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17 December 2021

Dear Gemma,

**EGA ref: FHMS 21-22 021 EGA**

**Project Title: How do women experience and make sense of behaviour/commentary about their appearance from romantic partners, and do they perceive this to have an impact on their appearance anxiety?**

On behalf of the University Ethics Committee (UEC), I am pleased to confirm a 'Favourable Ethical Opinion' (FEO) for the above research on the basis of the submitted protocol and final supporting documentation listed in the table below.

Date of confirmation of ethical opinion: 17 December 2021

This opinion is given on the understanding that you will comply with the relevant University policies, ethical and professional standards and any applicable regulatory requirements, and have completed all mandatory training provided by the University of Surrey.

Please follow guidelines below and note that all research activity must comply with current University guidance regarding the Covid19 pandemic:

<https://www.surrey.ac.uk/coronavirus/researchers/research-university-ethics-committee-approval>

If you wish to make any changes to the Protocol for this project, now or later, other than those permitted in the guidance provided in the above link, you must submit a Notification of Amendment form before any changes can be implemented. Please refer to the Guidance on Amendments which can be found on the Research Integrity and Governance Office webpages. Please note that the governance approval of this project is only valid until the study end date provided on your final EGA form listed below.

Please be aware that the Committee must be notified if the following incidents and events occur:

- Protocol deviation e.g. changes in recruitment methods, consent method, poster advertisements, study design or study materials such as questionnaires;
- Study extension for recruiting participants and/or data collection;
- Serious adverse events (SAEs) (e.g. life-threatening such as self-harm) or adverse events (AE) (e.g. an unexpected reaction such as skin irritation) that may potentially impact the research



participants or your data integrity. This should include any unexpected event not related to the study, events related to the study and death of a participant related or unrelated to the study and;

- The study is terminated earlier than expected with reasons.

You should do this by contacting [ethics@surrey.ac.uk](mailto:ethics@surrey.ac.uk). Please be advised that the Ethics Committee and/or RIGO audit research projects to ensure that researchers are abiding by the University requirements and guidelines.

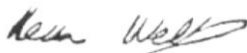
This 'Favourable Ethical Opinion' is valid only for the duration of the project. The study end date will be the date of the last visit of the participant or the completion of any data collection as stated on the EGA form listed below.

If you have any query regarding your project, please contact RIGO at [ethics@surrey.ac.uk](mailto:ethics@surrey.ac.uk)

The final list of documents reviewed by the Committee is as follows:

Document	Version	Date
EGA	V2.0	03 December 2021
Protocol	V3.0	14 December 2021
Consent	V3.0	14 December 2021
PIS	V3.0	14 December 2021
Demographic Details form	V3.0	14 December 2021
Interview Schedule	V1.0	01 November 2021
Appearance Anxiety Inventory	V1.0	01 November 2021
Recruitment Poster	V2.0	03 December 2021
Safety Plan	V2.0	03 December 2021
Email for recruitment	V1.0	01 November 2021
Social Media Post	V1.0	01 November 2021
Team Summary	V1.0	03 December 2021
Data Management plan	V2.0	29 November 2021
Participant and data pathway	V2.0	03 December 2021

Yours sincerely



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**Chair of the University Ethics Committee**  
RIGO: MT

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