PM 2.5 monitoring and modelling network in Leicester

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Smoke Control Area in Leicester



- Not long ago ,during 50s this was the skyline of Leicester
- Leicester City Council declared the whole area of the city as a Smoke Control Area through 38 separate Smoke Control Orders between 1958-75
- To make residents and businesses aware of this a single Smoke Control Order on 1 June 2018 was issued



Air Quality Network in Leicester



- Network of 5 Automatic Air Quality Stations – NO₂ and PM₁₀
- 50 Diffusion Tubes



How can we gain more information on PM 2.5

- Dedicated network of portable air quality monitors to detect PM 2.5
- Identification of likely areas of high PM 2.5 concentration
- Near real time air quality modelling
- Source apportionment
- Guidebooks
- Engagement with stakeholders



Zephyr[®] Air Quality Sensor

Measures

Standard Cartridge	
Nitrogen Dioxide	$[NO_2]$
Nitric Oxide	[NO]
Ozone	[O ₃]
PM ₁	
PM _{2.5}	
PM ₁₀	





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Network of 11 sensors installed in Q2 2020. Aim to measure Woodburning emissions over winter 2020/2021. A mixture of Traffic, Woodburning, background and control sites.



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10m PM2.5 Model for Leicester



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Help

Some very early data: 12th-23rd November (After bonfire/firework spikes)



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Three Primary Portals

- The Professional Portal 1.
- 2. The Public Web Portal
- 3. The Public Mobile Portal

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Summary

- Detailed measurement network established for PM2.5 in Leicester (11 Zephyrs)
- 10m Model established, with dedicated WBS module.
- A range of portals created for both local authority use, and public communication.
- A range of advise documents created.
- So far so good key findings to be communicated in 2021!

