

DECISION-MAKER:	SCRUTINY PANEL – AIR QUALITY		
SUBJECT:	BUS COMPANIES: FIRST HAMPSHIRE AND GO SOUTH COAST		
DATE OF DECISION:	23 OCTOBER 2014		
REPORT OF:	ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE		
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY			
None			

BRIEF SUMMARY

For the third meeting of the Air Quality Inquiry the Panel will hear evidence from the two major bus companies operating in Southampton. Marc Reddy, Managing Director, First Hampshire and Andrew Wickham, Managing Director, Go South Coast (Blue Star and Uni Link buses) have been invited to present to the Panel actions being taken or that are planned to address air quality in Southampton.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (i) The Panel is recommended to consider the comments made by Marc Reddy, First Hampshire and Andrew Wickham, Go South Coast and use the information provided as evidence in the review.

REASON FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To enable the Panel to compile a file of evidence in order to formulate findings and recommendations at the end of the review process.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

2. None.

DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)

3. The results of the resident's survey undertaken for this Panel identified that respondents had concerns around the impact that buses have on air quality in Southampton.
4. First Hampshire and Go South Coast (Blue Star and Uni-Link) are responsible for operating approximately 98% of the bus networks across Southampton.
5. Andrew Wickham, Managing Director, Go South Coast and Marc Reddy, Managing Director, First Hampshire, Dorset & Berkshire have been invited to present to the Panel evidence around steps that have been taken to help improve air quality, outline initiatives they are working on to encourage more residents to use buses and other initiatives that in turn could help improve air quality in Southampton.

6. The guests invited to present information at the meeting will take questions from the Panel relating to the evidence provided. Copies of any presentations will be made available to the Panel.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Capital/Revenue

7. N/A

Property/Other

8. N/A.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:

9. The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.

Other Legal Implications:

10. None

POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS

11. None

KEY DECISION? No

WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	None directly as a result of this report
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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices

1.	None
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Documents In Members' Rooms

1.	None
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Equality Impact Assessment

Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) to be carried out.	No
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Other Background Documents

Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:

Title of Background Paper(s)	Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)
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1.	None	
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