## **Felixstowe Youth Development Group**



# Smoking, Alcohol & Illegal Substance Policy

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## Smoking, Alcohol & Illegal Substance Policy

The focus of this policy is on young people. (*Staff issues are covered in Policy Number 17*)

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- Primarily to ensure the immediate and long-term well-being of the young people using Level Two premises and services.
- It is also important that the good name and integrity of Level Two, its staff and users be maintained.
- Level Two will have smoking, alcohol & illegal substance information available.

### **Smoking & Alcohol**

- 1. Tobacco, Vape or Alcohol in any form is not allowed on Level Two's premises.
- 2. Young people who choose to challenge this rule will be spoken to by a member of staff, and appropriate action will be taken. This will include the handing over of any such items for the duration of the session. The returning of items back to a young person is at the discretion of the Team on Session. Should a young person not hand over such items they must be asked to leave the session.
- 3. On a trip or visit away from the Hub young people will be reminded of this rule. Staff will use their discretion in how to best to support young people who are challenging this rule on a trip.
- 4. Any young person arriving at Level Two under the influence of alcohol will be offered support. If they are under the age of 16yrs an internal safeguarding log will be completed.
- 5. Appropriate action will be taken in consultation with the team on session & the Safeguarding Lead.

#### Illegal Substances

- 1. Illegal substances are not allowed on Level Two premises.
- 2. Young people who choose to challenge this rule will be spoken to by a member of staff, and appropriate action will be taken. This will include the confiscation of any such items. Should a young person not hand over such items they must be asked to leave the session