

HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD
09 MAY 2024

PUBLIC QUESTION

Agenda Item	Speaker	Question
<p>8. Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy</p>	<p>Paul Shipway</p>	<p>Smoking</p> <p>The JHWS implementation plan includes recommissioning smoking cessation services and NHS health checks. This is the only mention of smoking in the plan, even though it causes 75,000 deaths each year in England and costs the NHS England an estimated £2.6 billion annually.</p> <p>I would like to ask the board to commit to implementing a smoking ban in outside spaces where food and drinks are served, which will improve the environment outside cafes and bars for non-smokers and help to improve the health of smokers. More supporting information can be found in this report from ASH ASH-Briefing-for-councils-on-smokefree-pavement-Licences-June2023-FINAL.pdf.</p>