



Anti-Smoking Policy

Agreed by Governors: Autumn 2025

To be reviewed: Autumn 2028

Introduction

Dothill Primary School is committed to promoting a healthy lifestyle and safeguarding the wellbeing of our pupils, staff, and visitors. Smoking is a leading cause of preventable illness and death, and we recognize the importance of educating children about its dangers. We aim to provide a consistent, smoke-free environment, reinforce the health messages taught in school, and support positive role modelling by adults.

Purpose

This policy is designed to:

- Protect all members of the school community from the harmful effects of tobacco smoke and vaping.
- Promote a smoke-free culture within the school.
- Support individuals who wish to stop smoking.

Scope

This policy applies to:

- All staff, pupils, parents, carers, visitors, contractors, and volunteers.
- All areas of the school premises, including buildings, grounds, car parks, and vehicles used for school business.
- All school-related activities, including off-site trips and events.

Smoking and Vaping Restrictions

- **Smoking and vaping (including the use or charging of e-cigarettes or vape devices)** are strictly prohibited on all school premises and during any school-related activities.
- This applies at all times, including outside of school hours.

Visitors and Contractors

All visitors, including contractors and delivery personnel, are expected to comply with this policy. Clear signage is displayed around the school to communicate our smoke-free status.

Support for Smokers

We understand that quitting smoking can be challenging. Staff and parents who wish to stop smoking are encouraged to seek support through:

- **Telford & Wrekin Council's Occupational Health Services** – Call **01952 202018** for advice and referrals.
- **NHS Smokefree Services** – Visit www.nhs.uk/smokefree for free resources and support.

Equal Opportunities

In line with our Equal Opportunities Policy, this anti-smoking policy is implemented fairly and consistently. We are committed to ensuring that all individuals are treated with respect and dignity, regardless of background or personal circumstances.

Monitoring and Review

This policy will be reviewed annually or sooner if required, to ensure it remains effective and reflects current legislation and guidance. Feedback from staff, pupils, and parents will be considered as part of the review process.