

Greater Manchester's Clean Air Plan to Tackle Nitrogen Dioxide Exceedances at the Roadside

Appendix 8: Other Cities' Clean Air Plans



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1 APPENDIX 8 – OTHER CITIES’ CLEAN AIR PLANS

- 1.1 This appendix provides a summary on other Clean Air Plans and their latest status.
- 1.2 Since the last GMCA report to members in January 2021, two Clean Air Zones (CAZ) have gone live and there have been significant updates on the progress of other cities’ plans to implement Clean Air Zones.
- 1.3 Bath & North East Somerset launched their Clean Air Zone, a city centre CAZ category C, on 15 March 2021. This was initially due to launch in November 2020 but was delayed by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 1.4 Birmingham launched their Clean Air Zone on 1 June 2021. However, the council did not require drivers to pay the daily fee until 14 June 2021. This approach was adopted to provide those with non-compliant vehicles with a little extra time to get ready, review the support available and to consider the alternatives to driving through the Clean Air Zone. The scheme, which is a city centre CAZ category D, was initially due to launch in January 2020 but was delayed by issues with the Government’s vehicle checker and then by impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Prior to launch, Birmingham opened up their clean vehicle funds to enable impacted groups to access funding and upgrade their vehicle prior to the scheme’s launch.
- 1.5 Bristol consulted on their city centre Clean Air Zone proposals between 8 October and 13 December 2020. The Full Business Case was submitted to Government on 26 February. Bristol plan for a CAZ to be in place by 29 October 2021 at the latest.
- 1.6 Portsmouth’s CAZ B is expected to go live in November 2021. The city centre scheme will charge buses, coaches, Hackney Carriages, private hire vehicles and HGVs who drive in the CAZ B boundary.
- 1.7 Other Clean Air Zones are expected in Bradford, Tyneside, Sheffield and Liverpool.
- 1.8 London’s Ultra Low Emissions Zone (ULEZ), although not required under the same legislation as local authority clean air plans which are part of the Clean Air Zone Framework but has similar principles of charging the most polluting vehicles, is to be extended to the North and South Circular roads of inner London on 25 October 2021.