The below participant information sheet and consent form should only be used when collecting fully anonymised data i.e. When the researcher cannot link answers to identifiable participants. In all other cases, the template for participant-identifiable data should be followed. Please note that when using a key, such as a participant number which is stored elsewhere, this remains identifiable data.

**PARTICIPANT INFORMATION STATEMENT**

**[RESEARCH TITLE]**

The purpose of the research is to [RESEARCH FOCUS AND AIMS].

The research project is being conducted by [RESEARCHER NAME] at Coventry University. You have been selected to take part in this questionnaire survey because you [REASON(s)]. Your participation in the survey is entirely voluntary, and you can opt out at any stage by closing and exiting the browser. If you are happy to take part, please answer the following questions relating to [PROJECT BRIEF]. Your answers will help us to [LINK TO PROJECT OUTCOMES]. The survey should take approximately [ENTER TIME] minutes to complete.

Your answers will be treated confidentially and the information you provide will be kept anonymous in any research outputs/publications. Your data will be held securely [HOW/WHERE]. All data will be deleted by [DATE].

The research was granted ethical approval by Coventry University’s Research Ethics Committee [INSERT ETHICS PROJECT REFERENCE e.g. PXXXXX].

For further information, or if you have any queries, please contact the lead researcher [NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS]. If you have any concerns that cannot be resolved through the lead researcher or supervisor [*delete if staff research project*], please contact [ethics.uni@coventry.ac.uk](mailto:ethics.uni@coventry.ac.uk).

Thank you for taking the time to participate in this survey. Your help is very much appreciated.

* I have read and understood the above information.
* I understand that, because my answers will be fully anonymised, it will not be possible to withdraw them from the research once I have completed the survey.
* I confirm that I am aged 18 or over.
* I agree to take part in this questionnaire survey.

Note to researcher: You must include a forced response question which records an explicit confirmation of informed consent. If there is more than one defined purpose to the research project, a separate consent statement should be provided for each. The boxes cannot be pre-ticked as this will not allow for an explicit and affirmative declaration of informed consent.