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## Rugby Supporters Questionnaire

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ years

Gender: Male/Female ( please circle)

Nationality: Welsh/English/ Scottish/Irish/Other (please give details)

Please write the names of the teams you support (local, club, regional (if appropriate), national) in the spaces below. Please can you rank them in order of how much you support each one?

1 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
2 \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Do you hold a season ticket for any team? YES/NO. If yes, which team is this? \_\_\_\_\_

In the table below you will see some statements. For each, please decide which number on the scale best represents your opinion. Please then write this in the appropriate box.

<b>Strongly disagree</b>							<b>Strongly agree</b>
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

**EXAMPLE:**

	<i>Local</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>Nation</i>
I go to matches with a close relative	4	5	7	1

	<i>Local</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>Nation</i>
I support this team because my parents supported them				
I go to matches with a close relative				
I support this team because my friends support them				
I would consider changing my team if none of my family/friends were supporters				
I think it's important to support the team in the town where you live				
I support this team because it makes me feel part of a wider group				
I support this team because it makes me feel good about where I live				
I went to my first match with my family				
I support this team because I or people I know play/have played for the team				
I support this team because of local ties to the area				
I have supported this team for as long as I can remember				
I support my team because it develops local players				
I am proud of my team's involvement in the community				

I am a good supporter of my team							
<b>Strongly disagree</b>							<b>Strongly agree</b>
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	<i>Local</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>Nation</i>
Having a rival team to compete against is important for my support				
The fans of opposing teams are often more vocal than those of my team				
The behaviour of my team's fans is a source of pride				
Talking to other fans about my team is important to me				
The status of my team in relation to its rivals is important to my support				
The opinions of other fans has changed the way I feel about my team				
I feel proud to let other people know I'm a fan of my team				

For how many years have you supported each of your teams:

Local \_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_ Region \_\_\_\_ Nation \_\_\_\_

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	<i>Local</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>Nation</i>
Active involvement with the club does not just involve attending matches				
During the season I help out at my club				
I support my club by giving my time in some way				

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<i>To be a good supporter of my team, it is important that someone...?</i>	<i>Local</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>Nation</i>
Follows the team through the media (e.g. newspapers, TV, internet)				
Attends home matches				
Travels to away matches				
Buys a season ticket				
Buys team kit or other merchandise				
Buys new team kit every season				
Wears team colours on matchdays				
Wears team colours at other times				
Knows the history of the club				
Other (please give details)				

I wear my national team shirt because it makes me feel a part of my nation.						
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7

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<b>Strongly disagree</b>						<b>Strongly agree</b>
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

	<i>Local</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>Nation</i>
I think it is important that my team takes care of its fans				
Supporters value player loyalty				
Some of my team's supporters just think it's fashionable to support rugby				
Rugby is becoming more like football all the time				
I would hate to be seen as similar to a football fan				
There is a pressure on my team to win whatever the cost				
Supporters of my team are often angry at the way it is run/managed				
Losing matches reduces my support for the team				
I feel that my team is beyond the reach of ordinary fans				
I am often worried that my team won't be able to perform at the level it currently plays				
Money and finance have always been a problem for this team				
The way the players behave on the field affects the way I feel about my team				
Being successful against other teams is important to my level of support				
I wouldn't want to support a team whose supporters behave badly				
I think "playing fair" is more important than winning				
Supporters stop attending when the team loses				
Rugby fans are different to football fans				

What do you think is the biggest threat facing your team at the moment?"  
(please give details in the spaces below)

Local \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_

Region \_\_\_\_\_

Nation \_\_\_\_\_

## The Sports Supporter Commitment Scale

For the table below, please read the statements and decide which number best represents your opinion. Please write this in the appropriate box.

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	<i>Local</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>Nation</i>
If I were away from home I would make every effort to follow my team				
I would be unlikely to buy merchandise associated with my team				
I really dislike the biggest rivals of my team				
I travel to away games as much as possible				
I never display my team's name or logo in public (e.g. at work or in the car)				
I will occasionally support teams other than my own				
I don't know much about the players in my team				
I am a not a very committed fan of my team				
I often wear my team's colours				
Nothing could change my allegiance to my team				
I would switch my loyalty to another team if my favourite player moved				
I make every effort to go and watch my team play away				
I am proud to wear my team's shirt				
I will never support another team				
If I moved to another town, it is unlikely that I would still support my team				
I could be easily persuaded to change my support to another team				

If you would like to receive more information about the study or to receive a copy of the results, please write your contact details in the space below:

Would you also be willing to be contacted about future research in this area?

YES/NO (please circle).

Thank you once again for taking part in this study.