



FAIRLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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POLICY STATEMENT

SMOKEFREE

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FAIRLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL SMOKEFREE POLICY

CONTEXT

This policy has been developed to protect all employees, service users, customers and visitors from exposure to secondhand smoke and to assist compliance with the Health Act 2006.

Exposure to secondhand smoke increases the risk of lung cancer, heart disease and other serious illnesses. Ventilation or separating smokers and non-smokers within the same airspace does not completely stop potentially dangerous exposure.

Schools have the additional responsibility of promoting healthy lifestyles.

POLICY

It is the policy of Fairlands Primary School that all our workplaces are smokefree, and all employees have a right to work in a smokefree environment.

It is also our policy that the school should actively promote smokefree lifestyle choices.

Smoking is therefore prohibited in all areas within the grounds of the school, including enclosed, substantially enclosed, partially enclosed and outside areas. This includes privately owned vehicles parked on the premises.

This policy applies to all employees, children, parents, consultants, contractors, and visitors.

The local governing body has taken the decision not to provide an outside shelter for the purposes of smoking.

IMPLEMENTATION

Overall responsibility for policy implementation and review rests with the local governing body.

The headteacher shall inform all existing employees, consultants and contractors of the policy and their role in the implementation and monitoring of the policy.

Appropriate 'no-smoking' signs will be clearly displayed at the entrances to and within the premises.

NON-COMPLIANCE

Individuals will be reminded politely of the school's smokefree policy, pointing out that it is a criminal offence to smoke in a smoke-free environment and that the school has a responsibility to prevent smoking.

If parents, consultants, contractors or visitors refuse to comply with this policy, they will be asked to leave the premises.

If a member of staff refuses to comply with this policy, disciplinary procedures will be followed.

Those who do not comply with the smokefree law may also be liable to a fixed penalty fine and possible criminal prosecution.

REVIEW

The local governing body will review this policy in line with its schedule of policy review.