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Date: 12 July 2013

Dear Consultee

Consultation on options to improve local air quality management in England

1. I am writing to invite views on the best way to address shortcomings identified in Local Air Quality Management (LAQM) delivery in England.
2. The following documents may be found on Defra's website: www.gov.uk/defra
 - Consultation document
 - Impact Assessment
 - Consultee letter
 - List of consultees
3. We welcome your views and comments on the proposals.



Consultation Criteria

4. This consultation is in line with the Consultation Principles. This can be found at <http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/resource-library/consultation-principles-guidance>

Responses

5. Please use the Online Survey to respond to the consultation. This is now the preferred way for consultation responses to be received and analysed. If you experience problems in filling out the online survey you may email responses to: air.quality@defra.gsi.gov.uk.

Postal replies may be sent to: Sean O'Byrne, Area 2C, Nobel House, 17 Smith Square, London, SW1P 3JR
6. Responses should be received by **30 August 2013¹**.
7. If you do not want your response - including your name, contact details and any other personal information – to be publicly available, please say so clearly in writing when you send your response to the consultation. Please note, if your computer automatically includes a confidentiality disclaimer, that won't count as a confidentiality request.
8. Please explain why you need to keep details confidential. We will take your reasons into account if someone asks for this information under freedom of information

¹ Bearing in mind that August is a holiday month for many, late returns will be accepted into early September.

legislation. But, because of the law, we cannot promise that we will always be able to keep those details confidential.

9. We will summarise all responses and place this summary on our website at www.gov.uk/defra. This summary will include a list of names of organisations that responded but not people's personal names, addresses or other contact details.

10. If you have any comments or complaints about the consultation process, please address them to Defra Consultation Co-ordinator, Room 629, 9 Millbank, 17 Smith Square, London, Horseferry Road, London SW1P 3JR, or email consultation.coordinator@defra.gsi.gov.uk.

11. Thank you for your help in this matter. If you have any queries please contact us as above.

Yours Faithfully

Sean O'Byrne

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