

PARTICIPANT CONSENT FORM

Project Title	What are the unique challenges in trying to wargame modern operations in an increasingly urbanised world and can they be better addressed?
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Please read through each of the items below and ensure that you understand them, and then STRIKE OUT any items which you do not give your informed consent to. If you have any questions then please contact me using the contact details above.

- I agree to volunteer as a participant for the study described in the Participant Information Sheet and give my full consent.
- The nature, aims and risks of the research have been explained to me. I have read and understood the Participant Information Sheet and understand what is expected of me. I have had the opportunity to ask questions, and, if asked, all my questions have been answered fully to my satisfaction.
- I understand that if I decide at any time during the research that I no longer wish to participate in this project, I can notify the researchers involved and be withdrawn from it immediately without having to give a reason or being disadvantaged in any way.
- I understand that if I withdraw from the study then I will be offered the choice between having any data that is identifiable as belonging to me removed or allowing it to continue to be used. However, once the findings have been produced, removal of my data may not be possible.
- I understand that my participation in this study will be anonymised, and any contribution through play or discussion will be analysed and described either through aggregated data or anonymised reference.
- I consent to the processing of my personal information for the purposes of this research study. I understand that such information will be treated as strictly confidential and handled in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 2018.
- This consent is specific to the particular study described in the Participants Information Sheet and shall not be taken to imply my consent to participate in any subsequent study.
- If I have any concerns about potentially triggering a PTSD episode or similar discomfort I have taken them into account in my decision to participate, and have, if I have elected to, informed the researcher of any potential issues, or will do so during the game. I will ask to stop the game if I begin to feel any discomfort.
- I understand that notes will be taken during discussions and play, and that play and discussions may be recorded and transcribed.
- I agree to the taking of and use of photos/videos of my playing the game to be used in support of the research.

Participant's Signature: _____ (type "by email" if completing electronically)

Participant's Name: _____ Date: _____

Email Address (if required for a copy of findings): _____

Please also tick here if you would like to be added to a mailing list to be kept informed of the progress of the PhD: ☐

Note: A copy of the PIS, and more information, is available at:

<https://taunoyen.com/conc8/index.php/phdhome/research-ethics>.