



Interview Schedule



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Interview Notes

- Interviewees should be assured of the confidentiality of the project.
- Informed consent should be obtained from all interviewees.
- Interviews should be recorded, where interviewee gives permission, otherwise detailed notes should be taken.
- Interviewees should be assured there are no right answers, in all cases you are looking for their experiences and/or their personal opinions.
- Questions to be asked are numbered.
- These are semi-structured interviews, the interview schedule is designed as a guide for conversation, not a questionnaire. The interviewer should make sure they elicit a response to all questions below, especially the key topics listed in the checklist at the end. However, an effort should be made to maintain the natural flow of the conversation.
- Allow the interviewee scope to expand upon topics that are of interest to them, while possibly spending less time on others. You may also find that in answering one question, the interviewee will also give a response to another which you have not yet asked. In this case, there is no need to formally address this topic again.

Participant profile Can you tell be a little about yourself?

Prompts: Area of residence; Age range; Gender; Occupation

Attitude to Wind Energy What do you think of wind energy and local onshore wind farms?

Prompts: Do you think climate change is occurring?

What do you think has caused it?

Is there a need for wind energy?

What is the impact of onshore windfarms?

Do you think onshore wind farms can create jobs for people living here?

Do you think onshore wind farms can generate electricity cheaply?

Community Owned Wind Farm Have you imagined owning part of a wind farm?

Prompts: Would it be good for a community to own a wind farm?

How many houses can it supply power to?

Can a community be energy-independent and avoid power cuts?

Do you think it would be expensive to fix turbines?

How would the profits be shared?

How would the money be raised?

Would your attitudes to wind farms change if you owned part of one?

Attitude to Risk This part of the engagement will be done using an online survey hosted on Microsoft Forms, see below.



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