

# **SMOKING RESTRICTIONS IN MUNICIPAL OUTDOOR SPACES**

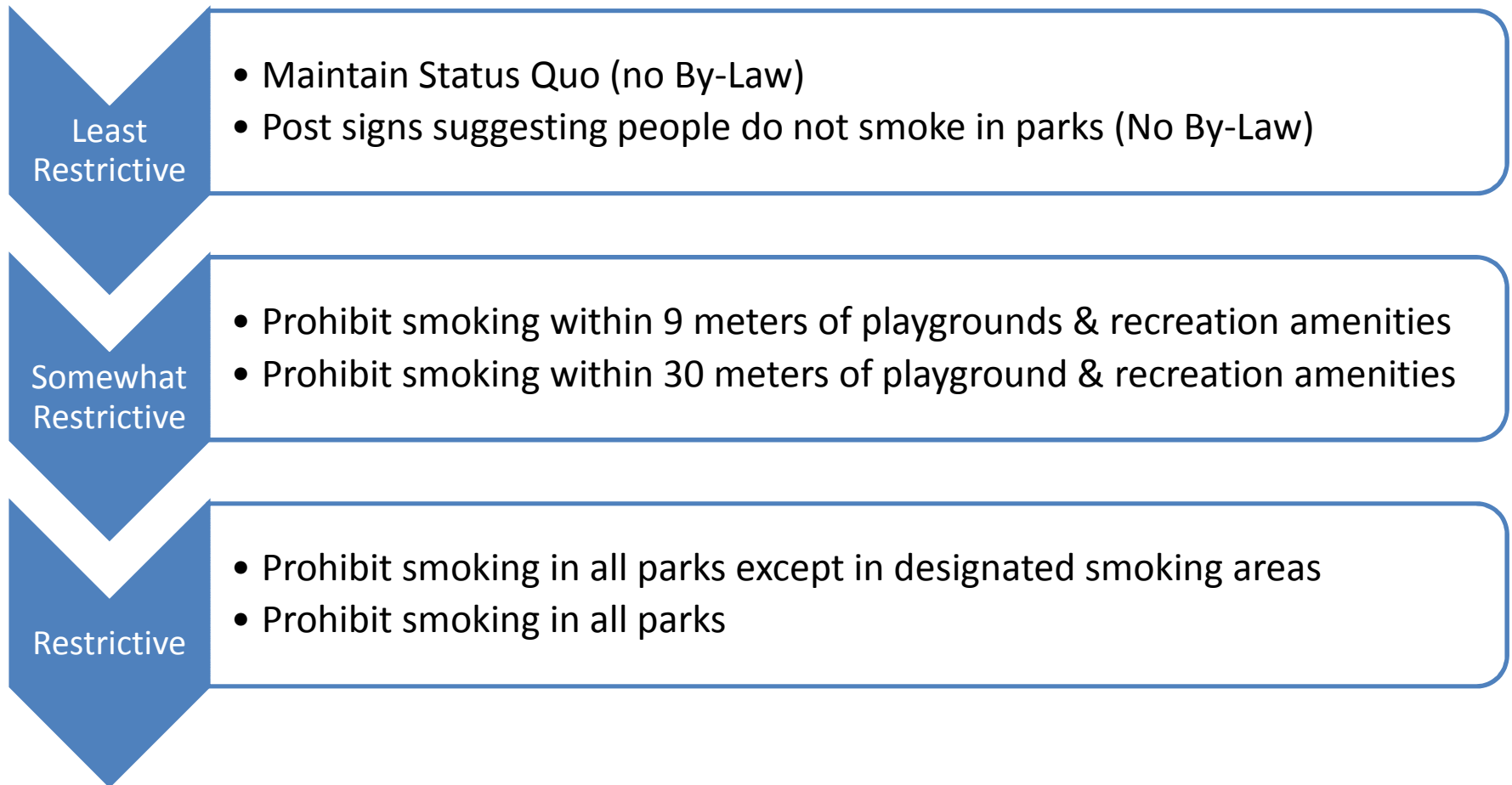
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# Smoking Restrictions in Outdoor Spaces

- Current provincial standards of second-hand smoke protection are not high enough and municipal by-laws should extend coverage to outdoor public spaces (parks & entrances to municipal buildings). This would result in:
  - Reduction in exposure to second hand smoke is good for everyone – especially children
  - Positive role modeling for youth
  - Cleaner public spaces



# Potential Options for Restrictions in Parks



# Potential Options for Restrictions at Entranceways to Municipal Buildings

Least Restrictive

- Maintain Status Quo (no By-Law)

Restrictive

- Prohibit smoking within 9 meters of an entrance to municipally-owned buildings

# Implementation of Restrictions

- Full implementation possible by May 2013
- Enforcement of potential new by-law by MLHU's Tobacco Enforcement Officers
- Education & Awareness
  - Paid media campaign to be led by the MLHU
  - Signage costs to be incurred by the City of London



# Next Steps

- Public meeting on October 1, 2012 on all options or selected options?

## Followed by,

- Direction from Council at October meeting based on public input
- Implementation by May 2013

