

Meeting	Decision Session - Executive Member for Health and Adult Social Care
Date	9 December 2020
Present	Councillor Runciman (Executive Member)

26. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Executive Member confirmed that she had no personal interests not included on the Register of Interests, nor any prejudicial or discloseable pecuniary interests, to declare in the business on the agenda.

27. MINUTES

Resolved: That the minutes of the Decision Session held on 13 February 2020 be approved by the Executive Member as a correct record and signed at a later date.

28. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak at the meeting under the Councils Public Participation Scheme.

29. SMOKEFREE PLAY PARK SCHEME

The Executive Member considered a report that summarised the York Tobacco Control Plan, included at Annex 1, and the Council's Smoke free Play areas scheme. The Acting Consultant in Public Health outlined the Tobacco Control Plan explaining that the burden of smoking of health in York was high with an estimated 20,000 smokers and the largest area of preventable health conditions. He reported that over the 18 months, the Tobacco Control Alliance, involving a number of organisations, had met to look at reducing tobacco use, supporting pregnant women who smoke, the smoking policies of different organisations and supporting a high quality cessation

service; all of which were included in the plan. He noted that the council was responsible for this as part of its public health remit and he listed the support available. He noted that since 2010 smoking rates in York had halved.

The Acting Consultant in Public Health was asked and gave an overview of the smoke free play park scheme. He explained that it was designed to encourage smoke free norms for children through smoke free play areas. He was asked and noted that the scheme would be rolled out beyond council play parks to wider parks and the posters would be available to other organisations with play parks such as parish councils. There was to be a public consultation on the scheme running from 4 January to 1 February 2021 on the consultation forum on the council website. The Acting Consultant in Public Health encouraged participation in the consultation. The Executive Member noted that the results of the consultation would be reported back to the Health and Wellbeing Board. She welcomed the plan and scheme and

Resolved:

- a. That the Council's commitments to the York Tobacco Control Plan (as detailed in Annex 1 of the report) be adopted.
- b. That the introduction of voluntary smoke free zones in York's play areas, subject to public consultation be agreed in principle.

Reason: Adopting the plan and agreeing in principle the Smoke free zone proposal is in line with the council's duty to promote public health and the Health and Wellbeing Strategy, and is an opportunity to support partnership work and tangible action in this area.

Cllr Runciman, Executive Member

[The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 10.16 am].