

Research Information Sheet

Outline of the research

This project is exploring the place of children, young people and families in the church, by finding out the perspectives and experience of parents, practitioners and church leaders.

Who is the researcher?

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What will my participation in the research involve? To complete an online survey to give your views and perspectives on this issue.

Will there be any benefits to me to taking part? You will be contributing to the field of knowledge in this area, which will hopefully enhance the work which churches do amongst children.

Will there be any risks to me in taking part? The risks are minimal as you can complete this in your own setting. But all questions are optional so feel free to miss any out or cease participation at any stage if the questions feel in any way detrimental to your wellbeing.

What happens if I decide that I don't want to take part during the actual research study, or decide that the information given should not be used? Please email the lead researcher (sarah.holmes@cym.ac.uk) within two weeks of completing the survey, quoting the memorable word you will have been asked to provide to aid us in tracing your otherwise anonymous response.

How will you ensure that my contribution is anonymous? The survey will be completed anonymously. When we write up the findings, we will not include any information which would enable you to be identified.

Please note that your confidentiality and anonymity cannot be assured if, during the research, it comes to light that you are involved in illegal or harmful behaviours which I may need to disclose to the appropriate authorities.

Please now return to the online survey and consent to proceed.