Report of the Chief Executive

AIR QUALITY STATUS REPORT 2019

1. Purpose of report

To advise Members of the latest Air Quality Status Report which was submitted to the Department of Food Environment and Rural Affairs (DEFRA), and their subsequent response.

2. Detail

Each year, DEFRA requires all local authorities in England to produce an Annual Status Report (ASR) in respect of air quality. The production of an ASR is intended to aid local transparency, increase accessibility of air quality to the wider public audience and encourage buy-in to delivering air quality improvement measures by those best placed to assist (e.g. directors of public health, transport managers etc).

The latest Annual Status Report submitted by Broxtowe Borough Council in June 2019 is attached (appendix 1), along with the response received from DEFRA (appendix 2). This states that "The report is very well written, detailed, and provides the information specified in the Guidance". Various recommendations are made which will be incorporated into the 2020 Air Quality Status Report.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to NOTE the 2019 Air Quality Status Report and the response from DEFRA.

Background papers

Nil