

**Exploring perceptions of Quality of Life  
in people with Learning Disabilities under investigation for  
dementia  
– Information sheet (Easy read)**



My name is Winnie and I am a student at the University of Kent.



I want to talk to people with learning disabilities under investigation for dementia about their quality of life.

This means your doctor is checking whether you have dementia.



You may forget things such as someone's name or where you have put things.

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You might feel a change in your mood such as feeling sad or angry.



You might find it more difficult to do your shopping or cooking.

There are many different ways to think about quality of life. We will be asking questions about...



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Your health



Where you live and what you do



Your friends and family



I want to know what you think a good life  
means to you.

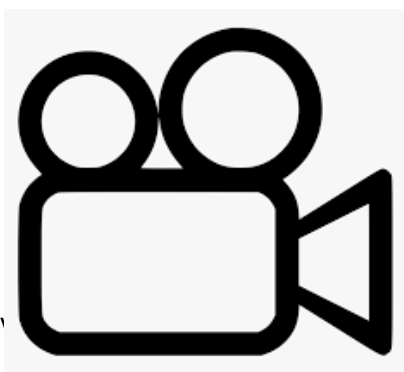
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I can travel to meet you for the interview. The interview will last up to 45 minutes.



I will be using Talking Mats to help you talk about quality of life. Talking Mats uses pictures to help you say how you feel about your life and what matters to you.



I will video record this to make sure I don't forget what you said. You can have a copy of this. Only me and my supervisors will watch this.

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You can say no to taking part in this project and this is ok. Nothing bad will happen to you.



You can decide to stop at any time.



The information I collect may be published in a professional journal – a magazine for staff who work with people with learning disabilities. I will not say your name or use any of your personal information.

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If you decide to take part, as a thank you for helping me, we will give you a £10 'Love2shop' voucher.



If you tell me that you or someone you know is being hurt, I will have to tell someone about it. I will tell you first if I have to do this.

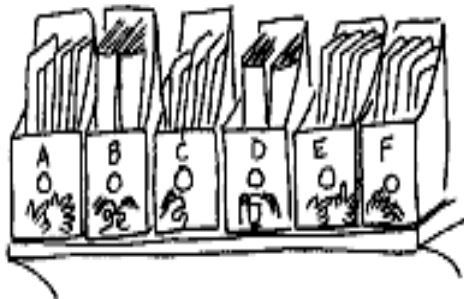
## Why and how we use your information in our research?



We are working at the University of Kent, a university which does research.

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### What are we talking about when we say ‘your information’?



Information about you and your life.  
Here are some examples:

- Your age
- Your gender
- Something you tell us about your life, like your family/friends or what do you like to do in your spare

time.

### Why do we use your information?



We use it to do research about what life is like for people with learning disabilities in England.

### How do we look after your information?

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We follow the rules and laws which keep the information you give us safe.



It is up to the researchers to keep your information safe.



We will always check with you if you are happy for us to use your information.

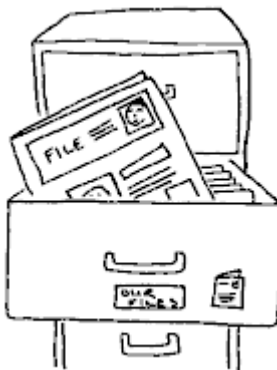


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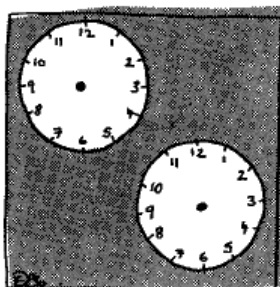
### What are your rights?



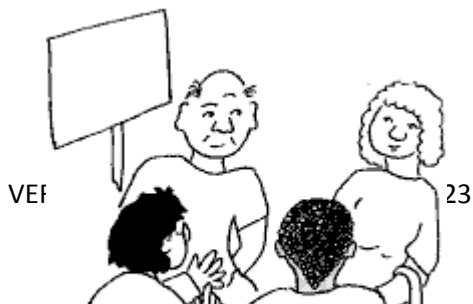
You have the right to ask us about what information we have about you.



You have the right to ask us how we will keep your information private.



You have the right to ask us how long we will keep your information.

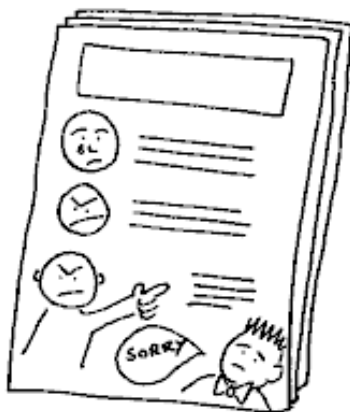


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You have the right to ask who we will share your  
information with.



This research has been approved by the  
London – Camberwell St Giles Research  
Ethics Committee. This is a group of  
people who decide if the research is ok  
and safe.



You can tell someone that you are not  
happy. They work for the University of  
Kent. This is their email address:

[lssjethics@kent.ac.uk](mailto:lssjethics@kent.ac.uk)

If you want to write to them, use this  
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at 01227824784 Thank you 😊,

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