**Topic guide**

* Background to the project

-**Bid process,** timeline

-**Commissioning** – contractual model?

**-Brief**

-**Development of initial concept design**

-**evolution** of the design/**changes**?

-3-D models, sketches, plans, computer design

(planning – if discussing project at a later stage)

* **Team/stakeholders involved**

-client, contractor, engineers, developer – other stakeholders?

-(how have you been working together during the process - frequency of meetings etc…?)

* **Roles**

-internal team(how many people, how are roles are organised e.g. project architect/trainee/director?)

-level of involvement (how much of your time will be on project?)

* **Issues/challenges**

-Anticipated challenges?

-constraints? e.g. budget/financial arrangements, regulatory requirements

* **Envisaging the end user**

-Where do you get your ideas about people with dementia from? Client, in-house research, sector standards, personal experience

Who do you envisage will be living there/using the building (does it include OP with dementia/frailty)? Particular type of background? Local?

* **Envisaging care**

- How do you think about ‘care’ in terms of your design?

-Where do you get your **ideas about ‘care’** from?

*-* ***wider developments/ideas in health and social care***

-design/models from hospitality industry – **home vs. hotel** model?

* **Role as an architect**

-how would you describe the **role of the architect** when working on these sort of care projects (e.g. conductor)? What distinctive skills do architects bring to the project?

-Would you see yourself as a **care/healthcare** **specialist**?

-Other types of project? Ideas across different projects

-What is **distinctive** about working on healthcare projects?