**Outline of Oral History Schedule**

These will be oral histories which are likely to cover the themes of conflict and persecution, rape or sexual violence, poverty, destitution, migratory histories and life seeking asylum.

At the beginning of each oral history, I will introduce myself, my research outline and the objectives of the research. Although the person being interviewed will have already read the information sheet, I will provide a brief overview of what it entails and confirm consent. I will also ask if I can record our conversation and anonymise participation. Consent will be verbally recorded.

As oral histories are led by the participant, the conversation is often open ended and non-linear. Below is therefore an outline of points which might be used to prompt participants to discuss their histories and migration trajectories.

Country of origin:

Can you tell me about your life in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

What was everyday life like for you in \_\_\_\_\_\_?

Conflict, unrest or persecution:

How did conflict/unrest/persecution affect your life/community?

Do you think men and women were affected in the same or different ways?

What kind of problems did women and girls experience?

How has /have this/these experience/s affected you?

Have experiences [of torture, rape and/or sexual violence] impacted on your decision to leave \_\_\_\_\_\_\_? If so, in what way(s)?

When did you leave you country of origin?

What other countries, if any, have you lived in before coming to the UK?

Why did you decide to leave \_\_\_\_\_\_?

How did you travel? When? For how long?

When did you apply for asylum status?

Did you disclose experiences of rape/torture in your asylum claim?

Why/why not?

Describe life seeking asylum in \_\_\_\_

What kind of problems have you faced?

What, if anything, have been difficult aspects of seeking asylum?

What would help?

What support would be beneficial?