

Draft Smoking NI Order 2006 econsultation on-line response

The British Psychological Society Response

The British Psychological Society wishes to lend its support to the recent consultation submission you received from Dr Martin Dempster of Queen's University of Belfast entitled 'The Draft Smoking (Northern Ireland) Order 2006 The Draft Smoking (Northern Ireland) Order 2006'. Dr Dempster is a member of the Society's Division of Teachers & Researchers and the Division of Health Psychology.

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Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like further information or further input.

Yours sincerely

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