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COTA Over 50s' Announcement

Brenton Holmes: New Appointment of a National Policy Officer



Brenton comes to COTA Over 50s from the role of Manager, Policy and Research, at Teaching Australia, the national institute for quality teaching and school leadership.

Brenton spent fifteen years working for the Senate, becoming Senior Clerk of Committees. He also managed the Parliamentary and Media section of Medicare Australia. Prior to his move to Canberra in 1990, he was a teacher, public servant and ministerial officer in South Australia. He has worked in capacity development projects in Fiji and for the East Timorese legislature, and has been a long-time participant in community advocacy in the ACT.

Brenton writes book reviews on politics, culture and society for the *Canberra Times*. He plays drums in a jazz trio, is a keen student of kung fu, and surfs longboards. Brenton has been a Public Member of the Australian Press Council since June 2003.

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