

**Questions for participants**

**On the theme of Home:**

* Where do you call ‘home’?
* What was your relationship with/understanding of London before you moved here?
* When you first arrived, did you intend to stay in London/move back to Ireland/move somewhere else?
* Where did (/do) you feel most at home in London?
* Which area did you live in? What road did you live on? Which postcode did you live in?
* What sort of home did you live in (i.e. house/ maisonette/ flat etc.)?
* What decade was your home built?
* Who did you live with?
* Did this place feel like your home? OR What did you do to make this place feel like your home?

**On the theme of work:**

* What did you do for work?
* How did you get your job?
* How many hours did you work?
* Did you enjoy your work?
* Where did you spend your free time? What did you do?

**Relationship (specific to a couple who met and married in London)\*:**

* How/Where did you and your partner meet?
* Did you have an engagement ring? (Maybe some questions about the proposal?)
* Where did you live when you married? Area/road/postcode
* When did you leave your first shared property? For what reason? How long had you been there?
* Did you continue to work after you were married?
* Did you maintain the same hobbies/activities?
* What did you do to make this place feel like your home?
* Where did you go out socially in London?
* What did you do to get ready to go out in London?
* Did you have a drink at home before you went out – if you did, what was it?
* Did you smoke in your home?

**On the theme of London/ Ireland:**

* Did you return to Ireland during the 1950s? How often did you return?
* Do you feel connected to the Irish community in London?
* Do you consider yourself/your family Irish, London Irish, or other?

**On the theme of your Interior Design:**

* What is the most precious object you owned in your home in the 1950s?
* What furniture did you have in your bedroom?
* What was the lighting like?
* What items did you have on display in your bedroom?
* What did the furnishings look like- the curtains/ carpet/ bed linen?
* Did you / how did you play music in your home?
* What was your favourite music- song/singer/band/radio program?
* What items did you have your bathroom?
* What clothing/shoes did you and your partner have?
* Did you have photos/picture on display in your bedroom/hallway?
* If you did, what were they of?
* Did you have any religious items in your bedroom – if you did, what were they?