**Participant Consent Form**

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

**Title: Attitudes towards sharing sexual images online**

**Researchers:** We are students from the University of Leicester, School of Psychology conducting research under the supervision of Dr. Ruth Hatcher.

**Purpose of data collection:** Student research towards the Applied Psychology Practical module, University of Leicester.

**Details of Participation:**Participation in this research project will involve reading a fictitious scenario involving the sharing of sexual images online. This scenario may include descriptions of sexual behaviour. These will only ever be descriptions, however; no images will be displayed to participants. The detail within the scenarios will not be any more explicit than what might be printed within a newspaper or discussed on news reports on television. If, for any reason, you will feel uncomfortable reading such information or you feel that reading about online victimisation might be uncomfortable for you, however, you are advised not to take part in this research.

After reading the information you will be asked to rate a number of statements.

**CONSENT STATEMENT**

1. I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I may withdraw from the research at any time up until when I submit my information, without giving any reason. I understand that to withdraw I just need to close the browser.
2. I am aware of what my participation will involve.
3. My data are to be held confidentially.
4. My data will be kept electronically for a period of at least five years after the appearance of any associated publications.
5. In accordance with the requirements of some scientific journals and organisations, my coded data may be shared with other competent researchers. My coded data may also be used in other related studies. My name and other identifying details will not be collected and hence will not be shared with anyone.
6. The overall findings may be submitted for publication in a scientific journal, or presented at scientific conferences.
7. This study will take approximately five months to complete.
8. I will be able to obtain general information about the results of this research by contacting the supervisor after August 2019

I am giving my consent for data to be used for the outlined purposes of the present study

All questions that I have about the research have been satisfactorily answered.

I agree to participate.

(As this is being completed online, there will be a tick box here to indicate that the participant wishes to take part)

The contact details for the supervisor of this project are: Dr. Ruth Hatcher, [rmh12@le.ac.uk](mailto:rmh12@le.ac.uk), 0116 252 3727.

This study was reviewed by the University of Leicester Psychology Research Ethics Committee (PREC). You may contact the Administrator of PREC Joy Kocik at [jk17@le.ac.uk](mailto:jk17@le.ac.uk) if you have any questions or concerns regarding the ethics of this project.