

YASCAP

Smoking in Public Places: A Consultation on Reducing Exposure to Second-Hand Smoke

RESPONSE FORM

YASCAP (Young Adults Smoking Cessation Angus Project) is a Health Scotland/Ash pilot project funded for 3 years till 2005 based at Angus College Arbroath

Young people were approached on 27th September by project staff over the lunch period and asked if they wished to respond. Places where smokers were allowed to smoke and non smoking areas were covered.

This is the collated response of 20 Young People who did not wish to put in their response's individually but wished their views to be known.

29 other people who were also approached did fill in the response sheets individually and these have been sent in. 2 classes (some 30+ female young people) at Angus College replied on line individually.

1. Having considered the health risks associated with passive smoking, do you think that further action needs to be taken to reduce people's exposure to second-hand smoke? (Please tick one box only)

Yes 9 people No 6 people Don't Know 5 people

Please provide any other comments here

1 comment a Don't know to above:

- really if you don't like smoking then that is fair, there should be a non smoking area and a smoking. If you want to smoke then that's OK

2. Would you support a law that would make enclosed public places smoke-free? (Public places include workplaces and public transport) (Please tick one box only)

Yes 11 people No 8 people Don't Know 1 person

Please provide your reasons or any other comments here

2 comments from those who either ticked no or don't know to above

- because all places are freewill and if you are addicted then it isn't fair
- Its against human rights

3. If a law was introduced, do you think there should be any exemptions to it? (i.e. any enclosed public places where smoking should be allowed) (Please tick one box only)

Yes 10 people No 7 people Don't Know 3 people

Please provide any suggestions, reasons or other comments here
2 comments 1 from a YES and one from a NO to the above

- **Pubs should be exempt**
- **Because some people will not go by the law**

4. If we decide not to introduce a law, what more could be done to encourage individual businesses to take voluntary action to become smoke-free or to provide more smoke-free provision?

Please provide any suggestions or other comments here

- **Make sure there is some where the smokers can go and smoke inside**
- **Some restaurants**
- **Give them money**
- **Total separate areas for smokers and non smokers**
- **No smoking in or outside the workplace, more smoke free restaurants**
- **Smoking and non smoking parts**
- **Smoking and non smoking parts of the pubs**
- **Bribe him/her**
- **Providing designated smoking areas**
- **Encourage staff not to smoke – offer certificates etc**
- **Don't know**
- **Education**
- **Sponsor owners, etc**
- **In certain places people can smoke**
- **I don't think the law should dictate where and when we smoke**
- **Non smoking areas**

5. What else could we do to reduce people's exposure to second-hand smoke?
Please provide any other suggestions here

- **Just keep people who don't smoke away from smokers**
- **Ventilated areas**
- **If there are non smokers and are really bothered about passive smoking. They will make a point on staying away from smokers**
- **Don't know**
- **Increase the price of cigarettes x 2 people**
- **Ask non smokers if they mind if you smoke near them**
- **Education**
- **Health promotion, teaching**
- **People have a right to choose not to be around smokers – taking away smokers rights altogether is also not appropriate**
- **Separate areas for smoking and non smoking x 2 people**
- **No idea**

6. Please let us know about any other views you have about smoking in public places

- **Should be allowed in certain places**
- **Not fair to non smokers as passive smoking is worse than smoking – we shouldn't have to breathe it in**
- **It's a basic human right now a days, I think and the law shouldn't stop it or restrict it**
- **No**
- **Smokers should respect the people around them, more tolerance all round**

INFORMATION TO HELP US UNDERSTAND YOUR VIEWS

The 20 respondents information given here did not wish to name themselves but gave information re their age, sex and smoking habit.

8. Do you smoke? (Please tick one box only)

Yes **9 people**

No **11 people**

9. Are you? (Please tick one box only)

Male **4 people**

Female **16 people**

10. What age are you? (Please tick one box only)

16-24 **19 people**

25-59 **1 person**

PLEASE COMPLETE THE RESPONDEE INFORMATION FORM OVERLEAF TO ENSURE WE HANDLE YOUR RESPONSE APPROPRIATELY

Please complete the details below and attach it with your response. This will help ensure we handle your response appropriately:

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2c. IF YOU ARE RESPONDING ON BEHALF OF A GROUP OR ORGANISATION;

Your name and address as respondees will be made available to the public (in the SE library and/or on SE website).

Are you content for your response to be made available also? **Yes** **No**

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS CONSULTATION DOCUMENT
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