P-06-1396 Introduce a vape licence for dedicated vape shops – Correspondence form the petitioner to the Committee, 06 November 2024

Hi

Nicotine vaping and tobacco smoking are completely different products.

I think we should first of all separate nicotine vaping and tobacco smoking products.

Smoking is an addiction to tabacco which has cancer causes properties. Vapes are a way to immediately reduce the risks associated with smoking with a view to reducing nicotine levels to eventually give up altogether.

Dedicated vape shops should at least be ncsct certified non smoking practitioners and be on the NCSCT register

I agree there should be liscence for selling vape products but only for dedicated vape stores and a complete ban from all other retailers.

The whole point of vape products is to help people to stop smoking .

I also believe having tobacco smoking products and vape products under the same licence umbrella will cause major issues for trading standards to police.

If lisencing for tobacco smoking is needed . It's counter active to be included under the same liscence. Although not a medical non smoking cessation it is currently the most successful product in switching people from tobacco smoking.

This doesn't need to be complicated to introduce a liscence or check conditions are met.

Shop must predominantly sell vape products. And obtain the NCSCT certificate and be on the NCSCT non smoking practitioners register. The course is free and packed with knowledge.

I have attached a few certificates of the free courses available

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