

## Annual Progress Report (APR)



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## Glossary of Terms

| Abbreviation      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AQAP              | Air Quality Action Plan - A detailed description of measures, outcomes, achievement dates and implementation methods, showing how the LA intends to achieve air quality limit values'                 |
| AQMA              | Air Quality Management Area – An area where air pollutant concentrations exceed / are likely to exceed the relevant air quality objectives. AQMAs are declared for specific pollutants and objectives |
| APR               | Air Quality Annual Progress Report                                                                                                                                                                    |
| AURN              | Automatic Urban and Rural Network (UK air quality monitoring network)                                                                                                                                 |
| Defra             | Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs                                                                                                                                                    |
| DMRB              | Design Manual for Roads and Bridges – Air quality screening tool produced by Highways England                                                                                                         |
| FDMS              | Filter Dynamics Measurement System                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Euro              | European exhaust emissions standard                                                                                                                                                                   |
| LAQM              | Local Air Quality Management                                                                                                                                                                          |
| NO <sub>2</sub>   | Nitrogen Dioxide                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| NO <sub>x</sub>   | Nitrogen Oxides                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| PM <sub>10</sub>  | Airborne particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 10µm (micrometres or microns) or less                                                                                                     |
| PM <sub>2.5</sub> | Airborne particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 2.5µm or less                                                                                                                             |
| QA/QC             | Quality Assurance and Quality Control                                                                                                                                                                 |
| SO <sub>2</sub>   | Sulphur Dioxide                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| TEA               | Triethanolamine                                                                                                                                                                                       |

## **Executive Summary: Air Quality in Our Area**

### **Air Quality in Angus Council**

The APR has not identified any significant changes in emissions sources within the Angus Council area.

Previous Review and Assessments have concluded that concentrations of carbon monoxide, benzene, 1,3-butadiene, lead, sulphur dioxide, PM<sub>10</sub> and nitrogen dioxide are compliant with the relevant objectives, and no Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs) have been declared.

Monitoring data for 2015 confirms that the annual mean nitrogen dioxide objective is unlikely to be exceeded at any location, with measured concentrations well below the objective. Measured PM<sub>10</sub> concentrations also meet the annual mean objective, and, as the monitor is located at the kerbside, it is considered unlikely that the objective will be exceeded at residential properties. This status report has not identified any significant new emissions sources within the Angus Council area.

### **Actions to Improve Air Quality**

Angus Council is addressing Air Quality through local policies and plans and works to manage local air quality through an extensive monitoring network within the council area.

The campaign '*Angus on the Go*' is helping local residents and visitors to Angus to choose healthy, low cost travel options for their regular journeys. The campaign is part of a range of activities to increase the use of active and sustainable transport in the region. Angus Council, bus operators, Tactran and others are working to provide good quality infrastructure and transport services. However, it's up to everyone who travels in and around Angus to do their bit.

## Local Priorities and Challenges

Angus Council will continue monitoring at the existing diffusion tube sites and continuous monitoring in the Borough to identify future changes in pollutant concentrations.

## How to Get Involved

As the majority of air pollution is associated with traffic, consider alternatives to using your car; public transport, walking or cycling will help reduce emissions.



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\* Costs based on adult weekly megarider used 5 days a week.



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To compare door to door journey choices using different transport modes visit [www.GoToo.com](http://www.GoToo.com).

Get in touch with Angus Council's ACCESSline via [www.angus.gov.uk](http://www.angus.gov.uk) or call 08452 777 778 if you want to discuss your own journey choices.

If you have any concern or require further information on air quality, please contact Environmental Health.

<sup>1</sup> Calls cost 10p/min from BT landlines. Charges from other providers or mobiles may vary

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## 1. Local Air Quality Management

This report provides an overview of air quality in Angus Council during 2015. It fulfils the requirements of Local Air Quality Management (LAQM) as set out in Part IV of the Environment Act (1995) and the relevant Policy and Technical Guidance documents.

The LAQM process places an obligation on all local authorities to regularly review and assess air quality in their areas, and to determine whether or not the air quality objectives are likely to be achieved. Where an exceedance is considered likely the local authority must declare an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) and prepare an Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) setting out the measures it intends to put in place in pursuit of the objectives. This Annual Progress Report (APR) summarises the work being undertaken by Angus Council to improve air quality and any progress that has been made.

**Table 1.1 – Summary of Air Quality Objectives in Scotland**

| Pollutant                               | Air Quality Objective                                                |                     | Date to be achieved by |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
|                                         | Concentration                                                        | Measured as         |                        |
| Nitrogen dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> )     | 200 µg/m <sup>3</sup> not to be exceeded more than 18 times a year   | 1-hour mean         | 31.12.2005             |
|                                         | 40 µg/m <sup>3</sup>                                                 | Annual mean         | 31.12.2005             |
| Particulate Matter (PM <sub>10</sub> )  | 50 µg/m <sup>3</sup> , not to be exceeded more than 7 times a year   | 24-hour mean        | 31.12.2010             |
|                                         | 18 µg/m <sup>3</sup>                                                 | Annual mean         | 31.12.2010             |
| Particulate Matter (PM <sub>2.5</sub> ) | 10 µg/m <sup>3</sup>                                                 | Annual mean         | 31.12.2020             |
| Sulphur dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )      | 350 µg/m <sup>3</sup> , not to be exceeded more than 24 times a year | 1-hour mean         | 31.12.2004             |
|                                         | 125 µg/m <sup>3</sup> , not to be exceeded more than 3 times a year  | 24-hour mean        | 31.12.2004             |
|                                         | 266 µg/m <sup>3</sup> , not to be exceeded more than 35 times a year | 15-minute mean      | 31.12.2005             |
| Benzene                                 | 3.25 µg/m <sup>3</sup>                                               | Running annual mean | 31.12.2010             |
| 1,3 Butadiene                           | 2.25 µg/m <sup>3</sup>                                               | Running annual mean | 31.12.2003             |



| Pollutant       | Air Quality Objective  |                     | Date to be achieved by |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
|                 | Concentration          | Measured as         |                        |
| Carbon Monoxide | 10.0 mg/m <sup>3</sup> | Running 8-Hour mean | 31.12.2003             |
| Lead            | 0.25 µg/m <sup>3</sup> | Annual Mean         | 31.12.2008             |

## 2. Actions to Improve Air Quality

### 2.1 Air Quality Management

Angus Council is addressing Air Quality through local policies and plans.

During preparation of the Angus Local Development Plan, all land allocations and policies were assessed in terms of impact in air quality and other environmental factors for the purposes of the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA). Policy DS4 in the emerging Angus Local Development Plan makes specific reference that all development proposals must have regard to maintaining and improving environmental quality. The impacts of development will be considered on a number of environmental factors, including air quality.

Policy DS4 Amenity states:

*All proposed development must have full regard to opportunities for maintaining and improving environmental quality. Development will not be permitted where there is an unacceptable adverse impact on the surrounding area or the environment or amenity of existing or future occupiers of adjoining or nearby properties.*

*Angus Council will consider the impacts of development on:*

- *Air quality;*
- *Noise and vibration levels and times when such disturbances are likely to occur;*
- *Levels of light pollution;*
- *Levels of odours, fumes and dust;*
- *Suitable provision for refuse collection / storage and recycling;*

- *The effect and timing of traffic movement to, from and within the site, car parking and impacts on highway safety; and*
- *Residential amenity in relation to overlooking and loss of privacy, outlook, sunlight, daylight and overshadowing.*

*Angus Council may support development which is considered to have an impact on such considerations, if the use of conditions or planning obligations will ensure that appropriate mitigation and / or compensatory measures are secured.*

Angus Council's Economic Development Team has been working in partnership with other North East Councils, Aberdeenshire, Aberdeen City and Moray, in developing a joint North East Scotland Sustainable Energy Action Plan (NE SEAP). This will function for the North East as a whole as well as an individual Sustainable Energy Action Plan (SEAP) at local authority level. This would create a high level strategic document which covers all areas of sustainable energy across business and commercial, domestic and transport including certain aspects of land use and fuel supply. It will provide a baseline for the area in terms of Carbon emissions and provide an action plan to meet emission reduction targets whilst providing opportunities for sustainable economic growth.

The purpose of the plan would be to coordinate, enable, align and prioritise sustainable energy implementation which will place Angus and the North East Region at the forefront of Scotland's transition to a resilient low carbon economy with the associated economic, environmental and social benefits. It is anticipated that the SEAP would cover a time period from 2016-2030 and would allow the participants and the region to move towards the emissions reduction target set for 2050.

The SEAP will work alongside Angus Council's Climate Strategy & Action Plan, but in order to achieve these benefits it is important that the all public and private sectors work jointly across the County to exploit opportunities more effectively, taking into account that policies and actions in relation to Carbon management should consider the potential impacts on air quality, such as emissions of particles and nitrogen dioxides.

## **2.2 Progress and Impact of Measures to address Air Quality in Angus Council**

Angus Council has taken forward a number of measures during the current reporting year of 2015 in pursuit of improving local air quality. Details of all measures completed, in progress or planned are set out in Table 2.2.

Table 2.1 – Progress on Measures to Improve Air Quality

| Measure No. | Measure                                                     | Category                                                                                        | Focus                                                 | Lead Authority | Planning Phase | Implementation Phase | Key Performance Indicator                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Comments                                        |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 1           | 'Smarter Choices Smarter Places' 'Angus on the Go' campaign | Promoting low emission transport<br><br>Public information<br><br>Promoting Travel alternatives | Grant funding used for active and sustainable travel. | Angus Council  | 2015           | 2015-2016            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promotional events to launch 'Angus on the Go' hand</li> <li>Promotion of bus travel with on-bus adverts and roadside display in shelters</li> <li>Angus on the Go Leaflet for Brechin Community Campus showing bus routes, walking routes and cycling</li> <li>Distribution of Leaflet door to door in Brechin together with bus timetables for the local services</li> <li>Provision of cycle racks and cycle training in schools</li> <li>Provision of active travel training in schools</li> <li>Promotional events to promote public transport use and cycle provision on bus service X7 Aberdeen to Perth</li> <li>Funding of the Cycle Hub (a social enterprise) for refurbishment of bikes and doctor bike sessions</li> <li>Providing folders with public transport, liftshare, cycling and walking information for all the Angus Council hospitals</li> </ul> |                                                 |
| 2           | New bus services introduced                                 | Transport planning and infrastructure                                                           | Grant funding used for active and sustainable travel. | Angus Council  | 2014           | January 2015         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New service introduced between Dundee – Forfar – Brechin – Stracathro Hospital and Edzell to provide, for the first time, direct journeys on this corridor.</li> <li>Marketing to promote the service</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | This service was aimed at tackling modal shift. |

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| Measure No. | Measure                                 | Category                                                              | Focus                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Lead Authority         | Planning Phase | Implementation Phase | Key Performance Indicator                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Comments                                                               |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|             |                                         |                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                        |                |                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quality contract with vehicles with Euro 5 or better engines scoring higher</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                        |
| 3           | Hybrid Buses                            | Transport planning and infrastructure                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>18 hybrid buses on the Arbroath to Dundee (Tayway corridor)</li> <li>Environmentally friendly vehicles on the X7 Aberdeen to Perth corridor</li> </ul>                                                                | Bus company Stagecoach | 2014           | 2015                 | For approximately 25% of the Stagecoach fleet in Angus and Dundee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stagecoach fuel consumption was down (due to replacement of Euro 5 by Euro 6)</li> <li>CO<sub>2</sub> reduction by 16%</li> <li>Hydrocarbons have reduced by at least 72%</li> <li>NO<sub>x</sub> had reduced by 80 %</li> <li>Particulates have reduced by 50%</li> <li>Over 35% fuel burn emission reduction</li> </ul> | Part of the funding coming from the Scottish Government Green Bus Fund |
| 4           | Multi-operator smart ticketing scheme   | Transport planning and infrastructure<br><br>Vehicle fleet efficiency | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allow passengers to travel on different operators services with the same ticket.</li> <li>Offer travel at much reduced fares for passengers previously having to buy tickets separately from each operator</li> </ul> |                        | 2015           | August 2016          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementing initially on a zone covering Monifieth, Monikie, Tealing, Muirhead and Liff</li> <li>Extend the scheme in due course across Angus</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                        |
| 5           | Smarter Choices Smarter Places' funding | Promoting low emission transport; Public information                  | Extended Grant funding to continue with work from 2015-2016                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Angus Council          | 2016-2017      | 2016-2017            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Producing a leaflet of how to get to the new Forfar Community Campus (distributed door to door),</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                        |

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| Measure No. | Measure                                                                           | Category                                | Focus                                              | Lead Authority      | Planning Phase | Implementation Phase | Key Performance Indicator                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Comments |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
|             |                                                                                   | Promoting Travel alternatives           |                                                    |                     |                |                      | carrying on with active travel training in schools in Forfar, Arbroath and Brechin predominantly                                                                                                                                          |          |
| 6           | Angus Council has signed up to North East Scotland Sustainable Energy action Plan | Policy guidance and development control | North East Scotland Sustainable Energy Action Plan | North East Councils | 2016-2030      | Ongoing              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Produce a strategic document which covers all areas of sustainable energy across business and commercial, domestic and transport including certain aspects of land use and fuel supply.</li> </ul> |          |

### **3. Air Quality Monitoring Data and Comparison with Air Quality Objectives**

#### **3.1 Summary of Monitoring Undertaken**

This section sets out what monitoring has taken place and how local concentrations of the main air pollutants compare with the objectives.

##### **3.1.1 Automatic Monitoring Sites**

Angus Council undertook automatic (continuous) monitoring of PM<sub>10</sub> at two locations during 2015. Gravimetric Partisol sampler located at Burnside Drive, Arbroath. FDMS TEOM analyser was placed at a new site in Forfar on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2015. Table A.1 in Appendix A shows the details of the sites. National monitoring results are available at <http://www.scottishairquality.co.uk/>.

Automatic monitoring of PM<sub>10</sub> concentrations has previously been carried out at three other locations. Gravimetric Partisol samplers located at Chapelpark Primary School, Forfar, and Peel Park Primary School, Glenisla, with an FDMS TEOM analyser co-located at the Forfar site. The monitoring at these locations ceased in 2012.

A map showing the locations of the monitoring sites is provided in Appendix D. Further details on how the monitors are calibrated and how the data has been adjusted are included in Appendix C.

##### **3.1.2 Non-Automatic Monitoring Sites**

Angus Council undertook non-automatic (passive) monitoring of NO<sub>2</sub> at 12 sites during 2015. Table A.2 in Appendix A shows the details of the sites.

A map showing the locations of the monitoring sites is provided in Appendix D. Further details on Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) and bias adjustment for the diffusion tubes are included in Appendix C.

### 3.2 Individual pollutants

The air quality monitoring results presented in this section are, where relevant, adjusted for annualisation and bias. Further details on adjustments are provided in Appendix C.

#### 3.2.1 Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>)

Table A.3 and Figure 1 in Appendix A compares the ratified and adjusted monitored NO<sub>2</sub> annual mean concentrations for the past 5 years with the air quality objective of 40µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

For diffusion tubes, the full 2015 dataset of monthly mean values is provided in Appendix B. Monitoring at site F2 ceased at the end of February 2013.

There is no automatic NO<sub>2</sub> monitoring carried out within the Angus Council area, and therefore there is no co-location study carried out with which to calculate a local bias adjustment factor; the national bias adjustment factor has therefore been applied to the data. The diffusion tubes are prepared and analysed by Tayside Scientific Services (TSS) using the 20% TEA in water method. Tubes are changed on a monthly basis. Further details on Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) and bias adjustment for the diffusion tubes are included in Appendix C.

Concentrations at all 12 sites were well below the annual mean objective in 2015; the highest concentration was 21.3µg/m<sup>3</sup> measured at monitoring site F1 located on the St James Road, Forfar. Measured concentrations in 2015 were relatively similar to those measured in 2014 with a slight decrease at seven monitoring locations.

#### 3.2.2 Particulate Matter (PM<sub>10</sub>)

Monitoring was carried out at the Arbroath Partisol analyser in 2015. Due to technical issues, data capture at the Arbroath site was low, with no data collected from the 9<sup>th</sup> September.



Table A.4 in Appendix A compares the ratified and adjusted monitored PM<sub>10</sub> annual mean concentrations for the past 5 years with the air quality objective of 18µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Table A.5 in Appendix A compares the ratified continuous monitored PM<sub>10</sub> daily mean concentrations for the past 5 years with the air quality objective of 50µg/m<sup>3</sup>, not to be exceeded more than 7 times per year.

The annual mean concentration measured at the Burnside Drive, Arbroath, and Glamis Road, Forfar, monitoring sites was below the annual mean objective in 2015. The monitoring sites are located closer to the road than nearby residential properties, and therefore an exceedence at residential properties is unlikely.

Annual mean concentrations measured with the Arbroath Partisol reduced in 2015.

### **3.2.3 Particulate Matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>)**

PM<sub>2.5</sub> is not monitored within Angus Council area.

### **3.2.4 Sulphur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>)**

Sulphur dioxide is not monitored within the Angus Council area.

### **3.2.5 Carbon Monoxide, Lead and 1,3-Butadiene**

Carbon monoxide, lead and 1,3-butadiene are not monitored within the Angus Council area.

## 4. New Local Developments

### 4.1 Commercial and Domestic Sources

Since the 2015 USA Report was completed, six new biomass boilers and one Combined Heat and Power (CHP) have been proposed, or have been granted permission, within the Angus Council Area.

The biomass calculator and CHP Screening Tool<sup>2</sup> were used to calculate the target emission rates and process contribution for each boiler. The boilers data used are represented in Table 4.1, whilst the calculated Target Emission Rates are presented in Table 4.2 to 4.4.

**Table 4.1 – Boiler Data used in the Screening Assessments**

| Boiler Location     | Type    | Building height (m) | Stack Diameter (m) | Stack Height (m) | Background (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) |                 | Emission Rates (g/s) |                 |
|---------------------|---------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|
|                     |         |                     |                    |                  | PM <sub>10</sub>                | NO <sub>2</sub> | PM <sub>10</sub>     | NO <sub>2</sub> |
| East Denside        | CHP     | 3                   | 0.15               | 10               | N/A                             | 5.27            | N/A                  | 0.52            |
| Windyhills 4        | Biomass | 8                   | 0.5                | 10               | 13.99                           | 4.31            | 0.004                | 0.034           |
| Windyhills 5        | Biomass | 8                   | 0.5                | 10               | 13.99                           | 4.31            | 0.004                | 0.034           |
| Windyhills 6        | Biomass | 8                   | 0.5                | 10               | 13.99                           | 4.31            | 0.004                | 0.034           |
| Panmure Golf Club 1 | Biomass | 8                   | 0.2                | 5.8              | 10.32                           | 6.75            | 0.0014               | 0.008           |
| Panmure Golf Club 2 | Biomass | 8                   | 0.2                | 5.8              | 10.32                           | 6.75            | 0.0014               | 0.008           |
| GSK                 | Biomass | 23                  | 0.4                | 18               | 10.42                           | 9.04            | 0.05                 | 0.4             |

The CHP Annual Average Process Contribution for NO<sub>2</sub> does not exceed the annual mean objective for NO<sub>2</sub>, and therefore no potential issue was identified and no further actions are required.

<sup>2</sup> Available at: <http://laqm.defra.gov.uk/review-and-assessment/tools/emissions.html>

**Table 4.2 – Annual Average Process Contribution**

| Boiler location | Type | PM <sub>10</sub> Annual Mean (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) |     |                          | NO <sub>2</sub> Annual Mean Annual Mean (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) |       |                          | NO <sub>2</sub> hourly mean (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) |     |                          |
|-----------------|------|---------------------------------------------------|-----|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----|--------------------------|
|                 |      | PC                                                | PEC | Further actions required | PC                                                           | PEC   | Further actions required | PC                                               | PEC | Further actions required |
| East Denside    | CHP  | N/A                                               | N/A | No                       | 7.89                                                         | 13.16 | No                       | N/A                                              | N/A | No                       |

PC =Process contribution; PEC= Predicted environmental concentration= background +PC

None of the boilers emission rates exceed the Target Emission Rates for nitrogen dioxide or PM<sub>10</sub>, and therefore no further actions are required. Nonetheless, for Windyhills development a cumulative assessment was carried out taking into account all the six boilers now proposed.

**Table 4.3 – Target Emission Rates from Biomass Calculator**

| Boiler Location            | Type    | PM <sub>10</sub> Annual Mean |                          | NO <sub>2</sub> Annual Mean |                          | NO <sub>2</sub> Hourly Mean |                          |
|----------------------------|---------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            |         | Target emission rate (g/s)   | Further actions required | Target emission rate (g/s)  | Further actions required | Target emission rate (g/s)  | Further actions required |
| Windyhills 4 <sup>*1</sup> | Biomass | 0.0228                       | Yes                      | 0.2033                      | No                       | 0.2971                      | No                       |
| Windyhills 5 <sup>*1</sup> | Biomass | 0.0228                       | No                       | 0.2033                      | No                       | 0.2971                      | No                       |
| Windyhills 6 <sup>*1</sup> | Biomass | 0.0228                       | No                       | 0.2033                      | No                       | 0.2971                      | No                       |

NOTE\*1 Cumulative assessment has also been carried out taking into account all 6 boilers now proposed at Windyhills.

Although the process contribution for Panmure Golf Club 1 and GSK boilers is below the Air Quality Strategy objectives a detailed Assessment was necessary because the stack height was below the height of adjacent buildings.

**Table 4.4 – Process Contribution**

| Boiler Location                         | Type         | PM <sub>10</sub> Annual Mean (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) |       |           | NO <sub>2</sub> Annual Mean Annual Mean (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) |       |           | NO <sub>2</sub> hourly mean (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) |       |           |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------|
|                                         |              | PC                                                | PEC   | PEC > AQS | PC                                                           | PEC   | PEC > AQS | PC                                               | PEC   | PEC > AQS |
| Panmure Golf Club 1 and 2 <sup>*2</sup> | Biomass      | 0.31                                              | 11.16 | No        | 1.75                                                         | 11.53 | No        | 54.92                                            | 68.42 | No        |
| GSK <sup>*2</sup>                       | Biomass /CHP | 0.5                                               | 10.9  | No        | 9.8                                                          | 18.9  | No        | 43.1                                             | 62.2  | No        |

PC =Process contribution; PEC= Predicted environmental concentration= background +PC. AQS = Air Quality Strategy Objective.

NOTE\*2 Detailed assessment was necessary because the stack height was below the height of adjacent buildings. Figures quoted are for a cumulative assessment done to take account of other boilers and CHP plant.

Angus 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 and consideration has been given to:

- Road traffic sources
- Other transport sources
- Industrial sources
- New developments with fugitive or uncontrolled sources.

## **5. Planning Applications**

Angus Council confirms that there have been no applications for developments which are likely to have a significant impact on air quality within the Angus Council Area.

## **6. Conclusions and Proposed Actions**

### **6.1 Conclusions from New Monitoring Data**

Monitoring data for 2015 confirms that the annual mean nitrogen dioxide objective is unlikely to be exceeded at any location, with measured concentrations well below the objective. Measured PM<sub>10</sub> concentrations also meet the annual mean objective. It is concluded that a Detailed Assessment is not required.

### **6.2 Conclusions relating to New Local Developments**

All new sources identified have been assessed and none have been found to require a further actions.

### **6.3 Proposed Actions**

No exceedances of the objectives were identified for the monitored pollutants therefore no changes to the existing monitoring programme or additional monitoring is proposed.

Proposed actions arising from the APR are as follows:

- Continue diffusion tube and continuous monitoring in the Borough to identify future changes in pollutant concentrations;
- Proceed to an Update Screening Assessment in 2017.

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## Appendix A: Monitoring Results

**Table A.1 – Details of Automatic Monitoring Sites**

| Site Name                           | Site Type        | X OS Grid Ref | Y OS Grid Ref | Pollutants Monitored | In AQMA? | Monitoring Technique | Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) | Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) | Inlet Height (m) |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|----------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Burnside Drive, Arbroath            | Kerbside         | 364169        | 740861        | PM <sub>10</sub>     | N        | Gravimetric          | 4                                 | 1                                    | 1.5              |
| Glamis Road, Forfar                 | Roadside         | 345249        | 750386        | PM <sub>10</sub>     | N        | FDMS                 | N                                 | 10                                   | 1.5              |
| Chapelpark Primary School, Forfar*  | Roadside         | 345914        | 750612        | PM <sub>10</sub>     | N        | Gravimetric          | 0                                 | 5                                    | 1.5              |
| Chapelpark Primary School, Forfar*  | Roadside         | 345914        | 750613        | PM <sub>10</sub>     | N        | FDMS                 | 0                                 | 6                                    | 1.5              |
| Peel Park Primary School, Glenisla* | Rural Background | 326515        | 754046        | PM <sub>10</sub>     | N        | Gravimetric          | 0                                 | 20                                   | 1.5              |

\* Monitoring ceased in 2012.



**Table A.2 – Details of Non-Automatic Monitoring Sites**

| Site ID | Site Name               | Site Type        | X OS Grid Ref | Y OS Grid Ref | Pollutants Monitored | In AQMA? | Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) | Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) | Tube collocated with a Continuous Analyser? |
|---------|-------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| A1      | Ethie Terrace, Arbroath | Urban Background | 364585        | 742349        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | 0                                 | 1                                    | N                                           |
| A2      | Inchcape Road, Arbroath | Urban Background | 362987        | 740642        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | 0                                 | 2                                    | N                                           |
| A3      | Abbey Path, Arbroath    | Roadside         | 364299        | 741225        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | 1.5                               | <1                                   | N                                           |
| A4      | 22 Lordburn, Arbroath   | Roadside         | 364158        | 741122        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | 3                                 | <1                                   | N                                           |
| CAR     | High St, Carnoustie     | Kerbside         | 356243        | 734526        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | 3                                 | 2                                    | N                                           |
| M1      | High St, Monifieth      | Kerbside         | 349759        | 732549        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | 0                                 | 2                                    | N                                           |
| M2      | High St, Montrose       | Kerbside         | 371418        | 757767        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | 2                                 | 1                                    | N                                           |
| B1      | High St, Brechin        | Kerbside         | 359727        | 760170        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | 2                                 | 1                                    | N                                           |
| B2      | Sacone 1, Brechin       | Industrial       | 361216        | 759644        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | NA                                | 8                                    | N                                           |

| Site ID | Site Name               | Site Type | X OS Grid Ref | Y OS Grid Ref | Pollutants Monitored | In AQMA? | Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) | Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) | Tube collocated with a Continuous Analyser? |
|---------|-------------------------|-----------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| FOR     | High St, Forfar         | Kerbside  | 345825        | 750674        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | 3                                 | <1                                   | N                                           |
| KIR     | Manse Close, Kirriemuir | Kerbside  | 338621        | 754032        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | 5                                 | 6                                    | N                                           |
| F1      | St James Road, Forfar   | Roadside  | 345628        | 750307        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | <1                                | 2                                    | N                                           |
| F2*     | Dundee Loan, Forfar     | Roadside  | 345342        | 750088        | NO <sub>2</sub>      | N        | <1                                | 2                                    | N                                           |

\* Monitoring ceased end of February 2013.

**Table A.3 – Annual Mean NO<sub>2</sub> Monitoring Results**

| Site ID | Site Type        | Monitoring Type | Valid Data Capture 2015 (%) | NO <sub>2</sub> Annual Mean Concentration (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>(1)</sup> |       |       |      |      |
|---------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|------|
|         |                  |                 |                             | 2011                                                                          | 2012  | 2013  | 2014 | 2015 |
| A1      | Urban Background | Diffusion Tube  | 100                         | 7.0                                                                           | 7.1   | 5.0   | 9.8  | 8.9  |
| A2      | Urban Background | Diffusion Tube  | 100                         | 8.8                                                                           | 9.5   | 8.0   | 11.0 | 11.6 |
| A3      | Roadside         | Diffusion Tube  | 100                         | 17.7                                                                          | 15.6  | 15.0  | 18.5 | 19.6 |
| A4      | Roadside         | Diffusion Tube  | 100                         | 21.1                                                                          | 21.3  | 17.5  | 18.2 | 18.0 |
| CAR     | Kerbside         | Diffusion Tube  | 100                         | 20.3                                                                          | 20.1  | 16.8  | 22.9 | 15.6 |
| M1      | Kerbside         | Diffusion Tube  | 100                         | 23.4                                                                          | 23.3  | 19.4  | 17.4 | 14.6 |
| M2      | Kerbside         | Diffusion Tube  | 100                         | 23.8                                                                          | 26.1  | 21.7  | 21.0 | 20.1 |
| B1      | Kerbside         | Diffusion Tube  | 75                          | 14.8                                                                          | 16.8  | 14.0  | 15.0 | 13.5 |
| B2      | Industrial       | Diffusion Tube  | 92                          | 8.1                                                                           | 8.0   | 6.9   | 7.8  | 6.8  |
| FOR     | Kerbside         | Diffusion Tube  | 100                         | 17.0                                                                          | 17.0  | 15.8  | 16.1 | 16.3 |
| KIR     | Kerbside         | Diffusion Tube  | 92                          | 12.3                                                                          | 11.7  | 12.0  | 13.4 | 12.8 |
| F1      | Roadside         | Diffusion Tube  | 100                         | -                                                                             | 23.0* | 21.0  | 21.3 | 21.3 |
| F2      | Roadside         | Diffusion Tube  | -                           | -                                                                             | 21.1* | 18.2* | -    | -    |

Notes: (1) Diffusion tubes have been corrected for bias. See Appendix C for details.

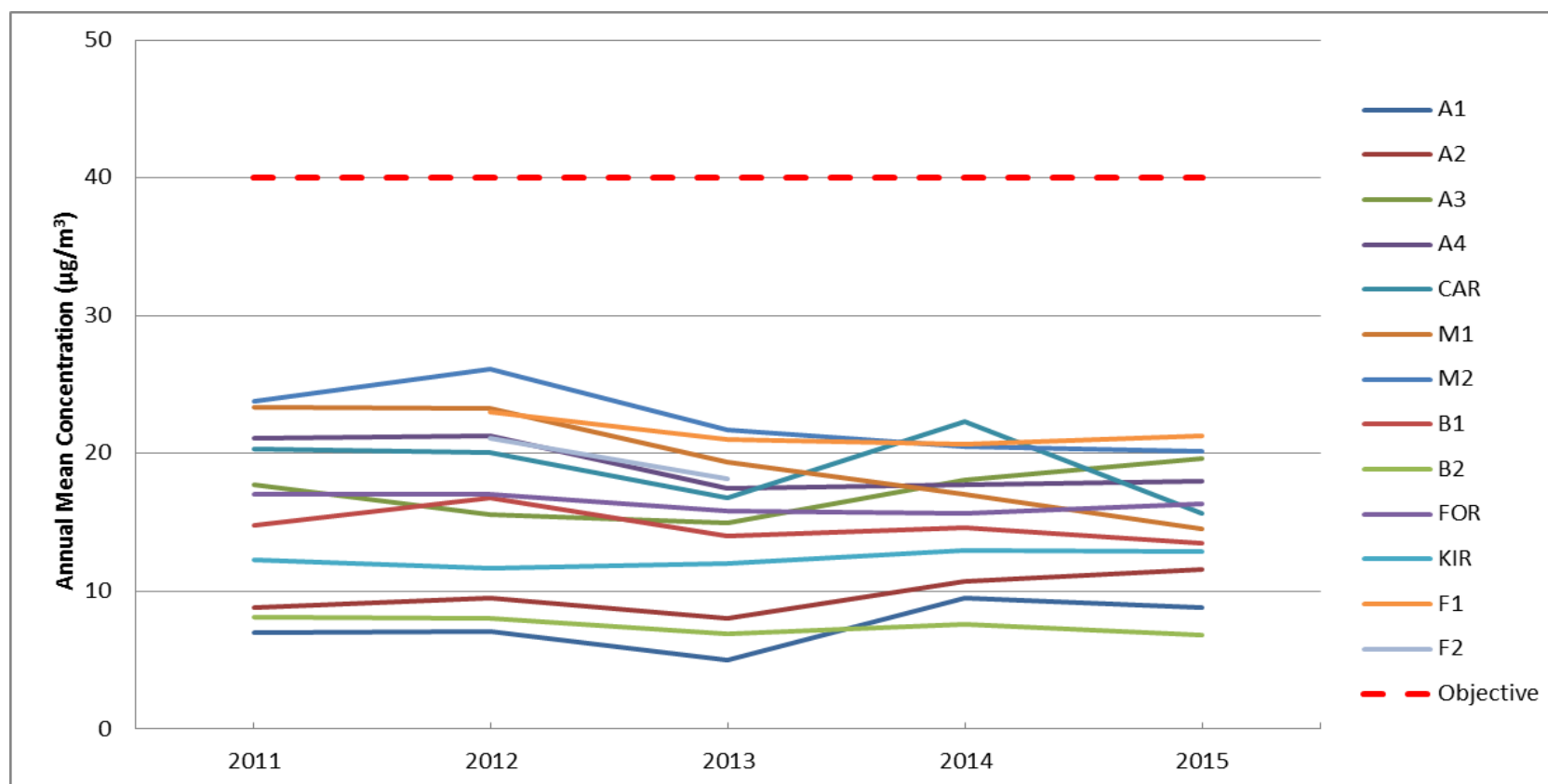


Figure A.1 - Trends in Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations measured at Diffusion Tube Sites in Angus Council

Table A.4 – Annual Mean PM10 Monitoring Results

| Site ID                            | Site Type        | Valid Data Capture 2015 (%) | PM <sub>10</sub> Annual Mean Concentration (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>(1)</sup> |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|
|                                    |                  |                             | 2011                                                                           | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
| Burnside Drive, Arbroath           | Kerbside         | 67                          | -                                                                              | -    | 16.5 | 15.6 | 14.3 |
| Glamis Road, Forfar                | Kerbside         | 19                          | n/a                                                                            | n/a  | n/a  | n/a  | 10.2 |
| Chapelpark Primary School, Forfar  | Roadside         | -                           | 18                                                                             | 17   | n/a  | n/a  | n/a  |
| Chapelpark Primary School, Forfar  | Roadside         | -                           | 17.2                                                                           | 14.5 | n/a  | n/a  | n/a  |
| Peel Park Primary School, Glenisla | Rural Background | -                           | 8.9                                                                            | 6.6  | n/a  | n/a  | n/a  |

Notes: (1) Data annualised. See Appendix C for details.

Table A.5 – 24-Hour Mean PM10 Monitoring Results

| Site ID                               | Site Type           | Valid Data Capture<br>2015 (%) | PM <sub>10</sub> 24-Hour Means > 50µg/m <sup>3</sup> <sup>(1)</sup> |          |          |          |          |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                                       |                     |                                | 2011                                                                | 2012     | 2013     | 2014     | 2015     |
| Burnside Drive,<br>Arbroath           | Kerbside            | 67                             | -                                                                   | -        | 5 (52.8) | 0 (31.6) | 1 (34.9) |
| Glamis Road, Forfar                   | Roadside            | 19                             | n/a                                                                 | n/a      | n/a      | n/a      | 1 (32.0) |
| Chapelpark Primary<br>School, Forfar  | Roadside            | -                              | 0                                                                   | 2        | n/a      | n/a      | n/a      |
| Chapelpark Primary<br>School, Forfar  | Roadside            | -                              | 2                                                                   | 1 (38.4) | n/a      | n/a      | n/a      |
| Peel Park Primary<br>School, Glenisla | Rural<br>Background | -                              | 1                                                                   | 0 (19.0) | n/a      | n/a      | n/a      |

Notes: Exceedences of the PM<sub>10</sub> 24-hour mean objective (50µg/m<sup>3</sup> not to be exceeded more than 7 times/year) are shown in bold.

(1) If the period of valid data is less than 90%, the 98.1<sup>th</sup> percentile of 24-hour means is provided in brackets.

## Appendix B: Full Monthly Diffusion Tube Results for 2015

Table B.1 – NO<sub>2</sub> Monthly Diffusion Tube Results for 2015

| Site ID | NO <sub>2</sub> Mean Concentrations (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |             |                              |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------------|------------------------------|
|         | Jan                                                      | Feb  | Mar  | Apr  | May  | Jun  | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct  | Nov  | Dec   | Annual Mean |                              |
|         |                                                          |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       | Raw Data    | Bias Adjusted <sup>(1)</sup> |
| A1      | 13.3                                                     | 11.1 | 13.8 | 11   | 8.2  | 7.5  | 7.2  | 8.9  | 12   | 12.6 | 15.9 | 12.3  | 11.51       | 8.9                          |
| A2      | 17                                                       | 17.6 | 15.4 | 14.7 | 11.9 | 11.2 | 9.4  | 11.7 | 15.9 | 18.7 | 18.2 | 16.1  | 15.00       | 11.6                         |
| A3      | 27                                                       | 28.9 | 27.5 | 28.5 | 21.9 | 23   | 19.9 | 16.6 | 27.9 | 24.5 | 29.5 | 25.1  | 25.46       | 19.6                         |
| A4      | 30.7                                                     | 25.7 | 24.3 | 23.6 | 17.9 | 18   | 16.2 | 18.2 | 22.5 | 26.4 | 30   | 20    | 23.42       | 18.0                         |
| CAR     | 26.1                                                     | 23.1 | 20.6 | 20   | 15.1 | 16.3 | 13.5 | 16.6 | 17.6 | 22.6 | 27.2 | 19.5  | 20.32       | 15.6                         |
| M1      | 23.7                                                     | 19.7 | 20.8 | 17.4 | 14.4 | 13.7 | 13.5 | 13.9 | 19   | 25.5 | 24.9 | 17.2  | 18.91       | 14.6                         |
| M2      | 28.6                                                     | 30.9 | 26.7 | 25   | 24.7 | 20.4 | 20.8 | 26   | 24.5 | 26   | 26.3 | 26.4  | 26.15       | 20.1                         |
| B1      | 19.7                                                     | 17.6 | 20   | 17.4 | 15.5 | 14.4 | 16.2 | 14.7 | -    | -    | 19.2 | < 0.5 | 17.55       | 13.5                         |
| B2      | 11                                                       | 10.9 | 8.9  | 8    | 6.9  | 6.3  | 5.3  | 6.7  | 8.5  | 12.6 | 11.8 | < 0.5 | 8.87        | 6.8                          |
| FOR     | 26.9                                                     | 25.1 | 22.2 | 21.5 | 18   | 14.4 | 12.7 | 16.2 | 18.1 | 23   | 23.5 | 24.8  | 21.18       | 16.3                         |
| KIR     | 21.1                                                     | -    | 16.7 | 16.4 | 14   | 12.6 | 11.1 | 13.9 | 17.1 | 16.6 | 19.5 | 17.2  | 16.68       | 12.8                         |
| F1      | 31.2                                                     | 32.9 | 28.7 | 26.6 | 21.4 | 20.8 | 17   | 21.2 | 25.6 | 31.7 | 35.5 | 31.4  | 27.65       | 21.3                         |

(1) See Appendix C for details on bias adjustment

## **Appendix C: Supporting Technical Information / Air Quality Monitoring Data QA/QC**

### **Diffusion Tube QA/QC**

Angus Council deploy diffusion tubes prepared and analysed by Tayside Scientific Services (TSS; 20% TEA in water method). Tubes are changed on a monthly basis.

### **Bias Adjustment Factors from Local Co-location Studies**

Angus Council do not operate a chemiluminescent analyser, and therefore no co location study is carried out. It is therefore not possible to calculate a local bias adjustment factor.

### **National Bias Adjustment Factor**

The national bias adjustment factor for TSS in 2015 is 0.77 (taken from spreadsheet v03/16, based on 5 studies; available at: <http://laqm.defra.gov.uk/bias-adjustment-factors/national-bias.html>). This factor has been applied to all 2015 diffusion tube data.

### **WASP**

Tayside Scientific Services take part in the Workplace Analysis Scheme for Proficiency (WASP), operated by the Health and Safety Laboratory (HSL). During 2015, 100% of samples were determined to have been satisfactory on the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. No results were reported for the remaining quarters.

### **Short-term to Long-term Data Adjustment (Annualisation)**

Due to technical problems, data capture at the Arbroath Partisol analyser was low in 2015. The data have therefore been adjusted to an annual mean, based on the ratio of concentrations during the short-term monitoring period to those over the 2015 calendar year. This has utilised data from two background sites operated as part of the Automatic Urban and Rural Network (AURN) where long-term PM<sub>10</sub> data are available (with data capture >85%).



The annual mean PM<sub>10</sub> concentrations and the period means for each of the monitoring sites from which adjustment factors have been calculated are presented in the tables below, along with the ratio applied.

Burnside Drive, Arbroath, January – 9<sup>th</sup> September 2015

| Site                  | Site Type             | Data Capture | 2015 Annual Mean | Period Mean | Ratio |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|-------|
| Aberdeen              | Urban Background      | 97%          | 11.7             | 11.3        | 1.039 |
| Edinburgh St Leonards | Urban Background      | 45%          | -                | -           | -     |
| Auchencorth Mos       | Rural Background      | 72%          | -                | -           | -     |
| Grangemouth           | Industrial Background | 67%          | -                | -           | -     |
| Glasgow Townhead      | Urban Background      | 44%          | -                | -           | -     |
| Newcastle Centre      | Urban Background      | 37%          | -                | -           | -     |
| Middlesbrough         | Industrial Background | 95%          | 16.6             | 16.4        | 1.009 |
|                       |                       |              |                  | Average     | 1.018 |

Glamis Road, Forfar, 23<sup>rd</sup> October – December 2015

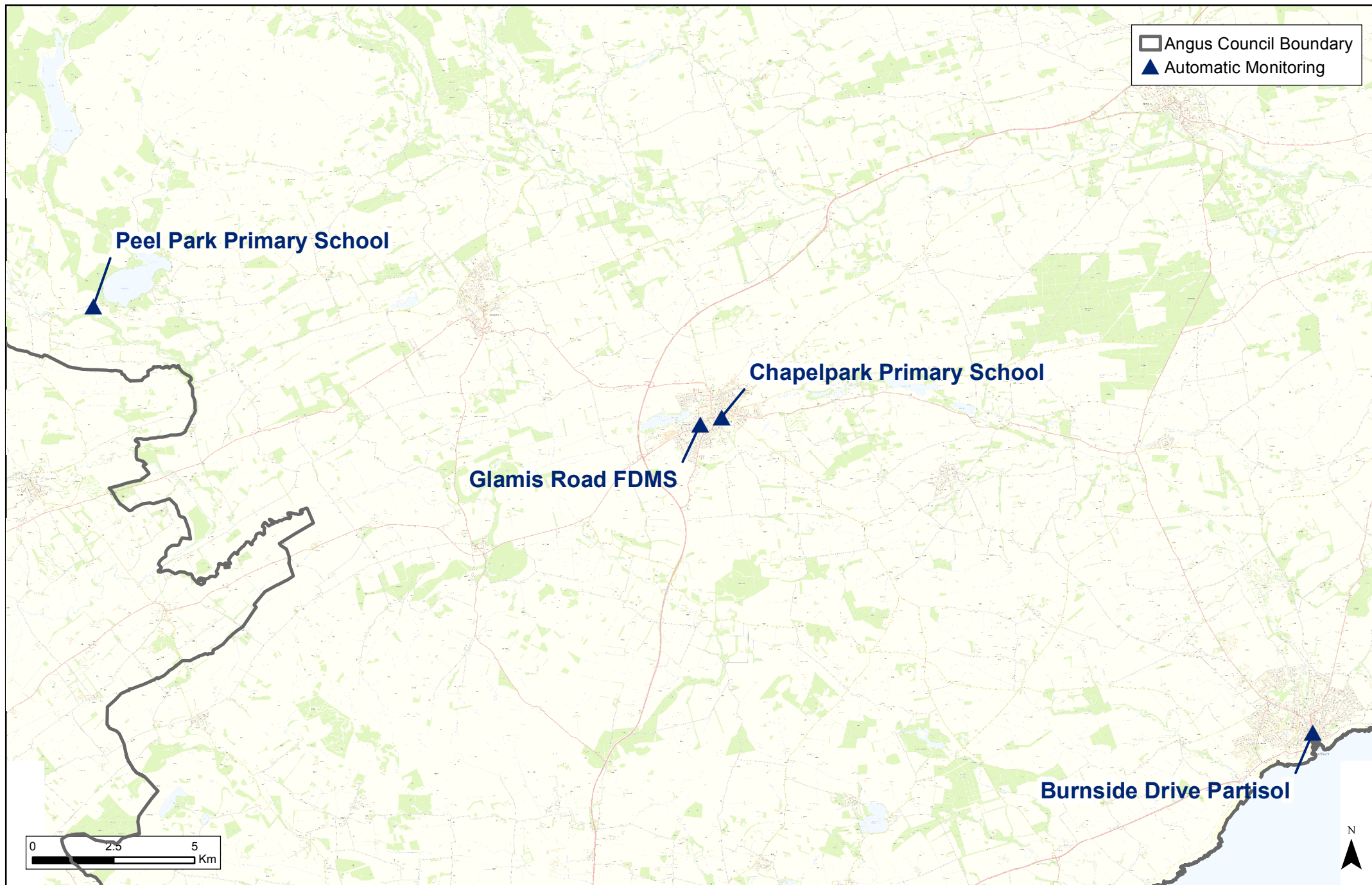
| Site                  | Site Type             | Data Capture | 2015 Annual Mean | Period Mean | Ratio |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|-------|
| Aberdeen              | Urban Background      | 97%          | 11.7             | 12.3        | 0.948 |
| Edinburgh St Leonards | Urban Background      | 45%          | -                | -           | -     |
| Auchencorth Mos       | Rural Background      | 72%          | -                | -           | -     |
| Grangemouth           | Industrial Background | 67%          | -                | -           | -     |
| Glasgow Townhead      | Urban Background      | 44%          | -                | -           | -     |
| Newcastle Centre      | Urban Background      | 37%          | -                | -           | -     |
| Middlesbrough         | Industrial Background | 95%          | 16.6             | 16.4        | 1.008 |
|                       |                       |              |                  | Average     | 1.020 |

**Automatic Monitoring QA/QC**

Angus Council change the Partisol filter cassettes on a two-weekly basis. The samplers are serviced bi-annually by Air Monitors Ltd.

Data from the FDMS analyser is collected via automatic telemetry by Ricardo Energy & Environment. The analyser is also serviced on an annual basis and audited every six months. All data are ratified 6-monthly using procedures comparable to those used for national network monitoring data. Data are available on the Scottish air quality website [www.scottishairquality.co.uk](http://www.scottishairquality.co.uk).

## Appendix D: Maps of Monitoring Locations



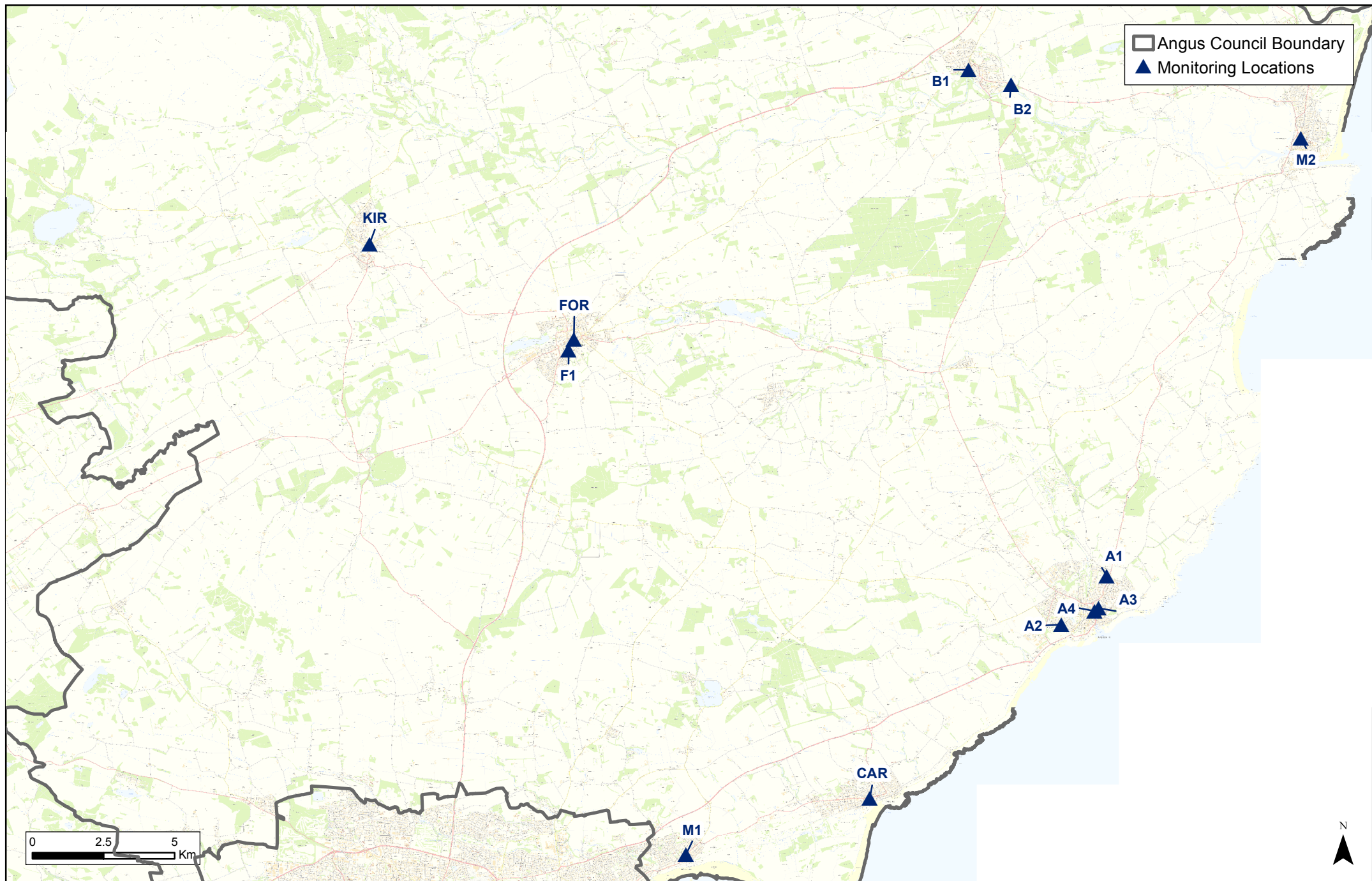
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