

# Developing Data Analysis and Visualisation Tools within the SAQD

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### Air quality hits the news...



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The ruling represents a victory for campaigners who began legal action after the UK breached EU limits for nitrogen dioxide.



### **Cleaner Air for Scotland**

#### Vision: Scotland's air quality will be the best in Europe

Information is key to success

- Communicating the issues
- Increasing the level of ownership
- Developing appropriate actions
- Reporting successes and failures



# Integration in to the Air Quality in Scotland website

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SAQD Development Project:

- Build on the capacity developed within our Pilot Project
- Develop AQ data analysis and visualisation tools for the Air Quality in Scotland website
- Enhancements are aimed at:
  - Local Authorities to assist in their air quality duties (including additional requirements introduced through Cleaner Air for Scotland Strategy)
  - Providing appropriate information for the general public



## Our plan...

- To work with wider stakeholders, agencies and LAs
- To ensure that we delivered user requirements now and in to the future particularly with CAFS and heightened interest in air quality
- Link to wider databases TS national traffic database and SEPA's modeling database, Met office and SAQD
- Develop different levels of tools, looking at different usage of the data and reporting requirements

Public Interactive Tool Advanced Analysis Tool

Local Authority Modelling Tool

• Develop tools that are fully interactive...



#### What we have done...

- Data following datasets were identified to be used in the analysis tools:
  - Air Quality Monitoring Station Data
  - Met Office Data (wind speed, wind direction, air pressure and temperature)
  - Transport Scotland Data (Trunk Road Network)
  - Diffusion Tube Data
- The focus of tool development has been on the Advanced Analysis Tools and Public Interactive Tools
- Mocked-up webpages have been developed to form part of the Air Quality in Scotland website
- We are working with others to incorporate future datasets suitable for the SAQD



# **Stakeholder Engagement**

- Continual engagement with stakeholders...from requirement gathering through to development – this will continue towards the launch and beyond
- Local Authorities: stakeholder workshops at key milestones to develop the requirements and to demo the tools
- Other interested stakeholders: public stakeholder workshops, including the 2050 Climate Group, Centre for Sustainable Living and Practice, STEP
- Local Authority Working Group: regular meetings to help develop the tools through technical working groups



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#### Analysis Tools

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Transport Scotland - Air Quality

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Daily Air Quality Index & Health Advice

European Environment Commission database

Transport Scotland – NTDS

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**Public Interactive tool** 

This tool is aimed at the general public, providing analyses of local, regional and national air quality data.



This page contains links to various analytical tools designed to bring together air quality data with other

relevant data sources. These tools use interactive mapping functionalities that can retrieve and display



This application is aimed at providing a more analytical platform for reporting in air quality. This application is intended for local authorities to assist in more detailed air quality analysis.

#### Local Authority Modelling Tool



This application provides detailed spatial analysis of modelled air quality across low emission zones or specific city areas.

Open Air To be provided by contractor.

#### Link to Open air

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## Local Authority Reporting Tool Summary tables...

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### Local Authority Reporting Tool Trend analysis...





### Local Authority Reporting Tool Influence from local weather...



















































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#### Modelling tools are out for Peer Review



#### Some things to note...

- Transport Scotland data will not be visualised in the first release of the tools – due to delays in receiving this data but the method to bring in the data should be developed by launch
- The Public Interactive Tool will be released as a 'taster' – this is to recognise that more engagement should be undertaken with the 'general public' to better provide the information in these tools they are most interested in
- Diffusion Tube Data has been collated but will not be visualised in the first release of the tools

- work continues to standardise the format of the data to enable annual upload of this data for use within the tools



# Future Tools Local Authority diffusion tubes...





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## Future Tools National/Local transport data...





### What we still need to do...

- Data finalise the development of database datasets in database tools are going through test and will be available with 'real' data
- Tools finalise the Advanced Analysis Tools and Public Interactive Tool Advanced modelling tools have gone out to peer review, other tools are going through testing
- Web-pages have been developed will go live as Beta website until new contract is awarded
- Plan next phase of development after going live we will be reviewing what we have and what we need

#### **Proposed Launch – after May elections**



# Thanks...

