



Charles Sturt University

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

CONSENT FORM

**Sirens to Silence - Examining the experiences of firefighters transitioning into and living in retirement.**

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I agree to participate in the above research project and give my consent freely.

I understand that the project will be conducted as described in the *Participant Information Sheet*, a copy of which I have retained.

I agree to:

- participating in an interview and having it audio recorded.
- information from this interview being used in the production of a thesis.

I understand that my personal information and all confidential service information will remain confidential to the researchers. I understand confidentiality will be encouraged as a condition of participation; however, I also understand that confidentiality cannot be fully guaranteed.

I have had the opportunity to have questions answered to my satisfaction.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Charles Sturt University's Human Research Ethics Committee has approved this project (approval number H21088). If you have any complaints or reservations about the ethical conduct of this project, you may contact the Committee through the Ethics and Compliance Unit via the following contact details:

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Any issues you raise will be treated in confidence and investigated fully and you will be informed of the outcome.