

# Sample letter to a Council member

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March 5, 2001

Scott Northmore  
Mayor of the Town of Bracebridge  
23 Dominion St.  
Bracebridge, On  
P1L 1R6

Dear Mayor Northmore:

**Explain why you are writing.**

I am writing today to ask you to support smoke-free bylaws in public places. Second hand smoke is hazardous and people should not be exposed to it in restaurants.

**Make it personal. Explain why you care about the issue.**

I can not go out to restaurants to dine out because I have asthma and the second hand smoke affects my health. I also have children and I do not think it is healthy for them to breathe in other people's smoke.

**You may want to add facts or statistics.**

It would be nice if all restaurants were smoke free for everyone's health – including people that work in that environment.

**Explain what you are asking for.**

Everyone I talk to thinks something should be done about this issue. Most people would prefer to dine in a smoke-free environment.

We need a by-law to protect our health. Please pass a smoke-free by-law in public places. Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Your name

