

ANNOUNCEMENT

ALCOHOL AND EDUCATION RESEARCH COUNCIL

Richard Caborn has re-appointed Dr Noel Olsen as Chair of the Alcohol and Education Research Council for a period of three years from 1 February 2005.

Biographical Details

Dr Noel Olsen is a public health physician. During his career he has been District Community Physician in Cambridge, District Medical Officer and later Director of Public Health in Camden and in Plymouth. He has published articles and editorials in the British Medical Journal and other journals on medical audit, public health policy and preventive medicine

He Chairs the WaterVoice SW (Ofwat consumer committee) and acts as Consultant Adviser to the Fuel Poverty Team in DEFRA. He is also Hon Sec of IATH (International Agency on Tobacco and Health) and a Trustee of the National Heart Forum. He is former Chairman of the Public Health Medicine Consultative Committee of the UK and of the Policy Committee of Alcohol Concern.

Background

1. The Alcohol Education Research Council is a Non-Departmental Government Body (NDPB) established in 1982 by an Act of Parliament. The primary aims of the Council are: to develop the evidence base relating to alcohol interventions and to develop the alcohol research and education capacity of individuals and organisations.
2. Dr Noel Olsen was appointed as Chair on 1 February 2002.
3. The Chair and Trustee posts are not remunerated.
4. This appointment has been made in accordance with the OCPA Code of Practice.