

### YOUTH SERVICE

# You Said, We Did Parents/carers



Between December 2022 and March 2023 Essex County Council Public Health undertook a research project to understand more about children and young people's vaping in Essex. This research included a survey of parents and carers of young people (aged 11-18 years) in Essex and we can now provide you with an update on our efforts to reduce current usage and prevent uptake of vaping among young people in Essex.

We would like to say a big thank you to every parent and carer who completed the survey.

The findings of the survey along with the findings of a separate survey undertaken with young people can be found here

https://data.essex.gov.uk/dataset/24qw8/essex-youth-vaping





### You said...

You would like to see stronger regulation, monitoring and enforcement around youth vaping.



# We did... (and continue to)

Since our survey the Government have run a public consultation seeking feedback on smoking and youth vaping. We have responded using your feedback.

Communities need more education on youth vaping.



We are planning a youth vaping campaign to share key messages with a wide audience.

You are far more concerned, than young people, about the health implications of youth vaping.



Work with young people to test messaging to help inform them of the potential health risks.

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We did... (and continue to)

You would like to see enforcement and consequences for suppliers.



Essex Trading Standards is carrying out intelligence led targeted test purchasing to tackle underage sales of vapes providing advice, warnings and prosecuting offenders.

You would like more information on a range of youth vaping topics.



Work with partners to develop resources on youth vaping.

## For more information and support please visit:

**Essex Wellbeing Service** 

www.essexwellbeingservice.co.uk/news/vaping-young-people-information-and-advice





Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service essexfamilywellbeing.co.uk/services/school-age/stopping-smoking





#### Talk to Frank

honest information about drugs www.talktofrank.com/drug/vapes





#### Selling vapes to under 18's is illegal.

To report a shop for selling underage please contact Citizens Advice Consumer Service **0808 223 1133**.