



Smoking ban on beach in Pembrokeshire



Since Wednesday, Little Haven beach in Pembrokeshire has introduced a ban on cigarettes and e-cigarettes as a trail for a year due to child health fears.

Little Haven is the first beach in Britain to do this.

Although a ban is in place, the council can not fine anyone who does smoke on the beach. Supporters of smoking have criticised the ban. Public Health

for England have said that e-cigarettes are 95% less harmful than ordinary cigarettes, but are they safe?

A survey by the anti-cigarette group shows that 54% of adults think that people should not be allowed to smoke on beaches at all. Teresa Owen, Director of Public Health for Hywel Dda University said "Anything which discourages smoking is a positive step forward." The scheme is also being backed by Dr Ruth Hussey, Chief Medical Officer for Wales.