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Participant Information Sheet

(for household survey)

Title of Project: The Re-Making of Chinese Urban Neighbourhoods: Socio-Spatial Transformation and Access to Public Services 国城市社区的形成与重塑机理:城市空间规划、社会转型与居民公 共服务

Name of Researchers: Professor Sun Tao

You are being invited to take part in this research project. Before you decide it is important for you to understand why the research is being done and what it will involve. Please take time to read the following information carefully and discuss it with others if you wish. Ask us if there is anything that is not clear or if you would like more information. Take time to decide whether or not you wish to take part. Thank you for reading this.

Urbanisation is changing Chinese cities and society everyday. Many new neighbourhoods have been built and old ones redeveloped in the last 15 years. This research aims to understand the urban development process and the social and spatial changes in three cities: Tianjin, Hangzhou and Chengdu. It focuses on the re-making of urban neighbourhoods in these cities and how neighbourhood changes and the provision of public services have affected people's lives.

Your neighbourhood has been selected as one of the case studies in the city. We took a random sample of families in your neighbourhood for interview. We aim to find out what kind of families live in this neighbourhood and how your life has been affected by the public services in the area. Your experiences will help us to understand how the neighbourhood has been changing and our findings will help government policy makers to design better policies for the future.

Our interview will last no more than one hour. Your personal details and data will be kept strictly confidential. Please note that assurances on confidentiality will be strictly adhered to unless evidence of wrongdoing or potential harm is uncovered. In such cases the University may be obliged to contact relevant statutory bodies/agencies. Your participation is entirely voluntary and you can withdraw at any time.

The information and data we collected will be stored in university offices with access by the research team only. After the research, data files may be stored for future research projects. All personal data will be destroyed and removed from data files.

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