

Birmingham City Council

Statement of Reasons

Highgate and St Georges

Pollution in the air, mainly caused by vehicles on the roads, is having a harmful effect on the health of people living, working and studying in the city.

Birmingham is taking action by introducing a Clean Air Zone (CAZ) which will include all roads within the A4540 Middleway Ring Road (but not the Middleway itself). This will mean that drivers of the most polluting vehicles will have to pay a daily charge to travel through the area covered by the zone.

As part of the Clean Air Zone, a number of additional transport schemes will be introduced with the aim of reducing congestion and improving air quality.

Additional measures schemes are to introduce parking controls on all streets within the CAZ and prevent anyone parking all day for free. This should further discourage people from driving into the CAZ and should make it easier for residents in the zone who have vehicles to park near to their homes.