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Executive Summary: Air Quality in Our Area

The 2020 Annual Status Report is designed to provide the public with information relating to local air quality in Uttlesford, to fulfil Uttlesford District Council's statutory duty to review and assess air quality within its area, and to determine whether or not the air quality objectives are likely to be achieved.

In 2019, **no** monitoring locations in Uttlesford exceeded the Air Quality Objectives for nitrogen dioxide or particulate matter.

Air Quality in Uttlesford

Air pollution is associated with a number of adverse health impacts. It is recognised as a contributing factor in the onset of heart disease and cancer. Additionally, air pollution particularly affects the most vulnerable in society: children and older people, and those with heart and lung conditions. There is also often a strong correlation with equalities issues, because areas with poor air quality are also often the less affluent areas^{1,2}.

The annual health cost to society of the impacts of particulate matter alone in the UK is estimated to be around £16 billion³.

Uttlesford is considered to be rural in nature and has the principal town of Saffron Walden as its administrative centre. Uttlesford is dissected by the M11 motorway and A120 trunk road which support Stansted International Airport in the south of the district.

Traffic emissions are the most significant source of air pollution within the district. Within Saffron Walden, the historic layout of the town results in problems with traffic flow and congestion particularly at peak times.

Uttlesford District Council has one Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) within Saffron Walden town centre, declared for Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂) annual mean exceedances. However, for the third year running, no exceedances have been measured. This gives the Council grounds to examine whether the AQMA can be revoked.

¹ Environmental equity, air quality, socioeconomic status and respiratory health, 2010

² Air quality and social deprivation in the UK: an environmental inequalities analysis, 2006

³ Defra. Abatement cost guidance for valuing changes in air quality, May 2013

Conclusions and Priorities

Monitoring of NO_x and particulates has been extended for 2019, to include further use of diffusion tubes to monitor nitrogen dioxide and automatic analysers to monitor nitrogen dioxide and particulates at locations within the district, to ensure air quality is assessed at pollution hotspots.

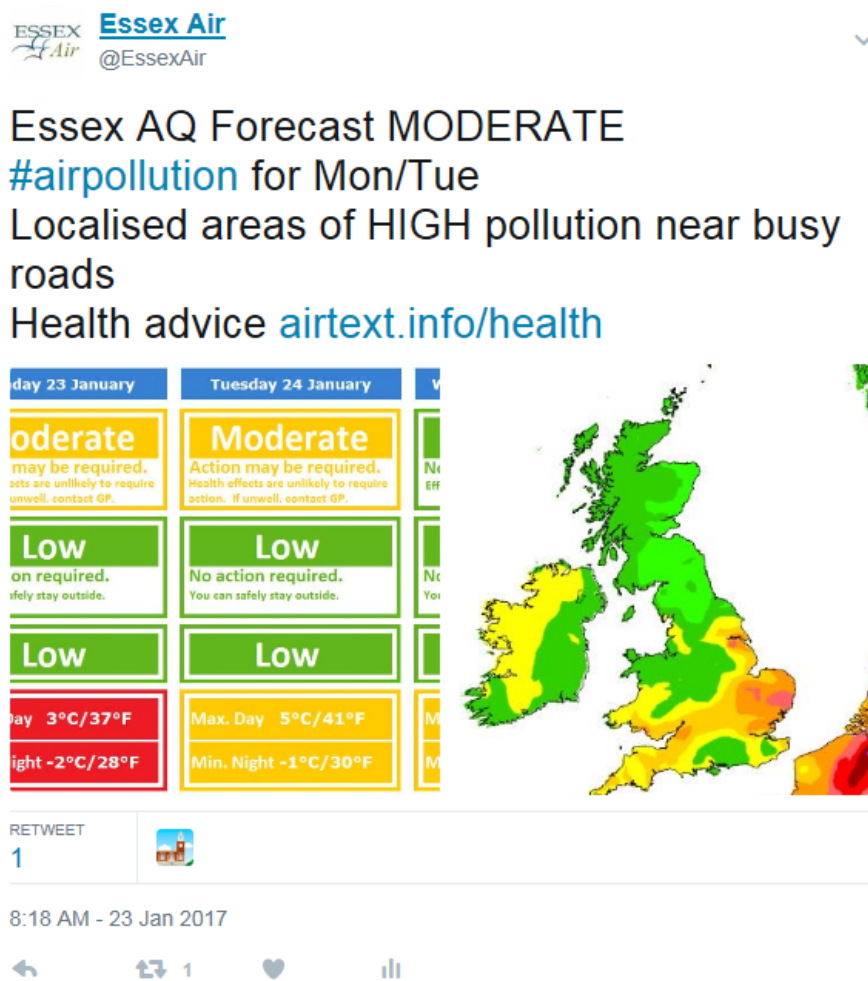
Air quality monitoring undertaken by Uttlesford District Council has identified that for the third year running, there were no exceedances of the annual mean objective for Nitrogen Dioxide within the Saffron Walden AQMA.

In 2020, Uttlesford District Council will work to deliver measures contained within the Air Quality Action Plan and examine whether the AQMA can be revoked.

Local Engagement and How to get Involved

Uttlesford District Council is a member of the Essex Air Quality consortium. The purpose of the Essex Air is to promote improvements in air quality related issues. The Essex Air [web site](#) provides a daily forecast of air pollution. Also, the [@EssexAir](#) twitter feed provides localised weekly air pollution forecasts.

Figure i.1 - Essex Air Twitter Air Quality Notifications



Links to Defra recommended actions and health advice are provided when air pollution is likely to be moderate or higher. This will enable those with heart or lung conditions, or other breathing problems to make informed judgements about their levels of activity or exposure.

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1 Local Air Quality Management

This report provides an overview of air quality in Uttlesford during 2019. It fulfils the requirements of Local Air Quality Management (LAQM) as set out in Part IV of the Environment Act (1995) 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 Status Report (ASR) is an annual requirement showing the strategies employed by Uttlesford District Council to improve air quality and any progress that has been made.

The statutory air quality objectives applicable to LAQM in England can be found in Table E.1 in Appendix E.

2 Actions to Improve Air Quality

2.1 Air Quality Management Areas

Air Quality Management Areas (AQMA) are declared when there is an exceedance or likely exceedance of an air quality objective. After declaration, the authority must prepare an Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) within 12-18 months setting out measures it intends to put in place in pursuit of compliance with the objectives.

A summary of the AQMA declared by Uttlesford District Council can be found Table 2.1. Further information related to AQMA in Uttlesford, including the AQMA order and maps of AQMA boundaries are available online at:

https://uk-air.defra.gov.uk/aqma/details?aqma_ref=1520.

Alternatively, see Appendix D: Maps of Monitoring Locations and AQMA, which provides maps of air quality monitoring locations in relation to the AQMA.

Table 2.1 – Declared Air Quality Management Areas

AQMA Name	Date of Declaration	Pollutants and Air Quality Objectives	City / Town	One Line Description	Is air quality in the AQMA influenced by roads controlled by Highways England?	Level of Exceedance (maximum monitored/ modelled concentration at a location of relevant exposure)		Action Plan				
						At Declaration	Now	Name	Date of Publication	Link		
Saffron Walden AQMA	Declared 01/08/2007 Amended 12/09/2012	NO2 Annual Mean	Saffron Walden	Circle of radius 1400m radius centred on Elm Grove in Saffron Walden Town Centre.	NO	42.9	µg/m3	36.95 (Average of UT044/045/046 Triplicate Diffusion Tubes)	µg/m3	Air Quality Action Plan 2017-2022	01/10/2017	https://www.uttlesford.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=7346&p=0

Uttlesford District Council confirm the information on UK-Air regarding their AQMA(s) is up to date

2.2 Progress and Impact of Measures to address Air Quality in Uttlesford

In 2017 the Council adopted a new 5-year Air Quality Action Plan which sets out local measures proportionate to the level of previous exceedances at key junctions within Saffron Walden AQMA which Uttlesford will deliver with the aim of maintaining good air quality and preventing further exceedances of the relevant objective at residential properties or other sensitive receptors.

Progress on delivering the measures is set out in Table 2.2 and a priority for the coming year will be to continue to deliver measures set out within the Action Plan.

Table 2.2 – Progress on Measures to Improve Air Quality

Measure No.	Measure	EU Category	EU Classification	Organisations involved and Funding Source	Planning Phase	Implementation Phase	Key Performance Indicator	Reduction in Pollutant / Emission from Measure	Progress to Date	Estimated / Actual Completion Date	Comments / Barriers to implementation
1	To revise planning policies which will ensure the impact on air quality in the AQMA is given adequate consideration and weight in the decision-making process.	Policy Guidance and Development Control	Air Quality Policies	UDC	2017	Concurrent with adoption of Local Plan	Policies contained in the Local Plan once adopted. Use of sec 106 funds to implement action plan	Low, but potential to mitigate against emission increases associated with future growth.	Policies have been included in the submitted Regulation 19 Local Plan. Cost: within existing resources.	2022/3	Following the examination of the proposed Local Plan, it was withdrawn in April 2020. Work has started on a new local plan
2	To produce a planning Technical Guidance document for air quality, to ensure the impacts of new development on the AQMA, new receptors in the AQMA, and the level of mitigation are fully considered in all applications.	Policy Guidance and Development Control	Air Quality Technical Guidance	UDC	Early 2017	Late 2017	Publicly available by December 2017	Low, but potential to mitigate against emission increases associated with future growth.	Technical Guidance document has been completed and included in the Regulation 19 Local Plan. Cost within existing resources	2022/3	See above – pending approval of new Local Plan
3	To work with ECC to facilitate the provision of new cycle/pedestrian routes and cycle storage, and promote the routes available.	Transport Planning and Infrastructure	Cycle Network	ECC & UDC	2017	2017-2022	Number of new routes provided, increase in no of storage facilities per annum and users of facilities year on year	Low, dependant on reduction in number of vehicles on road network	UDC has held meetings with ECC to review existing provisions and work with ECC on an on-going basis to achieve outcomes. Recently govt funding has been released and UDC will be making bids to support the UDC cycle strategy		Outcomes dependent on priorities, funding & developer contributions, which the plan cannot timescale.
4	UDC to increase cycle storage on Council owned sites in Saffron Walden where practical to do so.	Transport Planning and Infrastructure	Cycle Network	UDC	2017	2018	Increase in no of storage facilities and users of facilities from baseline	Low, dependant on reduction in number of vehicles on road network	To link in with the Travel plan. Engage with property services & apply for funding where appropriate where need has been identified. .		
5	To assist ECC in working with local schools and businesses in the review and upgrading of existing travel plans or to assist individual schools or businesses to develop and promote plans	Promoting Travel Alternatives	School and workplace travel planning	ECC & UDC	Engage with ECC and other stakeholders by mid-2017	2018-2022	Number of new or upgraded TPs. Increase in walking or cycling to school or workplace from baseline	Low, dependant on reduction in number of vehicles on road network	Cost within existing resources		Reliance on joint working with ECC and other stakeholders to develop new travel plans.
6	To support the extension of phone signal coverage and superfast broadband service to all parts of the district.	Promoting Travel Alternatives	Facilitating home working	ECC & UDC	2017	To be confirmed	Number of businesses and homes enabled to access superfast broadband by 2019. Increase in no of people regularly working from home	Low, dependant on reduction in number of vehicles on road network	UDC investment of £500k towards inclusion in Superfast Essex broadband procurement to be implemented by end of 2019. This has been delayed until December 2021		
7	To work with ECC Highways to develop a scheme of measures aimed at improving junction capacity within the AQMA identified to be necessary as part of the Local Plan once adopted.	Traffic Management	Congestion management	ECC	2019	To be confirmed	Junction capacity improvements at the four key junctions identified in the action plan. Reduction in queue lengths from identified baseline.	Medium, dependant on reduced congestion	UDC has held meetings with ECC to review existing provisions and work with ECC on an on-going basis to achieve outcomes, regular further meetings to be held. Some funding available from sec 106 agreements.		Reliant on ECC work programme following approval of the Local Plan and developer contributions once commenced. Timescale beyond control of UDC. Developer contributions have been diverted to pedestrian safety issues & traffic calming on Debden Road
8	To work with ECC to assess whether changes to junction configurations and signal controls, control of parking measures on main routes through the town and access to the centre by HGVs which will demonstrably reduce congestion can be identified and implemented ahead of adoption of the local plan	Traffic Management	Congestion management	ECC	2017-18	To be confirmed	Improvements to junctions carried out, improved parking on main routes, restrictions to HGVs. Reduction in queue lengths	Medium, dependant on reduced congestion	No progress. To engage with ECC and North Essex Parking Partnership (NEEP)		Reliant on ECC and North Essex Parking Partnership (NEEP) to be in agreement with any changes. No realistic target date can be applied
9	To support targeted enforcement of parking restrictions where identified to be an issue, on main routes through the town	Traffic Management	Parking enforcement on highway	UDC	2017	2018	No of parking penalty notices issued on main routes	Low, dependant on reduced congestion	Planned work stream delayed. Cost within existing resources.		

10	To provide clear informative signage to Swan Meadow car park, new amenities, leisure centre, food stores, Audley End	Transport Planning and Infrastructure	Other	UDC	2017	2018	No of new signs provided	Low, dependant on reduced congestion	Appropriate signage on approaches to facilities provided, to be kept under review as new development is delivered	2019	Completed
11	To review UDC travel plan and review opportunities for a shared travel plan with partner organisations using UDC facilities	Promoting Travel Alternatives	Workplace Travel Plans	UDC	2017	2019	Revised UDC TP by end of 2017. Reduction in car travel to work as measured by survey & occupied car spaces, reduction in business mileage of 5% pa	Low, dependant on reduced congestion	Under review following changes arising from the Covid -19 pandemic. To link in with the Councils Climate Change Strategy. Cost within existing resources		
12	To pursue options to install renewable energy technologies at suitable sites within Saffron Walden, to review UDC fleet procurement and implement changes where identified as practicable, and likely emission reductions justify the capital expenditure	Promoting Low Emission Plant and transport	Low emission fuels for stationary sources, company vehicle procurement, prioritising uptake of low emission fuels	UDC	2017	2017-2022	No kW renewable energy within SW, review of fuel usage and type, no of UDC LEVs	Medium	Meetings held with vehicle procurement to consider options for fleet procurement and conversion of existing fleet to low emission fuel, and cost benefit. Uttlesford Norsk partnership replaced 17 older vehicles with Euro 6 compliant fleet. This included 2x electric vehicles		Awaiting resources
13	To encourage ECC to procure bus services with integrated timetables, high quality facilities, and a frequent and reliable service linked to the rail service at Audley End. Information on Public Transport services to be readily available in UDC buildings and via the website.	Transport Planning and Infrastructure	Public transport service improvements	ECC & UDC	Mid 2017	2018-19	No of new or improved services available, information available in UDC buildings. Increase in bus usage of 5%	Low	No progress		Awaiting resources
14	To identify opportunities to raise public awareness of air quality issues through education initiatives and publicity campaigns	Public Information	Via leaflets Via the internet	UDC	2017-2022	2017-2022	No of campaigns, target one per annum.	Low, dependant on behavioural changes	Targeted campaign delivered to schools & the general public, coincided with National Clean Air Day in June 2018 & June 2019 Cost within existing resources. 2020 event delayed due to Covid -19 pandemic		Ongoing, however limited due to resource
15	To provide advice and raise awareness of car sharing and associated database software available to employers	Alternatives to private vehicle use	Car and lift sharing schemes	UDC	2017	2018	No of new car sharing schemes set up, target one per annum. Reduction of 1-5% of private car commuter journeys	Low dependant on reduced congestion	In house promotion linked to Clean Air Day 2018 & 2019. Project suspended due to Covid-19 pandemic. Cost within existing resources		Scheme uptake outside control of UDC. However, district wide promotion of schemes to take place on an annual basis as part of other awareness linked to measure 14.
16	To consider the provision of preferential charging for UDC controlled parking spaces for vehicles meeting low emission standards	Traffic Management	Emission based parking or permit schemes	UDC	2019	2020	Review of charging policy	Low, dependant on raised uptake of LEVs	Project delayed due to resource issues. Feasibility study delayed until Spring 2021		
17	To engage with the Uttlesford licensed operators with the aim of introducing emission controls for licensed taxis operating within the AQMA.	Promoting low emission transport	Taxi licence conditions	UDC	2017	2018	Review of licensing policy	Low	Upgraded licensed vehicle emissions policy.	2019	Completed
18	To encourage ECC to set emission standards for new and existing buses under contract operating within the AQMA	Vehicle fleet efficiency	Promoting low emission public transport	ECC	2017-18	To be confirmed	Review of contractual arrangements	Low	No progress		Awaiting resources
19	To work with the operators of fleet vehicles within the town to facilitate the introduction of LEV's	Promoting low emission transport	Company Vehicle Procurement - Prioritising uptake of low emission vehicles	UDC	2018	To be confirmed	No of LEV fleet vehicles on town road network.	Potentially medium, dependant on uptake of vehicles.	No progress		Reliance on engagement with fleet operators to achieve outcome.
20	Provide electric charging points on UDC owned parking spaces in the town where practical and economically feasible to do so, and encourage the provision of points at suitable privately owned sites	Promoting low emission transport	Procuring alternative refuelling infrastructure to promote Low Emission Vehicles, EV recharging	UDC	2018	2019-2022	No of points installed per annum, target 4	Potentially medium, dependant on uptake of vehicles.	Ongoing. Charging points at the Common Car Park have been delivered. Currently there is a £100K bid, plus £40K match funding for additional car parks in place. 4 post at London Road are planned for August		
21	To work with ECC on introducing delivery time restrictions to High Street SW	Freight and delivery management	Off peak hours deliveries	ECC	2017	To be confirmed	Restrictions in place, reductions in HGV parking	Low	No progress		Awaiting resources
22	To carry out additional monitoring of NO2 within Saffron Walden to inform basis for decision making.	Public Information	Other	UDC	2017	2017-2022	Provision of localised data for incorporation into air quality modelling	Low, provides evidence base for actions	Permanent Automatic monitoring station at London Road scheduled for 2019. Extension of diffusion tube sites to include co-location.	2019	Completed

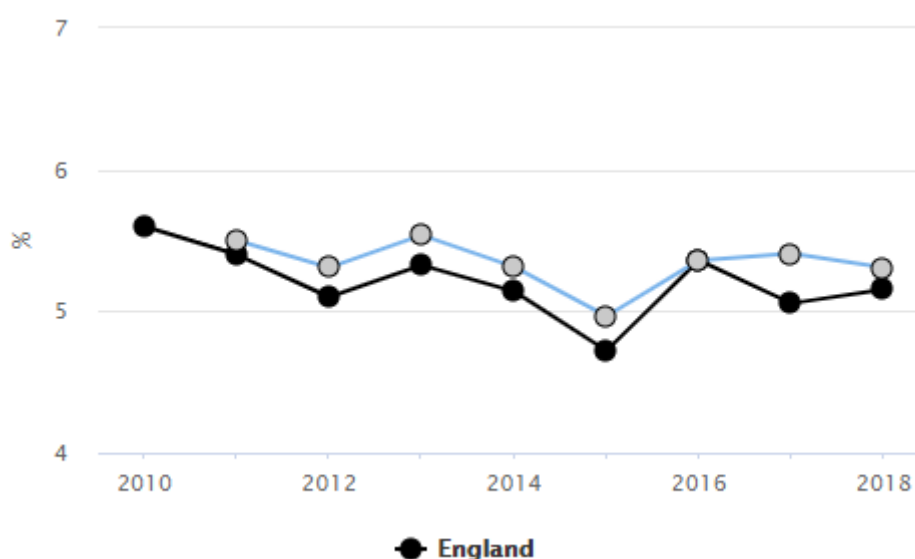
2.3 PM_{2.5} – Local Authority Approach to Reducing Emissions and/or Concentrations

As detailed in Policy Guidance LAQM.PG16 (Chapter 7), local authorities are expected to work towards reducing emissions and/or concentrations of PM_{2.5} (particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 2.5µm or less). There is clear evidence that PM_{2.5} has a significant impact on human health, including premature mortality, allergic reactions, and cardiovascular diseases.

Uttlesford District Council monitors PM_{2.5} concentrations within Saffron Walden town centre. Since monitoring started in 2014, monitored concentrations have been below 20µg/m³ and are likely to be representative of the local area.

Uttlesford District Council notes the Public Health Outcomes Framework indicator D01 – Fraction of mortality attributable to particulate (PM_{2.5}) air pollution which for 2018 gave a value of 5.3% down from 5.5% in 2011.

Figure 2.1 - Public Health Framework Indicator 3.01 Fraction of all-cause adult mortality attributable to anthropogenic particulate air pollution



Uttlesford District Council is taking the following measures to address PM_{2.5}:

- Use of Essex Air twitter to encourage the reporting of smoky vehicles through the DVSA reporting service. It is possible to report either heavy goods vehicles or public service vehicles (buses).
- Regular inspections of permitted industry where combustion and non-combustion processes could lead to anthropogenic emissions of PM_{2.5}

3 Air Quality Monitoring Data and Comparison with Air Quality Objectives and National Compliance

3.1 Summary of Monitoring Undertaken

3.1.1 Automatic Monitoring Sites

This section sets out what monitoring has taken place and how it compares with objectives.

Uttlesford District Council undertook automatic (continuous) monitoring with reference analysers at three sites during 2018.

- Site UTT2 Thaxted Road, Saffron Walden measuring NO₂
- Site UTT3 London Road, Saffron Walden measuring NO₂, PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀

Table A.1 in Appendix A provides detail of the sites.

Further details on how the monitors are calibrated and how the data has been adjusted are included in Appendix C.

Maps showing the location of the monitoring sites are provided in Appendix D.

3.1.2 Non-Automatic Monitoring Sites

Uttlesford District Council undertook non-automatic (passive) monitoring of NO₂ at 31 sites using 33 diffusion tubes during 2019.

Table A.2 in Appendix A provides detail of the sites.

Further details on Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) for the diffusion tubes, including bias adjustments and any other adjustments applied (e.g. “annualisation” and/or distance correction), are included in Appendix C.

Maps showing the location of the monitoring sites are provided in <Appendix D.

3.2 Individual Pollutants

The air quality monitoring results presented in this section are, where relevant, adjusted for bias⁴. For diffusion tubes, no “annualisation” (where the data capture falls below 75%) has been necessary. It should be noted that UTT3 automatic analyser recorded only 74.33% valid data capture however has not been annualised as the majority of the data gaps are small intraday issues which means that annualisation would not be possible in the same way as adjusting short term seasonal studies

Distance correction⁵ has been applied in Appendix B. Further details on adjustments are provided in Appendix C.

3.2.1 Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂)

Table A. in Appendix A compares the ratified and adjusted monitored NO₂ annual mean concentrations for the past 5 years with the air quality objective of 40µg/m³. Note that the concentration data presented in Table A. represents the concentration at the location of the monitoring site, following the application of bias adjustment and annualisation, as required (i.e. the values are exclusive of any consideration to fall-off with distance adjustment).

For diffusion tubes, the full 2019 dataset of monthly mean values is provided in Appendix B. Note that the concentration data presented in Table B. includes distance corrected values, only where relevant.

Figure A.1 in Appendix A compares the diffusion tube monitoring locations outside of the AQMA for the past 5 years with the air quality objective of 40µg/m³.

Figure A.2 in Appendix A compares the diffusion tube monitoring locations inside of the AQMA for the past 5 years with the air quality objective of 40µg/m³.

In 2019, Uttlesford District Council did **not** measure any exceedances of the annual mean or 1-Hr mean Air Quality Objective for Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂).

⁴ <https://laqm.defra.gov.uk/bias-adjustment-factors/bias-adjustment.html>

⁵ Fall-off with distance correction criteria is provided in paragraph 7.77, LAQM.TG(16)

3.2.2 Particulate Matter (PM₁₀)

Table A.5 in Appendix A compares the ratified and adjusted monitored PM₁₀ annual mean concentrations for the past five years with the air quality objective of 40µg/m³. Figure A.5 in Appendix A presents this data in graphical format.

Figure A.6 in Appendix A presents the ratified and adjusted PM₁₀ monitored from the UTT3 site in 2019.

Table A.6 in Appendix A compares the ratified continuous monitored PM₁₀ daily mean concentrations for the past 5 years with the air quality objective of 50µg/m³, not to be exceeded more than 35 times per year.

Figure A.7 presents five year trend data for PM₁₀ measured at UTT3.

The reported data has been fully ratified and the Met One PM₁₀ measurements are corrected for slope by dividing the data by 1.2.

In 2019, Uttlesford District Council did not measure any exceedances of the annual mean or 24-Hr mean Air Quality Objective for Particulate Matter (PM₁₀).

3.2.3 Particulate Matter (PM_{2.5})

PM_{2.5} has been monitored in Saffron Walden for five years. From 2015 to 2018 this was at the UTT1 monitoring site. For 2019 this has been moved to the UTT3 monitoring site.

Details of the monitoring site can be found in Table A.1 in Appendix A. The location can be seen on Figure D.1.

Table A.7 in Appendix A presents the ratified and adjusted monitored PM_{2.5} annual mean concentrations for the past 5 years in a tabular format.

Figure A.8 in Appendix A presents the ratified and adjusted monitored PM_{2.5} annual mean concentrations for the past 5 years in graphical format.

Figure A.9 in Appendix A presents the ratified and adjusted PM_{2.5} monitored from the UTT3 site in 2019.

Figure A.10 in Appendix A presents a comparison between PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ monitored from the UTT3 site in 2019.

The reported data has been fully ratified and the Met One PM_{2.5} measurements are not adjusted due to the presence of the smart heater.

Appendix A: Monitoring Results

Table A.1 - Details of Automatic Monitoring Sites

Site ID	Site Name	Site Type	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Pollutants Monitored	In AQMA?	Monitoring Technique	Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) ⁽¹⁾	Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) ⁽²⁾	Inlet Height (m)
UTT1	Hill St, Saffron Walden	Roadside	553825	238409	PM _{2.5}	Y	BAM (with Smart Heater)	4.1	2	1
UTT2	Junction Thaxted Rd & Radwinter Rd, Saffron Walden	Roadside	554357	238444	NO _x , NO, NO ₂	NO	Chemiluminescent	0	2	1
UTT3	London Road, Saffron Walden	Roadside	553570	237908	NO _x , NO, NO ₂ ; PM ₁₀ ; PM _{2.5}	NO	Chemiluminescent, BAM, BAM (with Smart Heater)	6	3	2.8

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

UTT1 was not operation in 2019 but is kept due to reporting historical PM_{2.5} data.

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

Site ID	Site Name	Site Type	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Pollutants Monitored	In AQMA?	Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) ⁽¹⁾	Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) ⁽²⁾	Tube collocated with a Continuous Analyser?	Height (m)
UT001	High Street, Saffron Walden	Urban Centre	553709	238417	NO2	Yes	15	1.5	NO	2
UT003	Gibson Gardens, Saffron Walden	Urban Background	553554	238218	NO2	Yes	5.1	1.5	NO	2
UT004	YHA, Saffron Walden	Kerbside	553598	238595	NO2	Yes	0.8	0.4	NO	2
UT005	Thaxted Road, Saffron Walden	Kerbside	554336	238454	NO2	Yes	2.4	0.5	NO	2
UT009	Burton End	Roadside	552403	223965	NO2	No	17	27	NO	2
UT010	Newport M11	Kerbside	551246	233649	NO2	No	40	0.1	NO	2
UT011	33 High Street, Saffron Walden	Urban Centre	553697	238452	NO2	Yes	0	2.7	NO	2
UT012	Town Hall, Saffron Walden	Urban Background	553879	238510	NO2	Yes	20	0.1	NO	2
UT015	57 High Street, Saffron Walden	Roadside	553739	238317	NO2	Yes	0	4	NO	2
UT016	Radwinter Road, Saffron Walden	Roadside	554413	238474	NO2	Yes	8	1.6	NO	2
UT017	Stortford Rd, Lt Canfield	Roadside	560023	221444	NO2	No	14	2.5	NO	2

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UT018	17 Cambridge Road, Stansted	Roadside	551035	225199	NO2	No	3	1.5	NO	2
UT019	Silver Street, Stansted	Roadside	550950	225039	NO2	No	3.5	2	NO	2
UT020	Grove Hill, Stansted	Roadside	551535	225065	NO2	No	0	3.3	NO	2
UT021	41 East Street, Saffron Walden	Roadside	554212	238436	NO2	Yes	0	2	NO	2
UT024	Takeley Hill, Hatfield Forest	Rural	554671	221010	NO2	No	N/A	118	NO	2
UT028	London Rd, Saffron Walden	Roadside	553755	238092	NO2	Yes	0.8	2	NO	2
UT029	Debden Road, Saffron Walden	Roadside	553770	238076	NO2	Yes	0.5	0.5	NO	2
UT030	Friends School, Saffron Walden	Kerbside	553875	237764	NO2	Yes	10	0.5	NO	2
UT031	Mount Pleasant Road, Saffron Walden	Roadside	554178	237767	NO2	Yes	2	1.5	NO	2
UT032	Borough Lane, Saffron Walden	Roadside	553625	237856	NO2	Yes	0	7	NO	2
UT033	Chapel Hill, Stansted	Roadside	551377	224913	NO2	No	0	3	NO	2
UT034	Four Ashes, Takeley	Roadside	556101	221243	NO2	No	8	1.5	NO	2
UT036	Church Street, Saffron Walden	Urban Centre	553718	238530	NO2	Yes	0	1	NO	2
UT037	Castle Street, Saffron Walden	Kerbside	553923	238770	NO2	Yes	1	1	NO	2
UT039	Newport High Street	Roadside	552156	234034	NO2	No	0	1.2	NO	2

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UT040	Wawel Cottage, Newport	Roadside	552113	234505	NO2	No	0	6	NO	2
UT041	Rose Cottage, Newport	Roadside	552091	233630	NO2	No	0	3	NO	2
UT042	Debden Road, Newport	Roadside	552152	233878	NO2	No	0.5	0.5	NO	2
UT043	Gaces Acre, Newport	Roadside	552135	234344	NO2	No	1	2	NO	2
UT044	Thaxted Road Co-located 1	Roadside	554357	238443	NO2	Yes	0	2	YES	1
UT045	Thaxted Road Co-located 2	Roadside	554357	238443	NO2	Yes	0	2	YES	1
UT046	Thaxted Road Co-located 3	Roadside	554357	238443	NO2	Yes	0	2	YES	1

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.3 – Annual Mean NO₂ Monitoring Results

Site ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Monitoring Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) ⁽¹⁾	Valid Data Capture 2019 (%) ⁽²⁾	NO ₂ Annual Mean Concentration (µg/m ³) ^{(3) (4)}				
							2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
UTT2	554358.00	238444.00	Roadside	Automatic	88.15	88.15	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	35.31	32.70
UTT3	553570.00	237908.00	Roadside	Automatic	74.33	74.33	<u>N/A</u>	23.95	18.34	21.17	19.57
UT001	553709.00	238417.00	Urban Centre	Diffusion Tube	91.67	91.67	36.35	40.04	33.96	19.16	29.97
UT003	553554.00	238218.00	Urban Background	Diffusion Tube	91.67	91.67	12.26	16.22	13.43	11.20	11.11
UT004	553598.00	238595.00	Kerbside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	42.17	46.90	38.00	30.61	35.13
UT005	554336.00	238454.00	Kerbside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	41.17	47.52	37.98	28.46	33.86
UT009	552403.00	223965.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	91.67	91.67	35.51	43.04	36.82	28.11	30.14
UT010	551246.00	233649.00	Kerbside	Diffusion Tube	91.67	91.67	25.10	31.02	25.02	14.78	21.45
UT011	553697.00	238452.00	Urban Centre	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	32.90	38.57	30.97	29.02	26.31
UT012	553879.00	238510.00	Urban Background	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	18.52	20.48	16.20	11.14	15.54
UT015	553739.00	238317.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	91.67	91.67	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	25.76	24.87
UT016	554413.00	238474.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	83.33	83.33	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	32.12	30.68
UT017	560023.00	221444.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	14.87	14.64
UT018	551035.00	225199.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	26.72	24.39
UT019	550950.00	225039.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	35.02	31.89
UT020	551535.00	225065.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	91.67	91.67	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	35.65	30.68
UT021	554212.00	238436.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	91.67	91.67	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	27.05	23.96
UT024	554671.00	221010.00	Rural	Diffusion Tube	83.33	83.33	14.73	17.01	15.49	13.06	11.39
UT028	553755.00	238092.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	37.96	44.76	37.44	33.36	31.23
UT029	553770.00	238076.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	21.58	26.50	21.41	20.46	20.06
UT030	553875.00	237764.00	Kerbside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	29.01	35.27	26.10	27.16	24.98
UT031	554178.00	237767.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	91.67	91.67	22.00	26.22	21.38	19.83	20.65
UT032	553625.00	237856.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	16.79	19.71	17.36	15.21	15.00
UT033	551377.00	224913.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	27.61	36.18	26.99	26.92	23.80
UT034	556101.00	221243.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	26.08	35.15	29.79	26.23	24.61
UT036	553718.00	238530.00	Urban Centre	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	21.63	27.09	20.87	19.16	18.39
UT037	553923.00	238770.00	Kerbside	Diffusion Tube	91.67	91.67	24.19	29.08	23.97	22.01	22.43
UT039	552156.00	234034.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	31.35	30.11	27.10
UT040	552113.00	234505.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	19.80	20.51
UT041	552091.00	233630.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	91.67	91.67	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	18.65	19.16
UT042	552152.00	233878.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	24.06
UT043	552135.00	234344.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	22.93
UT044	554357.00	238443.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	91.67	91.67	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	36.57
UT045	554357.00	238443.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	91.67	91.67	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	37.04
UT046	554357.00	238443.00	Roadside	Diffusion Tube	100.00	100.00	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	37.25

☒ Diffusion tube data has been bias corrected

☒ Annualisation has been conducted for diffusion tubes where data capture is <75%. It should be noted that UTT3 automatic analyser recorded only 74.33% valid data capture however has not been annualised as the majority of the data gaps are small intraday issues which means that annualisation would not be possible in the same way as adjusting short term seasonal studies

☒ 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 adjustment

Notes:

Exceedances of the NO₂ annual mean objective of 40µg/m³ are shown in **bold**.

NO₂ annual means exceeding 60µg/m³, indicating a potential exceedance of the NO₂ 1-hour mean objective are shown in **bold and underlined**.

(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) Means for diffusion tubes have been corrected for bias. All means have been “annualised” as per Boxes 7.9 and 7.10 in LAQM.TG16 if valid data capture for the full calendar year is less than 75%. See Appendix C for details.

(4) Concentrations are those at the location of monitoring and not those following any fall-off with distance adjustment.

Figure A.1 – Trends in Diffusion Tube Annual Mean NO₂ Concentrations outside the AQMA



Figure A.2 – Trends in Annual Mean NO₂ Concentrations inside of the AQMA

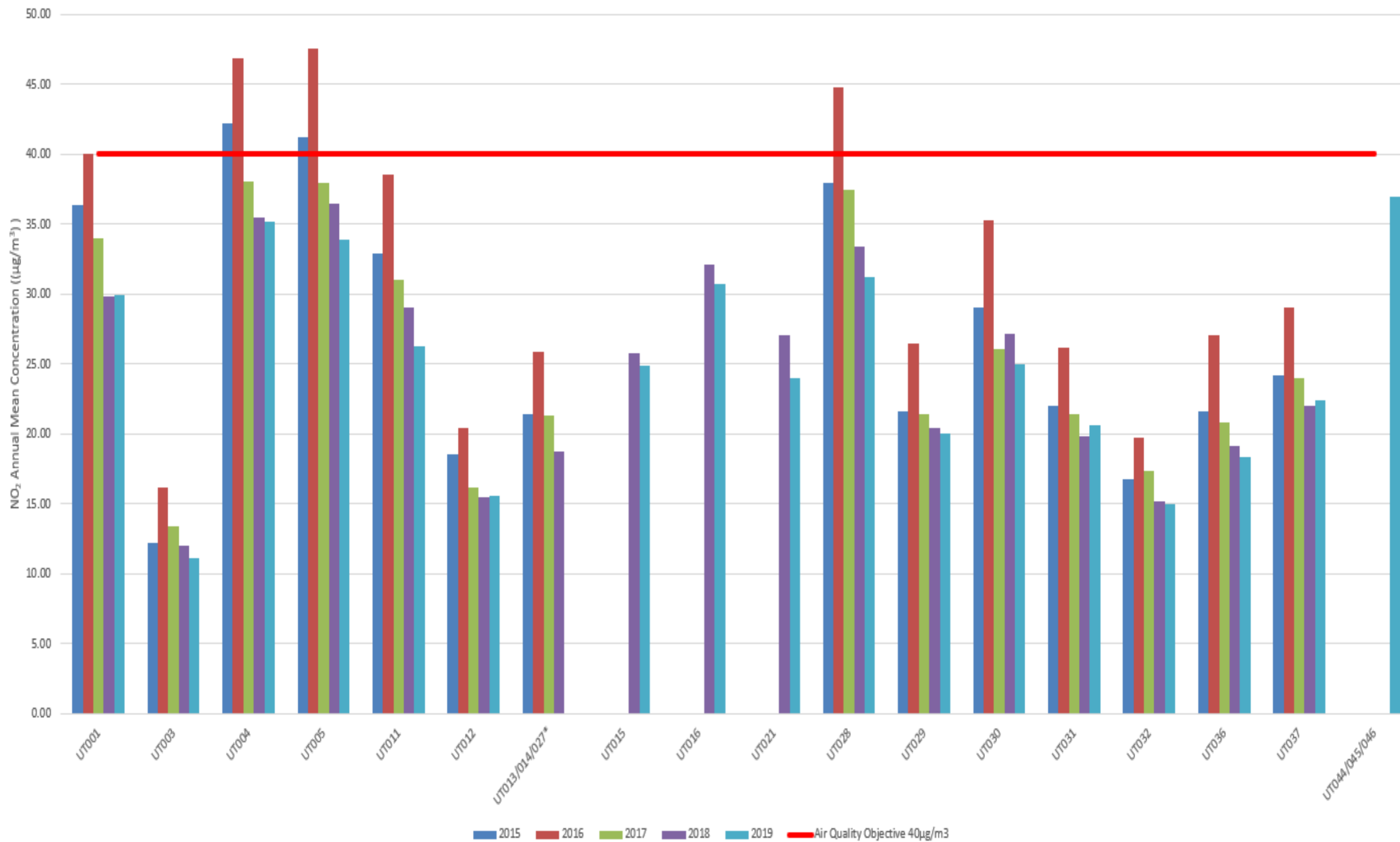


Figure A.3 – UTT2 Thaxted Road NO₂ Hourly Chart

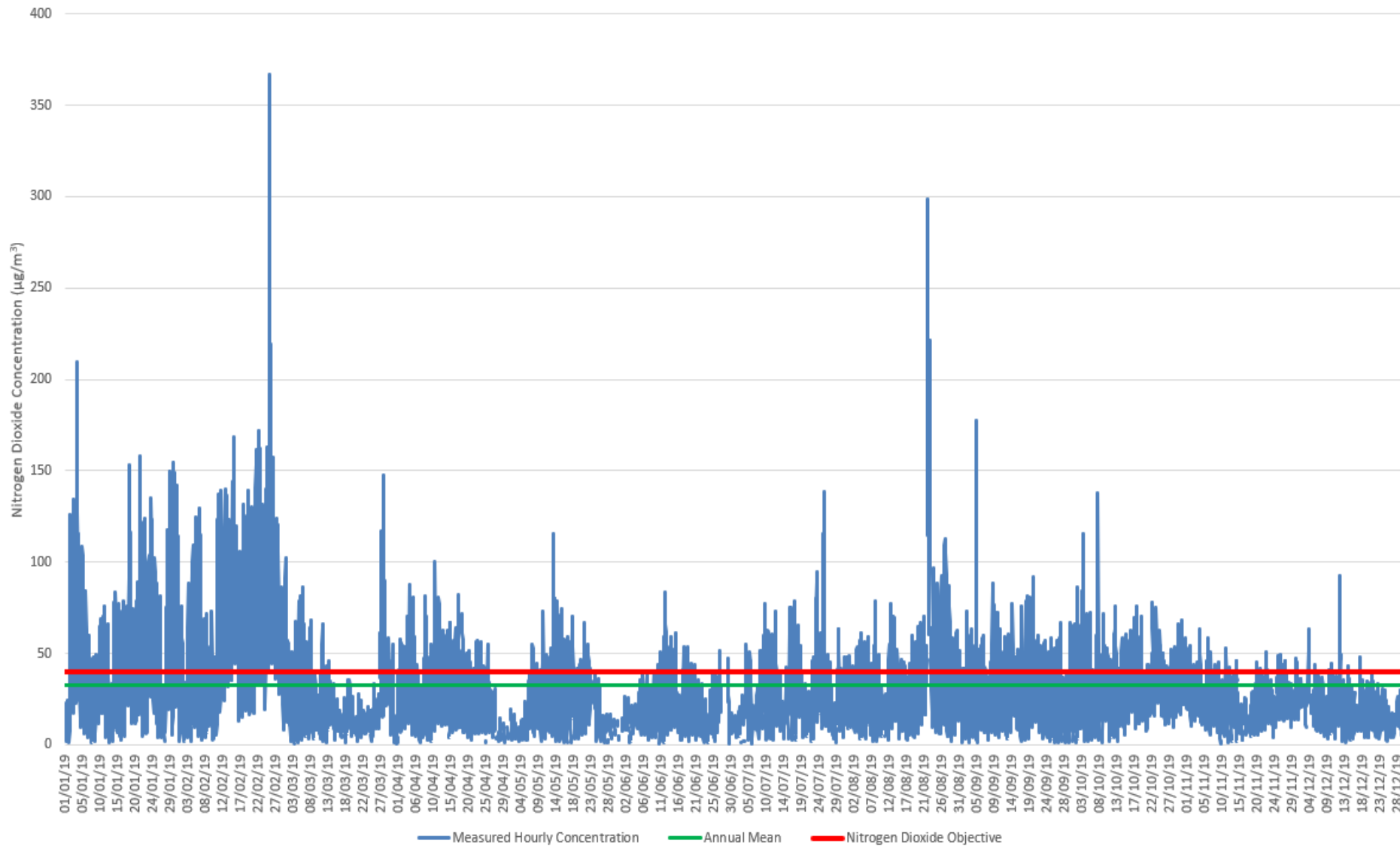


Figure A.4 – UTT3 London Road NO₂ Hourly Chart

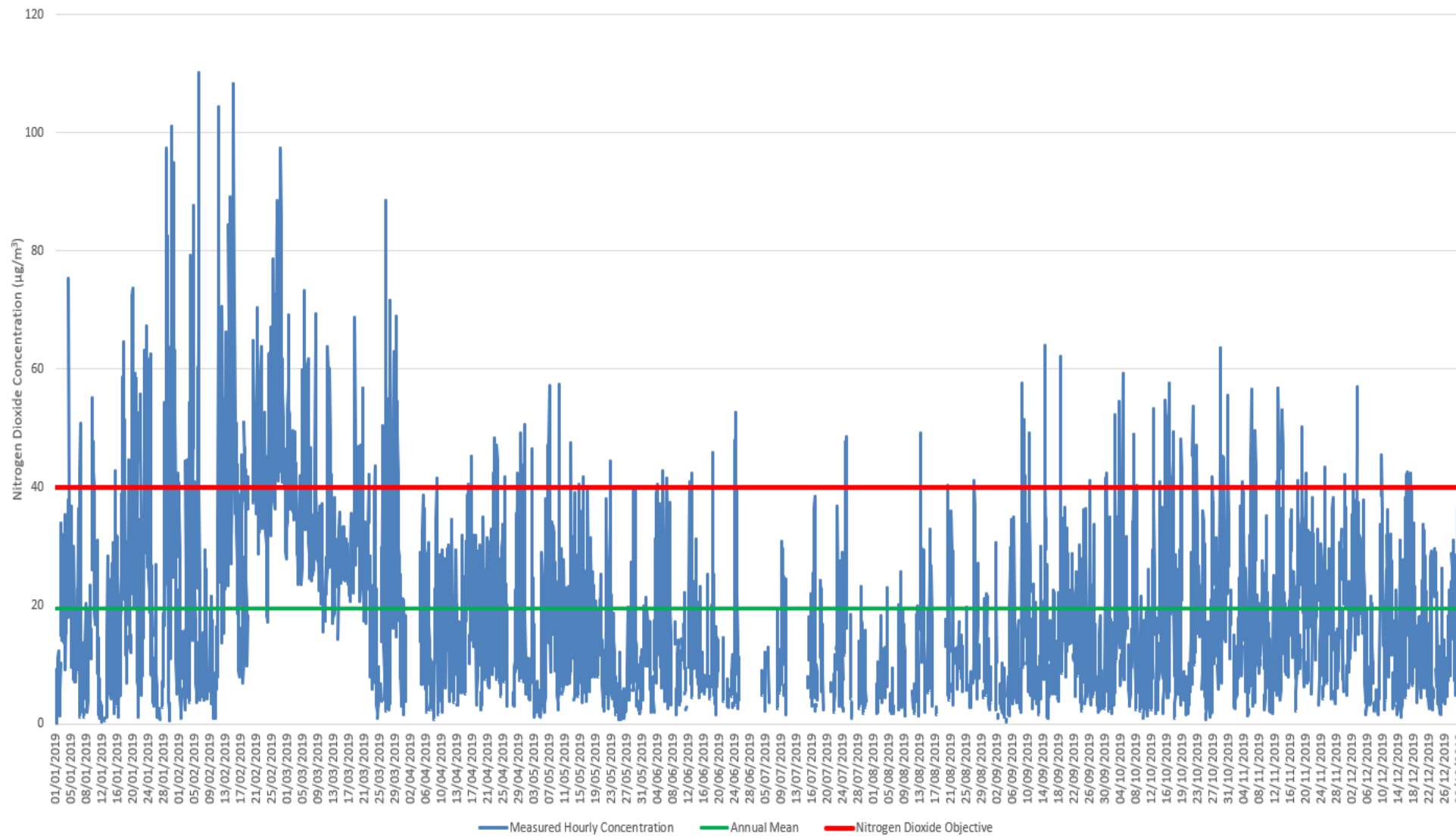


Table A.4 – 1-Hour Mean NO₂ Monitoring Results

Site ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Monitoring Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) ⁽¹⁾	Valid Data Capture 2019 (%) ⁽²⁾	NO ₂ 1-Hour Means > 200µg/m ³ ⁽³⁾				
							2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
UTT2	554357	238444	Roadside	Automatic	88.15	88.15	N/A	N/A	N/A	0 (139.31)	8
UTT3	553570	237908	Roadside	Automatic	74.33	74.33	N/A	0 (133.57)	1	0 (102.71)	0 (89.07)

Notes:

Exceedances of the NO₂ 1-hour mean objective (200µg/m³ not to be exceeded more than 18 times/year) are shown in **bold**.

(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) If the period of valid data is less than 85%, the 99.8th percentile of 1-hour means is provided in brackets.

Table A.5 – Annual Mean PM₁₀ Monitoring Results

Site ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) ⁽¹⁾	Valid Data Capture 2019 (%) ⁽²⁾	PM ₁₀ Annual Mean Concentration (µg/m ³) ⁽³⁾				
						2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
UTT3	553570	237908	Roadside	94.79	94.79	N/A	24.5	24.18	25.52	24.67

Annualisation has been conducted where data capture is <75%

Notes:

Exceedances of the PM₁₀ annual mean objective of 40µg/m³ are shown in **bold**.

(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) All means have been “annualised” as per Boxes 7.9 and 7.10 in LAQM.TG16, valid data capture for the full calendar year is less than 75%. See Appendix C for details.

Figure A.5 – Trends in Annual Mean PM₁₀ Concentrations

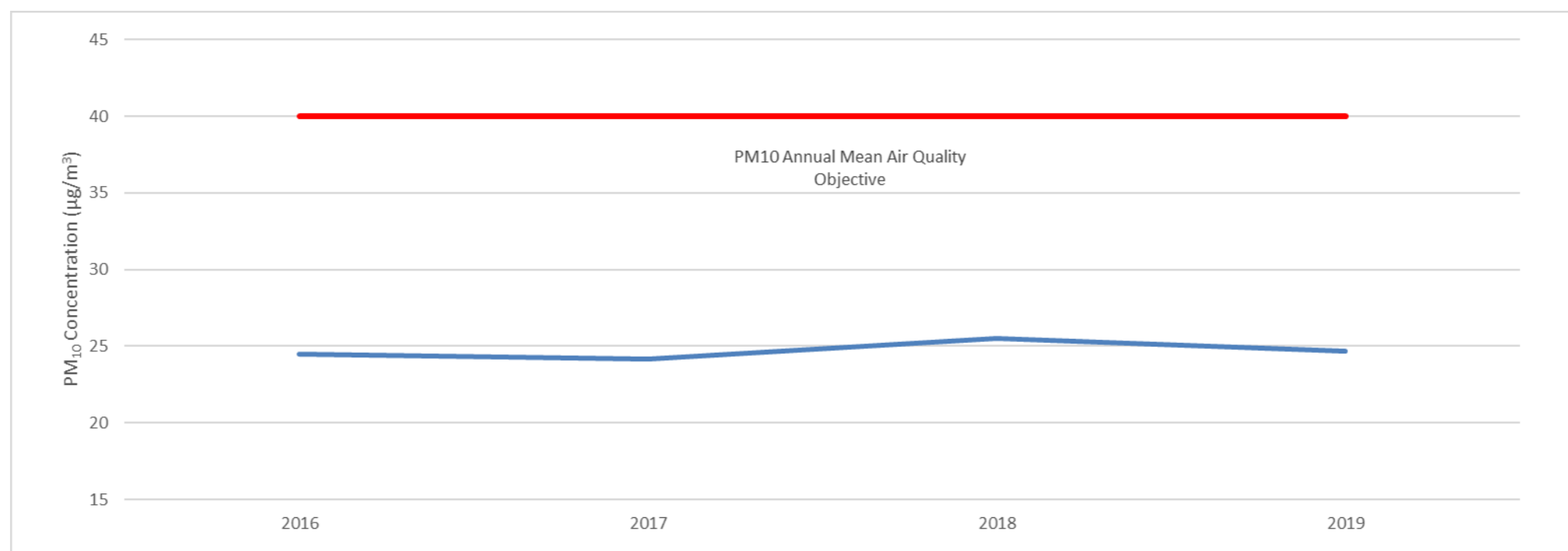


Figure A.6 – UTT3 London Road PM₁₀ Chart

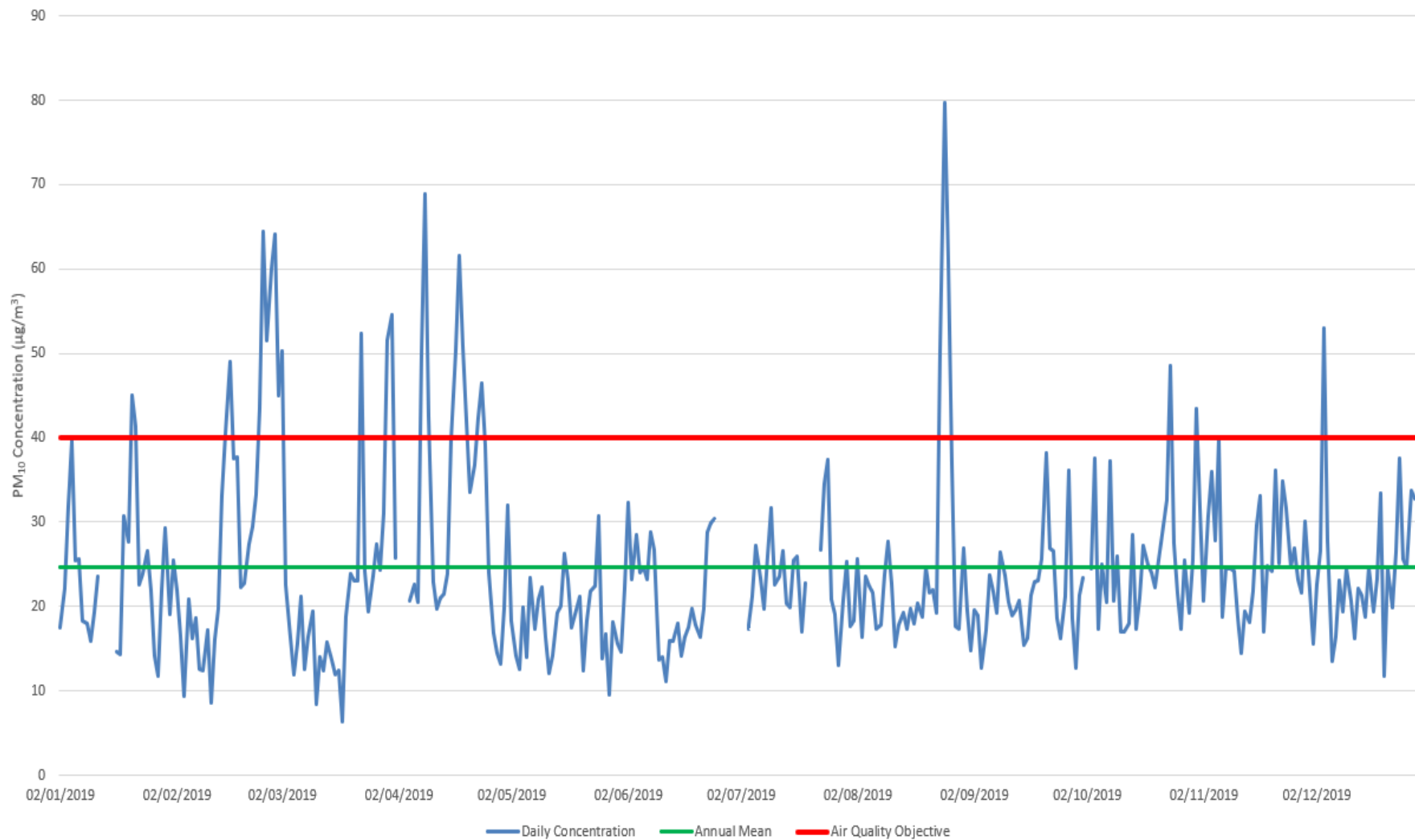


Table A.1 – 24-Hour Mean PM₁₀ Monitoring Results

Site ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) ⁽¹⁾	Valid Data Capture 2019 (%) ⁽²⁾	PM ₁₀ 24-Hour Means > 50µg/m ³ ⁽³⁾				
						2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
UTT3	553570	237908	Roadside	94.79	94.79	N/A	6 (43.47)	19	8 (38.63)	16

Notes:

Exceedances of the PM₁₀ 24-hour mean objective (50µg/m³ not to be exceeded more than 35 times/year) are shown in **bold**.

(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) If the period of valid data is less than 85%, the 90.4th percentile of 24-hour means is provided in brackets.

Figure A.7 – Trends in Number of UTT3 24-Hour Mean PM₁₀ Results >50µg/m³

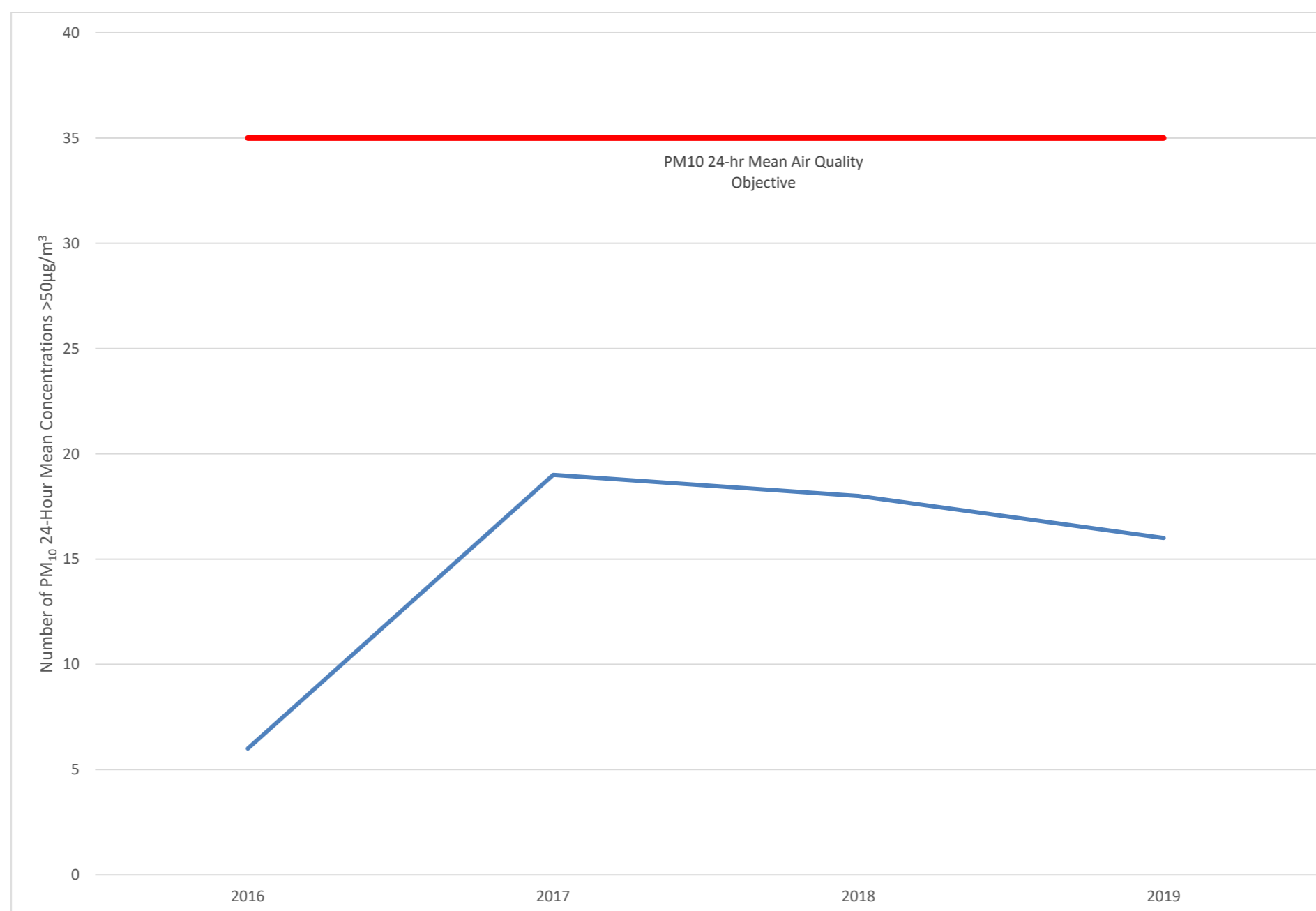


Table A.7 – PM_{2.5} Monitoring Results

Site ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) ⁽¹⁾	Valid Data Capture 2019 (%) ⁽²⁾	PM _{2.5} Annual Mean Concentration (µg/m ³) ⁽³⁾				
						2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
UTT1	553825	238409	Roadside	N/A	N/A	19.3	17.27	18.45	17.52	N/A
UTT3	553570	237908	Roadside	92.6	92.6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	13.75

☒ Annualisation has been conducted where data capture is <75%

Notes:

(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) All means have been “annualised” as per Boxes 7.9 and 7.10 in LAQM.TG16, valid data capture for the full calendar year is less than 75%. See Appendix C for details.

Figure A.8 – Trends in Annual Mean PM_{2.5} Concentrations

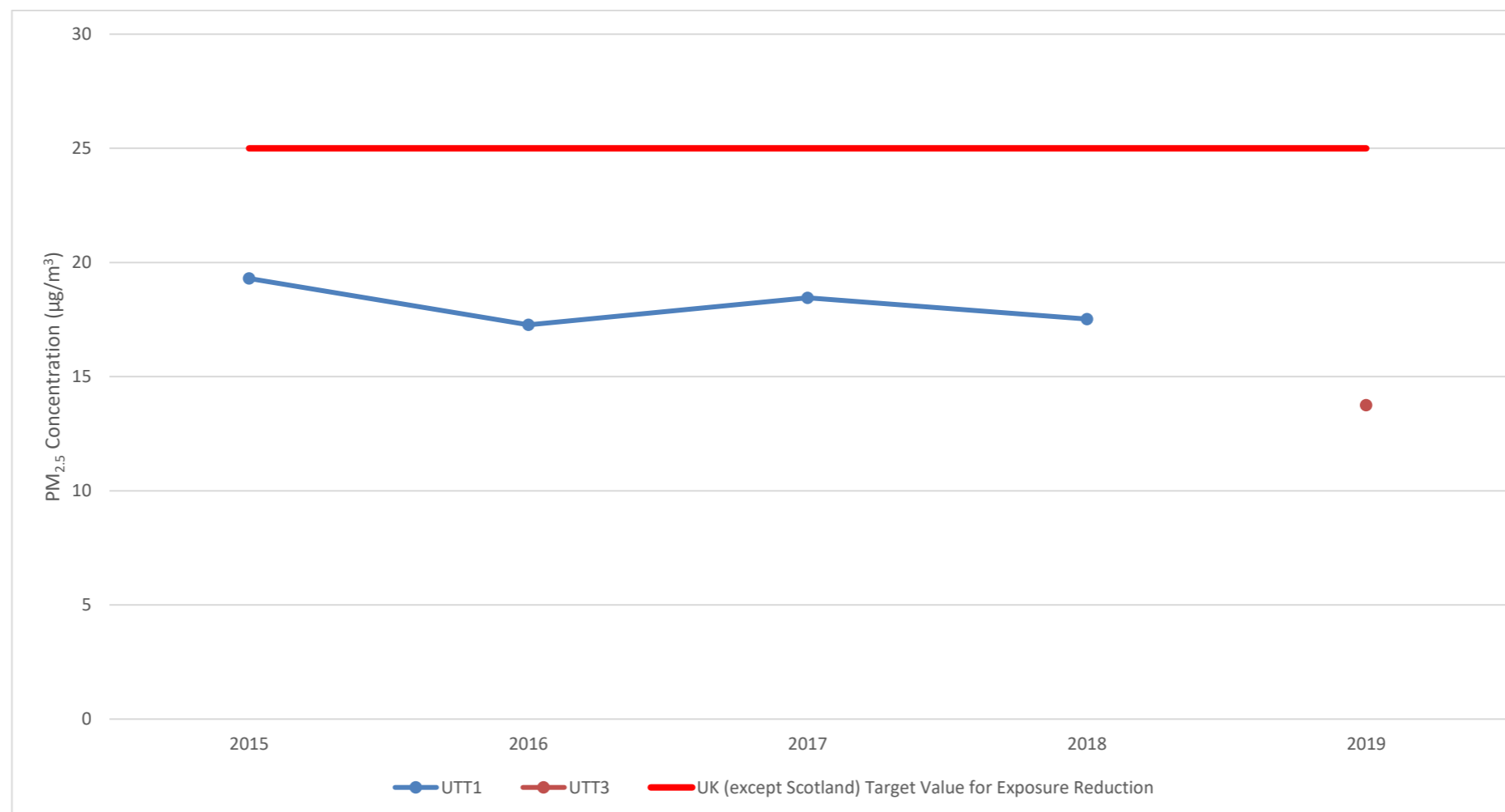


Figure A.9 – UTT3 London Road PM_{2.5} Chart

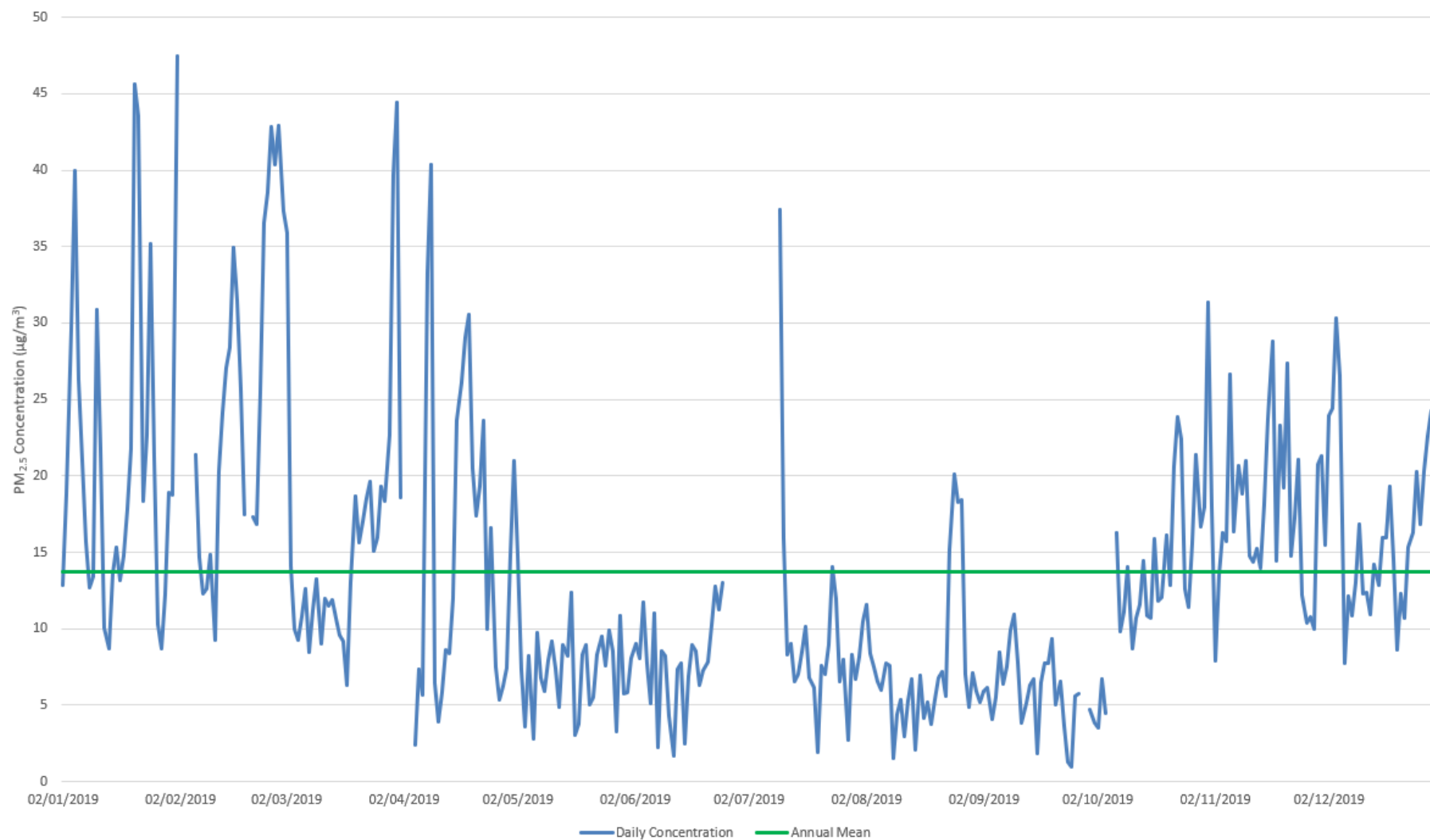
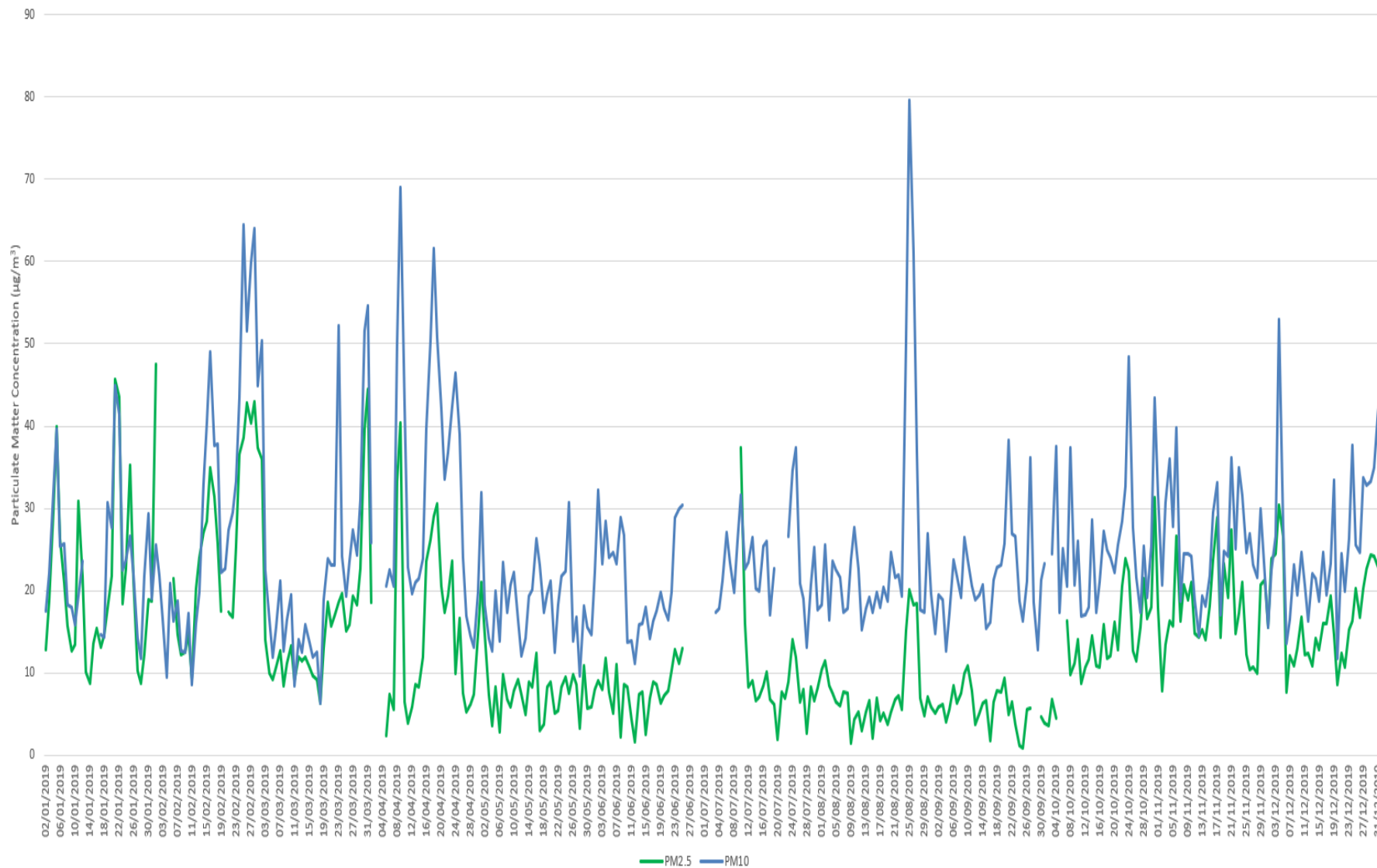


Figure A.10 – UTT3 London Road PM_{2.5} / PM₁₀ Comparison Chart



Appendix B: Full Monthly Diffusion Tube Results for 2019

Table B.1 - NO₂ Monthly Diffusion Tube Results - 2019

Site ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	NO ₂ Mean Concentrations (µg/m ³)												Annual Mean		
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Raw Data	Bias Adjusted (0.75) and Annualised ⁽¹⁾	Distance Corrected to Nearest Exposure ⁽²⁾
UT001	553709.00	238417.00	46.80	51.10	42.40	31.70	34.70	33.20	35.80	36.10	37.60	39.50	50.70	Missing	39.96	29.97	19.82
UT003	553554.00	238218.00	Missing	22.80	18.20	13.80	9.50	10.10	9.10	5.40	12.10	16.90	26.10	19.00	14.82	11.11	10.98
UT004	553598.00	238595.00	56.40	56.40	55.80	40.30	39.80	38.00	39.20	45.00	44.30	46.30	51.10	49.50	46.84	35.13	30.56
UT005	554336.00	238454.00	55.40	48.80	49.00	42.60	39.60	38.40	45.40	40.20	41.80	43.50	57.50	39.50	45.14	33.86	27.10
UT009	552403.00	223965.00	Missing	35.90	49.20	32.00	39.90	32.60	39.20	38.00	41.80	43.80	48.70	40.90	40.18	30.14	25.83
UT010	551246.00	233649.00	Missing	34.80	33.30	20.80	23.20	22.40	25.00	30.10	27.70	28.10	34.30	34.90	28.60	21.45	15.08
UT011	553697.00	238452.00	42.50	39.20	42.90	28.90	31.60	29.70	32.80	31.90	31.80	33.60	41.90	34.10	35.08	26.31	26.31
UT012	553879.00	238510.00	25.30	29.80	21.90	18.10	13.80	14.50	14.40	16.50	17.20	23.10	29.60	24.40	20.72	15.54	12.00
UT015	553739.00	238317.00	41.00	38.60	39.40	25.20	27.60	28.80	30.40	Damaged	33.20	25.20	39.50	35.80	33.15	24.87	24.87
UT016	554413.00	238474.00	48.60	Missing	Missing	38.00	31.90	36.40	33.70	40.60	36.40	41.90	52.60	48.90	40.90	30.68	23.27
UT017	560023.00	221444.00	25.50	26.20	23.60	18.70	15.80	12.70	14.20	12.70	17.50	16.20	28.30	22.90	19.53	14.64	13.58
UT018	551035.00	225199.00	35.40	42.10	34.00	29.30	24.10	26.70	26.10	27.60	30.20	35.60	41.90	37.30	32.53	24.39	21.12
UT019	550950.00	225039.00	52.80	52.90	47.00	31.40	36.10	35.80	38.60	38.20	38.70	38.80	55.90	44.10	42.53	31.89	26.59
UT020	551535.00	225065.00	40.40	44.00	38.20	14.20	38.20	44.70	45.60	50.20	44.00	42.60	47.90	Missing	40.91	30.68	30.68
UT021	554212.00	238436.00	39.70	Missing	34.10	33.10	27.20	27.70	26.10	24.10	28.80	32.60	45.40	32.60	31.95	23.96	23.96
UT024	554671.00	221010.00	Missing	18.50	16.60	12.30	Missing	10.90	10.90	11.00	14.40	15.30	23.70	18.20	15.18	11.39	N/A
UT028	553755.00	238092.00	52.50	42.90	52.70	31.60	33.00	34.30	37.90	33.00	40.60	41.00	53.90	46.20	41.63	31.23	29.61
UT029	553770.00	238076.00	31.60	33.80	25.10	22.90	19.00	20.90	20.60	23.10	25.70	28.60	40.20	29.40	26.74	20.06	18.91
UT030	553875.00	237764.00	30.70	38.40	33.80	36.20	29.80	31.40	29.10	24.90	30.50	35.00	49.50	30.40	33.31	24.98	17.26
UT031	554178.00	237767.00	34.20	39.60	27.40	22.70	21.60	21.90	20.20	19.80	23.00	29.70	42.80	Missing	27.54	20.65	18.71
UT032	553625.00	237856.00	25.30	28.20	23.40	15.30	14.90	14.50	13.20	13.30	17.20	20.30	29.50	24.90	20.00	15.00	15.00
UT033	551377.00	224913.00	34.20	33.60	41.90	29.90	29.90	30.90	26.60	22.30	30.80	32.30	36.70	31.70	31.73	23.80	23.80
UT034	556101.00	221243.00	41.10	39.90	33.80	25.20	28.20	28.50	27.60	24.00	29.10	34.90	47.40	34.10	32.82	24.61	19.25
UT036	553718.00	238530.00	31.40	29.90	28.90	17.10	19.00	18.60	18.50	18.30	21.80	25.80	33.80	31.20	24.53	18.39	18.39
UT037	553923.00	238770.00	33.70	39.90	Missing	28.40	21.10	25.50	21.70	21.50	24.40	31.40	43.60	37.70	29.90	22.43	20.79
UT039	552156.00	234034.00	45.10	43.10	39.60	34.80	32.90	30.40	27.70	27.90	34.00	35.50	50.10	32.50	36.13	27.10	27.10
UT040	552113.00	234505.00	35.30	30.60	28.60	23.30	23.10	26.00	22.80	22.60	26.00	27.80	34.40	27.70	27.35	20.51	20.51
UT041	552091.00	233630.00	Damaged	35.10	24.90	24.20	19.90	20.00	19.50	16.90	21.90	29.00	38.80	30.80	25.55	19.16	19.16
UT042	552152.00	233878.00	34.30	45.60	33.40	27.90	22.10	25.20	25.70	28.20	30.00	33.80	40.20	38.50	32.08	24.06	22.33
UT043	552135.00	234344.00	36.90	38.30	31.70	30.90	23.50	27.80	22.10	22.50	26.80	28.00	45.40	32.90	30.57	22.93	21.65
UT044	554357.00	238443.00	Damaged	52.30	49.80	46.40	46.00	47.40	48.20	49.70	47.20	41.70	56.90	50.70	48.75	36.57	36.57

UT045	554357.00	238443.00	Damaged	53.10	50.10	47.50	46.70	46.40	51.50	48.40	46.20	49.80	54.70	48.90	49.39	37.04	37.04	
UT046	554357.00	238443.00		46.50	52.80	50.20	50.60	49.10	47.40	50.60	51.00	47.70	48.00	54.00	48.10	49.67	37.25	37.25

National bias adjustment factor used

Annualisation has been conducted where data capture is <75%

Where applicable, data has been distance corrected for relevant exposure in the final column

Notes:

Exceedances of the NO₂ annual mean objective of 40µg/m³ are shown in **bold**.

NO₂ annual means exceeding 60µg/m³, indicating a potential exceedance of the NO₂ 1-hour mean objective are shown in **bold and underlined**.

(1) See Appendix C for details on bias adjustment and annualisation.

(2) Distance corrected to nearest relevant public exposure.

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

In 2019, Uttlesford District Council operated two automatic monitoring stations and monitored for NO₂, PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀

The following reference analysers are located within the monitoring network

- two API chemiluminescence (NO/NO₂/NO_x) gas analysers
- one Met One Smart Heated BAM PM_{2.5} analyser
- one Met One BAM PM₁₀ analyser

Analysers are serviced in-line with manufacturer guidelines biannually. NO₂ analysers have an LSO calibration fortnightly to check against a certified calibration gas bottle. Data has been ratified according to LAQM TG16 procedures to identify erroneous data and to account for instrument drift.

For nitrogen dioxide, the ratification process corrected the raw dataset for any drift in the zero baseline and upper range of the instrument using zero and span check information measured during calibration visits.

The Met One PM₁₀ measurements are corrected for slope by dividing the data by 1.2. The Met One PM_{2.5} measurements are not adjusted due to the presence of the smart heater.

Diffusion Tubes QA/QC

In 2019, Uttlesford District Council undertook monitoring with 33 nitrogen dioxide diffusion tubes at 31 sites.

The diffusion tubes were supplied by Socotec (UKAS Testing Laboratory number 1015) with a preparation method of 50% triethanolamine (TEA) in Acetone.

The AIR NO₂ proficiency testing scheme found that the laboratory achieved the following percentage of results determined as satisfactory for 2018:

Table C.1 – AIR PT Results

AIR PT Round	AIR PT AR030	AIR PT AR031	AIR PT AR033	AIR PT AR034
Round conducted in the period	January – February 2019	April – May 2019	July – August 2019	September – October 2019
SOCOTEC	87.5%	100%	100%	100%

Diffusion Tube Bias Adjustment Factors

In past years, Uttlesford District Council has utilised both local bias adjustment factors derived from co-location study and the national bias adjustment factor.

For calculating the 2019 data, Uttlesford District Council has considered both methods of adjustment for calculating the diffusion tubes results.

The locally calculated factor (0.62) estimates concentrations to be significantly lower than from the factor derived from national studies and considered not representative of local air quality. For this reason, the national bias adjustment factor has been used to present monitoring data.

The Diffusion Tube Bias Adjustment Factors Spreadsheet 03/20 identified that for Socotec 50% TEA in acetone diffusion tubes in 2019, a bias adjustment factor of 0.75 should be used. This was derived from orthogonal regression analysis of 24 studies.

Point Sources

No significant new point sources of emissions have been identified.

NO₂ Fall Off Estimation

Diffusion tube monitoring shown in Table B.1 in Appendix B has been adjusted for NO₂ falloff between the monitoring location and the point of relevant exposure.

Using the equation taken from the NO₂ Fall Off With Distance Calculator, a custom Excel spreadsheet has been developed to derive the NO₂ concentrations at relevant exposure. This calculator uses background concentrations taken from the 2017 NO₂ background maps, measured annual mean concentrations and distances between the kerb, monitor and relevant exposure.

Estimated Annual Mean at Relevant Exposure:

$$Cz = ((Cy - Cb) / (-0.5476 \times \ln(Dy) + 2.7171)) \times (-0.5476 \times \ln(Dz) + 2.7171) + Cb$$

Where:

Cz is the total predicted concentration (µg/m³) at distance Dz;

Cy is the total measured concentration (µg/m³) at distance Dy;

Cb is the background concentration (µg/m³);

Dy is the distance from the kerb at which concentrations were measured;

Dz is the distance from the kerb (m) at which concentrations are to be predicted; and

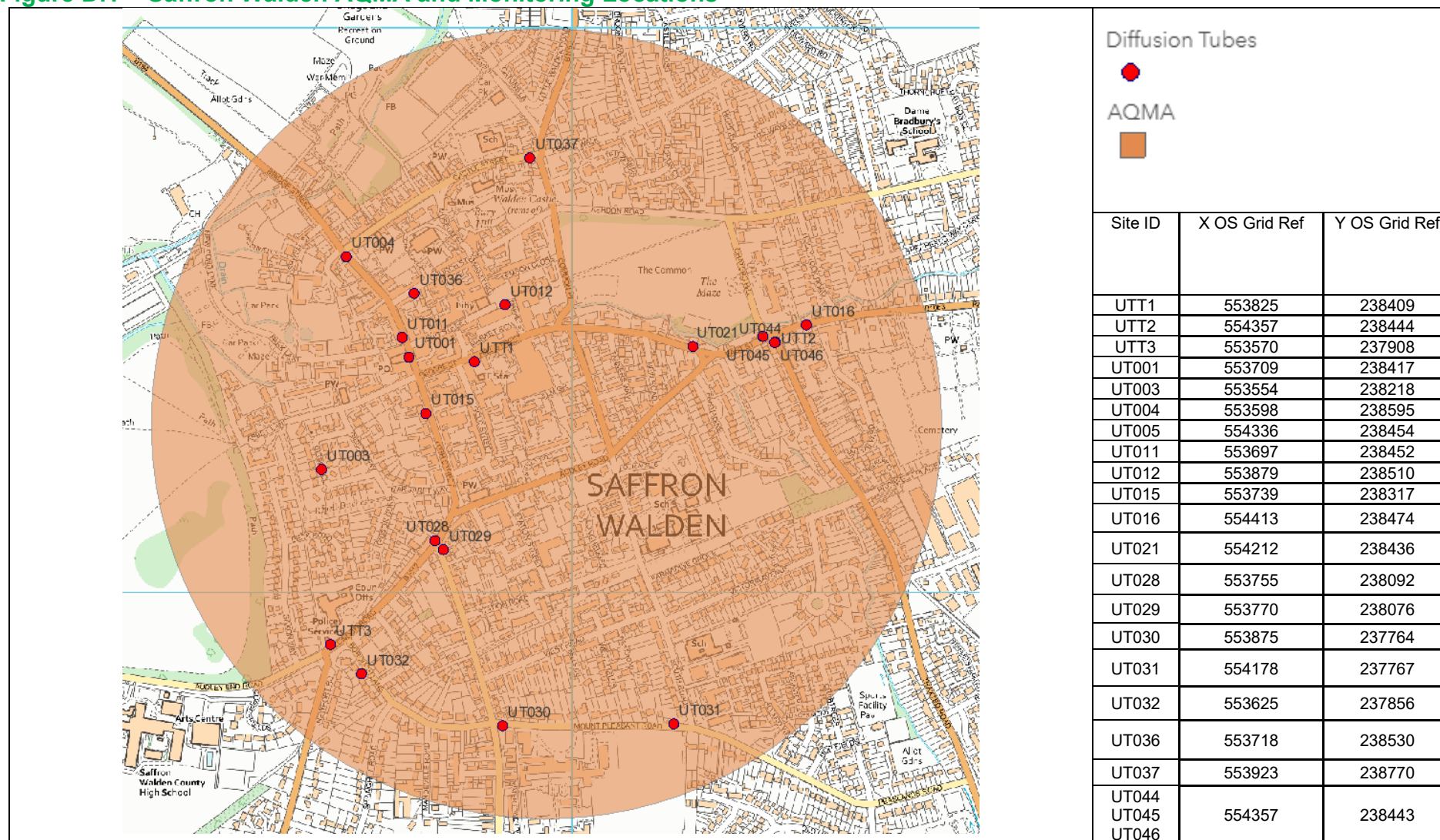
Ln(D) is the natural log of the number D

Table C.2 – NO₂ Fall-Off Calculator

Site ID	Site Name	Bias Adjusted Mean	Annual Mean Background	Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) ⁽²⁾	Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) ⁽¹⁾	Distance Corrected to Nearest Exposure ⁽²⁾
UT001	High Street, Saffron Walden	29.97	10.68945	15.0	1.5	19.82
UT003	Gibson Gardens, Saffron Walden	11.11	10.68945	5.1	1.5	10.98
UT004	YHA, Saffron Walden	35.13	10.68945	0.8	0.4	30.56
UT005	Thaxted Road, Saffron Walden	33.86	12.11689	2.4	0.5	27.10
UT009	Burton End	30.14	15.44956	17.0	27.0	25.83
UT010	Newport M11	21.45	13.72788	40.0	0.1	15.08
UT011	33 High Street, Saffron Walden	26.31	10.68945	0.0	2.7	26.31
UT012	Town Hall, Saffron Walden	15.54	10.68945	20.0	0.1	12.00
UT015	57 High Street, Saffron Walden	24.87	10.68945	0.0	4.0	24.87
UT016	Radwinter Road, Saffron Walden	30.68	12.11689	8.0	1.6	23.27
UT017	Stortford Rd, Lt Canfield	14.64	12.35704	14.0	2.5	13.58
UT018	17 Cambridge Road, Stansted	24.39	10.80773	3.0	1.5	21.12
UT019	Silver Street, Stansted	31.89	9.502014	3.5	2.0	26.59
UT020	Grove Hill, Stansted	30.68	10.80773	0.0	3.3	30.68
UT021	41 East Street, Saffron Walden	23.96	12.11689	0.0	2.0	23.96
UT024	Takeley Hill, Hatfield Forest	11.39	15.12564	N/A	118.0	N/A
UT028	London Rd, Saffron Walden	31.23	10.68945	0.8	2.0	29.61
UT029	Debden Road, Saffron Walden	20.06	10.68945	0.5	0.5	18.91
UT030	Friends School, Saffron Walden	24.98	10.64617	10.0	0.5	17.26
UT031	Mount Pleasant Road, Saffron Walden	20.65	10.19253	2.0	1.5	18.71
UT032	Borough Lane, Saffron Walden	15.00	10.64617	0.0	7.0	15.00
UT033	Chapel Hill, Stansted	23.80	11.34405	0.0	3.0	23.80
UT034	Four Ashes, Takeley	24.61	11.36557	8.0	1.5	19.25
UT036	Church Street, Saffron Walden	18.39	10.68945	0.0	1.0	18.39
UT037	Castle Street, Saffron Walden	22.43	10.68945	1.0	1.0	20.79
UT039	Newport High Street	27.10	9.47132	0.0	1.2	27.10
UT040	Wawel Cottage, Newport	20.51	9.47132	0.0	6.0	20.51
UT041	Rose Cottage, Newport	19.16	10.00572	0.0	3.0	19.16
UT042	Debden Road, Newport	24.06	10.00572	0.5	0.5	22.33
UT043	Gaces Acre, Newport	22.93	9.47132	1.0	2.0	21.65
UT044	Thaxted Road Co-located 1	36.57	12.11689	0.0	2.0	36.57
UT045	Thaxted Road Co-located 2	37.04	12.11689	0.0	2.0	37.04
UT046	Thaxted Road Co-located 3	37.25	12.11689	0.0	2.0	37.25

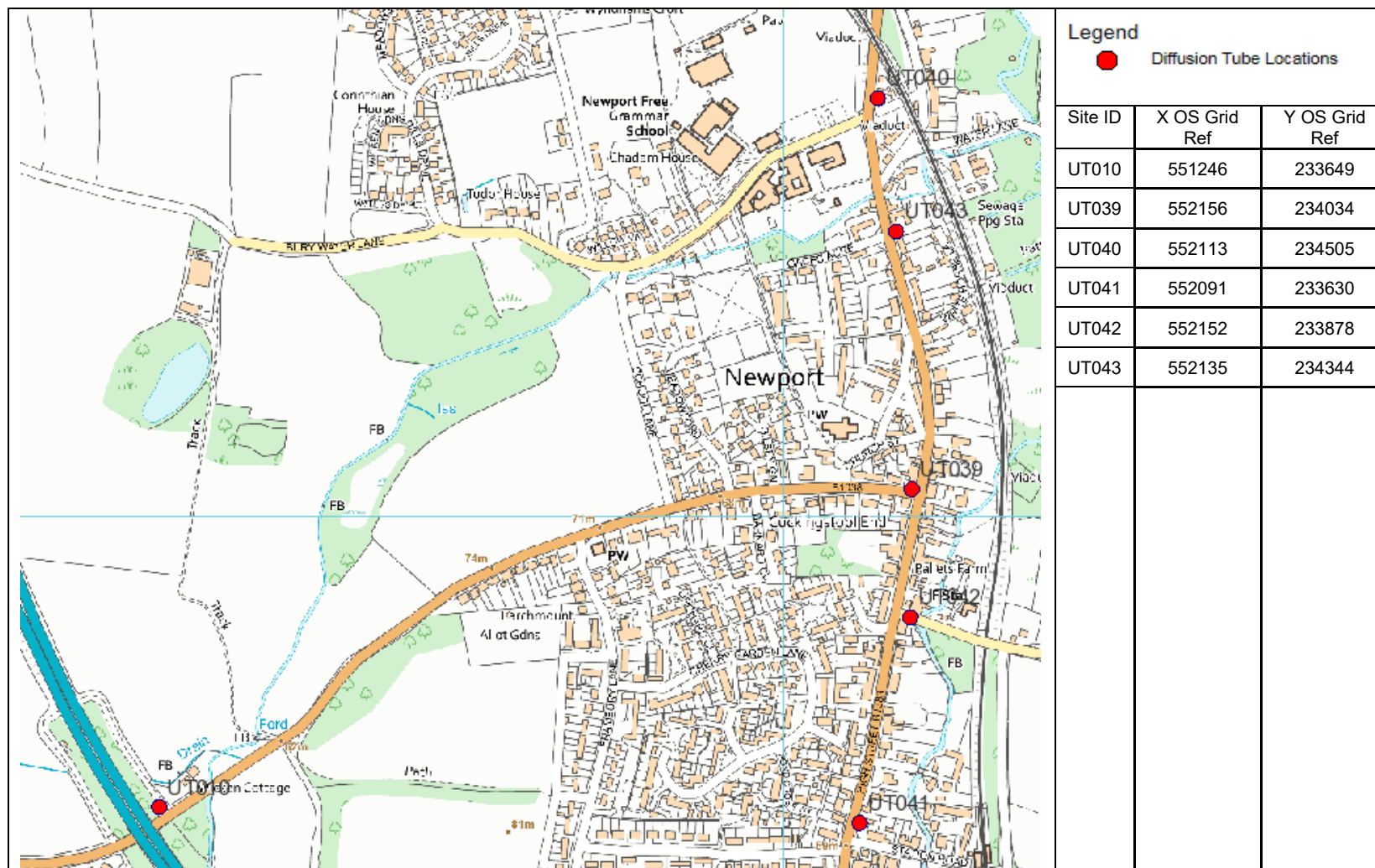
Appendix D: Maps of Monitoring Locations and AQMAs

Figure D.1 – Saffron Walden AQMA and Monitoring Locations



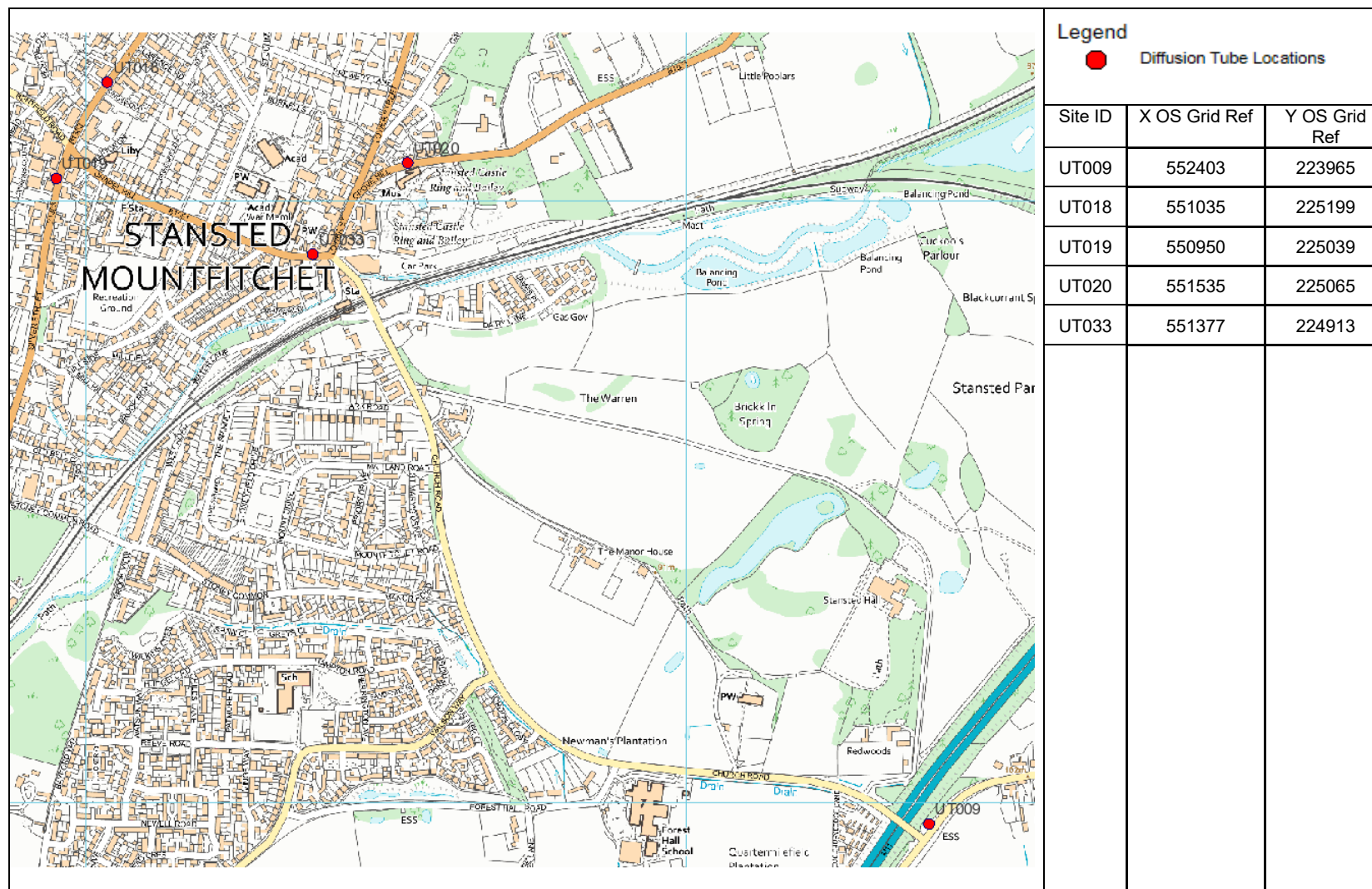
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Figure D.2 – Newport Monitoring Locations



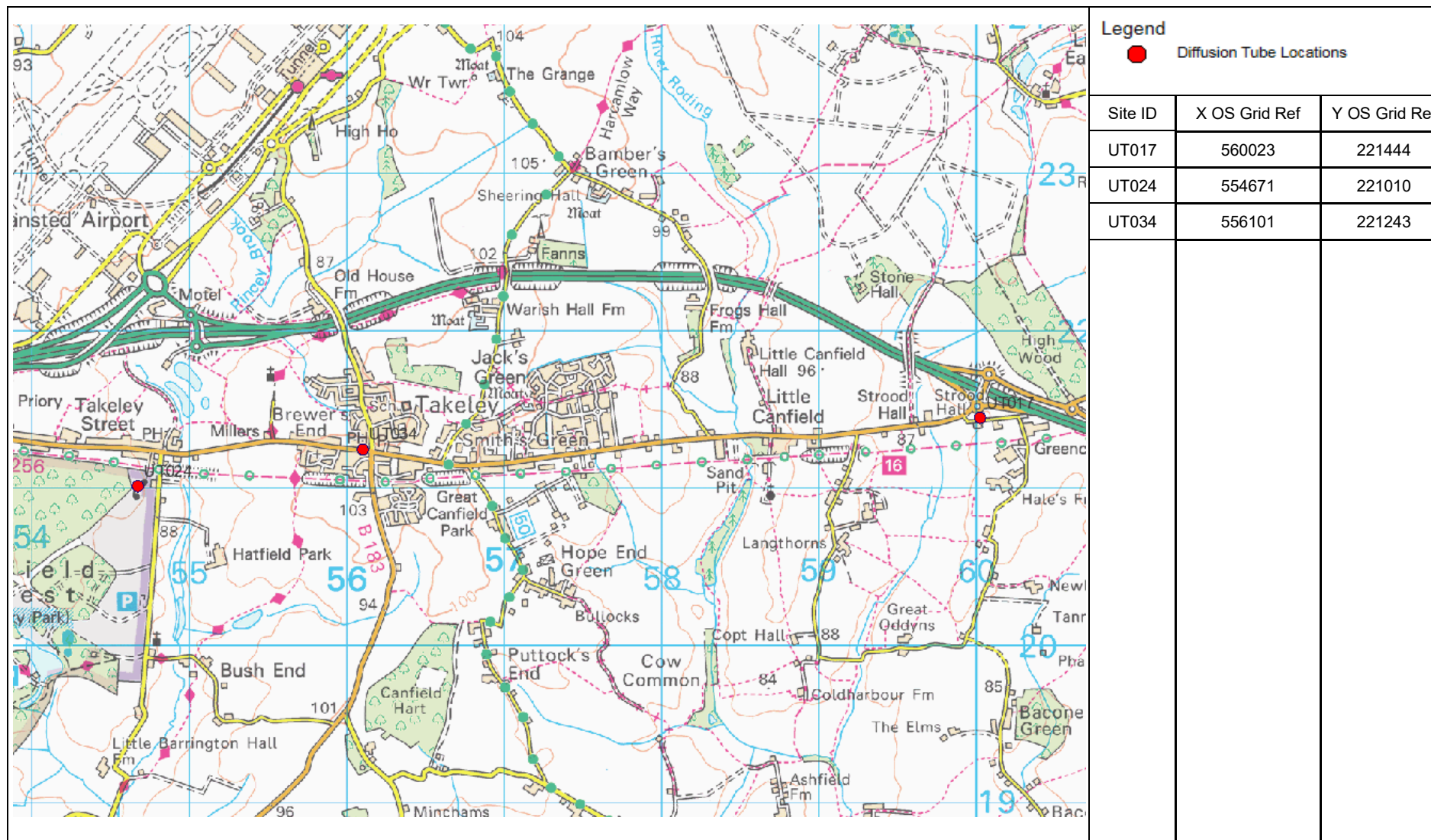
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Figure D.3 – Stansted Mountfitchet Monitoring Locations



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Figure D.4 – Takeley Monitoring Locations



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Appendix E: Summary of Air Quality Objectives in England

Table E.1 – Air Quality Objectives in England

Pollutant	Air Quality Objective ⁶	
	Concentration	Measured as
Nitrogen Dioxide (NO ₂)	200 µg/m ³ not to be exceeded more than 18 times a year	1-hour mean
	40 µg/m ³	Annual mean
Particulate Matter (PM ₁₀)	50 µg/m ³ , not to be exceeded more than 35 times a year	24-hour mean
	40 µg/m ³	Annual mean
Sulphur Dioxide (SO ₂)	350 µg/m ³ , not to be exceeded more than 24 times a year	1-hour mean
	125 µg/m ³ , not to be exceeded more than 3 times a year	24-hour mean
	266 µg/m ³ , not to be exceeded more than 35 times a year	15-minute mean

⁶ The units are in microgrammes of pollutant per cubic metre of air (µg/m³).

Glossary of Terms

Abbreviation	Description
$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	Micrograms per cubic metre
AQAP	Air Quality Action Plan - A detailed description of measures, outcomes, achievement dates and implementation methods, showing how the local authority 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
ASR	Air Quality Annual Status Report
BAM	Beta Attenuation Monitors
Defra	Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
EU	European Union
LAQM	Local Air Quality Management
NO_2	Nitrogen Dioxide
NO_x	Nitrogen Oxides
PM_{10}	Airborne particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of $10\mu\text{m}$ (micrometres or microns) or less
$\text{PM}_{2.5}$	Airborne particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of $2.5\mu\text{m}$ or less
QA/QC	Quality Assurance and Quality Control

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