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1	Strategic	Policy-level approach	Conduct a mapping exercise to identify whether relevant internal and external policies include reference to / use of air quality data	Suffolk Public Health and Communities – Wider Determinants team	Short and long term	Mapping exercise completed that enables a better understanding of where there are gaps and opportunities for further engagement around air quality	Not started	All	
2	Strategic	Policy-level approach	Suffolk Climate Emergency Plan (SCEP) – develop a mechanism to systematically include air quality data to strengthen relevant SCEP funding proposals	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Waste and Environment team	Short term	Development of a mechanism to systematically include air quality data in SCEP funding proposals	Not started	All	Suffolk Climate Emergency Plan
3	Strategic	Policy-level approach	Suffolk Local Transport Plan – determine the measures for air quality data to be included in the quantified carbon assessments for Department for Transport	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Transport Strategy team	Short and long term	Inclusion of air quality data in quantified carbon assessments	Ongoing	All	Suffolk Local Transport Plan
4	Strategic	Partnership working	Identify an appropriate lead for air quality within relevant county council directorates and in each of the district and borough councils so that opportunities to work in partnership are maximised Develop and initiate a systematic partnership engagement plan	Suffolk Public Health and Communities – Wider Determinants team	Short term	Appropriate lead(s) are identified for each organisation Systematic partnership engagement plan developed and initiated	Ongoing	All	West Suffolk Council Ipswich Borough Council East Suffolk Council Babergh and Mid Suffolk Council
5	Strategic	Behaviour change and communication	Develop and deliver a public engagement plan to raise awareness of the health impacts of air quality and how individuals can make choices that protect their health and the health of others from the effects of air pollution	Suffolk Public Health and Communities – Wider Determinants team	Short term	Development and delivery of public engagement plan	Ongoing	All	West Suffolk Council Ipswich Borough Council East Suffolk Council Babergh and Mid Suffolk Council

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6	Homes and Businesses	Carbon reduction	Warm Homes, Healthy People / Warm Homes Suffolk – enabling homes to become more energy efficient	Suffolk Retro-fit Team / Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Waste and Environment team Suffolk Public Health and Communities – Wider Determinants team	Short and long term	Number of homes receiving energy efficiency retrofit measures.	Ongoing	Prevent	Warm Homes, Healthy People / Warm Homes Suffolk
7	Homes and Businesses	Carbon reduction	Working with businesses – via the Suffolk Climate Change Partnership (SCCP) – to increase awareness of their impact on air quality	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Waste and Environment team	Short and long term	Businesses to engage in a range of energy-saving behaviours to reduce emissions.	Ongoing	Prevent	Suffolk Climate Change Partnership West Suffolk Council Clean Air Business Accreditation Scheme SCEP Carbon Charter
8	Homes and Businesses	Carbon reduction	Working with schools – via the Suffolk Climate Change Partnership (SCCP) – to increase awareness of their impact on air quality	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Environment Strategy Team	Short and long term	Schools to engage in a range of energy-saving behaviours to reduce emissions. Number of schools that have become Eco Schools	Ongoing	Prevent	Suffolk Climate Change Partnership SCEP
9	Transport	Traffic- and congestion-related emissions	Scope out evidence-based initiatives to reduce congestion-related transport emissions and improve air quality	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Transport Strategy team	Short term	Completion of scoping exercise	Ongoing	Prevent	Local Transport Plan
10	Transport	Traffic- and congestion-related emissions	Change SCC small fleet to EV by 2024	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Environment Strategy Team	Short and long term	% of SCC small fleet vehicles that are EV	Ongoing	Prevent	Local Transport Plan

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11	Transport	Traffic- and congestion-related emissions	Encourage businesses to change to Low Emission Delivery vehicles	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Behaviour Change Team (Transport Strategy Team)	Short and long term	Businesses to transition from fossil fuel freight to zero-emission vehicles	Ongoing	Prevent	SCEP Local Transport Plan Carbon Charter
12	Transport	Traffic- and congestion-related emissions	Scope out evidence-based initiatives to reduce congestion-related transport emissions and improve air quality	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Transport Strategy team	Short term	Completion of scoping exercise	Ongoing	Prevent	SCEP Local Transport Plan Carbon Charter
13	Transport	Traffic- and congestion-related emissions	Incentivise use of public transport (train, park and ride, bus)	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Passenger Transport team	Short and long term	Citizens who are able, to swap car journeys for public transport	Ongoing	Prevent	Suffolk Design Guide for Residential Areas SCEP Local Transport Plan District and borough council walking and cycling strategies East Suffolk Cycling and Walking Strategy
14	Transport	Sustainable and active travel	Incentivise other modes of transport (walking / cycling)	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Behaviour Change Team (Transport Strategy Team)	Short and long term	Citizens who are able, to swap car journeys for walking / cycling Citizens who are able, to swap car journeys for cycles / e-bikes	Ongoing	Prevent	Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils Sustainable and Active Travel Plans

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15	Transport	Sustainable and active travel	Modal Shift Accreditation – work with schools to encourage alternative modes of travel to school	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Behaviour Change Team (Transport Strategy Team)	Short and long term	Citizens who are able, to swap car journeys for walking / cycling Citizens who are able, to swap car journeys for cycles / e-bikes Citizens who are able, to swap car journeys for public transport Citizens who drive, to share car journeys	Ongoing	Prevent	SCEP Local Transport Plan
16	Transport	Traffic- and congestion-related emissions	Work with schools to improve air quality around schools	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Behaviour Change Team (Transport Strategy Team)	Short and long term	Improved air quality around schools	Ongoing	Prevent	Local Transport Plan West Suffolk Council Ipswich Borough Council East Suffolk Council Babergh and Mid Suffolk Council
17	Transport	Traffic- and congestion-related emissions	Review of travel associated with leisure time to identity potential opportunities to incentivise journeys / encourage behaviour change	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Transport Strategy team	Long term	Review exercise carried out and potential opportunities identified	Not started	Prevent	Local Transport Plan
18	Transport	Carbon reduction	Development of standard EV Charging Stations and Ultra-Rapid Charging Stations across the county	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Environment Strategy Team	Long term	Number of standard EV charging stations per head of Suffolk population Number of rapid EV charging stations per head of Suffolk population	Ongoing	Prevent	SCEP Local Transport Plan Suffolk Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Strategy

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19	Transport	Carbon reduction	Encouraging the public to switch to Low Emission Vehicles	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Environment Strategy Team	Short and long term	Citizens who own fossil fuel cars, to swap fossil fuel cars for electric Positive change in public perception of ability to charge EVs	Ongoing	Prevent	Local Transport Plan Suffolk Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Strategy
20	Transport	Sustainable and active travel	Assess whether Active Travel Plans are required and acceptable in any planning applications for new developments or variations to existing permissions, and request them where appropriate in consultation responses	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Transport Strategy team	Short and long term	Active Travel Plans are requested in consultation responses where appropriate	Ongoing	Prevent	SCEP Local Transport Plan
21	Transport	Sustainable and active travel	Utilise opportunities to embed Active Travel Plans in existing developments	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Behaviour Change Team (Transport Strategy Team)	Short and long term	Active Travel Plans are requested in existing developments as opportunities arise	Ongoing	Prevent	Local Transport Plan
22	Planning	Monitoring and enforcement	Managing and monitoring of developments determined by SCC (Minerals and Waste / Regulation 3 applications) to ensure that they comply with planning permissions	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Planning enforcement team	Short and long term	All reported incidents are investigated by monitoring and enforcement team.	Ongoing	All	Minerals and Waste Plan
23	Planning	Carbon reduction	Encouraging energy-efficient housing in new housing development applications	Suffolk Public Health and Communities – Wider Determinants team	Short and long term	Increase in availability of energy- efficient housing in new housing developments	Ongoing	Prevent	Suffolk Design Guide for Residential Areas Net Zero Carbon Toolkit WHO guidelines for indoor air quality

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24	Planning	Sustainable and active travel	Encouraging sustainable travel choices by highlighting relevant policies Highlight the need for sustainable travel through reference to local air quality data and AQMA's when commenting on local and neighbourhood plans	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Planning team	Short and long term	Local and neighbourhood plan policies include a focus on sustainable travel to help address air quality.	Ongoing	Mitigate	AQMA interactive map
25	Green infrastructure	Environmental and Green Space Management	To deliver Biodiversity Net Gain through planning applications	SCC Planning team / SCC Ecologist / SCC Landscape Officer	Short and long term	To increase biodiversity net gain by 10 percent on all projects	Ongoing	Mitigate	Minerals and Waste Plan Suffolk's Nature Strategy Flood Risk Management Strategy – Sustainable Drainage Systems
26	Green infrastructure	Environmental and Green Space Management	Explore the different options for incentives to using agricultural land to plant trees and hedgerows bordering highways	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure – Environment Strategy Team	Short and long term	Identification of available mechanisms / funding	Ongoing	Mitigate	Suffolk's Nature Strategy
27	Green infrastructure	Environmental and Green Space Management	Working with partners around projects to plant species-appropriate trees in urban spaces where they have the greatest value for air quality, particularly in areas where AQMAs have been declared	Growth, Highways and Infrastructure - Natural and Historic Environment Team	Short term	Increase in canopy cover in urban spaces	Not started	Mitigate	West Suffolk Council East Suffolk Council Ipswich Borough Council Babergh Mid Suffolk Greener Ipswich Green Suffolk – gardening for biodiversity