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Subject: Re: weed

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Hey Blue, why don't you actually bring some knowledge or ideas to the debate before spouting mindless bullshit.

To anyone whos argument is "I don't want to breath pot smoke" try reading my earlier post - I don't think anyone is saying it should be allowed in public places where you sensitive people might come in contact with it, private property or specially licensed premissis designed for the purpose. If it's in private property then it's up to the owner to dictate if it's allowed, a cafe would be FOR smoking weed if you don't like it don't go near the place (regulations stating adequate ventilation/air conditioning etc could also be enforced to protect any public walking past from the deadly fumes)

Don't even try and say "but people will smell of smoke" tough shit, when I get on a train and some fat bastard stinks of sweat I deal with it, it's not nice but it isn't doing me any harm, neither is the SMELL of smoke on somebody.

**NOBODY IN THIS THREAD WHO SUPPORTS THE LEGALIZATION OF WEED HAS SAID IT IS GOOD FOR YOU, WE ARE AWARE THAT IT IS DAMAGING OUR HEALTH - WE JUST CONSIDER IT AN ACCEPTABLE RISK FOR THE PERCEIVED BENEFITS.**

Quote:1. Most likely reduce the cost to users, who are currently getting ripped off  
2. Take billions of pounds away from criminals, people who also deal in other illegal activities  
3. Generate billions of pounds of tax revenue that would more than cover any costs of regulating the drug, providing support to people who want to stop using it and any costs caused by health problems.  
4. Improve the quality and remove any harmful additives that might be present in illegal weed  
5. Allow for regulation - perhaps forcing users to register and only have access to a certain amount, perhaps even being "prescribed" it to ensure that smokers are acting responsibly with it and can't just walk in to a shop and buy as much as they want.  
6. Aid sufferers of diseases like MS who have to endure immense pain that can be effectively reduced by smoking weed - currently people who try to help these people are getting arrested for dealing (despite distributing it for free in various forms such as chocolate or gel)  
7. Alternative safer ways to take weed would become available, alternatives to smoking such as weed foodstuffs, gels etc for people who want to relax but don't want to kill their lungs.

It should be (as smoking/drinking) against the law to smoke anywhere in public apart from specially licensed cafe's, meaning that people would continue to smoke in the privacy of their own home.

The only downside I can see to this is that potentially a few people who would not normally take drugs might be tempted due to it being legal - I don't see that can really be that many people though considering how widespread it's current usage is.

Somebody feel free to either come up with another valid argument against legalising weed that doesn't have a simple solution or come up with some constructive criticism of the points I have

raised for it being legal.

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