



VAPING



“ A lot of the flavours are something a child would want, like birthday cake and bubblegum. If they can't buy flavours children like, I think they'd make a lot of people stop. ”

Vaping is often seen by children as a 'healthy', 'cool' alternative to smoking. Scottish Government need to reduce children's access to vaping and increase their understanding of its impact.



Members of Children's Parliament call for:

Smoke Free Zones

- Under the new UK Bill, new powers are being given to Scotland for smoke free zones.
- Smoke free zones should be extended to areas where children are, e.g. school grounds, parks, bus stops, community centres.

Changing vape flavours/packaging/displays

- Under the new UK Bill, new powers are being given to Scotland for the flavours, packaging and display of vapes.
- Vape flavours need to stop being targeted at children. The packaging should be like cigarettes, monochrome with pictures of its impact. Vapes should be hidden in shops in the same way cigarettes are.

Education

- In the new UK Bill, there is a gap relating to children's education about vapes.
- Children need to know about the dangers of vaping and why they shouldn't do it. Children like to learn in different ways, so it needs to be in a way that will work for them e.g., hearing from people with lived experiences.

“ I forget some shops even have cigarettes when they're hidden. ”

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