

Interview request protocol

The POPPY Project supports women trafficked into prostitution in the UK. We receive many media requests and are able to help on occasion. However, the safety and wellbeing of our women is paramount and all requests will be considered against this and the following key criteria:

- Requests should be timely and not immediate. Short-notice requests can very rarely be accommodated.
- Requests should accompany a brief about the context the interview will fit into.
- Details of the programme – for example news item or commentary piece – will be required.
- Any requests will be considered in respect of the programme and the media requesting the interview.
- Anonymity of the victim will need to be guaranteed.
- The POPPY Project reserves the right to view footage/photos/copy prior to broadcast/publication to ensure anonymity is carried out effectively.
- The interview itself will take place at a time and place mutually acceptable and convenient to the victim and the media.
- The POPPY Project press officer will be the point of contact with regards to interviews with victims.
- Once a request has been considered, the relevant media will be notified as quickly as possible as to what decision has been made.
- The victim's welfare and willingness to participate is the POPPY's primary concern, and if no woman is available, or if a woman agrees but wishes to pull out of the interview at any time during the process, she will be entitled to do so.

The POPPY Project works closely with partner agencies, including the UKHTC. Any requests made to partners will be discussed with the media consultant there and subjected to the same protocol, as part of the victim-centred approach to combating human trafficking.

Disclaimer

Please note that the views of any woman you interview do not necessarily reflect those of Eaves, the POPPY Project or our partners.