**Air dispersion modelling**: The mathematical simulation of how air pollutants disperse in the ambient atmosphere.

**Air Quality Management Area (AQMA)**: An area which is exposed to levels of pollution in excess of the air quality standards and objectives for one or more recognised pollutants.

**Air Quality Standards / Objectives**: Internationally agreed maximum concentrations for recognised air pollutants.

**Emission Factor:** The quantity of a pollutant released to the ambient air through the operation of a motor vehicle.

 $\mathbf{NO_x}$ : Collective term for all gaseous compounds which are comprised of nitrogen and oxygen atoms only.

Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>): Naturally occurring gas which is recognised as a pollutant at concentrations exceeding its air quality standard / objective.

Particulate Matter: Microscopic solid or liquid matter suspended in the Earth's atmosphere.

**Pollutant**: A substance or energy introduced into the environment that has undesired effects.

 $PM_{10}$ : Particulate matter, with a diameter of  $10\mu m$  or less, which is recognised as a pollutant at concentrations exceeding its air quality standard / objective.