

AIR POLLUTION IN NORTHERN IRELAND 2014	1st March 2016
To: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE	
For Information	

Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)	
Strategic Theme	Protecting and Enhancing our Environments and Assets
Outcome	Protecting dwellings from the effects of flooding.
Lead Officer	Bryan Edgar
Cost: (If applicable)	N/A

The Department of the Environment has recently published its annual report on Air Quality in Northern Ireland. It contains key results of air quality monitoring throughout the region during 2014. It covers spatial patterns in pollution and focuses on air quality and health. It also provides information on how to protect and improve the air in our region and where to find more information.

Air quality in Northern Ireland has improved substantially in recent decades. In particular concentrations of sulphur dioxide, a pollutant associated with coal and oil combustion have declined significantly in the past 20 years. The full report together with other information may be found at www.airqualityni.co.uk.