

Dear parent/carer,

At Bilborough College vaping in public spaces has become a problem for our community. We are aware this is part of a wider national problem, so in order to help us to improve the safety, health and wellbeing of our college community and work towards the development of a college vaping/smoking policy, we undertook a staff and student vaping consultation. At the end of the consultation process, we developed a clear vaping and smoking policy for students and staff to follow.

[Bilborough College Vaping and Smoking Policy March 2024.docx](#)

A summary of the policy includes the following.

- Vaping is only allowed in the designated area.
- Those vaping in a non-designated area will have their vaping device confiscated.
  - Refusal to hand over a device, will result in the activation of the disciplinary procedures
  - Parents and carers will be informed.

Our aim is **not** to encourage smoking/vaping - the college will continue to raise awareness of the dangers and provide support for those who want to stop.

For more information following this BBC news link ['Youth Vaping: The impact of e-cigarette use in schools'](#).

If you have any concerns you would like to report, please speak to reception or student support.