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Dear Sir/Madam.

Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR) Request ID: REQ06864

Thank you for your request for information relating to Clean Air Zone Category D charging.

You have requested the following information:

1. I would like to know if it is possible to know what alternative measures you recommended to the minister which was rejected when the Clean Air Zone (CAZ) category D charging was implemented.

The proposed measures which were originally submitted to Central Government by Coventry City Council can be viewed by accessing the Council website, please use the following link:

https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/68/pollution/171/air quality

The Direction that was issued by Central Government in response in March 2019 instructed Coventry City Council to prepare and submit updated air quality modelling evidence in June 2019, looking at the alternative options.

Coventry City Council complied with this Direction and has recently been provided an updated Direction from Central Government to implement the revised preferred option. This Ministerial Direction can be viewed on the Government website, please use the following link:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/867248/air-quality-direction-coventry-city-council-2020.pdf

For clarity, the Council has not implemented a CAZ Category D in Coventry. In the updated Direction, Central Government has accepted Coventry City Council's case that there is no need to do so.

2. Do you still have to implement this now that we have left the EU?

The Direction was issued under the Environment Act 1995, which is UK legislation.

Despite leaving the EU, Coventry City Council will still need to abide by the Direction issued by Central Government and implement the preferred package of measures.

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Yours sincerely

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