



Connecting through Culture

Research into the prototype project process:

Addendum to information Sheet for co-designers

Background

As one of the co-designers engaged in the prototype projects you will already have received information about the wider purpose of the project Connecting through Culture As We Age, and signed a consent form. This form is offering you additional information as you have agreed to take part in an interview. This interview may take place online or in-person and will be documented through the use of audio recording which will be transcribed and anonymised.

It is important that you read the information on this sheet before taking part in the research, and that you ask us if you have any further questions.

Who is organising the research?

This interview forms part of the Connecting Through Culture research project based at the University of Bristol.

Why is this research important?

The focus of Connecting Through Culture As We Age is to understand more about how participation in all forms of arts and culture, particularly those accessed digitally, can influence our wellbeing and feelings of social connection as we age. The interview will also help us to understand more about the process of co-design with older adults, including the creation of new digital cultural experiences that will contribute to older people remaining happy, healthy and connected to others.

What will happen to the information I give you?

You will be asked questions by a member of the research team and a recording will be made of your interview which will then be transcribed and anonymized with the original recording destroyed as soon as that process is complete.

Transcripts will be kept securely so that we and other researchers can use them in the future.

We will only collect information about you that we need for the research. We will make sure it is kept safely and securely on the University of Bristol's secure drive. You can ask us to tell you what information we hold about you, it will not be shared with anyone else and we won't keep it for any longer than we need.

The things we learn through this research will be used in reports, publications and presentations that we will share with others, including through our project website and on social media.

What if I am worried, have questions, or want to make a complaint?

This study has been approved by the University of Bristol's Faculty of Social Sciences and Law Research Ethics Committee.

We want you to enjoy taking part in this research. If there is ever anything that worries you or you find distressing, please talk to us one of the researchers about it. We will connect you to support services who can help.

Dr Helen Manchester who is leading the project. You can email her on:

helen.manchester@bristol.ac.uk or call her on 0117 331 4401.

If you would like to make a complaint to someone at the University of Bristol who is not involved in the research, please contact: research-governance@bristol.ac.uk

The University of Bristol takes its responsibilities regarding your data very seriously. If you have any questions or concerns about this, you can contact the Data Protection Officer: data.protection@bristol.ac.uk

Thank you for taking the time to read this information.