

Life on the Breadline: Christianity, Poverty and Politics in the 21st Century City

Verbal Consent Script

Verbal consent will be sought when written consent is not able to be obtained. This may include instances where the interviewees are illiterate, may be incapable of reading or writing for other reasons, or where there may be particular sensitivities around signing a written consent form (as set out in the online application). Each participant will be provided with a Participant Information Sheet that will be read in full with the participant before beginning recording. I will go through the Participation Information Sheet with them highlighting their rights in regards to the recording of the interview and answer any questions they may have before I press the 'record' button and begin the script. The verbal consent script (below) will then be read, and verbal consent recorded on a Dictaphone.

Verbal consent script:

As you know from the Participant Information Sheet, I am a researcher from Coventry University in the United Kingdom. I am conducting a study on Christian responses to poverty in the UK and I would like to ask you some questions about that. I would like to record our conversation, so that I can get your words accurately. If at any time during our talk you feel uncomfortable answering a question please let me know, and you don't have to answer it. Or, if you want to answer a question but do not want it recorded, please let me know and I will turn off the machine. If at any time you want to withdraw from this study please tell me and I will erase the recording of our conversation. I have noted down your participant number on the information sheet. Please keep a note of this number.

I will not reveal the content of our conversation beyond myself and my interpreter, Mr/Mrs/Mswho is helping me and who has signed a contract agreeing to keep all data confidential. [If needed]

I will do everything I can to protect your privacy. Now I would like to ask you if you agree to participate in this study.

1. Do you understand what the project will be focusing on?
2. Do you understand that you can withdraw from the project until 1st June 2020 without feeling that you did to explain why?
3. Are you happy for the information you share to be used anonymously in academic papers, training resources, presentations, the project report and on the project web site, or are you happy for your real name to be used? Anonymity/named options:
 - a. Real name and denomination to be used_____
 - b. Title and denomination_____
 - c. National leader in 'x' denomination_____
 - d. National UK Church leader_____
4. Are you happy for the information you share to be archived so it can be used by other researchers?
5. Do you agree to participate, and to allow me to record our conversation?

Participant number/name:_____

Date:_____

Researcher:_____