



Supporting community-led action research into the impact of alcohol on communities

Alcohol Focus Scotland (AFS) and Scottish Community Development Centre (SCDC) are looking to support community-led action research in Aberdeen into the impact of alcohol on communities. Training and support will be provided to a community group to plan, carry out and use the research. The group could be an existing community group or a new group brought together around a shared interest in the issue.

What is community-led action research?

Community-led action research is where the community decides on the issue to be researched, designs and carries out the research, and makes use of the results to achieve positive change – e.g. changing a policy or improving a service.

SCDC has been helping to support groups around Scotland to carry out their own research through the Knowledge is Power programme. This programme is now finished but a toolkit of research resources and case studies are available at www.knowledgeispower.scot

What's involved in the Aberdeen work?

Community researchers will receive training (approx. 2 sessions) and ongoing support from SCDC and AFS. We will also be exploring opportunities to bring in more local support from organisations in Aberdeen. It is hoped that the support and research will take place from now until the end of March 2023.

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