

# Appendix A

HNA Objective	Actions	Reporting Year 1,2,3	Partnership or Sub Group Allocation	Progress	Comments / Updates
<b>1. Leadership through the Air Quality and Health Partnership group</b>	<b>1.1A:</b> Bi-yearly impact report to the Staying Healthy Partnership (SHP) on priorities and progress and impact examples. Report by exception to the Leicestershire Health and Wellbeing Board.	1, 2, 3	AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	Year 1 has been approached slightly differently due to an opportunity arising from an SHP request for a focus on Healthy Placemaking as one of its two priority areas. A large, multi-agency event was requested in 2025 and successfully delivered in early 2026. This included updates and discussion on air quality priorities linked to the built environment (linked to actions 2.1A and 2.1B), alongside updates on wider air quality work. A progress report to the Health and Wellbeing Board providing an update on Healthy Placemaking and the Health in All Policies (HiAP) workstream is scheduled for June 2026; both areas cover air quality.  For Year 2, specific air quality impact reports will commence to the SHP.
	<b>1.2A:</b> Health in All Policies approach embedded within partnership member organisations, allowing routine consideration of air quality links to health within organisational activities.	1,2,3	AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	The Health in All Policies (HiAP) approach has continued at Leicestershire County Council (LCC) during Year 1, comprising of e-learning, delivered training sessions and completion of a 'health impacts e-form' covering health considerations within reports to Cabinet and Scrutiny Committees. This includes routine consideration of health impacts of a proposal including implications for air quality, supporting consistent and systematic decision-making. Building on the successful LCC implementation of HiAP, progress is being made towards wider system adoption, with two district councils now embedding the LCC HiAP approach within their organisations. This represents a shift from internal organisational embedding to wider, county-wide system influence, strengthening the routine consideration of air quality and health across partnership activity.
	<b>1.2B:</b> Members of the partnership to present on locally delivered projects/action on air quality and health (or that observed nationally), with information on evaluation and learning, as part of the membership meetings.	1,2,3	AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	Presentations and updates at Partnership and subgroup meetings have included locally delivered, data-led activity such as the School Streets programme and the development and use of air quality modelled data and dashboards to support decision-making and targeted work.  Subgroup discussions have also provided opportunities to share focused learning from work relating to transport and communities, children and families, data and mapping, and links between the built environment and air quality. These sessions have supported shared learning across partners, including discussion of data interpretation, practical delivery challenges, and emerging evaluation insights, strengthening collective understanding of what works locally and how this aligns with wider national learning.

	<p><b>1.3A:</b> Routine air quality considerations on LCC Cabinet reports, informed by AQ and Health HNA and Health Inequalities JSNA Chapter.</p>	1,2,3	AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	<p>Routine consideration of air quality and its links to health and inequalities continues to be embedded within LCC Cabinet reporting, supported through the HiAP approach (action 1.2A) and informed by the Air Quality and Health HNA and the Health Inequalities JSNA chapter.</p> <p>During the reporting period, air quality considerations have been reflected within Cabinet and Scrutiny reports associated with key policy and strategy development, including the Rights of Way Improvement Plan, the Rural Strategy, and the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan. These examples provide assurance that air quality and health evidence is being routinely considered in senior-level decision-making where proposals have implications for transport, the built environment, and population health outcomes.</p>
	<p><b>1.3D:</b> Specialist public health support and input around air quality impacts into wider partner strategies and programmes of work serving the growing population. Including: LLR ICB/NHS led strategies, district AQ action plans and ASRs.</p>	1,2,3	AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	<p>Public Health provides specialist input on air quality and associated health impacts to wider partner strategies and programmes. This includes routine input into district Air Quality Action Plans (AQAPs) and Annual Status Reports (ASRs) to ensure that population health considerations and current evidence are appropriately reflected. Public Health contributes to all district ASRs, which are reviewed for health accuracy and signed off by the Director of Public Health. Support has also been provided to the development of specific local strategies, including the Blaby Air Quality Action Plan and the Charnwood Air Quality Strategy and delivery plan in Year 1.</p> <p>This work is embedded within core Public Health functions, delivered on an ongoing basis, and is currently up to date and on track.</p>
<p><b>2. Routinely influence urban design and planning across Leicestershire to improve air quality</b></p>	<p><b>2.1A:</b> Routine specialist public health input into strategic spatial planning, including Local Plan development and applying strategic HIA to Local Plans.</p>	1,2,3	AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	<p>The Leicestershire Public Health team provides routine specialist input into strategic spatial planning processes, including Local Plan development and the application of strategic Health Impact Assessments (HIAs). In Year 1, the team conducted five strategic HIAs on emerging Local Plans, supporting the integration of health and wellbeing considerations at a strategic level. This proactive approach also links to actions within the Air Quality and Health Partnership Action Plan, including pilot work to strengthen healthy design principles on key strategic sites within the county (linked to actions in year 2).</p> <p>To further strengthen routine health and wellbeing considerations in planning processes and the effective use of HIAs, the Leicestershire Public Health team has also worked with the LCC Growth team and applicants on two Nationally Significant Infrastructure Programmes (NSIPs), providing specialist public health input at an early stage to support consideration of health impacts as part of scheme development. This work forms part of Public Health's core offer to planning and development processes and is ongoing, with activity currently up to date and on track.</p>

<b>2.1B:</b> Health Impact Assessment requirement included in Local Plans for planning applications	1,2,3	AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	The Leicestershire Public Health team has supported the inclusion of Health Impact Assessment (HIA) requirements within Local Plans to strengthen consideration of health and wellbeing impacts arising from planning applications. In Year 1, pilot work with planners in five district councils was undertaken to embed explicit HIA requirements within Local Plan policy. These policies signpost applicants to the Leicestershire Health Impact Assessment template, which includes specific requirements to consider the impact of development proposals on air quality, alongside wider health and wellbeing determinants. This work supports a more consistent and proportionate approach to the use of HIAs in planning decision-making and forms part of Public Health's routine contribution to strategic spatial planning. Activity is ongoing and on track.
<b>2.1D:</b> Public Health support to wider LCC departments throughout planning processes, including responses to formal planning based consultations.	1,2,3	AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	Public Health has provided specialist input and formal responses (which have included considerations on air quality and health) on a range of planning-related consultations over the last 12 months, supporting wider County Council departments and partner authorities. This includes Local Plans, the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) consultation, and the National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) Design and Placemaking consultation.
<b>2.2A:</b> Health theme fully embedded within adopted LTP4	1	AQ & Health Partnership	complete	"Enabling Health and Wellbeing" is one of the five core themes within the Local Transport Plan adopted on 22 November 2025. The strategic vision is:  "Delivering a safe, connected and integrated transport network which is resilient and well managed to support the ambitions and health of our growing communities, safeguards the environment, whilst delivering economic prosperity."  The foreword of the document was jointly signed by Lead Members for Health, Environment, Highways and Transport, and the document was taken to the Health and Wellbeing Board for comment as part of its development in 2024.
<b>2.2B:</b> Full Health Impact Assessment conducted on final LTP4	1	AQ & Health Partnership	complete	As part of LCC Health in All Policies programme.
<b>2.2C:</b> Full Health Impact Assessment conducted on Local Highway Design Guide	1	AQ & Health Partnership	complete	As part of LCC Health in All Policies programme
<b>2.2D:</b> Health Considerations carried out on EV Strategy	1	AQ & Health Partnership	complete	As part of LCC Health in All Policies programme
<b>2.2E:</b> Air Quality and health considerations made to NSIP programmes within the county	1,2,3	AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	The Leicestershire Public Health team works on an ongoing basis to ensure that Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) programmes within the county appropriately consider population health impacts related to air quality. This includes routine engagement, review of relevant evidence, and alignment with current policy and guidance to support the protection and improvement of health outcomes. These actions are embedded as part of Public Health's core work programme and are undertaken continuously throughout the year. Conversations around responses are held with internal and external partners linked to air quality. Progress is up to date and all activities are on track.

	<b>2.2F:</b> Air Quality and health considerations made within Strategic Growth Plan in the county, guided by mapping of key hotspots for health inequality mapped against proposed countywide strategic sites	1,2,3	Data, Mapping, Industry & Agriculture	in progress	SGP will, in time, be replaced by a Spatial Development Strategy (SDS) as introduced through the Planning and Infrastructure Act (2025). SDS is explicitly required to consider health of people and effect on health inequalities. We will now look to embed considerations into a draft document by year 3.  In the interim, the Public Health Team for Leicestershire has developed and submitted a proposal via the LLR Strategic Planning Group to add health data to a mapping tool to look at potential hot spots of health risk and growth, which will be explored in year 2.
	<b>2.2G:</b> Public Health responses provided to Minerals and Waste team on applications that may impact air quality and health (including applications related to quarries).	1,2,3	AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	Template and approach developed, agreed and used routinely.
<b>3. Align air quality and health work and objectives for the County</b>	<b>3.1A:</b> Routine application of health impacts e-form for LCC projects at development and initiation stage.	1,2,3	AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	In progress as part of LCC HiAP programme
<b>4. Increase active travel across the County</b>	<b>4.2A :</b> Input into Local Plans around requirements for consideration of active travel.	1,2,3	AQ & Health Partnership / Transport and Communities	in progress	The Leicestershire Public Health team has conducted five strategic Health Impact Assessments on emerging Local Plans within the county, working closely with Active Together to embed requirements and considerations relating to active travel. This has included a focus on creating supportive environments for physical activity across places to live, work, travel and play, alongside improved connectivity and access to high-quality green and blue spaces.
	<b>4.3A:</b> Prioritisation of active travel programmes such as Choose How You Move and School Streets programmes based on health need using data from the Leicestershire Health Inequalities JSNA, local areas of deprivation and areas with respiratory health challenges to ensure efforts are focused on the most in need groups and areas in the County.	1,2,3	Transport & Communities	in progress with risks identified	The Sustainable Travel team experienced challenges with engagement from some key schools identified through partnership work with Public Health. This will be revisited in Year 2, exploring links with other LCC teams and alternative routes to schools, while showcasing the benefits of engagement (with troubleshooting measures developed in Year 1).
<b>5. Improve air pollution communications to the public and stakeholders</b>	<b>5.1A:</b> Development of a clear and consistent communications approach to air quality and health across a range of communication channels to be delivered by all partnership members.	1,2,3	Transport & Communities/ Data, Mapping, Industry & Agriculture	in progress	The partnership worked in Year 1 to develop evidence for a clear and consistent approach to communicating air quality and health messages to key population groups. This was informed by analytical work focusing on county-wide mapping of air quality and health vulnerability. This shared evidence base supports consistent narratives across partners and enables proportionate, place-based communications to be delivered through appropriate channels. Partners have communicated when they are taking part in national or local campaigns, for other organisations to link with if this also aligns with their objectives.
	<b>5.2A:</b> Work with Children and Young People Respiratory Working Group to explore opportunities with the NHS to target messages to those most at risk or with health conditions	1,2,3	NHS-led Respiratory Working Group / Data, Mapping, Industry & Agriculture	in progress	Blaby PCN has expressed interest in working in partnership to use mapped, monitored data to inform clinical conversations. The Data and Mapping subgroup is exploring a joined-up approach across some initial districts to pilot this work and funding avenues.  Progress is also being made on using up-to-date health admissions-based data to help prioritise work and target interventions, through a project using hospital admissions data led by a Research and Insight Officer in the LCC Business Intelligence team.

<p><b>5.2B:</b> Oadby and Wigston work around Blaby Road area. Targeted programme of work communicating key messages around air quality contribution and risk with primary school.</p>	1	Transport & Communities	complete	<p>The Parklands Primary School project was completed in Year 1, with all interventions delivered and evaluation progressed as far as possible pending availability of hospital admissions data.</p> <p>Further projects will commence through the established multi-partner working group as this task and finish style approach was deemed a success.</p> <p>The Launde Primary School project will feature in Year 2 of the action plan (located on the A6 between Leicester and Market Harborough), with a Zephyr device installed at the school entrance to provide a visual indicator of air quality.</p>
<p><b>5.2C:</b> Ensure messages around air quality and impacts on health are intergrated into all training opportunities including HiAP and MECC training so that County Council, District and colleagues across the system have an understanding of and access to resources to enable conversations around air quality and health.</p>	1,2,3	AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	<p>Key messages on air quality and health are actively included within ongoing training opportunities, including Health in All Policies and Making Every Contact Count training, covering County Council, District and wider system colleagues. Progress is up to date and all activities are on track.</p>
<p><b>5.3A:</b> Work with Children and Young People Respiratory Working group to explore opportunities with the NHS to create key prevention or harm reduction messages. Aligned to CMO report recommendation on training of healthcare staff around health effects of air pollution, how to minimise these, and communicate with patients.</p>	1,2,3	NHS led Respiratory Working Group / AQ & Health Partnership	in progress	<p>Year 1 has focused on identifying opportunities through the Children and Young People Respiratory Working Group and understanding where opportunities lie, with delivery of prevention and harm-reduction messaging with NHS partners planned for Year 2, aligned to the Chief Medical Officer's recommendations.</p>
<p><b>5.3B:</b> Develop training and support content for front line staff to deliver messages around air quality to more vulnerable groups and areas as health part of Health in All Policies roll out. Content to be scoped, designed, delivered and evaluated.</p>	1,2,3	Transport & Communities / Data, Mapping, Industry & Agriculture	in progress	<p>Key messages on air quality and health are embedded within Health in All Policies training, strengthening understanding of air quality impacts in relation to vulnerable population groups and supporting consistent consideration of inequalities. A qualitative evaluation of the overall LCC HiAP programme was conducted in Year 1. A specific evaluation on air quality content and messaging will be built into future focused evaluations of LCC and District partners programmes.</p>

	<b>5.4A:</b> Group members to seek and report any funding opportunities to the partnership to consider joint bids for.	1,2,3	Transport & Communities/ Data, Mapping, Industry & Agriculture	in progress	<p>No joint bid opportunities have been sourced as appropriate for the Partnership; however, updates on funding and projects have been shared for multi-partner support and input. Examples outlined below:</p> <p>Updates have been provided to subgroups on funding received from Active Travel England. These supported improvements to crossings near schools to enhance safety and encourage walking, cycling, and scooting. Teams have been actively assessing priority areas agreed in partnership with other members.</p> <p>A county-wide behaviour change programme is underway and has been discussed at the Transport and Communities Subgroup. This includes the Set Pedal Go initiative for primary school children, offering bike skills training to those without access to bikes, followed by a loan scheme and progression into secondary schools.</p> <p>The Choose How You Move programme continues to engage schools, businesses, and community groups in promoting active travel, with updates provided at the Transport and Communities Subgroup. A newly launched Legacy Programme offers grants to community groups, districts, and parish councils for behaviour change initiatives. The scheme has been well received to date.</p>
<b>6. Target interventions in densely populated areas and vulnerable groups</b>	<b>6.2A:</b> Oadby and Wigston work around Blaby Road, targeted multi-intervention programme of work with primary school, with air quality monitoring.	1	Transport & Communities	complete	See action 5.2B
<b>7. Understand the impact of industry and agriculture on the air and potential action in these areas</b>	<b>7.1A:</b> Mapping of agricultural make up of the county, overlaid with health risk data to identify early priority areas for further work.	1	Data, Mapping, Industry & Agriculture	complete	<p>Findings have been presented to the overall Air Quality and Health Partnership and are now being used to guide the work of the Data, Mapping, Industry &amp; Agriculture Subgroup.</p> <p>Further work has been undertaken on agricultural mapping by the LCC business intelligence team with a finer breakdown of data. This was presented to the subgroup in April 2026 for consideration on next steps at the next Partnership meeting. This will form an updated action for reporting in Year 2.</p>
	<b>7.2A:</b> Mapping of key industry within the county, overlaid with health risk data to identify early priority areas for further work.	1	Data, Mapping, Industry & Agriculture	complete	<p>Findings have been presented to the overall Air Quality and Health Partnership and are now being used to guide the work of the Data, Mapping, Industry &amp; Agriculture Subgroup.</p> <p>Further work has been undertaken on industry by sector by the LCC business intelligence team. This was presented to the subgroup in April 2026 for consideration on next steps at the next Partnership meeting. This will form an updated action for reporting in Year 2.</p>