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Groton Town nips smoking at its local parks

Groton — Smoking in the town is now prohibited in the vicinity of playgrounds and other areas where children are present.

The Town Parks and Recreation Commission proposed the policy to the Groton Town Council on March 1, which was subsequently approved.

“The new rule was developed in response to concerns from parents,” said John Silsby, parks and recreation director. “...and it is a positive step in improving the health of the community.”

The Parks and Recreation Department installed new signs at local park playgrounds last week to raise awareness of the new policy.

The signs were paid for by the Groton Adolescent Substance Abuse Prevention (GASP) Coalition’s Drug Free Communities grant.
