



INTERVIEW QUESTIONNAIRE FOR A SUPPORTER

Section 1: Your Interviewee

Name: _____

Date of interview: _____

Interviewer: _____

Section 2: Huddersfield Rugby League: A Lasting Legacy Archive

Tell your interviewee: this interview will be added to the archive of Huddersfield Rugby League: A Lasting Legacy Archive. As part of the archive, the interview will be available to the general public.

Section 3: The Questions

1. First memories

- a. How did you become a rugby league fan?
- b. What is your first memory of watching rugby league in Huddersfield, either at amateur or professional level?
- c. When was this?

2. Travelling to Matches

- a. Tell me about how you travelled to your first rugby league matches.
- b. What are the main differences between travelling to matches when you were young(er) and travelling to matches today?

3. Memorable Matches

- a. What is the most memorable match you can remember?
- b. Why was it memorable?

4. Favourite Player

- a. Who was your favourite player when you were young(er)?
- b. Why was this player your favourite?
- c. Can you tell me about a memory of him playing in a particular match?

5. Stories from Earlier Generations

- a. Did you have any older relatives who talked to you about watching rugby league in Huddersfield when they were young?
- b. What did they tell you? (e.g. about players, teams, rugby league stories)

6. Playing rugby league

- a. Have you ever played rugby league? yes / no
- b. If so, which team(s) did you play for?
- c. What is your favourite memory from your playing days?

7. Then and Now

- a. Can you tell me about the similarities and differences between when you first started watching rugby league and watching today?

Prompts:

- i) the skills of the players
- ii) the fitness – speed, stamina and strength of the players
- iii) the rules of the game/the way it is played
- iv) the sportsmanship of the players and supporters
- v) the quality of the pitches
- vi) the quality of the grounds (facilities, catering, toilets etc.)
- vii) the kit worn by the players
- viii) the clothes worn by spectators
- ix) the number of women and children who go to matches
- x) the range of ethnic groups playing and watching rugby league
- xi) the smells of match day
- xii) how you find out about the results of matches

8. Funny Stories

- a. Tell me some of the funny rugby league stories you know

9. Why rugby league?

- a. Why do you follow rugby league? What is special about it?

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND FOR CONTRIBUTING TO THIS IMPORTANT PROJECT.

Section 4: Signatures

Ask your interviewee:

1. Please confirm that you give permission for your interview, or extracts from your interview, to be:

- made public on the project website, in exhibitions, in resources for schools and transcribed for the project book
- converted into different electronic data formats, such as WAN and mp3.

2. Please can you tell me which of the following you would prefer:

I wish my name to remain on the archived interview.

I wish my interview to be added to the archive anonymously with my name removed.

Signed: _____ (interviewee)

Signed: _____ (interviewer)