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## **Annual Progress Report (APR)**

2024 Air Quality Annual Progress Report (APR) for East Dunbartonshire Council

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Local Air Quality Management

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# Executive Summary: Air Quality in Our Area

## Air Quality in East Dunbartonshire

This report is the 2024 Annual Progress Report undertaken in accordance with East Dunbartonshire Council's statutory obligation under the National Air Quality Strategy.

The report considers measured pollutant concentrations across East Dunbartonshire for the calendar year of 2023 and considers the potential for exceedances of the air quality objectives.

In East Dunbartonshire, the main pollutants of concern are NO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> and the source of pollutant is mainly due to the volume of traffic and congestion. Across East Dunbartonshire, traffic flows have returned to pre pandemic levels however, pollutant levels remain satisfactory.

East Dunbartonshire Council has four continuous automatic analysers; one in Bishopbriggs, one in Bearsden, one in Kirkintilloch and one in Milngavie. Pollutant levels can be viewed via the Council web page or Scottish Air Quality website.

All automatic monitoring stations reports NO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> compliance with both the annual and 24-hour AQS objectives continuing to be maintained.

During 2023, all passive monitoring locations were compliant with the NO<sub>2</sub> AQS objective of 40 µg/m<sup>3</sup>; all 30 sites reported a decrease in comparison to 2022. There were no site that reported a concentration within 10% of the annual mean NO<sub>2</sub> AQS objective of 40 µg/m<sup>3</sup> within East Dunbartonshire.

No diffusion tube monitoring sites reported an annual mean NO<sub>2</sub> concentration greater than 60µg/m<sup>3</sup>, therefore in accordance with LAQM.TG(22) it is therefore not likely that there have been any exceedances of the 1-hour NO<sub>2</sub> AQS objective in these areas. Additionally, the automatic monitoring stations located in East Dunbartonshire all reported concentrations below the 1-hour NO<sub>2</sub> AQS objective of 200 µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

## **Actions to Improve Air Quality**

East Dunbartonshire has a successful iBike programme operated in partnership with Sustrans Scotland. The iBike officers work intensely across local schools delivering practical lessons on active travel embedded within the school curriculum. This includes learning to cycle sessions, bike skills sessions, led rides, led walks, bike maintenance sessions, bike clubs etc. This encourages younger people to travel more actively, and evidence shows that iBike schools tend to have higher levels of active travel on average than non-iBike schools.

Numerous programmes of tree and wild flower planting have been undertaken throughout the Council area, as evidence suggests that a layering effect of hedgerow or shrubs; trees and meadows is effective in trapping airborne particulate matter.

The East Dunbartonshire Council AQMA in Bearsden was revoked in 2022, leaving only the Kirkintilloch Road AQMA at Bishopbriggs in place. The Kirkintilloch Road AQMA will remain in place despite no breaches having occurred for several years, primarily due to planned infrastructure and development changes over the coming years. The Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) for the Kirkintilloch Road AQMA is currently being updated, with the majority of measures having been achieved.

## **Local Priorities and Challenges**

Our priority in the coming year is to ensure the smooth running of our monitoring network to gain as accurate a picture as possible of air quality levels across East Dunbartonshire. Complaints concerning smoke and smell associated with wood burning stoves remain a challenge and have possibly been exacerbated due to the increase over recent years of people working from home and being more aware of what is going on in their neighbourhood. There has also been an increase in the number of complaints concerning bonfires, chimneys, fire pits and BBQs.

## **How to Get Involved**

Further information on air quality in East Dunbartonshire can be found on the Council website Pollution page. You can visit the Scottish Air Quality website <https://www.scottishairquality.scot/> and view live air quality data in East Dunbartonshire. You can register for text and email alerts when air quality is forecast to be poor for the day ahead and can visit the Education pages and involve your children and family – all on the same

link which also offers a free app for iPhone and Android for keeping you updated about air pollution in Scotland.

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# 1 Local Air Quality Management

This report provides an overview of air quality in East Dunbartonshire during 2023. It fulfils the requirements of Local Air Quality Management (LAQM) as set out in Part IV of the Environment Act (1995), as amended by the Environment Act (2021), and the relevant Policy and Technical Guidance documents.

The LAQM process places an obligation on all local authorities to regularly review and assess air quality in their areas, and to determine whether or not the air quality objectives are likely to be achieved. Where an exceedance is considered likely the local authority must declare an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) and prepare an Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) setting out the measures it intends to put in place in pursuit of the objectives. This Annual Progress Report (APR) summarises the work being undertaken by East Dunbartonshire to improve air quality and any progress that has been made.

**Table 1.1 – Summary of Air Quality Objectives in Scotland**

<b>Pollutant</b>	<b>Air Quality Objective Concentration</b>	<b>Air Quality Objective Measured as</b>	<b>Date to be Achieved by</b>
Nitrogen dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> )	200 µg/m <sup>3</sup> not to be exceeded more than 18 times a year	1-hour mean	31.12.2005
Nitrogen dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> )	40 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	Annual mean	31.12.2005
Particulate Matter (PM <sub>10</sub> )	50 µg/m <sup>3</sup> , not to be exceeded more than 7 times a year	24-hour mean	31.12.2010
Particulate Matter (PM <sub>10</sub> )	18 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	Annual mean	31.12.2010
Particulate Matter (PM <sub>2.5</sub> )	10 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	Annual mean	31.12.2021
Sulphur dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )	350 µg/m <sup>3</sup> , not to be exceeded more than 24 times a year	1-hour mean	31.12.2004
Sulphur dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )	125 µg/m <sup>3</sup> , not to be exceeded more than 3 times a year	24-hour mean	31.12.2004
Sulphur dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )	266 µg/m <sup>3</sup> , not to be exceeded more than 35 times a year	15-minute mean	31.12.2005
Benzene	3.25 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	Running annual mean	31.12.2010
1,3 Butadiene	2.25 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	Running annual mean	31.12.2003

<b>Pollutant</b>	<b>Air Quality Objective Concentration</b>	<b>Air Quality Objective Measured as</b>	<b>Date to be Achieved by</b>
Carbon Monoxide	10.0 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Running 8-Hour mean	31.12.2003

## **2 Actions to Improve Air Quality**

### **2.1 Air Quality Management Areas**

Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs) are declared when there is an exceedance or likely exceedance of an air quality objective. After declaration, the authority must prepare, publish and implement an Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) within the shortest possible time and no later than 12 months of the date of AQMA Designation Order. The AQAP must set out measures the local authority intends to put in place in pursuit of the objectives within the shortest possible time. Measures should be provided with milestones and a final date for completion. The action plan itself should have a timescale for completion and for revocation of the AQMA. Where measures to reduce air pollution may require a longer timescale an action plan shall be reviewed and republished within five years of initial publication and then five-yearly thereafter.

A summary of AQMAs declared by East Dunbartonshire Council can be found in Table 2.1. Further information related to declared or revoked AQMAs, including maps of AQMA boundaries are available online at [AQMA webpage](#).

**Table 2.1 – Declared Air Quality Management Areas**

<b>AQMA Name</b>	<b>Pollutants and Air Quality Objectives</b>	<b>City / Town</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Action Plan</b>
Kirkintilloch Road AQMA	NO <sub>2</sub> Annual Mean PM <sub>10</sub> Annual Mean	Bishopbriggs	The designated area incorporates a 60metre wide corridor along the A803 Kirkintilloch Road, Bishopbriggs bordered on the South by the Council's boundary with Glasgow City and by a line 30 metres to the North of Cadder Roundabout.	The Bishopbriggs Air Quality Action Plan is outdated, and an update is due shortly. The majority of previously identified measures have been achieved and objective levels met.

## 2.2 Cleaner Air for Scotland 2

[Cleaner Air for Scotland 2 – Towards a Better Place for Everyone \(CAFS2\)](#) is Scotland's second air quality strategy. CAFS2 sets out how the Scottish Government and its partner organisations propose to further reduce air pollution to protect human health and fulfil Scotland's legal responsibilities over the period 2021 – 2026. CAFS2 was published in July 2021 and replaces [Cleaner Air for Scotland – The Road to a Healthier Future \(CAFS\)](#), which was published in 2015. CAFS2 aims to achieve the ambitious vision for Scotland "to have the best air quality in Europe". A series of actions across a range of policy areas are outlined, a summary of which is available on the Scottish Government's website.

Progress by East Dunbartonshire Council against relevant actions for which local authorities are the lead delivery bodies within this strategy is demonstrated below.

### 2.2.1 Placemaking – Plans and Policies

Local authorities with support from the Scottish Government will assess how effectively air quality is embedded in plans, policies, City Deals and other initiatives, and more generally in cross departmental working, identifying and addressing evidence, skills, awareness and operational gaps.

Air Quality is embedded in the East Dunbartonshire Council Local Development Plan with specific policy on addressing air quality through planning applications and accompanying Air Quality Planning Guidance. The Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) process also includes the East Dunbartonshire Council LAQM Annual Progress Report 2023 assessment of impact on air quality. SEA Officers assess every Council plan and policy, and air quality impact assessment is part of the process.

### **2.2.2 Transport – Low Emission Zones**

Local authorities working with Transport Scotland and SEPA will look at opportunities to promote zero-carbon city centres within the existing Low Emission Zones (LEZs) structure.

Local authorities working with Transport Scotland and SEPA will look at opportunities to promote zero-carbon city centres within the existing LEZs structure.

East Dunbartonshire Council has no LEZs established within the Local Authority area. East Dunbartonshire Council decided to take no further action at this stage on introducing LEZs as there are currently no exceedances of any of the air quality objectives across the East Dunbartonshire area.

### **2.2.3 Other Monitoring Activities**

Two mobile air quality “Zephyr” monitoring systems were deployed during 2023 to gather data in the Bishopbriggs and Lenzie areas. One was deployed to monitor air quality in response to a complaint, while the second was deployed to monitor air quality in the vicinity of Bishopbriggs Academy.

To date both monitors have indicated no significant air quality concerns at either location, the monitors are likely to be moved to alternative monitoring locations in 2024.

## **2.3 Implementation of Air Quality Action Plan(s) and/or measures to address air quality**

The Bishopbriggs Air Quality Action Plan (2009) is outdated and is currently being reviewed. While the air quality in the Kirkintilloch Road AQMA has been compliant with all legal objectives since 2013, significant proposed changes to infrastructure along the A803

corridor may alter or disrupt the validity of air quality monitoring in the area over the coming years. As a result, the AQMA will be retained at least until works are completed, which is expected by 2027.

There are a number of other Council policies that impact significantly upon improving air quality throughout East Dunbartonshire, including the newly adopted [Local Development Plan](#), [Active Travel Strategy](#), [Local Transport Strategy](#) and forthcoming [Climate Action Plan](#).



Table 2.2 – Progress on Measures to Improve Air Quality

Measure No.	Measure	Category	Expected/Actual Completion year	Measure Status	Funding Status	Key Milestones	Progress	Barriers to implementation
1	Maintain contact with Scottish Govt re adoption of national air quality measures	Policy guidance and development control	Ongoing	In progress	Annual funding via Scottish Government LAQM Grant	National objectives met for air quality throughout East Dunbartonshire	NO <sub>2</sub> , PM <sub>10</sub> and PM <sub>2.5</sub> . monitored at all four sites	-
2	Promote air quality with planning and transport strategies and other Council Plans	Policy guidance and development control	Ongoing	In progress	Partially funded via developer contributions	Local development plan LDP2 was adopted November 2022 .  Local Transport Strategy 2020-2025 is in effect.	LDP2 in place.  Early preparation work being undertaken for LDP3.  <a href="#">Local Development Plan 2   East Dunbartonshire Council</a>  The Active Travel Strategy 2023-2030 aims to accelerate the modal shift towards zero-carbon travel. <a href="#">Active Travel Strategy 2023-30: Evidence Summary and Approach   East Dunbartonshire Council</a>  Local Transport Strategy 2020-2025 in place	-

							<a href="#">Local Transport Strategy   East Dunbartonshire Council</a>	
3	Intelligent traffic management systems	Traffic Management	2027	In progress	<p>A803 Fully funded via City Deal</p> <p>A81 - Partially funded via developer contributions</p>	<p>Work on Mova 8 in Bearsden complete in 2018</p> <p>A81 - Partially funded via developer contributions</p>	<p>Work on Canniesburn Toll Improvement Project in progress, providing signals on the junction to improve traffic flow and enhanced pedestrian and cycling options.</p> <p><a href="#">Canniesburn Toll Improvement Project   East Dunbartonshire Council</a></p> <p>Westerhill Development Road has progressed with the preferred design option now being confirmed. <a href="#">Westerhill Development Road   East Dunbartonshire Council</a> This new road will provide an alternative route and divert traffic away from</p>	<p>City deal projects subject to funding being available following submission of business cases to Glasgow City Region</p>

							<p>the AQMA in Bishopbriggs.</p> <p>Additional traffic management systems may be implemented as part of further improvement works on A803 corridor at the Kirkintilloch Road AQMA. Consultations on the potential alterations are underway.</p> <p><a href="#">City Deal Latest News   East Dunbartonshire Council</a></p>	
4	Parking Controls	Traffic Management	Ongoing	In progress	Not externally funded	-	<p>Charges introduced in council car parks throughout Kirkintilloch, Bishopbriggs, Bearsden and Milngavie.</p>	-
5	Mitigation of emissions from developments within and around the AQMA	Policy guidance and development control	Ongoing	In progress	Partially funded via developer contributions.	Air quality objectives met within AQMA	<p>Regular review and updating of LDP and LTS takes account of policies consistent with air quality objectives. Mitigation includes active, sustainable travel measures.</p>	<p>Significant future development in close proximity to Kirkintilloch Road AQMA as part of City Deal funding requires monitoring to ensure continued compliance with air quality objectives</p>

							Included as planning condition as part of application consultation process	
6	Air quality planning guidance	Policy guidance and development control	Ongoing	In progress	Partially funded via developer contributions	-	Air quality planning guidance adopted 2018 and updated 2022 <a href="#">Planning Guidance   East Dunbartonshire Council</a>	-
7	Fleet waste collection	Vehicle fleet efficiency	Completed 2016	Completed	Not funded	-	Fortnightly fleet waste collection as standard reduces overall vehicle emissions. Introduced in 2016.  New proposals are in place to further reduce frequency of collections to three weekly, resulting in fewer refuse collection vehicles being required and less overall mileage for those remaining.	Any reduction in waste collection frequency is likely to meet stiff opposition from residents.
8	Council fleet replacement programme	Vehicle fleet efficiency	Ongoing	In progress	Not funded	-	14 new electric vehicles purchased in 2023 to replace leased vehicles. Overall numbers have reduced	Lack of electric vehicle charging points limits uptake and fleet is currently near capacity.

							slightly from 37 to 31 due to several leased vehicles not having been replaced.	Emphasis on providing improved charging infrastructure continues. Fleet replacement programme aims to reduce fleet size while maximising capacity
9	Environmental fleet recognition scheme	Vehicle fleet efficiency	Ongoing	In progress	Partially funded by annual Scottish Government Grant	Funding is in place for 2024/2025	EDC Fleet last assessed at 4* in 2020. Reassessment due 2024  Approx. 235 members overall of the EDC scheme with 7651 vehicles.  Funding used to progress scheme within EDC.	Further uptake by private companies required to expand the network. Work is ongoing to promote the scheme throughout the Council area.
10	Vehicle idling enforcement	Promoting low emission transport	Ongoing	In progress	Partially funded by Annual Scottish Government Vehicle Emissions Grant	-	Funding used to carry out regular patrols around schools at drop off and pick-up times, particularly in winter months, and to conduct awareness raising campaigns in local media to promote drivers to switch off their engines while parked.	Scottish Government guidance remains that drivers be asked to switch off engines, with enforcement only being taken where the driver refuses to do so.  No fixed penalties issued to date as policy of education is adhered to

							Individual complaints of idling vehicles responded to where possible.	
11	Management of biomass installations	Promoting low emission plants	Ongoing	In progress	Not funded	-	<p>No biomass being used in new EDC assets. All Council new-build now using CHP and/or air source heat pumps.</p> <p>All planning applications involving biomass/ wood burning appliances have an appropriate informative added to ensure appropriate appliances and/or fuels are used.</p> <p>New regulations prohibit installation of biomass appliances in most new build developments.</p> <p>Reactive investigation work undertaken in response to complaints</p>	Many installations do not currently require planning permission

<p>12</p>	<p>Quality bus/bike partnerships</p>	<p>Alternatives to private vehicle use</p>	<p>2027</p>	<p>In progress</p>	<p>Externally funded by Transport Scotland</p>	<p>Core paths in Bearsden upgraded 2017/18</p>	<p>. New links created to provide traffic free link to bus stop on Drymen Road and Bearsden Academy</p> <p>Cycle and walking routes will be developed where possible. Further upgrades to core paths in Bearsden due in 2024/25</p> <p>Active Travel Strategy 2023 - 2030 will introduce new projects across the authority area with increased opportunities for active travel.</p>	<p>-</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>Council smart working</p>	<p>Alternatives to private vehicle use</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>In progress</p>	<p>No funding</p>	<p>Reduced emissions from private vehicles used to attend place of work.</p>	<p>Reduced emissions from private vehicles used to attend place of work and reduced requirement for travel outwith Council area.</p>	<p>-</p>

							Flexible working policy supports home working where appropriate.	
14	Green travel planning	Alternatives to private vehicle use	Ongoing	In progress	Not currently funded	Pool bike training for staff successfully reintroduced during 2023	<p>Pool bikes have been available for staff use for several years to facilitate workplace travel between Council offices and leisure use by staff, however there has been a reduction in staff movement over recent years due to working from home.</p> <p>In 2023, a new initiative was launched to provide training for staff to use pool bikes and this has seen some success, with further training sessions arranged during 2024.</p>	The use of pool bikes fell to almost zero post pandemic. The predominance of staff working from home and altered habits are likely to blame.
15	School travel plans	Alternatives to private vehicle use	Ongoing	In progress	Fully funded by Paths for All in 2023	-	All new build schools within EDC include travel plans as standard	Existing schools require to implement travel plans at local level. Support is given where possible to implement these.



16	Air quality awareness raising and education	Public Information	Ongoing	In Progress	Partially funded Annual funding by Scottish Government LAQM and Emissions Grants	-	Various public awareness projects already undertaken, including radio adverts and internet advertising.  Air quality projects in schools being promoted as part of science and maths curriculum	-
17	Travel plans for large employers	Alternatives to private vehicle use	Ongoing	In Progress	Not funded	-	Strategic development and regeneration team ensure all relevant commercial planning applications have travel plan conditions applied in accordance with current best practice	-
18	Council pool cars – priority spaces and car sharing	Vehicle fleet efficiency	Ongoing	In progress	Not funded	-	Priority spaces designated for pool cars at all Council buildings  Car sharing promoted internally, however uptake has diminished post-pandemic	Low uptake of car sharing initiatives post pandemic.

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19	Vehicle tracking and telematics	Vehicle fleet efficiency	Completed 2022	Completed	Not funded	100% of EDC fleet now fitted with tracking.	Master naught vehicle tracking installed in all fleet and pool vehicles	-
20	Improvements to SPT prioritised bus stops	Promoting travel alternatives	Ongoing	In progress	No funding	Real Time Passenger Information units installed at 18 bus stops in Bearsden and Bishopbriggs	The process of improving SPT bus stops will continue as required and as funding allows	SPT funding has now ceased, with no future funding expected.
21	Soft measures – Healthy Habits	Promoting travel alternatives	Ongoing	In progress	Fully funded by Paths for all & Transport Scotland in 2023	-	The Healthy Habits project is ongoing with new initiatives continually developed to encourage local people to walk and cycle more often	Paths for All funding ceased, no future funding expected
22	Domestic emissions and fuel consumption awareness raising	Domestic solid fuel burning	Ongoing	In progress	Partial funding via Local Education Improvement Programme	-	Support for awareness raising of energy efficient measures by Scottish and UK government	-
23	Tree and wild flower planting	Public Information	Ongoing	In progress	Partial funding via Buglife – the Invertebrate Conservation Trust	Over 36,000 m <sup>2</sup> of wildflower meadow planting, and over 3,500 trees planted	Trees, shrubs and wildflower meadows planted where possible to improve air quality and trap particulate matter.	-
24	Joint health improvement plan	Public Information	Ongoing	In progress	Not funded	-	The Local Outcomes Improvement Plan aims for the council and the Health & Social Care Partnership to work with local communities and residents in a joint effort to improve	-

							health, address health inequalities and increase awareness of active travel to help mitigate the impact of poor physical and mental health and air quality related health effects on the NHS. <a href="https://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/sites/default/files/documents/local_outcomes_improvement_plan_2017-27.pdf">https://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/sites/default/files/documents/local_outcomes_improvement_plan_2017-27.pdf</a>	
25	Green Infrastructure	Public Information	Ongoing	In progress	Partially funded via developer contributions	-	LDP Supplementary Guidance on Green Infrastructure and Green Network is available online.  <a href="#">Green Infrastructure and Green Network 2023   East Dunbartonshire Council</a>	-
26	Taxi Licensing	Promoting low emission transport	Ongoing	In progress	Not funded	-	Frequency of testing increased to twice a year for older vehicles.	-

## **3 Air Quality Monitoring Data and Comparison with Air Quality Objectives**

### **3.1 Summary of Monitoring Undertaken**

#### **3.1.1 Automatic Monitoring Sites**

This section sets out what monitoring has taken place and how local concentrations of the main air pollutants compare with the objectives.

East Dunbartonshire Council undertook automatic (continuous) monitoring at 4 sites during 2023. Table A.1 in Appendix A shows the details of the sites. National monitoring results are available on [UKAir](#).

A major equipment failure at the Bearsden monitoring site resulted in a lack of NO<sub>2</sub> data in the latter part of 2023. Funding to facilitate replacement of this equipment has subsequently been granted by the Scottish Government in 2024. In addition, further mechanical failures at several sites over the course of 2023 have resulted in data annualisation being required.

Maps showing the location of the monitoring sites are provided in Appendix D: Maps Showing the Location of Monitoring Sites. Further details on how the monitors are calibrated and how the data has been adjusted are included in Appendix C.

#### **3.1.2 Non-Automatic Monitoring Sites**

East Dunbartonshire undertook non-automatic (passive) monitoring of NO<sub>2</sub> at 30 sites during 2023, including at four triplicate locations. Table A.2 in Appendix A shows the details of the sites.

Maps showing the location of the monitoring sites are provided in Appendix D: Maps Showing the Location of Monitoring Sites. Further details on Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) and bias adjustment for the diffusion tubes are included in Appendix C.

## 3.2 Individual Pollutants

The air quality monitoring results presented in this section are, where relevant, adjusted for annualisation and bias. Further details on adjustments are provided in Appendix C.

### 3.2.1 Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>)

Table A.3 in Appendix A compares the ratified monitored NO<sub>2</sub> annual mean concentrations for the past five years with the air quality objective of 40 µg/m<sup>3</sup> at automatic monitoring sites.

Table A.4 in Appendix A compares the adjusted monitored NO<sub>2</sub> annual mean concentrations for the past five years with the air quality objective of 40 µg/m<sup>3</sup> at non automatic monitoring sites.

For diffusion tubes, the full 2023 dataset of monthly mean values is provided in Appendix B.

The automatic monitoring stations located in East Dunbartonshire continues to report compliance with the annual mean NO<sub>2</sub> AQS objective.

During 2023 there were no exceedances of the NO<sub>2</sub> AQS objective, with all passive monitoring sites recording concentrations well below the objective. From 2022 to 2023, all 30 sites reported decreases in NO<sub>2</sub>. The maximum NO<sub>2</sub> annual mean concentration in 2023 was 18.9 µg/m<sup>3</sup>, reported at Bearsden 17 which is located along the A81 in Bearsden.

There are no passive monitoring sites where the NO<sub>2</sub> annual mean is greater than 60 µg/m<sup>3</sup>, therefore in accordance with Defra LAQM.TG(22) there are no sites likely to be at risk of exceeding the 1-hour mean AQS objective.

Data capture at one automatic monitoring stations (EDB4) in 2023 had a data capture between 25% and 75%, annualisation was carried out in accordance with LAQM.TG(22), as shown in Table C.2.

The Kirkintilloch Road AQMA continues to report compliance from last year and has maintained 5 years of full compliance. While the air quality in the Kirkintilloch Road AQMA has been compliant with all legal objectives since 2013, significant proposed changes to infrastructure along the A803 corridor may alter or disrupt the validity of air quality monitoring in the area over the coming years. As a result, the AQMA will be retained at least until works are completed, which is expected by 2027.

Table A.5 in Appendix A compares the ratified continuous monitored NO<sub>2</sub> hourly mean concentrations for the past five years with the air quality objective of 200µg/m<sup>3</sup>, not to be exceeded more than 18 times per year

### **3.2.2 Particulate Matter (PM<sub>10</sub>)**

Table A.6 in Appendix A compares the ratified and adjusted monitored PM<sub>10</sub> annual mean concentrations for the past five years with the air quality objective of 18µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Table A.7 in Appendix A compares the ratified continuous monitored PM<sub>10</sub> daily mean concentrations for the past five years with the air quality objective of 50µg/m<sup>3</sup>, not to be exceeded more than seven times per year.

During 2023, all automatic monitoring sites recorded PM<sub>10</sub> concentrations well below the 40 µg/m<sup>3</sup> PM<sub>10</sub> AQS objective. There are minor increases and reductions at all monitors since 2022, with an average decrease of 4%. Overall, the annual mean concentration remains relatively stable and consistent over the last five years.

There were no 24-hour mean concentrations in excess of 50µg/m<sup>3</sup> in 2023, therefore compliance to the 24-hour AQS objective.

Data capture at two automatic monitoring stations (EDB1 and EDB2) in 2023 had a data capture between 25% and 75%, annualisation was carried out in accordance with LAQM.TG(22), as shown in Table C.3

### **3.2.3 Particulate Matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>)**

Table A.8 in Appendix A compares the ratified and adjusted monitored PM<sub>2.5</sub> annual mean concentrations for the past five years with the air quality objective of 10µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

During 2023 all automatic monitoring sites recorded PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations well below the PM<sub>2.5</sub> AQS target. Out of the four monitoring sites, three recorded minor decreases and one reporting a minor increase. Overall, the annual mean concentrations remains relatively stable and consistent over the last five years.

Data capture at two automatic monitoring stations (EDB1 and EDB2) in 2023 had a data capture between 25% and 75%, annualisation was carried out in accordance with LAQM.TG(22), as shown in Table C.4.

## 4 New Local Developments

East Dunbartonshire Council requests a full air quality impact assessment in line with the East Dunbartonshire Air Quality Planning Guidance where it is considered the application may affect air quality. This also applies to all East Dunbartonshire Council Projects.

### 4.1 Road Traffic Sources

The following new roads and junctions were identified by East Dunbartonshire Council in 2023:

#### ***Roads***

- Kessington Farm Way, Bearsden
- Templehill View, Bearsden
- Crief Avenue, Bearsden.

All of the above roads serve recently constructed housing developments.

#### ***Junction***

- Kessington Farm Way, Bearsden at Inveroran Drive
- Crief Ave, Bearsden at Birnam Crescent

### 4.2 Other Transport Sources

No new sources of emissions relating to transport were identified by East Dunbartonshire Council in 2023.

### 4.3 Industrial Sources

No new industrial sources were identified by East Dunbartonshire Council in 2023.

### 4.4 Commercial and Domestic Sources

No new commercial or domestic sources were identified by East Dunbartonshire Council in 2023.



## **4.5 New Developments with Fugitive or Uncontrolled Sources**

No new sites were identified by East Dunbartonshire Council in 2023.

## 5 Planning Applications

East Dunbartonshire Council requests a full air quality impact assessment in line with the East Dunbartonshire Air Quality Planning Guidance and where it is considered the application may affect air quality.

No major development that would have significant bearing upon air quality were brought forward in 2023, however several developments of interest are ongoing and progressing towards completion including:

- Ongoing development of housing (TP/ED/19/0816) and retail food store (TP/ED/19/0186) in Bishopbriggs.
- Residential housing sites at Fauldhead (TP/ED/21/0365) and Chryston Road (TP/ED/21/0366).
- Retail foodstore (TP/ED/21/0465) at Woodilee Road, Lenzie.
- Subdivision of B&Q to form four retail units (TP/ED/22/0114) at Strathkelvin Retail Park, Bishopbriggs.
- Crematorium (TP/ED/17/0865) at Crosshill Road, Bishopbriggs.

There were 29 planning applications concerning domestic properties which included the installation of wood burning stoves.

## 6 Conclusions and Proposed Actions

### 6.1 Conclusions from New Monitoring Data

The passive NO<sub>2</sub> monitoring data from 2023 shows that concentrations at all 30 monitoring locations decreased from 2022 levels, with an average decrease of 22.2%.

Monitored NO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations at all automatic monitoring stations continue to report annual means well below the AQS annual mean objectives for NO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>. In regard to the short term AQS objective for NO<sub>2</sub>, in which the 200µg/m<sup>3</sup> must not be exceeded more than 18 times/year, and the PM<sub>10</sub> AQS objective whereby there should be no more than 35 24-hour mean concentrations greater than 50µg/m<sup>3</sup>, there were no exceedances reported in both pollutants in 2023.

### 6.2 Conclusions relating to New Local Developments

Ongoing implementation and development of local strategies, as detailed in Table 2.2, will continue to assist in reducing pollutant concentrations and emissions. The Council also continues to request air quality assessments for new planning applications where relevant, to ensure that there is no significant degradation of air quality or that no new sensitive receptors are being introduced into areas of existing poor air quality.

### 6.3 Proposed Actions

East Dunbartonshire Council will continue to actively monitor NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations, reviewing the diffusion tube network where necessary.

It is not the intention to revoke the Kirkintilloch Road AQMA at this stage due to the extensive proposed redevelopment of Bishopbriggs in line with City Deal funding including an aspiration to complete phase 5 of the Bishopbriggs Relief Road (now referred to as Westerhill Development Road). It is anticipated that during construction over several years, local air quality data may be unreliable.

Implementation of the Action Plan measures where funding allows. The next Annual Progress Report will be submitted in 2025.

## Appendix A: Monitoring Results

**Table A.1 – Details of Automatic Monitoring Sites**

Site ID	Site Name	Site Type	X OS Grid Ref	Y OS Grid Ref	Pollutants Monitored	In AQMA? Which AQMA?	Monitoring Technique	Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) <sup>(1)</sup>	Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) <sup>(2)</sup>	Inlet Height (m)
EDB1	Bishopbriggs	Roadside	260995	670130	NO <sub>2</sub> , PM <sub>10</sub> and PM <sub>2.5</sub>	Yes – AQMA 1	Chemiluminescent; FIDAS	5.0	2.0	2.0
EDB2	Bearsden	Kerbside	254269	672067	NO <sub>2</sub> , PM <sub>10</sub> and PM <sub>2.5</sub>	No	Chemiluminescent; FIDAS	<2.0	1.0	2.0
EDB3	Kirkintilloch	Kerbside	265675	673516	NO <sub>2</sub> , PM <sub>10</sub> and PM <sub>2.5</sub>	No	Chemiluminescent; FIDAS	<2.0	1.0	3
EDB4	Milngavie	Roadside	255328	674115	NO <sub>2</sub> , PM <sub>10</sub> and PM <sub>2.5</sub>	No	Chemiluminescent; FIDAS	<40m	1.0	3

**Notes:**

(1) 0m if the monitoring site is at a location of exposure (e.g. installed on the façade of a residential property).

(2) N/A if not applicable.

Table A.2 – Details of Non-Automatic Monitoring Sites

Site ID	Site Name	Site Type	X OS Grid Ref	Y OS Grid Ref	Pollutants Monitored	In AQMA? Which AQMA?	Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) <sup>(1)</sup>	Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) <sup>(2)</sup>	Tube co-located with a Continuous Analyser?	Tube Height (m)
1	Bishopbriggs 6	Roadside	261016	670198	NO <sub>2</sub>	Yes – Bishopbriggs	2.0	2.0	No	2.5
2	Bishopbriggs 13	Roadside	260549	669312	NO <sub>2</sub>	Yes – Bishopbriggs	5.0	2.0	No	2.4
3	Bishopbriggs 14	Roadside	260995	670130	NO <sub>2</sub>	Yes – Bishopbriggs	42.0	2.0	Yes	1.8
4	Bishopbriggs 14 B	Roadside	260995	670130	NO <sub>2</sub>	Yes – Bishopbriggs	42.0	2.0	Yes	1.8
5	Bishopbriggs 14 C	Roadside	260995	670130	NO <sub>2</sub>	Yes – Bishopbriggs	42.0	2.0	Yes	1.8
6	Kirkintilloch 15	Roadside	265641	673497	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	2.0	2.0	No	2.8
7	Kirkintilloch 16	Roadside	265697	673524	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	3.0	2.0	No	2.4
8	Kirkintilloch 17	Kerbside	265675	673516	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	3.0	1.0	Yes	1.9
9	Kirkintilloch 17 B	Kerbside	265675	673516	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	3.0	1.0	Yes	1.9
10	Kirkintilloch 17 C	Kerbside	265675	673516	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	3.0	1.0	Yes	1.9
11	Bearsden 1 (118 Drymen Rd)	Roadside	254218	672193	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	3.0	2.0	No	2.4
12	Bearsden 3 (5 Ravelston Rd)	Urban Background	254655	670158	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	8.0	5.0	No	2.4
15	Bearsden 8	Roadside	254275	672047	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	18.0	2.0	No	1.8
16	Bearsden 9	Roadside	254751	670621	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	30.0	2.0	No	1.8
19	Bearsden 14	Roadside	254877	671000	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	8.0	2.0	No	2.4
20	Bearsden 15	Roadside	254898	671023	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	2.0	2.0	No	2.5
21	Bearsden 16	Kerbside	254269	672067	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	2.0	1.0	Yes	1.8
22	Bearsden 16 B	Kerbside	254269	672067	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	2.0	1.0	Yes	1.8
23	Bearsden 16 C	Kerbside	254269	672067	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	2.0	1.0	Yes	1.8
24	Milngavie 4	Roadside	255728	674486	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	5.0	2.0	No	2.6
26	Milngavie 9	Urban Background	255331	674214	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	7.0	2.0	No	2.4

Site ID	Site Name	Site Type	X OS Grid Ref	Y OS Grid Ref	Pollutants Monitored	In AQMA? Which AQMA?	Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) <sup>(1)</sup>	Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) <sup>(2)</sup>	Tube co-located with a Continuous Analyser?	Tube Height (m)
27	Milngavie 10	Roadside	255329	674114	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	40.0	1.0	Yes	2.0
28	Milngavie 10 B	Roadside	255329	674114	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	40.0	1.0	Yes	2.0
29	Milngavie 10 C	Roadside	255329	674114	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	40.0	1.0	Yes	2.0
30	Bishopbriggs 16	Roadside	260580	669533	NO <sub>2</sub>	Yes – Bishopbriggs	2.0	2.0	No	2.4
31	Bishopbriggs 17	Roadside	260552	669320	NO <sub>2</sub>	Yes – Bishopbriggs	2.0	2.0	No	2.0
32	Bearsden 17	Roadside	254258	672077	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	2.0	2.0	No	2.6
33	Bearsden 18	Roadside	254275	672069	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	2.0	2.0	No	2.4
34	Kirkintilloch 18	Kerbside	265674	673521	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	2.0	2.0	No	2.4
35	Bishopbriggs 21	Roadside	261033	669650	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	6.0	2.0	No	2.2
36	Bishopbriggs 22	Roadside	260571	669339	NO <sub>2</sub>	Yes – Bishopbriggs	5.0	2.0	No	2.3
37	Bishopbriggs 23	Roadside	260759	669999	NO <sub>2</sub>	Yes – Bishopbriggs	5.0	2.0	No	2.2
39	Bishopbriggs 25	Urban Background	260617	670338	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	6.0	2.0	No	2.4
40	Kirkintilloch 19	Roadside	265602	673583	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	2.0	2.0	No	2.5
44	Bearsden 19	Roadside	255403	673236	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	5.0	2.0	No	2.2
48	Bishopbriggs 26	Roadside	262112	670517	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	3.0	1.0	No	2.4
49	Bishopbriggs 30	Roadside	262398	669436	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	3.0	1.0	No	2.4
50	Milngavie 13	Roadside	255183	674409	NO <sub>2</sub>	No	3.0	1.0	No	2.4

**Notes:**

(1) 0m if the monitoring site is at a location of exposure (e.g. installed on/adjacent to the façade of a residential property).

(2) N/A if not applicable.

**Table A.3 – Annual Mean NO<sub>2</sub> Monitoring Results: Automatic Monitoring (µg/m<sup>3</sup>)**

Site ID	Site Type	Monitoring Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2023 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
EDB1	Roadside	Automatic	99.6	99.6	26.0	20.0	16.8*	16.2*	16.2
EDB2	Kerbside	Automatic	77.8	77.8	32.0	20.0	24.3	21.9	19.7
EDB3	Kerbside	Automatic	99.7	99.7	27.0	18.0	19.6	18.2	17.6
EDB4	Roadside	Automatic	39.9	39.9	19.0	15.0	16.2	14.3*	13.7*

**Notes:**

Exceedances of the NO<sub>2</sub> annual mean objective of 40µg/m<sup>3</sup> are shown in bold.

NO<sub>2</sub> annual means exceeding 60µg/m<sup>3</sup>, indicating a potential exceedance of the NO<sub>2</sub> 1-hour mean objective are shown in **bold and underlined**.

Means for diffusion tubes have been corrected for bias. All means have been “annualised” as per LAQM.TG22 if valid data capture for the full calendar year is less than 75%. See Appendix C for details.

(1) Data capture for the monitoring period, in cases where monitoring was only carried out for part of the year.

(2) Data capture for the full calendar year (e.g. if monitoring was carried out for 6 months, the maximum data capture for the full calendar year is 50%).

(3) Annualised means highlighted with (\*)

Table A.4 – Annual Mean NO<sub>2</sub> Monitoring Results: Non-Automatic Monitoring (µg/m<sup>3</sup>)

Diffusion Tube ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2023 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
1	261016	670198	Roadside	100.0	100.0	24.1	17.8	17.1	16.6	14.0
2	260549	669312	Roadside	100.0	100.0	31.5	23.3	27.6	24.0	18.4
3, 4, 5	260995	670130	Roadside	100.0	100.0	21.8	16.5	15.0	15.9	12.4
6	265641	673497	Roadside	100.0	100.0	24.4	17.3	17.9	17.5	14.8
7	265697	673524	Roadside	100.0	100.0	27.6	20.3	20.6	20.5	17.3
8, 9, 10	265675	673516	Kerbside	100.0	100.0	27.8	18.3	21.3	20.2	16.5
11	254218	672193	Roadside	82.7	82.7	25.0	16.9	19.3	18.4	14.2
12	254655	670158	Urban Background	100.0	100.0	17.4	11.4	12.4	11.0	8.0
15	254275	672047	Roadside	100.0	100.0	27.4	20.9	22.2	20.7	16.2
16	254751	670621	Roadside	100.0	100.0	23.4	17.0	17.9	15.4	12.7
19	254877	671000	Roadside	100.0	100.0	27.6	21.4	22.0	24.5	16.6
20	254898	671023	Roadside	100.0	100.0	28.8	22.9	19.3	19.8	15.1
21, 22, 23	254269	672067	Kerbside	92.3	92.3	30.6	22.5	22.8	22.6	18.2
24	255728	674486	Roadside	100.0	100.0	21.7	17.7	20.9	16.7	12.1
26	255331	674214	Urban Background	100.0	100.0	22.0	14.9	21.2	16.3	12.9
27, 28, 29	255329	674114	Roadside	100.0	100.0	20.1	14.3	16.3	14.2	11.4
30	260580	669533	Roadside	100.0	100.0	22.1	18.1	16.9	17.6	18.9
31	260552	669320	Roadside	100.0	100.0	24.9	19.6	19.8	18.5	11.4
32	254258	672077	Roadside	100.0	100.0	31.2	20.6	22.7	23.2	13.0
33	254275	672069	Roadside	90.4	90.4	27.6	19.7	19.1	19.4	17.0
34	265674	673521	Kerbside	100.0	100.0	23.4	16.6	16.8	17.3	13.2
35	261033	669650	Roadside	100.0	100.0	14.9	12.0	12.0	12.1	7.3
36	260571	669339	Roadside	100.0	100.0	29.0	23.6	24.4	22.0	17.1
37	260759	669999	Roadside	100.0	100.0	27.0	21.0	19.2	21.0	14.9
39	260617	670338	Urban Background	100.0	100.0	15.4	12.7	11.4	12.0	7.9
40	265602	673583	Roadside	100.0	100.0	18.2	14.0	15.4	12.8	10.6
44	255403	673236	Roadside	92.3	92.3	18.5	14.2	18.0	12.5	10.9
48	262112	670517	Roadside	100.0	100.0	17.2	12.5	16.1	13.2	10.7
49	262398	669436	Roadside	100.0	100.0	22.5	16.7	19.2	16.3	14.6



Diffusion Tube ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2023 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
50	255183	674409	Roadside	100.0	100.0	18.4	14.1	15.3	13.1	10.0

Annualisation has been conducted where data capture is <75% and >25% in line with LAQM.TG22.

Diffusion tube data has been bias adjusted.

Reported concentrations are those at the location of the monitoring site (bias adjusted and annualised, as required), i.e. prior to any fall-off with distance correction.

#### Notes:

Exceedances of the NO<sub>2</sub> annual mean objective of 40µg/m<sup>3</sup> are shown in bold.

NO<sub>2</sub> annual means exceeding 60µg/m<sup>3</sup>, indicating a potential exceedance of the NO<sub>2</sub> 1-hour mean objective are shown in **bold and underlined**.

Means for diffusion tubes have been corrected for bias. All means have been “annualised” as per LAQM.TG(22) if valid data capture for the full calendar year is less than 75%. See Appendix C for details.

(4) Data capture for the monitoring period, in cases where monitoring was only carried out for part of the year.

(5) Data capture for the full calendar year (e.g. if monitoring was carried out for 6 months, the maximum data capture for the full calendar year is 50%).

Figure A.1 – Trends in Annual Mean NO<sub>2</sub> Concentration in Kirkintilloch Road AQMA

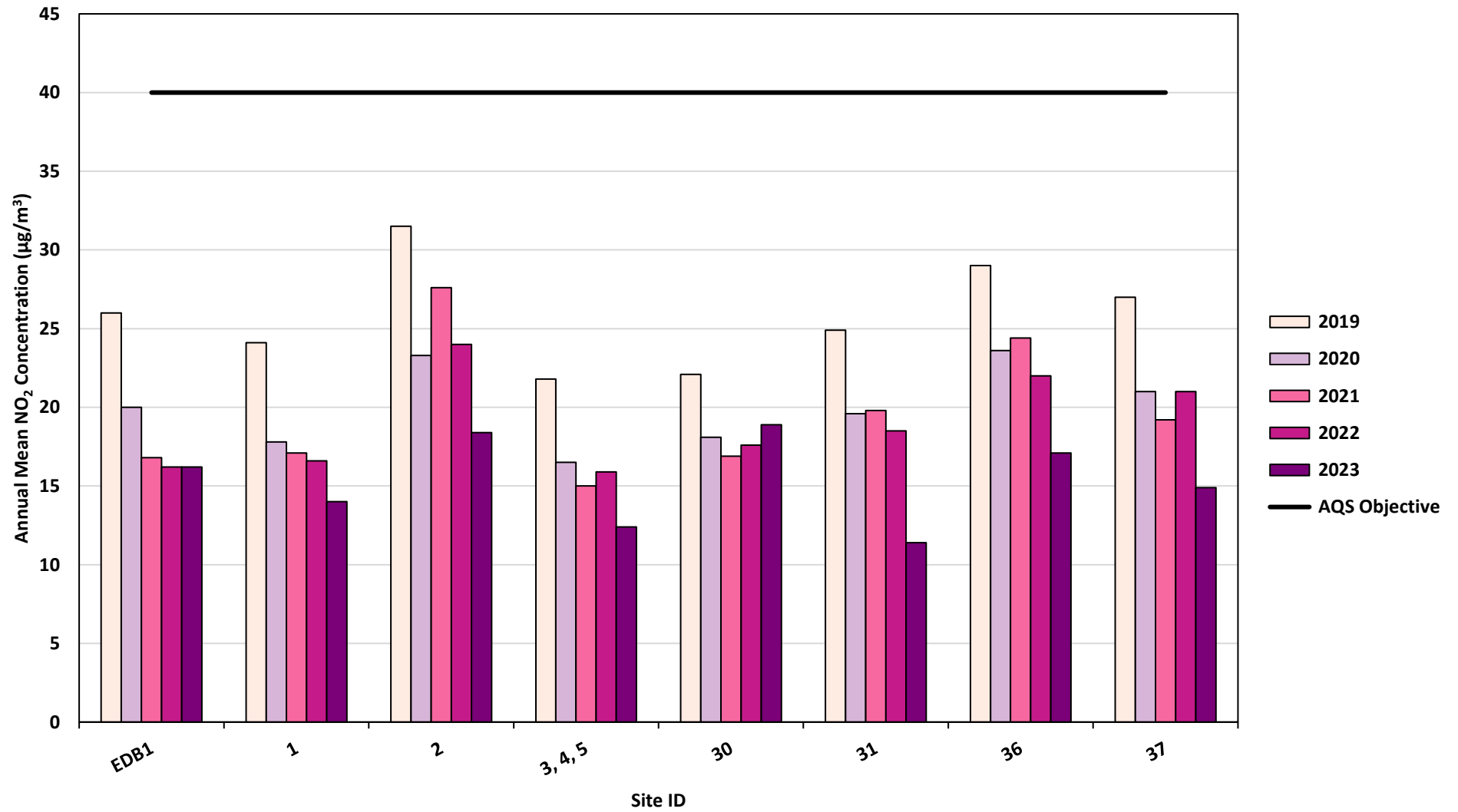


Figure A.2 – Trends in Annual Mean NO<sub>2</sub> Concentration in Bishopbriggs

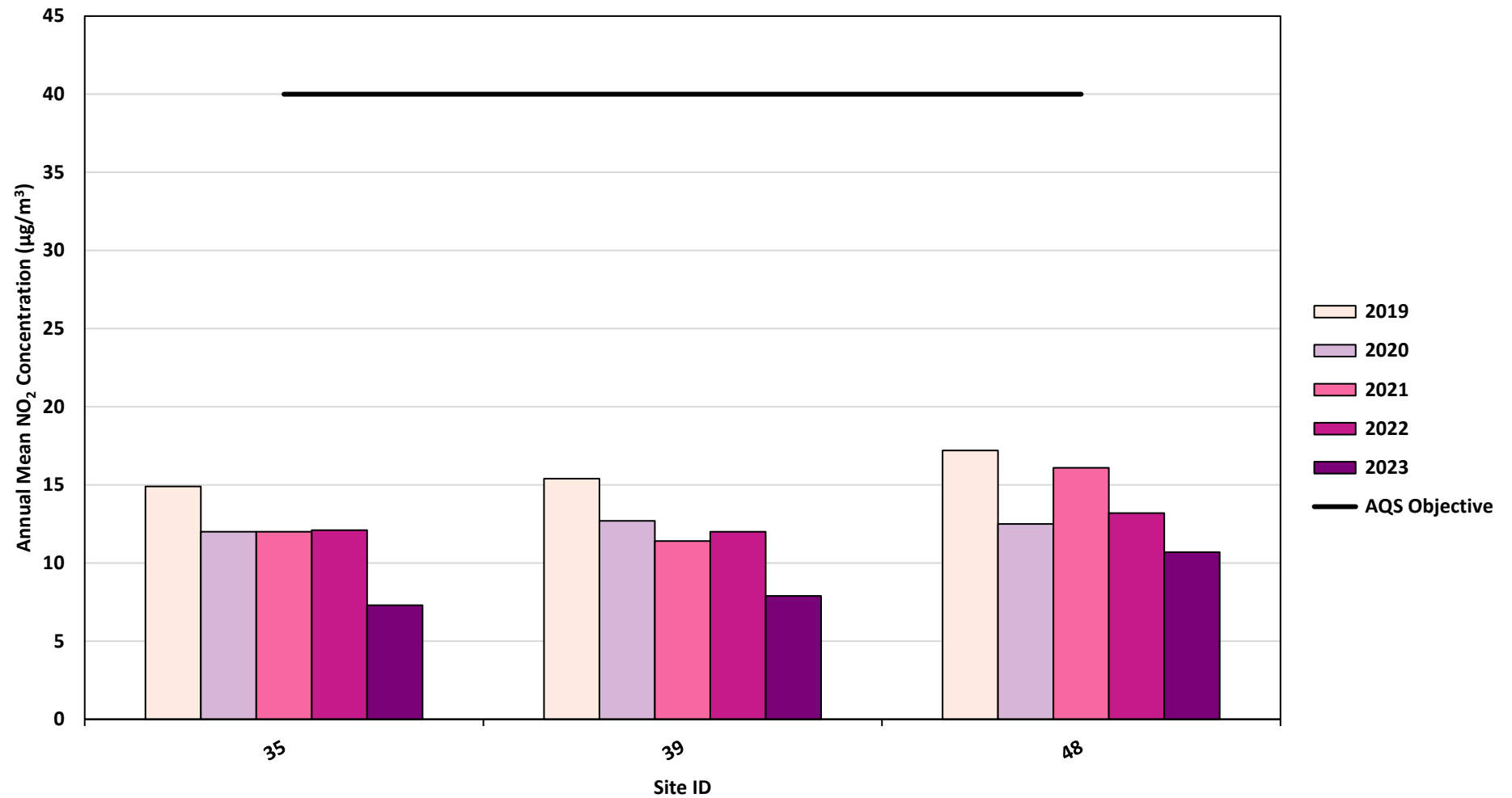


Figure A.3 – Trends in Annual Mean NO<sub>2</sub> Concentration in Kirkintilloch

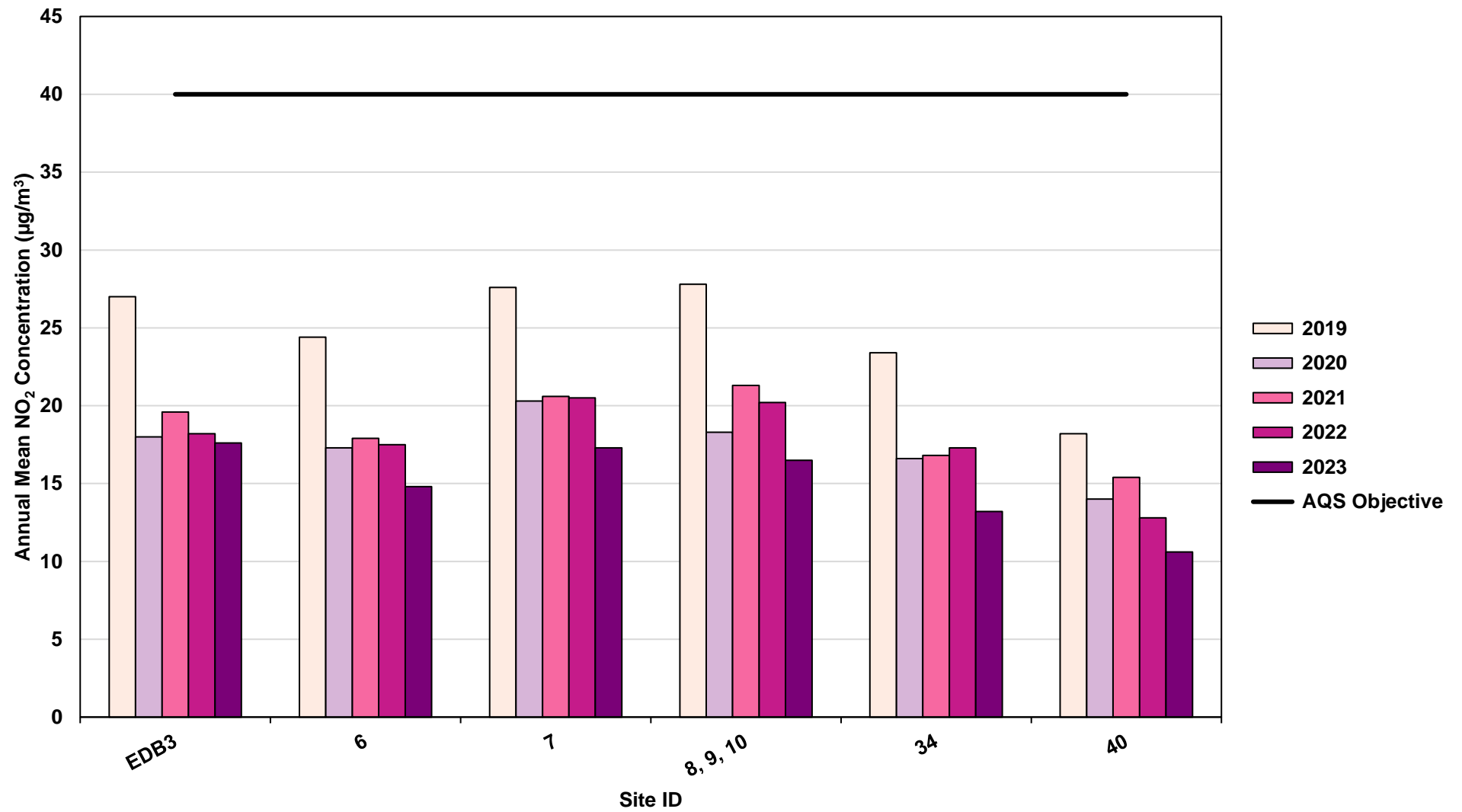


Figure A.4 – Trends in Annual Mean NO<sub>2</sub> Concentration in Bearsden

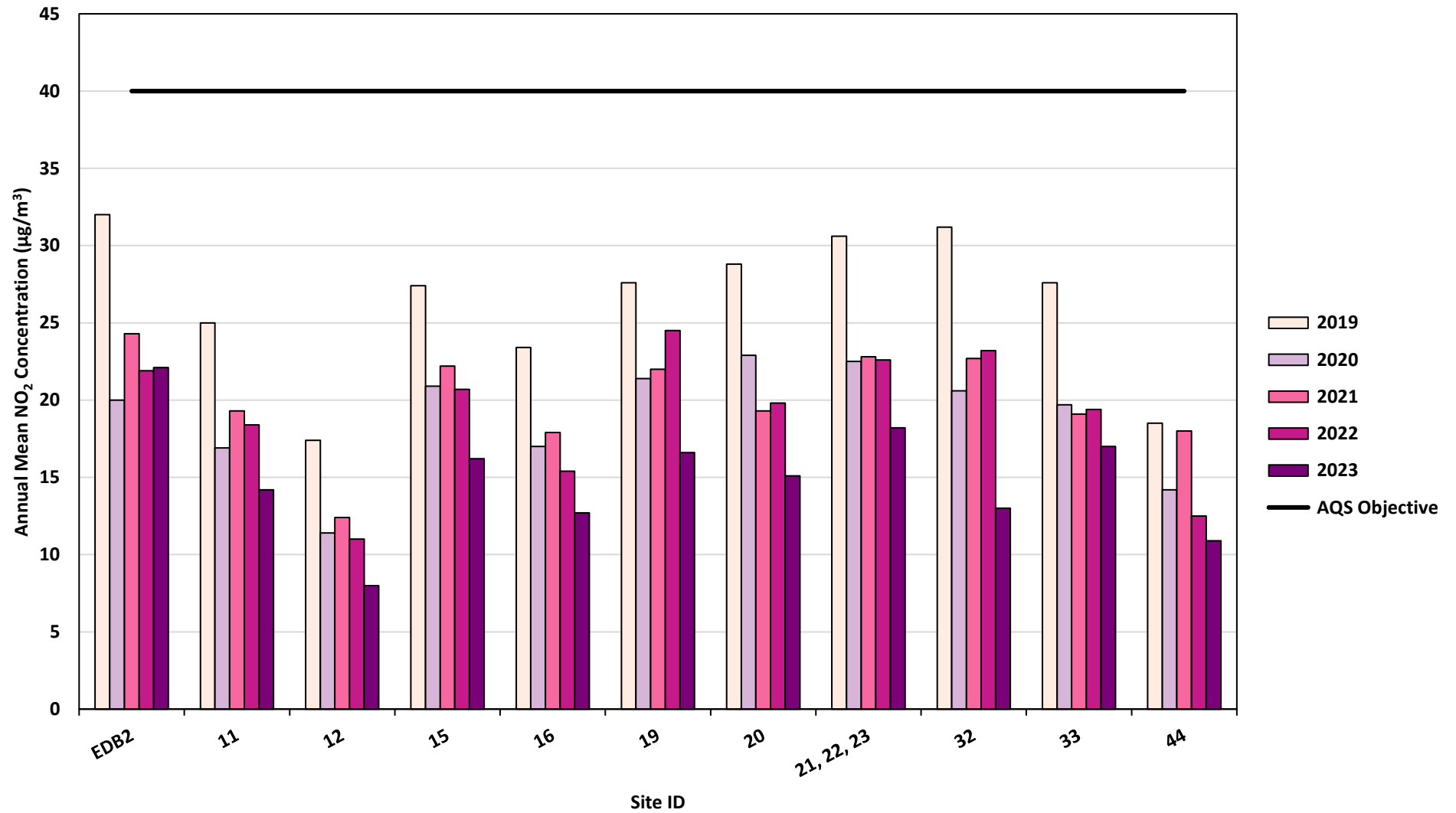


Figure A.5 – Trends in Annual Mean NO<sub>2</sub> Concentration in Milngavie

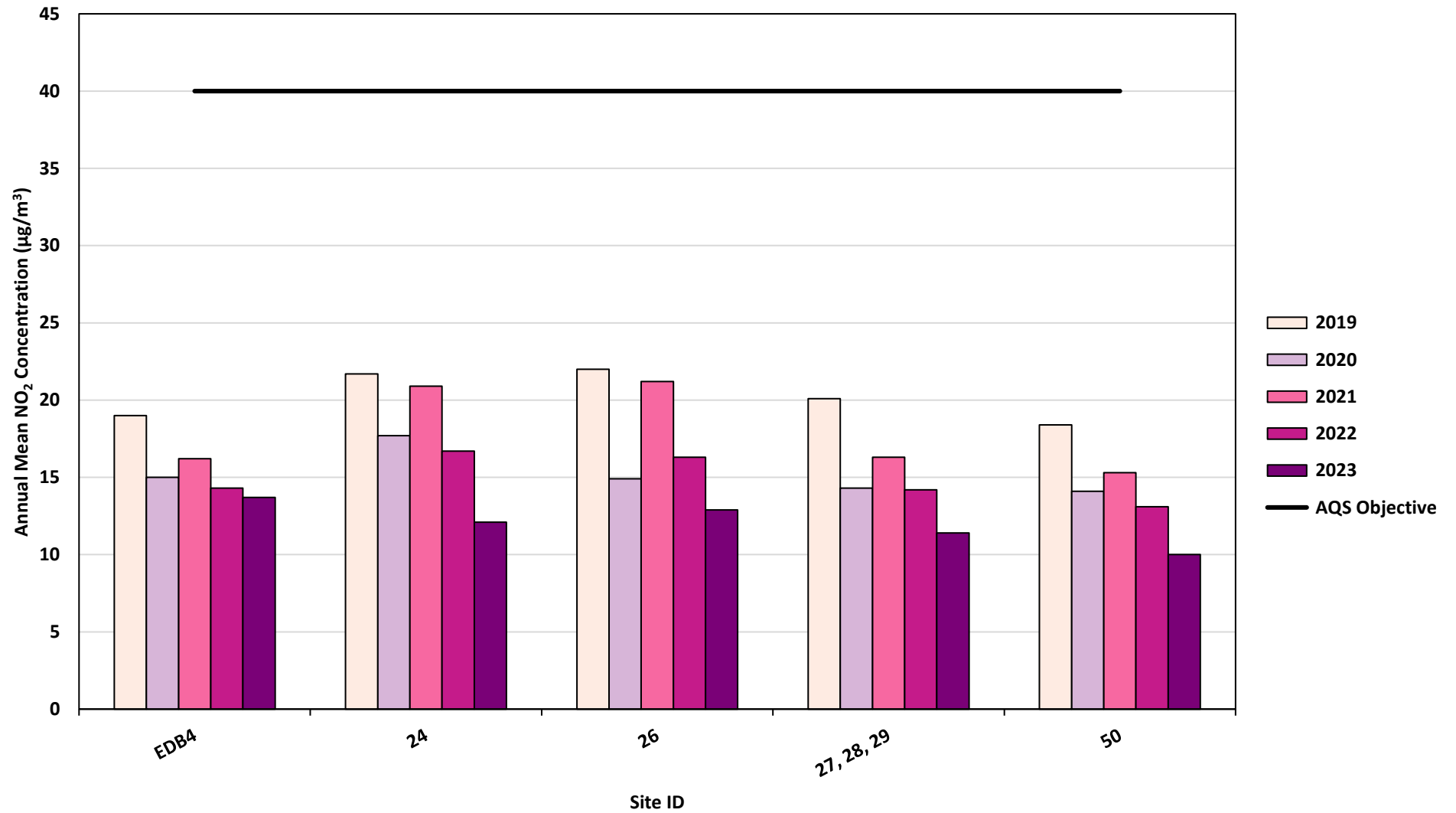
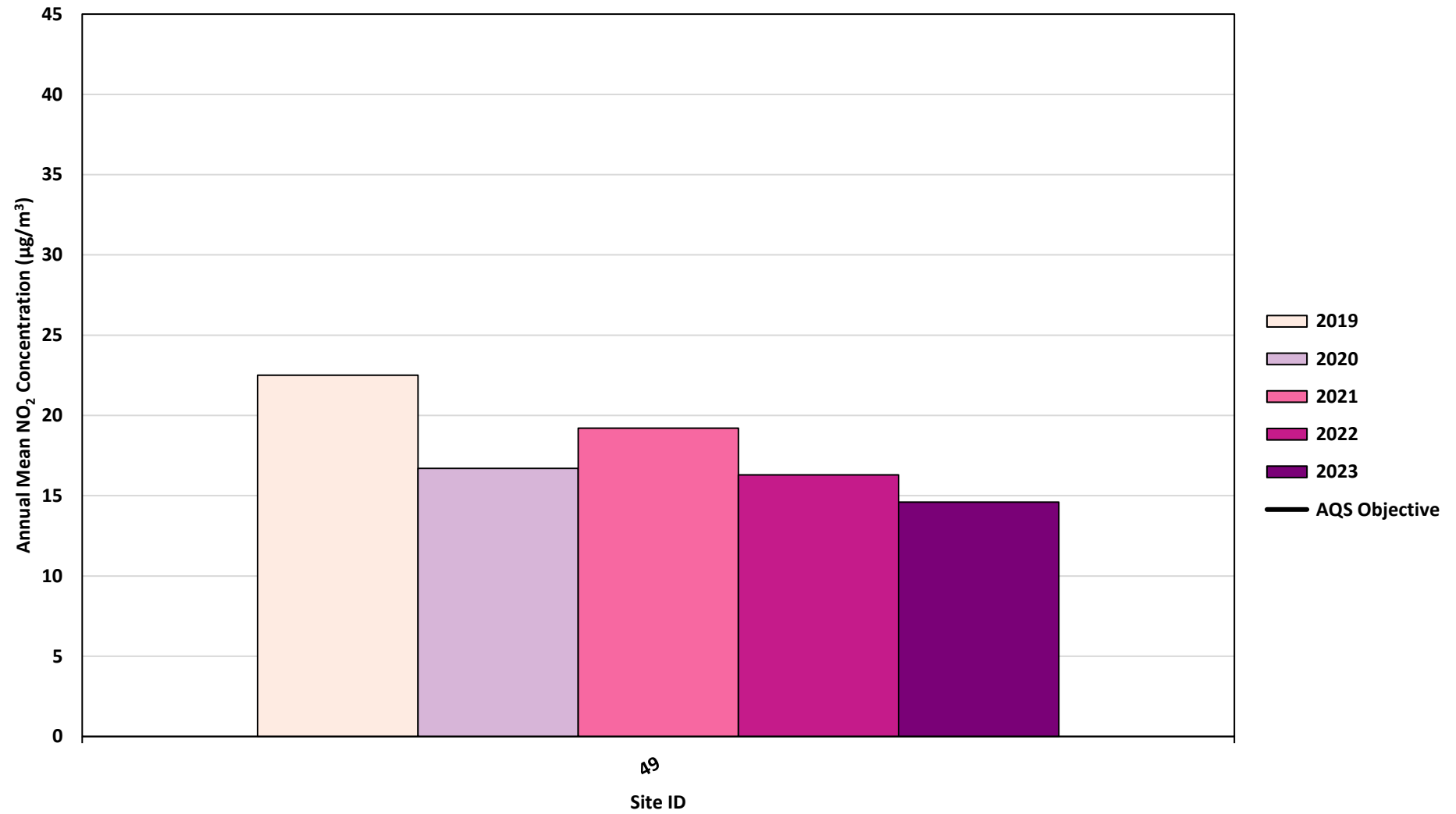


Figure A.6 – Trends in Annual Mean NO<sub>2</sub> Concentration in Auchinairn



**Table A.5 – 1-Hour Mean NO<sub>2</sub> Monitoring Results, Number of 1-Hour Means > 200µg/m<sup>3</sup>**

Site ID	Site Type	Monitoring Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2023 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
EDB1	Roadside	Automatic	99.6	99.6	0	0	0	0 (80)	0
EDB2	Kerbside	Automatic	77.8	77.8	0	0	0	0	0
EDB3	Kerbside	Automatic	99.7	99.7	0	0	0	0	0
EDB4	Roadside	Automatic	39.9	39.9	0	0	0	0 (80)	0 (70)

**Notes:**

Exceedances of the NO<sub>2</sub> 1-hour mean objective (200 µg/m<sup>3</sup> not to be exceeded more than 18 times/year) are shown in bold.

If the period of valid data is less than 85%, the 99.8<sup>th</sup> percentile of 1-hour means is provided in brackets.

(1) Data capture for the monitoring period, in cases where monitoring was only carried out for part of the year.

(2) Data capture for the full calendar year (e.g. if monitoring was carried out for 6 months, the maximum data capture for the full calendar year is 50%).



**Table A.6 – Annual Mean PM<sub>10</sub> Monitoring Results (µg/m<sup>3</sup>)**

Site ID	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2023 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
EDB1	Roadside	74.5	74.5	12	10	10.2	11.4	11.5*
EDB2	Kerbside	68.3	68.3	11	8	9.5	10.0	10.1*
EDB3	Kerbside	97.6	97.6	13	9	10.7	10.6	9.4
EDB4	Roadside	97.1	97.1	14	10	8.7	9.0	8.3

**Notes:**

Exceedances of the PM<sub>10</sub> annual mean objective of 18 µg/m<sup>3</sup> are shown in bold.

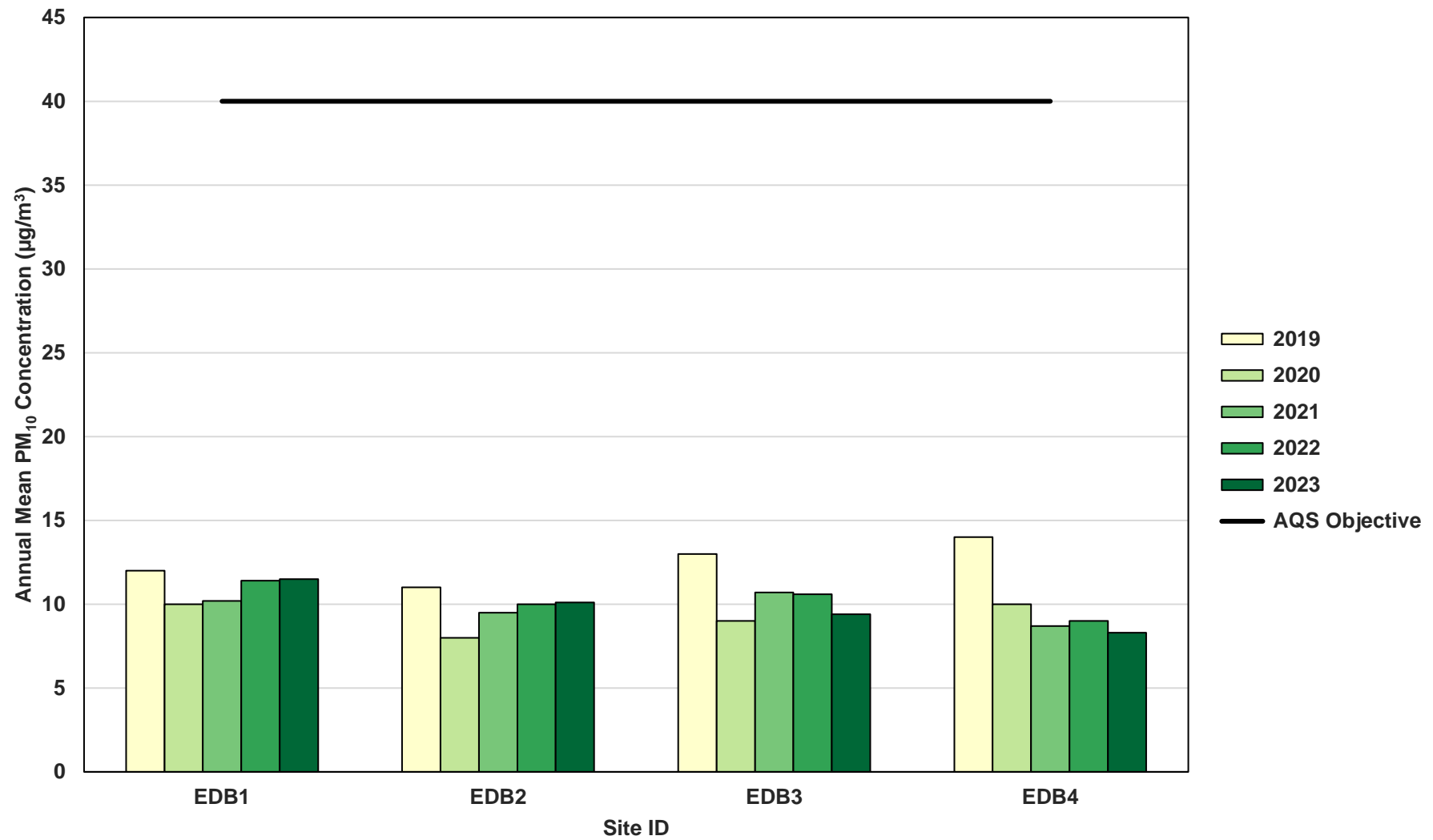
All means have been “annualised” as per LAQM.TG(22), valid data capture for the full calendar year is less than 75%. See Appendix C for details.

(1) Data capture for the monitoring period, in cases where monitoring was only carried out for part of the year.

(2) Data capture for the full calendar year (e.g. if monitoring was carried out for 6 months, the maximum data capture for the full calendar year is 50%).

(3) Annualised means highlighted with (\*)

Figure A.7 – Trends in Annual Mean PM<sub>10</sub> Concentration in East Dunbartonshire



**Table A.7 – 24-Hour Mean PM<sub>10</sub> Monitoring Results, Number of PM<sub>10</sub> 24-Hour Means > 50µg/m<sup>3</sup>**

Site ID	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2023 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
EDB1	Roadside	74.5	74.5	2	0	0	3	0 (26)
EDB2	Kerbside	68.3	68.3	2	0	0	2	0 (26)
EDB3	Kerbside	97.6	97.6	3	0	0	4	0
EDB4	Roadside	97.1	97.1	2	0	0	0	0

**Notes:**

Exceedances of the PM<sub>10</sub> 24-hour mean objective (50 µg/m<sup>3</sup> not to be exceeded more than seven times/year) are shown in bold.

If the period of valid data is less than 85%, the 98.1st percentile of 24-hour means is provided in brackets.

(1) Data capture for the monitoring period, in cases where monitoring was only carried out for part of the year.

(2) Data capture for the full calendar year (e.g. if monitoring was carried out for 6 months, the maximum data capture for the full calendar year is 50%).

**Table A.8 – Annual Mean PM<sub>2.5</sub> Monitoring Results (µg/m<sup>3</sup>)**

Site ID	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2023 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
EDB1	Roadside	74.5	74.5	7	6	5.9	6.4	6.1*
EDB2	Kerbside	68.4	68.4	6	5	5.2	5.5	4.9*
EDB3	Kerbside	97.6	97.6	5	5.4	5.7	5	5.2
EDB4	Roadside	97.1	97.1	-	4	4.8	4.9	4.6

**Notes:**

Exceedances of the PM<sub>2.5</sub> annual mean objective of 10 µg/m<sup>3</sup> are shown in bold.

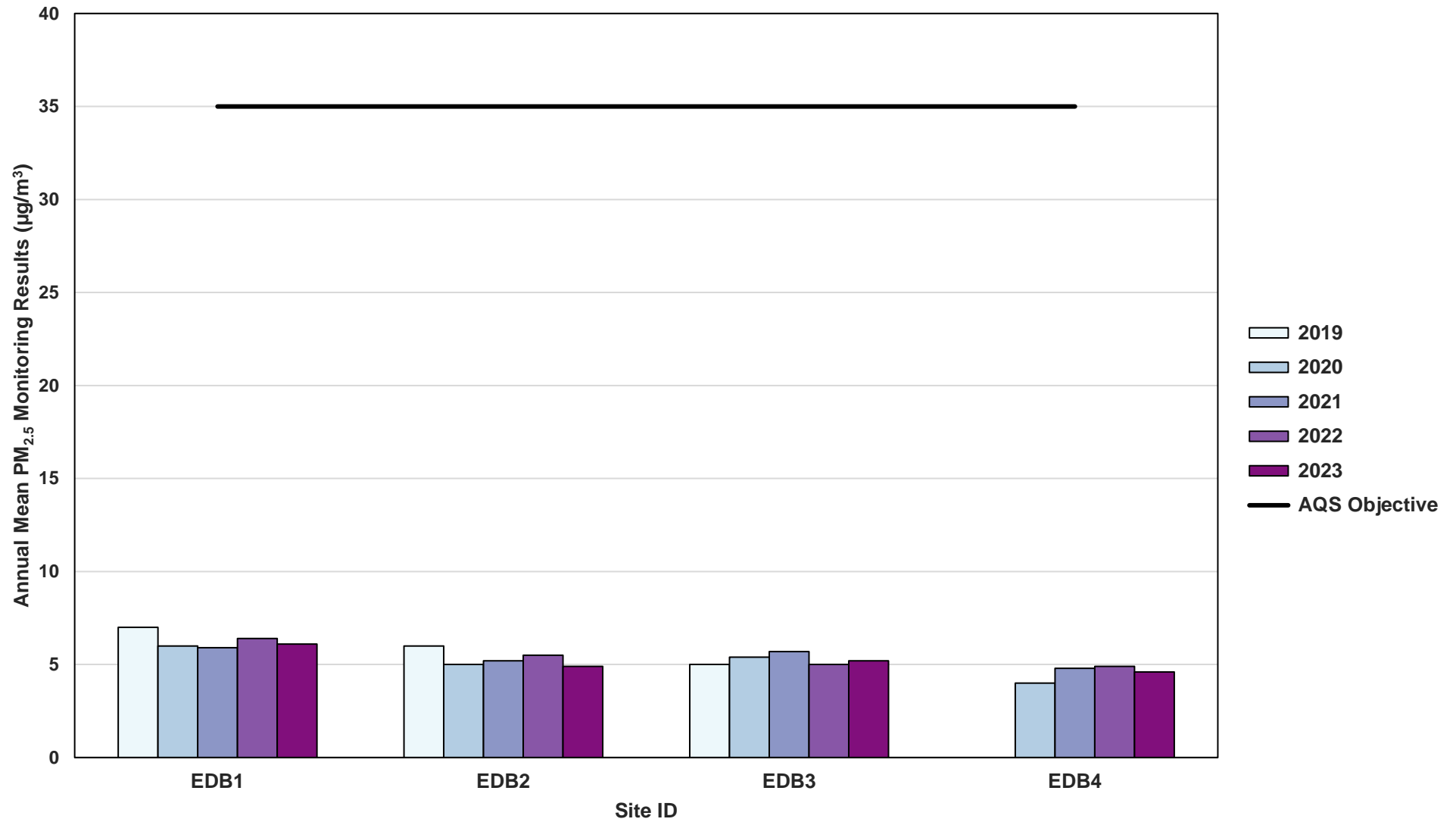
All means have been “annualised” as per LAQM.TG(22), valid data capture for the full calendar year is less than 75%. See Appendix C for details.

(1) Data capture for the monitoring period, in cases where monitoring was only carried out for part of the year.

(2) Data capture for the full calendar year (e.g. if monitoring was carried out for 6 months, the maximum data capture for the full calendar year is 50%).

(3) Annualised means highlighted with (\*)

Figure A.8 – Trends in Annual Mean PM<sub>2.5</sub> Concentration in East Dunbartonshire



## Appendix B: Full Monthly Diffusion Tube Results for 2023

Table B.1 – NO<sub>2</sub> 2023 Monthly Diffusion Tube Results (µg/m<sup>3</sup>)

DT ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual Mean: Raw Data	Annual Mean: Annualised and Bias Adjusted (0.89)	Annual Mean: Distance Corrected to Nearest Exposure	Comment
1	261016	670198	20.3	26.3	22.0	18.0	13.5	8.9	11.9	15.0	13.3	7.5	20.4	11.6	15.7	14.0	-	
2	260549	669312	23.9	28.5	31.6	25.2	18.9	13.6	16.7	20.1	19.5	11.1	27.5	11.8	20.7	18.4	-	
3	260995	670130	21.8	21.4	18.1	14.5	12.3	11.9	5.1	12.3	11.4	8.4	20.4	8.2	-	-	-	Triplicate Site with 3, 4 and 5 - Annual data provided for 5 only
4	260995	670130	14.4	23.2	21.0	15.0	26.3	9.0	8.6	10.7	8.5	10.1	21.0	10.6	-	-	-	Triplicate Site with 3, 4 and 5 - Annual data provided for 5 only
5	260995	670130	14.9	18.1	20.4	-	13.8	8.9	7.9	10.3	9.8	6.5	25.2	8.3	14.0	12.4	-	Triplicate Site with 3, 4 and 5 - Annual data provided for 5 only
6	265641	673497	21.9	22.6	23.0	17.0	19.0	10.8	11.4	15.1	10.5	13.6	21.5	12.8	16.6	14.8	-	
7	265697	673524	18.9	29.3	27.6	22.2	19.3	11.1	12.8	20.0	19.2	14.2	19.4		19.5	17.3	-	
8	265675	673516	19.7	30.1	26.7	21.3	17.7	14.0	14.2	14.1	13.9	12.7	15.1	13.0	-	-	-	Triplicate Site with 8, 9 and 10 - Annual data provided for 10 only
9	265675	673516	18.9	28.5	25.3	21.8	18.7	13.2	13.3	16.1	18.9	14.7	26.1	13.2	-	-	-	Triplicate Site with 8, 9 and 10 - Annual data provided for 10 only
10	265675	673516	23.1	29.6	26.2	19.8	19.7	11.9	13.8	15.3	17.1	15.1	24.9	9.8	18.5	16.5	-	Triplicate Site with 8, 9 and 10 - Annual data provided for 10 only
11	254218	672193	20.1	25.1	26.2	18.6	15.2	8.9	10.7	14.4	13.8	10.4	15.5	12.2	15.9	14.2	-	
12	254655	670158	14.7	13.2	14.0	10.3	7.0	5.8	3.7	6.5	5.3	7.2	15.4	4.9	9.0	8.0	-	
15	254275	672047	24.9	27.2	25.3	16.5	20.2	10.1	13.5	13.0	16.2	15.2	24.9	11.8	18.2	16.2	-	
16	254751	670621	19.1	23.5	19.4	15.7	15.6	8.3	9.2	13.2	12.0	10.2	18.9	5.8	14.2	12.7	-	
19	254877	671000	23.4	29.6	28.7	22.4	18.6	9.3	14.4	20.0	12.3			7.3	18.6	16.6	-	
20	254898	671023	22.5	26.1	22.5	20.3	14.6	11.4	11.4	15.7	14.7	14.2	19.1	10.5	16.9	15.1	-	
21	254269	672067	12.8	32.1	31.0	24.2	24.1	20.0	18.5	21.3	16.7	16.1	27.3	10.9	-	-	-	Triplicate Site with 21, 22 and 23 - Annual data provided for 23 only
22	254269	672067	20.4	34.2	30.2	22.2	24.6	23.7	15.4	18.6	14.2	16.2	25.9	10.5	-	-	-	Triplicate Site with 21, 22 and 23 - Annual data provided for 23 only
23	254269	672067	18.5	31.2	28.9	20.3	20.9	15.0	13.7	16.3	14.4	16.0	19.8	11.1	20.5	18.2	-	Triplicate Site with 21, 22 and 23 - Annual data provided for 23 only
24	255728	674486	27.0	20.9	19.9	15.4	12.6	5.9	9.3	9.8	14.1	7.6	12.5	8.7	13.6	12.1	-	
26	255331	674214	16.6	23.1	13.7	17.0	16.3	9.5	11.5	15.0	12.2	6.6	17.9	14.0	14.5	12.9	-	
27	255329	674114	15.5	18.6	16.3	14.5	11.3	11.5	7.2	10.3	11.9	6.3	20.6	8.1	-	-	-	Triplicate Site with 27, 28 and 29 - Annual data provided for 29 only
28	255329	674114	9.8	19.1	17.7	17.2	12.1	9.2	8.9	10.4	10.5	9.7	24.0	7.3	-	-	-	Triplicate Site with 27, 28 and 29 - Annual data provided for 29 only
29	255329	674114	13.7	21.5	19.3	14.7	11.8	7.7	6.4	10.2	8.4	10.8	18.7	8.0	12.8	11.4	-	Triplicate Site with 27, 28 and 29 - Annual data provided for 29 only
30	260580	669533	10.3	27.1	22.5		14.0	12.5	7.5	12.6	14.6	13.8	16.4	9.1	14.6	13.0	-	
31	260552	669320	22.7	28.2	24.5	17.8	17.5	10.5	8.2	14.7	14.8	13.8	17.1	7.6	16.5	14.6	-	
32	254258	672077	16.2	33.5	33.4	27.7	24.2	24.1	13.5	17.8	17.7	19.8	18.4	8.6	21.2	18.9	-	
33	254275	672069	17.1	28.5	23.9	18.9	22.6	16.6	15.9	19.3	14.9	18.5	21.0	11.6	19.1	17.0	-	
34	265674	673521	16.7	23.7	20.9	15.4	17.1	8.9	10.7	12.4	14.1	12.5	19.3	5.7	14.8	13.2	-	
35	261033	669650	12.6	16.6	14.0	7.1	8.3	5.9	2.1	12.7	6.1	6.1	1.7	5.2	8.2	7.3	-	
36	260571	669339	24.5	29.9	24.7	22.6	20.5	13.4	10.8	20.4	18.9	15.2	21.4	8.0	19.2	17.1	-	
37	260759	669999	22.5	28.9	25.8	17.4	15.0	10.6	10.6	14.0	15.6	13.6	18.5	8.1	16.7	14.9	-	
39	260617	670338	11.4	13.2	15.2	11.8	7.3	3.8	3.1	3.6	6.9	8.8	14.6	6.5	8.9	7.9	-	
40	265602	673583	16.1	19.6	18.8	14.0	11.5	10.7	6.5	8.9	8.8	10.7	9.4	8.3	11.9	10.6	-	

DT ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual Mean: Raw Data	Annual Mean: Annualised and Bias Adjusted (0.89)	Annual Mean: Distance Corrected to Nearest Exposure	Comment
44	255403	673236	19.4	18.4	18.6	13.1	9.2	7.4	5.6	7.3	8.9	12.4	17.5	9.3	12.3	10.9	-	
48	262112	670517	14.4	19.5	20.6	14.1	10.3	5.2	7.2	13.1	8.6	13.0	-	6.4	12.0	10.7	-	
49	262398	669436	14.5	23.1	23.5	19.1	15.5	10.6	9.2	9.7	12.4	27.7	22.7	8.9	16.4	14.6	-	
50	255183	674409	10.4	16.9	21.0	13.1	10.5	7.2	6.9	9.1	6.6	11.7	13.8	7.7	11.2	10.0	-	

- All erroneous data has been removed from the NO<sub>2</sub> diffusion tube dataset presented in Table B.1.
- Annualisation has been conducted where data capture is <75% and >25% in line with LAQM.TG22.
- Local bias adjustment factor used.
- National bias adjustment factor used.
- Where applicable, data has been distance corrected for relevant exposure in the final column.
- East Dunbartonshire Council confirm that all 2023 diffusion tube data has been uploaded to the Diffusion Tube Data Entry System.

**Notes:**

Exceedances of the NO<sub>2</sub> annual mean objective of 40µg/m<sup>3</sup> are shown in **bold**.

NO<sub>2</sub> annual means exceeding 60µg/m<sup>3</sup>, indicating a potential exceedance of the NO<sub>2</sub> 1-hour mean objective are shown in **bold and underlined**.

See Appendix C for details on bias adjustment and annualisation.

## **Appendix C: Supporting Technical Information / Air Quality Monitoring Data QA/QC**

### **New or Changed Sources Identified Within East Dunbartonshire During 2023**

East Dunbartonshire Council has not identified any new sources relating to air quality within the reporting year of 2023.

### **Additional Air Quality Works Undertaken by East Dunbartonshire During 2023**

East Dunbartonshire has not completed any additional works within the reporting year of 2023.

### **QA/QC of Diffusion Tube Monitoring**

The diffusion tubes are supplied and analysed by Glasgow Scientific Services (GSS) and are prepared using the 20% TEA in water method and in accordance with the procedures set out in the practical guidance. Glasgow Scientific Services (GSS) Laboratory is UKAS accredited for the analysis of Diffusion tubes. Diffusion tube monitoring was undertaken in accordance with the diffusion tube calendar provided by Defra. All results have been bias adjusted and annualised where required.

### **Diffusion Tube Annualisation**

All diffusion tube monitoring locations within East Dunbartonshire Council recorded data capture of 75% therefore it was not required to annualise any monitoring data. In addition, any sites with a data capture below 25% do not require annualisation.

### **Diffusion Tube Bias Adjustment Factors**

East Dunbartonshire have applied a local bias adjustment factor of 0.89 to the 2023 monitoring data. A summary of bias adjustment factors used by East Dunbartonshire Council over the past five years is presented in Table C.1. One co-location study was undertaken by East Dunbartonshire Council in 2023, this co-location study was utilised given



good data capture to provide a single local bias adjustment factor for 2023 in line with guidance provided within LAQM.TG22 Chapter 7. The local bias adjustment can be seen in Table C.5. In previous years, East Dunbartonshire have used 4 co-location studies, however in 2023 3 of the co-location sites reported poor data capture and poor overall precision therefore have not been used to determine a local bias adjustment. This local bias adjustment factor was applied to all diffusion tube monitoring data undertaken in 2023.

**Table C.1 – Bias Adjustment Factor**

Year	Local or National	If National, Version of National Spreadsheet	Adjustment Factor
2023	Local	-	0.89
2022	Local	-	0.89
2021	Local	-	0.97
2020	Local	-	0.95
2019	Local	-	0.85

### **NO<sub>2</sub> Fall-off with Distance from the Road**

No diffusion tube NO<sub>2</sub> monitoring locations within East Dunbartonshire Council required distance correction during 2023.

### **QA/QC of Automatic Monitoring**

All automatic sites are part of the Scottish Air Quality Programme and are audited twice per year by Ricardo. Servicing, repair and LSO duties are carried out by Acoem UK. Service contracts include six monthly service of instruments, call outs to site for faults and repairs, and the routine replacement of consumables. All data is available in real-time, and regularly scaled and ratified by Ricardo on behalf of the Scottish Government.

### **PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Monitoring Adjustment**

The type of PM<sub>10</sub>/PM<sub>2.5</sub> monitor(s) utilised within East Dunbartonshire Council do not require the application of a correction factor.

## **Automatic Monitoring Annualisation**

The LAQM.TG(22) states that annualisation is required for any site which has a data capture of less than 75%, but greater than 25%. Three automatic monitoring sites recorded below the acceptable data capture in 2023 for NO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>, therefore required annualisation. Annualisation was carried out for the annual mean NO<sub>2</sub> at Milngavie (with data capture of 39.9%), PM<sub>10</sub> at Bearsden and Bishopbriggs (with data captures of 68.3% and 74.5%, respectively) and PM<sub>2.5</sub> at Bearsden and Bishopbriggs (with data captures of 68.4% and 74.5%, respectively). Four continuous background monitoring locations within a 50 mile radius were selected to annualise the data:

- Glasgow Townhead (NO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>)
- Edinburgh St Leonards (NO<sub>2</sub>)
- Bush Estate (NO<sub>2</sub>); and
- Auchencorth Moss (PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>)

These continuous background monitoring sites all had >85% data capture in 2023 and therefore could be used for annualisation. Table C.2 – Table C.4 presents the annualisation summary.

## **NO<sub>2</sub> Fall-off with Distance from the Road**

No automatic NO<sub>2</sub> monitoring locations within East Dunbartonshire Council required distance correction during 2023.

**Table C.2 – Annualisation Summary for Automatic Monitors for Annual Mean NO<sub>2</sub>**

Site ID	Annualisation Factor Glasgow Townhead	Annualisation Factor Edinburgh St Leonards	Annualisation Factor Bush Estate	Average Annualisation Factor	Raw Data Annual Mean	Annualised Annual Mean	Comments
EDB4	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	17.4	13.7	

**Table C.3 – Annualisation Summary for Automatic Monitors for Annual Mean PM<sub>10</sub>**

Site ID	Annualisation Factor Glasgow Townhead	Annualisation Factor Edinburgh St Leonards	Annualisation Factor Auchencorth	Average Annualisation Factor	Raw Data Annual Mean	Annualised Annual Mean	Comments
EDB1	1.11	1.11	1.19	1.14	10.1	11.5	
EDB2	0.94	0.98	0.93	0.95	10.7	10.1	

**Table C.4 – Annualisation Summary for Automatic Monitors for Annual Mean PM<sub>2.5</sub>**

Site ID	Annualisation Factor Glasgow Townhead	Annualisation Factor Edinburgh St Leonards	Annualisation Factor Auchencorth	Average Annualisation Factor	Raw Data Annual Mean	Annualised Annual Mean	Comments
EDB1	1.11	1.13	1.19	1.14	5.3	6.1	
EDB2	0.95	0.98	0.92	0.95	5.2	4.9	

**Table C.5 – Local Bias Adjustment Calculations**

	Local Bias Adjustment Input
Periods used to calculate bias	11
Bias Factor A	0.89 (0.78 - 1.04)
Bias Factor B	12% (-4% - 28%)
Diffusion Tube Mean (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	18.2
Mean CV (Precision)	7.7%
Automatic Mean (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	16.3
Data Capture	99%
Adjusted Tube Mean (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	16 (14 - 19)

Notes:

A single local bias adjustment factor has been used to bias adjust the 2023 diffusion tube results.

## Appendix D: Maps Showing the Location of Monitoring Sites

Figure D.1 – Map of Monitoring Sites in Bishopbriggs

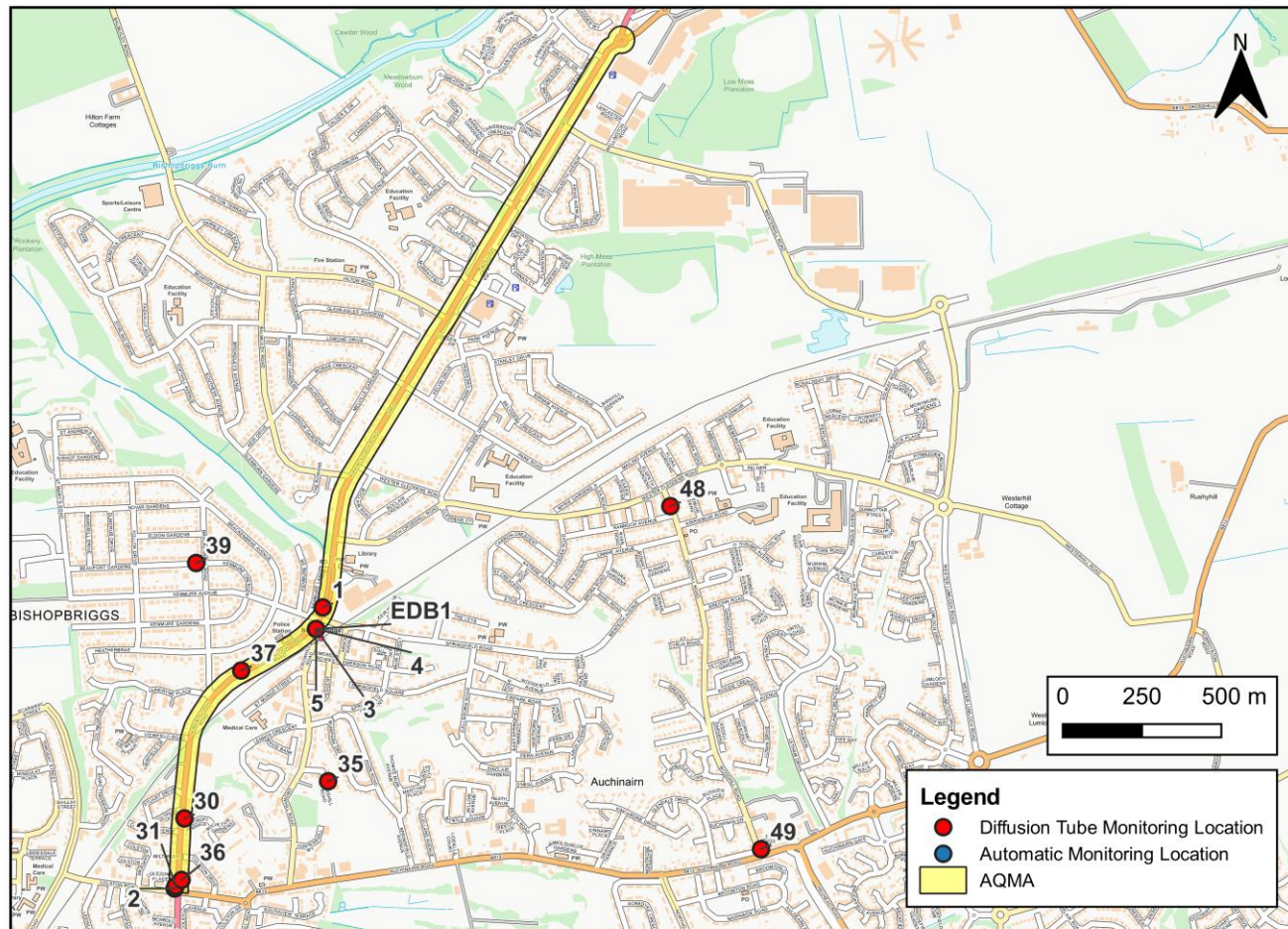


Figure D.2 – Map of Monitoring Sites in Bearsden

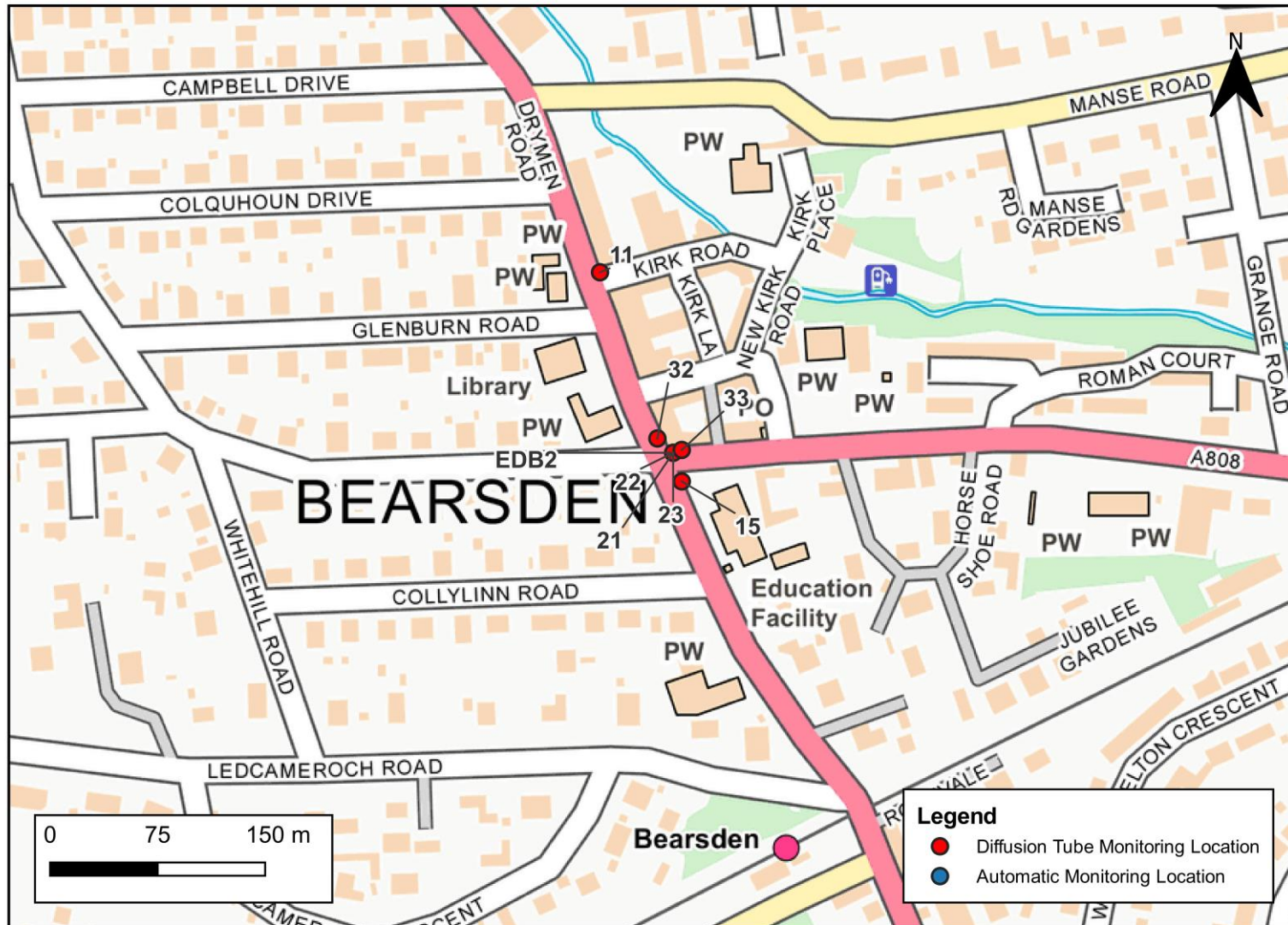


Figure D.3 – Map of Monitoring Sites in Milngavie



Figure D.4 – Map of Monitoring Sites in Kirkintilloch

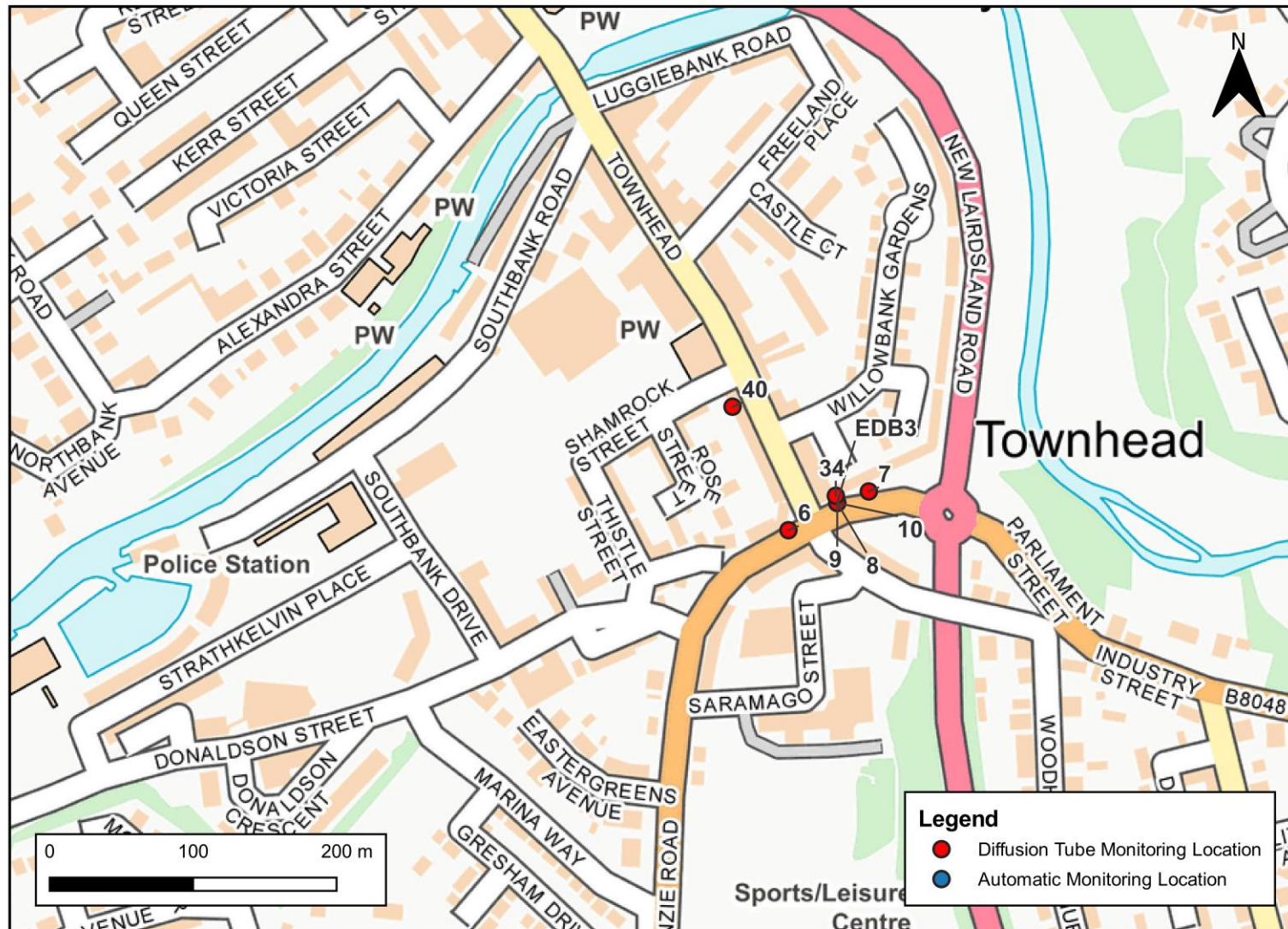


Figure D.5 – Map of Monitoring Sites in Acre





## Glossary of Terms

Abbreviation	Description
AQAP	Air Quality Action Plan - A detailed description of measures, outcomes, achievement dates and implementation methods, showing how the LA intends to achieve air quality limit values'
AQMA	Air Quality Management Area – An area where air pollutant concentrations exceed / are likely to exceed the relevant air quality objectives. AQMAs are declared for specific pollutants and objectives
APR	Annual Progress Report
AURN	Automatic Urban and Rural Network (UK air quality monitoring network)
Defra	Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
DMRB	Design Manual for Roads and Bridges – Air quality screening tool produced by Highways England
DT	Diffusion Tube
FDMS	Filter Dynamics Measurement System
LAQM	Local Air Quality Management
NO <sub>2</sub>	Nitrogen Dioxide
NO <sub>x</sub>	Nitrogen Oxides
PM <sub>10</sub>	Airborne particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 10µm (micrometres or microns) or less
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	Airborne particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 2.5µm or less
QA/QC	Quality Assurance and Quality Control
SO <sub>2</sub>	Sulphur Dioxide

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