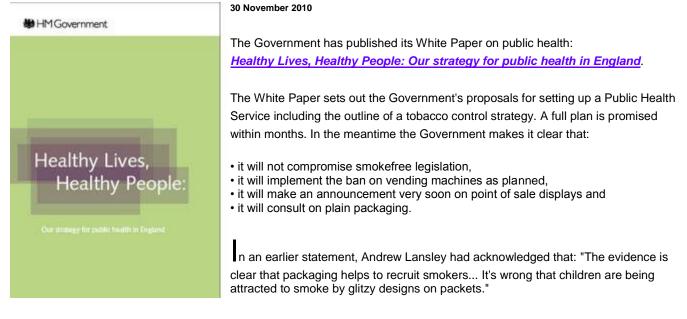
Public Health White Paper: No going back on Smokefree England



Pointing out that the NHS spends over £2.7 billion a year on treating smoking related illness, but less than £150 million on smoking cessation, the White Paper confirms that reducing smoking rates remains a priority for public health, and provides more details of the transfer for public health, including smoking cessation, to Local Authorities.

On the heels of the commitment from the Government to implement the ban on vending machines in England as planned comes the news that Sinclair Collis, a subsidiary of Imperial Tobacco and the major operator of tobacco vending machines in the UK, have had their challenge of the ban <u>rejected</u> in the High Court. They are planning to appeal.