

## **Appendix C**

### **Guidance Interview Questions**

#### **Section one – Rapport Building Questions:**

(At this stage I will introduce the topic and the reason for me undertaking the research)

1. Tell me about your background in campaigning
2. Tell me if you subscribe to any particular ideological or theoretical standpoint and why?
3. What made you get involved in the campaign regarding the proposed changes to the GRA?

#### **Section Two – Understanding and objections of the GRA and Self-ID:**

1. What is your understanding of the proposed changes to the GRA?
2. Do you object or support Self-ID? Why?
3. Do you feel the government has fostered a healthy debate around the GRA?

#### **Section Three – Silencing**

1. Do you or have you felt silenced in this debate? What was your experience like?
2. Why did you choose to speak out/not speak out?
3. Are there any other examples of campaigning you have done where you felt this way?
4. Have you ever felt frightened when campaigning or speaking out? Why (evidence) or have you chosen to remain anonymous due to fear? Why (Evidence)
5. Have you ever been accused of being transphobic? Called names? How did this make you feel?
6. Have you, during the course of campaigning called others transphobic? Why?

#### **Section Four – Impact on female only services for victims of male violence:**

1. In your opinion, what is a woman?
2. What would be the impact on female only services of male violence if Self-ID is adopted in law?
3. Are female only spaces important for victims of male violence? Why?
4. Do you feel that policy changes will happen anyway? Will those services who choose to adopt SSE be viewed differently than those who do not?
5. Why do you feel that the trans lobby groups want female only spaces like refuges to be open and accessible to self-ID trans women? – Would a third option (trans refuges) be better?

Section five – Final thoughts:

1. Is there any solution or middle ground to be reached for trans activists and feminist groups to come together?
2. Is there anything else you would like to add?