

Eileen O'Connor



CAMPAIGN SUMMARY

- Co-founder and Charity Director for the Radiation Research Trust (RRT) 2003 to date:
www.radiationresearch.org
- Co-founder and Board member for the International EMF Alliance 2009 to date:
<http://www.iemfa.org>
- Member of the European Commission Stakeholder Dialogue Group on EMF (helped the EU Commission to form group) 2011 – 2014
- Member of UK Health Protection Agency – Radiation Protection Division EMF Discussion Group Chaired by Sir William Stewart HPA Chairman 2006-2008
- Co-Founder and Chair of SCRAM (Seriously Concerned Residents against Masts) 2002 – 2005

Worked with cross party members of the UK and European parliament's offering help to provide advice and information for parliamentary questions and reports, also presented written and verbal evidence at local and national Government level in the UK, European Parliament, and EU Commission. Involved with numerous international presentations & government led debates. Provided support and information for the Sefton, Birmingham and Liverpool fire-fighters and Liverpool deaf school. Invited to give evidence on phone masts to Sefton Scrutiny Review Committee at the Health and Social Care Inquiry and presented at the Birmingham Scrutiny Committee on the policy on the siting of phone masts on council land and premises. Attended meetings with European Director Generals in Luxembourg and Directors at WHO in Geneva. Organised many events and raised funds for conferences and meetings at the House of Commons, the Royal Society, London, the Institute of Mechanical Engineers. Presented at and attended many conferences and public meetings on a national and international level. Worked closely with the local, national, and international media including newspapers, radio, TV for local and national news reports such as Sutton Coldfield News, Sutton Coldfield Observer, Birmingham Mail, Birmingham Post, Champion newspaper, Formby Times, Liverpool Echo, Telegraph, Guardian, Daily Mail, magazines and appearing on Sky news, GMTV, This Morning,

Tonight with Trevor McDonald, Irish TV, Russian TV, local TV, and radio. Successfully completed a political reality ITV show called “Vote for Me.”

Worked with individual members of the public, including celebrities Jasper Carrott and Koo Stark, and supported local, national, and international action groups.

CAMPAIGN HISTORY – HIGHLIGHTS

List of presentations: <https://www.radiationresearch.org/about-us/conference-presentations/>

January 2023 - Provided a Letter of Complaint Against Smart Meters. Letter published by Children’s Health Defense

<https://childrenshealthdefense.org/emr/em-radiation-research-trust-letter-of-complaint-against-smart-meters/>

January 2023 – Provided quotes for the Defender, Children’s Health Defense

4 Studies Add to Evidence of Wireless Technology-Related Electromagnetic Radiation in Humans

<https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/wireless-technology-electromagnetic-radiation-humans/>

January 2023 – Eileen O’Connor Guest Speaker for Canadians for Safe Technology (C4ST)

Overview of The UK EM Radiation Research Trust Charity

<https://www.radiationresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Eileen-OConnor-C4st-2023-presentation-slide.pdf>

January 2023 - Provided quote for the Defender, Children’s Health Defense

WHO’s Cancer Research Agency to Assess 5G Health Risks — But Not Until 2025

<https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/5g-health-risks-world-health-organization/>

November 2022 – Letters of objection sent on 2/11/2022 to Birmingham City Planning against 5G phone mast application for Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands. Received notification on 14/11/2022 from by Birmingham City Planning - 5G Phone mast application **REFUSED**.

<https://www.radiationresearch.org/news/mere-green-sutton-coldfield-phone-mast-refused/>

October 2022 – Eileen O’Connor Video interview with New Zealand doctor Samantha Bailey

(Sam) about EMFs and 20 years campaigning. Dr Bailey is a medical author and health educator.



<https://drsambailey.com/resources/videos/interviews/eileen-oconnor-interview-emf/>

EMF interview is also available via Dr Sam's Odysee channel:

<https://odysee.com/@drsambailey:c/Eileen-OConnor-Interview-EMF:4>

August/September 2022 – Reports and letter writing/awareness campaign, working with local communities in Sefton, Liverpool and Birmingham helping to object against 5G phone mast/cell tower planning applications. Attending local council public meetings and supporting petitions against 5G. Local Councillor's have since refused several 5G planning applications. Details along with template letters and non-consent forms are available here:

<https://www.radiationresearch.org/category/call-to-action>

Photograph features David Bryant, Eileen Oconnor, Janet Roberts and Joanne Allman at Sefton Council Planning Committee meeting at Bootle Town Hall, Liverpool on Wednesday 21st September 2022 following the refusal by the council for a 5G mast application.



June 2022 – Radio interview featuring Eileen O'Connor, Professor Magda Havas, Professor Olle Johansson and Grete Christoffersen talk with Professor Dolores Cahill about electrosensitivity symptoms, research how to diagnose, reduce exposure and recover

<https://www.podbean.com/site/EpisodeDownload/PB124AAC3T5UMC>

June 2022 Evidence submitted to UK Government Consultation. Connected tech- smart or sinister?

<https://www.radiationresearch.org/articles/evidence-submitted-by-the-em-radiation-research-trust-to-the-government-consultation-connected-tech-smart-or-sinister/>

May 2022 Article published in The Light newspaper. 5G 'an experiment on the population':

<https://the5gfacts.co.uk/feature-in-the-light-newspaper/>

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Go to page (6) <https://thelightpaper.co.uk/assets/pdf/Light-21-Final-Web.pdf>

April 2022, Radio interview with Professor Dolores Cahill and Eileen Oconnor talk about breast cancer cluster and discovering the cancer cluster surrounding the Wishaw phone mast in 2001 and the global campaign: <https://www.podbean.com/media/share/pb-ajih2-11eafb3>

April 2021 - Condolences written for the late Professor Yury G. Grigoriev (PHD, DMedScr) 1925-2021 Chief Scientific Officer, Laboratory of Radiobiology and Hygiene of Non-Ionizing Radiation, Burnasyan Federal Medical Biophysical Center of Federal Medical Biological Agency (Russia); Academician, Academy of Electro-Technical Sciences (Russia); Deputy Chair, Bureau of Radiobiology, Russian Academy of Sciences; member of the WHO Advisory Committee (International EMF Project); Member of Russian Scientific Commission on Radiation Protection; Member of the Russian National Committee on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection; Member of the International Commission For Electromagnetic Safety.
<https://www.iemfa.org/news/in-memory-of-professor-yury-grigoriev/>

Link to Yuri G. Grigoriev's final book, translated into English and free to download:

Frequencies used in Telecommunications An Integrated Radiobiological Assessment
https://www.orsaa.org/uploads/6/7/7/9/67791943/frequencies_used_in_telecommunications_an_integrated_radiobiological_assessment_draft_v3.pdf

Professor Yury Grigoriev and Eileen O'Connor photo taken August, 2012 in Moscow



May 2020 Interview with the USA Environmental Health Trust
Cancer, Cell Towers And 5G: Eileen O'Connor of Radiation Research Trust
<https://ehtrust.org/cancer-cell-towers-and-5g-eileen-oconnor-of-radiation-research-trust/>

April 2020 Robert F. Kennedy Jr. Joins EM Radiation Research Trust in Calling Upon UK Prime Minister to Halt 5G Deployment: <https://www.globalresearch.ca/rfk-jr-joins-em-radiation-research-trust-calling-uk-prime-minister-halt-5g-deployment/5712096>



November 2019 – Letter written from the International EMF Alliance to Scientific American – Misconception of 5G <https://www.iemfa.org/news/letter-from-the-international-emf-alliance-to-scientific-american-misconception-of-5g/>

October 2019 Letters of Notice on 5G sent to UK Government

<https://www.radiationresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/The-EM-Radiation-Research-Trust-puts-UK-government-on-notice-regarding-5G-amidst-profound-world-wide-health-concerns-3.pdf>

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<https://www.radiationresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/EM-Radiation-Research-Trust-second-letter-to-Government-1.pdf>

Presented at the University of Liverpool - Discovering Cancer: From Grassroots to Global – 16th July 2015 Eileen O'Connor and Susan Foster

<https://www.radiationresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Eileen-OConnor-and-Susan-Foster.pdf>

Photograph at Liverpool University Eileen Oconnor and Susan Foster from the USA



July 2015 Eileen O'Connor and Dr Erica Mallery Blythe met in London with Natalie Bennett Leader for the UK Green Party and provided her with a copy of the EM Radiation Research Trust Smart Meters Smarter Practices report. You can download the report here:

<https://www.radiationresearch.org/articles/smart-meters-smarter-practices-document/>

Dr Erica Mallery-Blythe, Natalie Bennett Leader for UK Green Party 2015, and Eileen O'Connor



June 2015 Non-Ionising Radiation and Health Concerns Seminar - London

Organised private audience with Professor Oleg A. Grigoriev, Head of the Scientific Department of Non-Ionizing Radiation Federal Medical Biophysical Centre of Federal Medical Biological Agency of Russia / Chairman Russian National Committee on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection. Professor Grigoriev presented on the subject of "Electromagnetic pollution and reaction of the central nervous system. Dr Victoria Alekseeva presented on "Stages in the history of studying biological effect of electromagnetic fields in Russia for one hundred years" and Dr. Erica Mallery-Blythe, UK Emergency Medicine Doctor presented an "Introduction to non-ionising radiation, health concerns and misconceptions."

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=82zlghOKN24>

Picture taken at Friends House, London featuring Eileen O'Connor, Professor Oleg Grigoriev, Dr Erica Mallery-Blythe, Dr Isaac Jamieson, Dr Victoria Alekseeva, Mike Bell, and Brian Stein



May 2015 Attended the two-day 5th Congress of the Paris Appeal: Idiopathic Environmental Intolerance: Brussels, Belgian Royal Academy of Medicine.

Clear message from the doctors and scientists saying 'It is becoming increasingly urgent for the need to address radiation exposures from mobile phones, masts, wifi, dect phones, smart meters to protect public health and the health of our children and future generations.'

<http://appel-de-paris.com/?lang=en>

Camilla Rees, Eileen O'Connor, Brian Stein, Erica Mallery-Blythe and Malin Tornqvist and photograph of Professor Magda Havas, Dr Erica Mallery-Blythe, and Eileen O'Connor



5th Congress of the Paris Appeal: Idiopathic Environmental Intolerance: Brussels, Belgian Royal Academy of Medicine.

Professor Belpomme & Eileen

Eileen, Professor Johansson and Erica



March, 2015 Meeting with Bill Esterson MP and Ministers MP Ester McVey MP

http://www.radiationresearch.org/images/rrt_articles/Radiation-Research-Trust-alert-Political-leaders-to-the-dangers-of-wireless-technology.pdf

February 2015 Eileen O'Connor and Dr Erica Mallery-Blythe attended a private two-hour meeting in Luxembourg with John F Ryan, Acting Director for the EU Commission
Photo Eileen Oconnor and Dr Erica Mallery-Blythe in Luxembourg



February 2015 Led the campaign against UK European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) member Richard Adams after he represented a counter-opinion to a report that was calling for support for those suffering with electrosensitivity. Mr. Adams did not disclose his conflicts of interests. His counter-opinion resulted in the loss of support for those suffering with electrosensitivity. I reported the EESC and Mr. Adams conflicts of interest and lack of transparency to the EU Ombudsman and served a Letter of Notice holding EESC member Richard Adams personally accountable for betraying public trust by ignoring evidence on the hazards of RF/EMF. The letter of notice was supported by 100's of NGO's resulting in the EU Ombudsman upholding our complaint and recommended stricter rules regarding transparency for EESC members and future debates.

http://www.radiationresearch.org/images/rrt_articles/EM-Radiation-Research-Trust-Letter-of-Notice-Served-on-Mr-Richard-Adams.pdf

March 2014 – EU Commission Workshop on Electromagnetic Fields (EMF) And Potential Health Effects

Venue: Cotsen Hall, Athens, Greece

Details about the workshop including all presentations are available here:

https://ec.europa.eu/health/scientific_committees/events/ev_20140328_presentations_en.htm

Eileen O'Connor's presentation:

https://ec.europa.eu/health/scientific_committees/emerging/docs/ev_20140328_co14_en.pdf

March 2014 - visited Professor Lukas Margaritis and team at the university of Athens.
Venue: Cotsen Hall, Athens, Greece & The University of Athens
EU Commission Workshop Panel Debate & Sissel Halmøy, Prof Lukas Margaritis & Eileen



2013 October Visit San Diego, USA to meet with Susan Foster, Radiation Research Trust Advisor/medical writer/author of the Resolution 15, passed by the International Association of Firefighters in August 2004, calling for a moratorium on the placement of phone masts on fire stations due to neurological deficits Susan and Dr. Gunnar Heuser found in their 2004 study of firefighters in California exposed to cell towers on their stations. **INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE FIGHTERS** <https://www.iaff.org/cell-tower-radiation/>

Eileen O'Connor and Susan Foster



June 2013 - invited to attend the WHO stakeholders meeting in Paris:
<https://www.radiationresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/WHO-International-Stakeholder-Seminar-on-RF-Policies.pdf>



2012 Visited Professors Yury and Oleg Grigoriev, Chairman for the Russian Radiation Federation, Moscow.

Russian research offers crucial and important aspects of developmental relevance that conveys a sense of urgency for the global RF/EMF framework. Without it, national governments may not be able to ensure the health of future generations are protected, especially that of our children. Russian warnings exist urging pregnant women to avoid using mobile phones entirely along with children under eighteen. Professor Yury Grigoriev said: "**Man conquered the Black Plague, but he has created new problems - EMF pollution**"

http://www.radiationresearch.org/images/rrt_articles/yury%20grigoriev%20calls%20for%20order%20and%20the%20world%20needs%20to%20listen.pdf

Pictures of Eileen with Russian Professor Yury Grigoriev and Eileen in Red Square with Norwegian rocket scientist Sissel Halmoy



2012 Presented Rt Hon Iain Duncan Smith with smart meter report and spoke with him about the importance of Russian research: <https://www.radiationresearch.org/articles/smart-meters-smarter-practices-document/>



2011 December Hand delivered a copy of the Smart Meter, Smarter Practices Report to Number 10 Downing Street, London. Picture from left features Mike Bell, Joe Benton MP, Eileen O'Connor, Bill Esterson MP and assistant, Dr Erica Mallery-Blythe, and Brian Stein



Presented at the European Parliament 2011

Photo featuring Dr Gerd Oberfeld, Eileen O'Connor, Jill Evans MEP, Dr Isaac Jamieson, and Steven Boone taken in 2011 the European Parliament as we hand delivered a copy of the Smart Meter, Smarter Practices report by Dr Isaac Jamieson along with a petition supported by over 13,000 citizens following a campaign led by Steven Boone.



2011 – 2014 EU Commission Dialogue Group with both sides of the debate on EMF (helped the EU Commission to form this group)

https://health.ec.europa.eu/other-pages/basic-page/stakeholder-dialogue-group-emf_en

Photographs taken at the EU Commission with Professor Yury Grigoriev, David Gee and Dr Isaac Jamieson



2010 November – Presented at Commonwealth Club of California - November 18, Health Effects of Electromagnetic Fields Video footage from the Commonwealth Club EMF Program, Nov 18, 2010, "The Health Effects of Electromagnetic Fields" posted on ElectromagneticHealth.org

Video and slides: <https://electromagnetichealth.org/electromagnetic-health-blog/cc-video/>

Audio recording: <https://www.commonwealthclub.org/events/2010-11-18/health-effects-electromagnetic-fields>

The Commonwealth Club EMF event was also reported by Joseph Mercola featuring a link to Eileen O'Connor's presentation. <https://www.mercola.com/>

Photo taken at the Commonwealth Club. Group photo Prof Martin Blank, Mrs Blank, Camilla Rees, Dr Joel Moskowitz and Eileen O'Connor

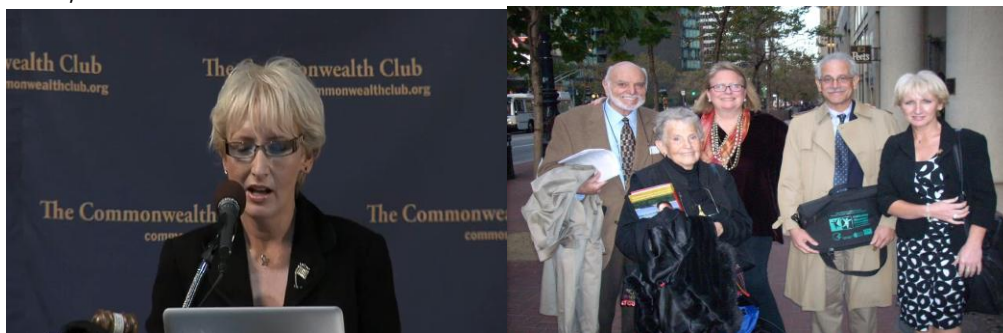


Photo taken at the Commonwealth Club

Lloyd Morgan and Eileen

Eileen and Libby Kelley



2010 May – Presented written evidence to the President Barack Obama’s Cancer Panel as part of the Panel’s data/information gathering process.

The panel reported that “the true burden of environmentally induced cancers has been grossly underestimated” and strongly urged action to reduce people’s widespread exposure to carcinogens. From the report: “Another sensitive issue raised in the report was the risk of brain cancer from cell phones. Scientists are divided on whether there is a link. Until more research is conducted, the panel recommended that people reduce their usage by making fewer and shorter calls, using hands-free devices so that the phone is not against the head and refraining from keeping a phone on a belt or in a pocket. Even if the cell phones raise the risk of cancer slightly, so many people are exposed that “it could be a large public health burden,” Schettler said.”

President’s Cancer Panel Report available here:

https://deainfo.nci.nih.gov/advisory/pcp/annualReports/pcp08-09rpt/PCP_Report_08-09_508.pdf

News report. ‘Phone masts health fears: US president asks for views of Midland woman’:

<https://www.birminghammail.co.uk/news/local-news/phone-masts-health-fears-us-president-83577>

2010 January – Institution of Mechanical Engineers, London

Organised a seminar on electrosensitivity and the current EMF Standards.

Followed by a meeting at Portcullis House with MPs, Sir William Stewart, Professor Olle Johansson and Professor Oleg Grigoriev. Sir William Stewart was the former Chief Scientific Adviser to the UK Government and Chairman of the Health Protection Agency. Professor Olle Johansson is assoc. Prof at the Experimental Dermatology Unit Department of Neuroscience, Karolinska Institute. Professor Oleg Grigoriev is the Director, Centre for Electromagnetic Safety, Head of Laboratory "Radiobiology and Hygiene for Non-Ionizing Radiation" Federal Medical Biophysical Centre of Federal Medical-Biological Agency of Russia and Vice-Chairman, Russian National Committee on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection. **Download Professor Oleg Grigoriev’s Presentation. ‘Health And EMF Exposure: Protocol for Diagnostics and Therapy’:**

https://www.radiationresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/20100111_grigoriev_presentation.pdf

2009 November - Norwegian Conference

Worked with the Norwegian team to help organise an international conference in Stavanger and an event in Seletun Norway, November 17th, 2009. Scientists from around the world attended to exchange views with an aim to develop new biologically based guidelines for human exposure resulting in the Seletun paper calling for lower EMF standards.

Chaired one of the sessions at the conference and spoke at the event and worked with fellow health activists to form the International EMF Alliance:

<https://www.iemfa.org/board-members>

Seletun Scientific publication. Lower EMF Standards for the World Are Urgently Needed:

<https://www.iemfa.org/seletun-statement/>

2009 August - Co-author for a report released by the International EMF Collaborative entitled “Cellphones and Brain Tumors: 15 Reasons for Concern, Science, Spin and the Truth Behind Interphone”.

Download here: <https://www.radiationresearch.org/articles/facts-15-reasons-for-concern/>

2009 August - Featured in a video announcing the details of the report. **Cellphones and Brain Tumors: 15 Reasons for Concern, Science, Spin and the Truth Behind Interphone:**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JwjC_OUlo8I

2009 August - Provided information for questions for MP’s including Andrew Mitchell MP, Shadow Secretary of State for International Development and Shadow Cabinet Member with responsibility for Birmingham. Also worked with Labour MP Bill Esterson Labour Party. Details available at: <https://www.radiationresearch.org/category/politics/page/6/>

2009 April provided information for an EU Parliament declaration launched by Liz Lynne MEP and submitted several amendments for the European Parliament Ries report. 559 MEPs voted in favour against 22 MEPs. Download report:

<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?pubRef=-//EP//TEXT+TA+P6-TA-2009-0216+0+DOC+XML+V0//EN>

2009 February – European Commission Workshop on EMF and Health

The European Commission held a conference attempting to bring opposing views together to discuss how best to evaluate scientific evidence and present the assessments to the general public via national policies.

Eileen O’Connor’s Presentation – Why people are worried about EMF: a UK perspective:

<https://www.radiationresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/2009-ec.pdf>

2008 September – Radiation Research Trust Conference, Royal Society, London

Radiation Research Trust 2008 conference. This conference was a major challenge and achievement. It was the first time that both sides of the scientific debate had come together to share the same platform on a global level. The conference took 12 months to organize with the help of Dr Mike Repacholi, ex-leader for the WHO EMF project. I also organised dinner at Westminster for all speakers following a kind invitation from Dr Ian Gibson MP. The conference took place on the 8th & 9th September 2008 entitled: **'Electromagnetic fields and health - a global issue' and was hosted at the Royal Society, London.** Speakers from ICNIRP, WHO, the Russian National Committee on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection and national bodies such as the UK Health Protection Agency and the MTHR were joined by scientists, politicians, lawyers and concerned citizens and the media, each offering differing viewpoints in order to encourage discussion around risk assessment.

Conference presentations: <https://www.radiationresearch.org/rrt-archives/conferences/2008-conference-presentations/>

Eileen O'Connor's Opening Conference Speech: https://www.radiationresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/010900_oconnor.pdf

Photograph of Scientists from both sides of the debate at the Palace of Westminster



November 2007 - Royal Society, London

Emergency conference on Human Health in an Electro-Technological World.

Presented personal story and shared a platform with many scientists from around the world. The presentation title “**Eileen O’Connor My Story**” explains involvement with the campaign since developing breast cancer at the age of 38 and discovered the cancer cluster around a mobile phone mast. Download details: <https://www.radiationresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/2007-rs.pdf>

2007 February Radiation Research Trust – House of Commons debate

Combating the dangers of wireless technology

Organised and chaired a packed debate attended by industry, public, MPs, health officials and the media. The meeting was held in the Attlee Room, Portcullis House, Westminster, London. Speakers included Dr Ian Gibson Labour MP and Dr George Carlo from the Science and Public Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.

Dr Carlo author of the book **Cell Phones: Invisible Hazards in the Wireless Age**. His career has more than 150 medical, scientific and public policy publications in the areas of public health, workplace safety and consumer protection.

Photograph taken at the House of Commons following the debate. Features Andrew Mitchell MP, Eileen O’Connor, Dr George Carlo, and Dr Ian Gibson MP



2006 UK Health Protection Agency EMF Discussion Group

Invited to become a member of Sir William Stewart’s UK Health Protection Agency (HPA) EMF Discussion Group (EMF DG). Invited to give a presentation to the group. Title of presentation:

Base Stations and Health Concerns - PowerPoint presentation

<https://www.radiationresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/2006-emfdg.pdf>

2006 Attended private meetings with Irish campaign group and the leader of EMF Project at the World Health Organization in Geneva.



2006 September attended a seminar in Brussels and a conference in Benevento Italy.

http://www.icems.eu/benevento_resolution.htm

Professor Yury Grigoriev, Eileen OConnor and Professor Henry Lai and Dr Bert Schou in Benevento, Italy



2005 January

“Vote for Me” Political Reality TV Show

Political reality TV show called “Vote for Me” on ITV every night for one week in 2005, billed as a political X factor show with contestants voted off by the public each night.

The idea behind the show was to analyse the suitability of potential candidates for a political career and to put forward the winner to stand in their local constituency. The programme was on National TV every night during 10-14th January 2005 and by the end of the week the public voted in the overall winner. I campaigned on a single issue “phone masts” receiving thousands of public votes and was the runner up after successfully dealing with political challenges. **The**

show was watched by a million people every night and tens of thousands of people voted in the final.

The winner Mr. Hilton-Potts was immediately discredited after the show as a row erupted and was reported in the national newspapers. The Guardian newspaper said: "One of the three judges Kelvin MacKenzie consistently urged viewers to reject Mr. Hilton-Potts and support another contestant, Eileen O'Connor." It was questioned whether the judges should have allowed Mr. Hilton-Potts to enter the final. Even the writer of the updates on the ITV website seemed to be straining to distance themselves from the result according to the Vote for Me news report. **I would have therefore won if Mr. Hilton-Potts had been disqualified due to his views and background which should have been investigated before the show.**

Vote for Me Show news report: http://www.ukgameshows.com/ukgs/Vote_for_Me
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Guardian news report:

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/media/2005/jan/16/broadcasting.raceintheuk>

2005 July - Westminster

Westminster packed debate on phone masts organised by Liberal Democrat MP Lembit Opik. Debate on phone masts on 19th July 2005 attended by campaigners, industry, and government. Dr Michael Clark represented the UK Health Protection Agency and Dr Gerd Oberfeld, Public Health Department of Salzburg promoted the precautionary approach based on scientific evidence. Campaigners, Industry, and government attended. I was invited to join the panel and provide evidence.

Lembit Opik MP remained a supporter for the Radiation Research Trust and chaired one of the sessions at the 2008 Radiation Research Trust Conference.

2005 - July

Mobile Phones and Health - The Wishaw Papers

Review of research by Health Protection Agency after lobbying Mike O'Brien MP, Minister for the Department of Trade, and Industry. The "Wishaw" papers relate to concerns raised by Eileen O'Connor about health effects of exposure to radiofrequency (RF) radiation arising from the use of mobile phones. Principally concerned about exposures to radiofrequencies (RF) from base stations that might result in an increased incidence of cancer in those living nearby.

Mobile Phones and Health – The Wishaw Papers

https://www.radiationresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/20050817_latest_wishaw_papers.pdf

2004 September – attended and spoke at the **Children with Leukaemia conference, London**
Incidence, causal mechanisms and prevention:

<http://cwl2004.powerwatch.org.uk/>

2004 July - Low point in the campaign

Birmingham Post newspaper report: Heartless Lib Dems reduce masts campaigner to tears.

By Neil Connor

‘A mobile phone campaigner was in tears yesterday after she was stopped from confronting Liberal Democrat leader Charles Kennedy in Hodge Hill. Eileen O’Connor, chairwoman of Sutton Coldfield Residents Against Masts, reported Liberal Democrat activists to police after she claimed she was jostled away from Mr. Kennedy. Mrs O’Connor said she wanted to tell him that Nicola Davis, the party’s candidate for the by-election was unsuitable as an MP because of her links with the mobile phone industry. However, the campaigner said she felt as she was in a “rugby scrum” as placard-waving activists formed a barrier around the Liberal Democrat leader outside the party’s Hodge Hill headquarters in Washwood Heath Road. She said: “I couldn’t believe it. They were pushing and shoving me. It was really intimidating and it has really upset me. I have been crying all day. All I wanted to do was tell Charles Kennedy that he has got the wrong candidate but I was subjected to physical and verbal abuse.”

<https://www.radiationresearch.org/rrt-archives/heartless-lib-dems-reduce-mast-campaigner-to-tears/>



Lib Dem candidate Nicola Davies lost the by-election election of Hodge Hill to Labour. The Labour party promoted campaign literature repeatedly reminding voters of Nicola Davies job as a lobbyist for the mobile phone industry, dubbing her “Nokia Davies.” I received a message on my answerphone from the leader of the Lib Dem party for the West Midland blaming me for Nicola Davis losing the opportunity to become an MP.

I was then approached by Lib Dem MP Lembit Opik who apologized for the event of which he was not responsible and offered to allow my voice to be heard at Westminster. This resulted in a packed Westminster debate on phone masts on 19th July 2005 attended by campaigners, industry, and government. I was invited to give evidence along with Dr Oberfeld to voice our concerns. Lembit Opik MP remained a supporter for our campaign and chaired one of the sessions at the 2008 Radiation Research Trust Conference.

May 2004 – Westminster debate

Received a mention during the House of Commons debate with details about the cancer cluster surrounding the phone mast in Wishaw.

21 May 2004 : Column 1248

<https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200304/cmhansrd/vo040521/debtext/40521-11.htm>

2004 January – Westminster debate

Alasdair Philips from Powerwatch UK and I provided evidence and research for Andrew Mitchell MP for the debate on phone masts. I also attended the debate.

UK Parliament debate - Mobile Phone Masts

<https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200304/cmhansrd/vo040128/halltext/40128h03.htm>

Eileen Oconnor and Andrew Mitchell MP at the Palace of Westminster



2003 to date - media coverage in local and national newspapers, local radio and tv, Sky news, GMTV, This Morning, Tonight with Trevor McDonald, Vote for Me, ITV, BBC, alternative media and also appeared on Russian TV with an audience of approximately 100 million people in countries of former Soviet Union. Link to Russian NTV news item on mobile phones, shown twice on primetime.

Featured on Resonance – Beings of Frequency

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AiCLUSMOa1U>

Eileen O'Connor short film captures phone mast campaign (2005)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wtSsflzpa7U&t=0s>

News reports: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXrxsfFb0NGLxjABkEWYw6w/featured>

2003 – to date Co-Founder for EM Radiation Research Trust Charity

www.radiationresearch.org

Photograph taken at Westminster day of the launch of the Radiation Research Trust charity.
Mike Bell, Eileen O'Connor, Lynn Insley and Dr Gerard Hyland.

Here is a link to the paper by Dr. GJ Hyland in the Lancet 2000 November
Physics and biology of mobile telephony
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/11117927/>



2002 - 2005 Co-founder and Chair of local campaign group Seriously Concerned Residents Against Masts (SCRAM)

SCRAM organised an event in Sutton Coldfield, inviting UK scientists from both sides of the debate in the UK to speak at a packed public meeting chaired by Andrew Mitchell MP.

SCRAM Public Meeting, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands (2003)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5HKq5jfPKGy>

Presented at many public meetings in London, Liverpool, Birmingham, Sheffield, and Ireland.

Scram received an award from the Birmingham Community Empowerment Network and received a couple of grants from the council.

Photographs featuring SCRAM -Seriously Concerned Residents against Masts action group and photographs of the protest against the Wishaw Phone mast.

