COSLA submission of 3 November 2023

PE2033/F: Introduce a full ban on disposable vapes

Your letter asked COSLA to seek information on how trading standards are enforcing the ban on the sale of vaping products to under 18s.

Local Trading Standards Officers do a test purchase programme using young volunteers – who go into shops to try and buy. This is done in response to complaints but also proactively. The Scottish Government provide funding for this work.

The Society of Chief Officers of Trading Standards in Scotland (SCOTTS) have published a report which provides further detail on this activity. The full report can be read on the SCOTTS website.