six months data was available for the PM10 data from Dunmurry High School, the data has been annualised using the method stated in Box 3.2 of TG(09) (<http://laqm.defra.gov.uk/technical-guidance/index.html?d=page=38>)

Table A.1 Short-Term to Long-Term Monitoring Data Adjustment

| Site | Site Type | Annual Mean ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) | Period Mean ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) | Ratio |
|--------------------------|------------------|---|---|-------|
| Belfast Centre | Urban Centre | 12 | 12 | 1 |
| Strabane Springhill Park | Urban background | 18 | 18 | 1 |
| Average | | | | 1 |

Appendix B: Previous years Automatic monitoring results

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LISBURN LAGAN VALLEY HOSPITAL
01 January to 31 December 2011

These data have been fully ratified by AEA

| POLLUTANT | NO | NO ₂ | NO _x |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Number Very High | - | 0 | - |
| Number High | - | 0 | - |
| Number Moderate | - | 0 | - |
| Number Low | - | 8730 | - |
| Maximum 15-minute mean | 1009 μgm^{-3} | 325 μgm^{-3} | 1734 μgm^{-3} |
| Maximum hourly mean | 670 μgm^{-3} | 250 μgm^{-3} | 1159 μgm^{-3} |
| Maximum running 8-hour mean | 365 μgm^{-3} | 181 μgm^{-3} | 738 μgm^{-3} |
| Maximum running 24-hour mean | 221 μgm^{-3} | 116 μgm^{-3} | 454 μgm^{-3} |
| Maximum daily mean | 208 μgm^{-3} | 113 μgm^{-3} | 431 μgm^{-3} |
| 99.8th percentile of hourly means | - | 166 μgm^{-3} | - |
| Average | 20 μgm^{-3} | 28 μgm^{-3} | 59 μgm^{-3} |
| Data capture | 99.7 % | 99.7 % | 99.7 % |

All gaseous pollutant mass units are at 20°C and 1013mb.
 NO_x mass units are NO_x as NO₂ $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$

| Pollutant | Air Quality Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003 | Exceedences | Days |
|------------------|--|-------------|------|
| Nitrogen Dioxide | Annual mean > 40 μgm^{-3} | 0 | - |
| Nitrogen Dioxide | Hourly mean > 200 μgm^{-3} | 6 | 3 |

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LISBURN DUNMURRY HIGH SCHOOL

01 January to 31 December 2011

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| POLLUTANT | SO ₂ | PM ₁₀ *+ | PM ₂₅ ~ |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Number Very High | 0 | - | 13 |
| Number High | 0 | - | 140 |
| Number Moderate | 0 | - | 207 |
| Number Low | 33966 | - | 5645 |
| Maximum 15-minute mean | 43 µgm ⁻³ | 158 µgm ⁻³ | 146 µgm ⁻³ |
| Maximum hourly mean | 32 µgm ⁻³ | 158 µgm ⁻³ | 145 µgm ⁻³ |
| Maximum running 8-hour mean | 27 µgm ⁻³ | 149 µgm ⁻³ | 139 µgm ⁻³ |
| Maximum running 24-hour mean | 18 µgm ⁻³ | 83 µgm ⁻³ | 76 µgm ⁻³ |
| Maximum daily mean | 16 µgm ⁻³ | 74 µgm ⁻³ | 69 µgm ⁻³ |
| 99.9th percentile of 15-minute means | 24 µgm ⁻³ | - | - |
| 99.7th percentile of hourly means | 21 µgm ⁻³ | - | - |
| 90th percentile of daily means | - | 29 µgm ⁻³ | - |
| 99.2nd percentile of daily means | 10 µgm ⁻³ | - | - |
| Average | 2 µgm ⁻³ | 16 µgm ⁻³ | 13 µgm ⁻³ |
| Data capture | 98.2 % | 96.4 % | 68.3 % |

*+PM₁₀ as measures as an FDMS instrument and reported in gravimetric units µgm⁻³
 ~ PM₂₅ instruments: FDMS from 1 January 2011 to 31 August 2011
 TEOM from 1 September 2011

Particulate matter concentrations are reported at ambient temperature and pressure.
 All gaseous pollutant mass units are at 20°C and 1013mb.

| Pollutant | Air Quality Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003 | Exceedences | Days |
|--|--|-------------|------|
| Sulphur Dioxide | 15-minute mean > 266 µgm ⁻³ | 0 | 0 |
| Sulphur Dioxide | Hourly mean > 350 µgm ⁻³ | 0 | 0 |
| Sulphur Dioxide | Daily mean > 125 µgm ⁻³ | 0 | 0 |
| PM ₁₀ Particulate Matter (Gravimetric) | Daily mean > 50 µgm ⁻³ | 11 | 11 |
| PM ₁₀ Particulate Matter (Gravimetric) | Annual mean > 40 µgm ⁻³ | 0 | - |

