**Written Submission to Mossmorran and Braefoot Bay Community and Safety Committee Meeting of 24th November 2022**

**Mossmorran and Braefoot Bay Expert Advisory Group on Air Quality**

Since the Mossmorran and Braefoot Bay Community and Safety Liaison Committee last met on 24th March 2022, the Expert Advisory Group (EAG) on Air Quality has met five times on the 30th March 2022, 11th April 2022, 25th April 2022,13th July 2022 and 16th November 2022.The primary focus of these meetings has been to review and finalise the 2020 annual Independent Air Quality Report and prepare the subsequent 2021 annual Independent Air Quality Report for publication. At these meetings the following were agreed/discussed:

1. Following a detailed review at the relevant meetings, the Institute of Occupational Medicine (IOM) finalised the Independent Air Quality Report for 2020 on 27th May 2022. This has now been placed on the Fife Council air quality web page along with an accompanying Elected Members Briefing Note ([www.fife.gov.uk/airquality](http://www.fife.gov.uk/airquality)).It is felt that the outcomes of these detailed discussions at these meetings will facilitate future improvements in the reporting process which includes striking a correct balance between non-technical and technical content. It has been agreed that the IOM should be retained to produce the 2021 Independent Air Quality Report. It is anticipated that this will be produced in December 2022 in terms of the necessary data collation and presentation requirements needed for this report.
2. The EAG on Air Quality is to interact with the EAG on Communications regarding the non - technical summary report of the 2021 Independent Air Quality Report.
3. The Terms of Reference and Constitution of the Mossmorran and Braefoot Bay Community and Safety Liaison Committee has now been revised to accommodate the three Expert Advisory Groups (now included as three Appendices). Approval for the revised Terms of Reference and Constitution is therefore sought from this Committee prior to final approval by full Council Committee in Spring 2023..
4. Following the feedback received at the recent SEPA community engagement sessions, Fife Council are already taking steps to improve the web design/layout of their Mossmorran and Braefoot Bay web pages and a separate landing platform page for Mossmorran is also currently being developed by Fife Council and NHS Fife. Fife Council expects to have a separate web page complete by Spring 2023. SEPA are also making changes to the content/design/layout of their webpages and Fife Council and NHS Fife are assisting in this regard. It is anticipated that the Fife Council web page will have three sections to it: (1) Air Quality; (2) Communications and (3) Noise, Vibration and Light.
5. SEPA have been working with Fife Council on the siting of an automatic continuous monitor at Auchtertool and also on the siting of portable sensor arrays around the Mossmorran and Braefoot Bay facilities. The automatic continuous monitoring equipment was installed in mid August 2022 and is now fully operational and downloading data which is currently being assessed in terms of appropriate presentation of data and other appropriate QA/QC procedures. Public dissemination of this data via SEPA web pages is anticipated in Spring 2023. The installation of portable sensor arrays at representative lamppost locations (x8) is also now almost complete and again it is anticipated these monitors will be fully operational and downloading data on the SEPA website by Spring 2023.
6. In terms of the representation of Community Councils on the respective EAGs, it is proposed that EAGs will look for nominations from the Mossmorran and Braefoot Bay Community & Safety Committee.