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00.40	Where were you born?	
	Rottenrow in Glasgow, yeah, which I think is no longer there. A big, massive hill. Rottenrow, I think my full family were born there.	00.44-00.53
00.55	<i>Have you always lived in this area?</i>	
	Always lived in Easterhouse, yeah.	00.59
01.00	<i>Would you tell me about your birth family?</i>	
	Mum and dad, I have got four big brothers. I am the youngest of five boys. One of them was born a twin. David, who is the second oldest was born a twin but she died at birth, so I never met her or anything like that but five boys, so that was fun growing up.	01.01-01.52
01.29	<i>What do your parents do?</i>	
	My dad was a cabinet maker, my mum, she got a few jobs in the pubs. She was a bouncer and stuff like that as well. And then ill health has took over. So she is unemployed at the moment, along with my father as well. Ill health has took their toll on them, so they are both not working just now.	01.31-01.52
01.55	<i>So your mum was a bouncer? When was this?</i>	
	Late 90s I would say yes. I can't remember her being a bouncer. I remember her working out and stuff like that. She used to be big and stuff like that and used to run for fun. Used to get up at 5:00 in the morning and run to Loch Lomond and back and pure crazy. I cannae, I think it might have been The Drum, is it Shettleston, Parkhead, I think that is the pub she was in and a couple in Baillieston where she is	01.56-02.53

	originally from, so she was a bouncer. My dad was a cabinet maker. I can't remember what company for though. That was his job. So we used to have odd tables and stuff like that that he would make from the scrap wood that he would bring home.	
02.54	<i>Could you tell me about the house that you lived in when you were little?</i>	
	We moved when I was really young. I always get the street mixed up, I think it was Denmilne was my first house but I never remember that, it got broke into and my mum and dad never felt safe and we moved to Abbeycraig Road and that is where I remember. Just like a big circle, tenements inside, three high. It was brilliant, loved it.	03.00-03.21
03.22	<i>What did you love about it?</i>	
	It was just proper scheme. Always out playing, always somebody to play with, always something to do. It was just I don't know, home. It was good.	03.34-03.39
03.42	<i>The flat, was it warm?</i>	
	Yes, it was. How many bedrooms? Three bedrooms. So we had to share. There was two and two. My oldest brother, he never really lived with us for long. He went and lived with my Gran and granddad. So it was two and two shared rooms and stuff like that. But yes, it was warm and stuff like that, yes.	03.43-04.05
04.04	<i>And what were your neighbours like?</i>	
	We always had good neighbours, actually ,direct neighbours anyway. We always had good neighbours. Always looked after one another. Proper old school, looked after one another. Didnae dare answer them back. Not like nowadays, in my opinion. You never dared answer an adult back, it was a wee swift slap round the ear, I'm sure you'd be accustomed to as well.	04.06-04.35
04.36	<i>Did you have a yard out the back?</i>	
	No, because we never had a bottom flat. We stayed in the middle flat to begin with and we had to move out. So we went to Lochend Road for a while, not far from here actually. And that wasn't too long. And then we ended up moving back to Abbeycraig, which again was a middle flat as well. So there was plenty of grasses, grass verges and stuff like that outside, so we were always out playing football or a big game of hide and seek within the scheme type thing. There was a field right out the back as well, so we were always up there, up to no good chasing the cows and stuff like that. Setting fires that we were never allowed to do. Sorry!	04.42-05.20
05.21	<i>What kind of games did you play?</i>	
	Normally football on the road, in the grass, hide and seek, lightning, so it was kinda chap door runaway. So because it was kind of six in a close, you'd start from the top. The top would chap the door first, then run down to the middle, then chap that door, then run down to the bottom, chap that door, then we'd all run away. Stuff like that. Always up to no good, but people always knew it was us anyway. So I don't know why we	05.23-05.54

	ever did it, and we never got away with it either. My dad wasnae very lenient.	
05.55	What happened when he got caught?	
	Normally a firm telling off, shall we say. A slap around the back of the head and probably grounded as well. It was just boys being boys and such. It was always fun.	06.00-06.15
06.16	<i>Was there any waterways that you could go to around here?</i>	
	Bishop Loch. I think Bishop Loch was probably our closest. So my brother Graham, he used to go fishing, he would go to the Bishop Loch. Which was just across the country roads, a 10 minute walk. That was probably our closest one. We would go over, I never liked fishing, too boring for me. But I like to set the fire. So that was my job for that. There will be a common trend in this of me and fires! But yeah, Bishop Loch is probably, we used to very stupidly now, go over when it was icy and stuff like that. Play on that but that was very, very stupid.	06.19-07.01
07.03	<i>Were you ever warned not to?</i>	
	Yeah, schools and stuff like that always did. So we went to Bishop Loch Primary school. Obviously Bishop Loch is right across the road from it. We would always get the customary "don't do this, don't do that" and stuff like that. But you would wonder over it was icy. Curiosity gets the better of you. Thankfully, nothing ever happened to anybody. I wonder why, to be honest. Because we used to go right out into the middle. The thinnest type thing... You cannae see this but she's shaking her head! I was never daring enough to go out to the middle. It was stupid enough, but it was never the wisest choices, but it's water isn't it, it's there to be played with.	07.04-07.48
07.49	<i>Did you ever go there in summer?</i>	
	Weirdly, no. It was never the cleanest loch, so it's not like water you could swim in or go in or anything like that. It was all shopping trolleys and stuff like that that were in it. It was never the cleanest. So it was never one that we ever went to swim in, we never went to waters to swim in roundabout here. I don't know why actually, but no. We never through the summer, we never really went there.	07.55-08.18
08.19	<i>Did you go swimming anywhere?</i>	
	Not outdoors, It would just be the swimming baths.	08.21-08.23
08.25	<i>Where were they?</i>	
	Now the Bridge which is just attached to the centre. We would go in there. It's been done up now it's rubbish but it was really good back in the days. It used to be 12 feet deep and had inflatables and stuff like that, but that is no longer in use.	08.27-08.48
08.52	<i>What did you do in the summer when you were young?</i>	
	We would build goals and it was always kind of football and stuff like that. Play golf, we would go up to the driving range at Drumpellier, we would go up to there and we'll say, "acquire" some golf balls. Some of	08.55-09.46

	<p>the stray ones that came from driving ranges and stuff like that. We would acquire them and sneak onto the golf. And get some rounds of golf or go up to the driving range and actually pay in and hit some shots and stuff like that as well. Play some football, hide and seek. Just kinda do anything to keep us busy sort of thing. Caught nicking games from school that we would take into the streets and stuff like that as well.</p>	
09.47	<i>What was school like?</i>	
	<p>I loved it. I was always the class clown. I like school. It was always very enjoyable. We were never allowed to miss school, even if you were not well. You would always go and possibly get sent home, but me being the youngest as well, I was always known to the teachers. "Another McGaughy. Another McGaughy." What one are you like? Are you like David? Are you like Graham? Always good friends and stuff like that. I enjoyed school, even secondary school and stuff like that. I always enjoyed it.</p>	09.48-10.25
10.26	<i>Which secondary school did you go to?</i>	
	<p>Lochend High School which is now across the road from where I stay. Really enjoyable. And a lot of the friends that I had at Bishop Loch and stuff like that went up with me. So there was friends just moved across and stuff like that and then managed to make some new ones as well.</p>	10.28-10.45
10.46	<i>What were your favourite lessons?</i>	
	<p>PE. I never really liked maths, but I liked the teachers. French, I never ever liked French. I really like the teacher, so I always tried a wee bit harder and stuff like that. Because the teachers were always OK. Up for a laugh and stuff like that as well. And modern studies, we had a really strict teacher to begin with, and then a really fun one came in as well. So I was naturally good at modern studies. I don't know how, but I never had to try at it. The same with PE. I never really had to try if I'm being arrogant, but everything else I had to try it. But I always got on alright with the teachers and stuff like that as well, so that was half the battle.</p>	10.47-11.32
11.34	<i>What was the community like when you were growing up?</i>	
	<p>Growing up, so the schemes growing up, me being the youngest, some of my brothers fought, gang fought and stuff like that, so we were restricted to our scheme. So even coming up to the swimming and stuff like that, we had to come up in a group and stuff like that to be safer sort of thing. It is not so bad now, I don't think. But it was quite bad growing up and stuff like that, gang fighting and stuff.</p>	11.38-12.13
12.14	<i>How did you feel about that at the time?</i>	
	<p>I didn't feel anything, I didn't know any different anyway, so it was just the way to live. It eased off once we went into secondary school because we then became friends with these people. I was never a huge gang fighter anyway. But it was just part of life. I didn't really know any different growing up. So it was just the way you lived.</p>	12.15-12.40
12.41	<i>Did the gang culture prevent you from doing things?</i>	

	Probably, yeah. So certain buses we couldn't take. My mum and dad split up when we were quite young as well and she ended up living in one of the rival gangs and stuff. So we had to go at certain times and make sure she was there at the bus stop to meet us and things like that. But again, it was just normal. So it's not as if it was unique to us and my family, it was just the way it was.	12.42-13.09
13.14	<i>When did, or did things start to change?</i>	
	For me, the change was in secondary school as I touched on there because you then became friends with people I was probably too young to realise.... that a lot of groups were maybe doing things to combat this. Buck shops (?) and gang prevention and, but I think secondary school probably changed it and then a lot of primary schools and stuff all merged into one. So there was not as many primary schools. So I think just by nature people all come from different areas anyway. We're in the same primary school, so possibly in a way that way. It's not quite as bad anymore. Some young ones might say differently, but it doesn't seem that bad for me.	13.20-.11
14.12	<i>Was sectarianism in issue?</i>	
	I wouldn't say an issue, it was definitely there, but again, it was just part of life. The 70s and 80s were quite bad with sectarianism. I was born in the 90s so it was just part of life and people just accepted it. Sectarianism and derogatory terms were used, but people never really took offence to them. It was just what they were known as sort of thing, the terminology that was used.	14.14-14.47
14.48	<i>Do you think it is an issue today?</i>	
	I don't know, I've got strange views on this. I think it's an issue because people make it an issue. I think people will be offended because they think they should be offended. I don't think they actually are offended. I think not just sectarianism, society in general I think people are offended by being called something they think they should be, therefore they make a big deal of things. That is just my opinion on it, whether that is right or wrong. I think probably growing up, people weren't offended. Never made a big deal of it, never reported it and stuff like that. Because it was water off a duck's back. You are this, you are that. I'm ginger, do you know what I mean? It was plenty of name calling growing up in Easterhouse being ginger. It is what it is. I can't exactly deny it. So I never took offence to it. It was the same with sectarianism and derogatory terms and stuff like that. I think nowadays people just like to be offended.	14.52-15.57
16.06-16.10	<i>You mentioned going into secondary school. What kind of things did you do outside of school?</i>	
	So my dad, he was a coach at the football club and I played in it. So it was kind of football. Our family is just football crazy. So we never really done any other clubs outside of it. If we weren't playing football we were on the football team or... We were kind of raised by my dad as well. So my	16.17-17.23

	<p>dad was taking one of us to football. We would all go if one of the neighbours couldn't watch us and stuff like that, so it was always kind of football for us. Some other clubs and stuff like that possibly. I think we tried Boys' Brigade but we never really stuck at it. I can't really think of anything else to be honest. We would go to after school clubs, after school care and stuff like that. But again never really. Maybe we didn't. I can't remember. But we would go to Bishop Loch Tenants' Hall after school club now and again and put on stuff as well, but it was always football for us.</p>	
17.24-17.41	<p><i>Maybe as you got older a bit, did you go into dancehalls and.. ? I'm using the term because a lot of people I'm interviewing at the moment are a bit older and they go to the dancing. I'm not sure that term is relevant to you.</i></p>	
	<p>I suppose. The Project which is now knocked down. That is just off Westerhouse Road. That was quite good. They put on kind of dances and stuff like that for unders and for primary school kind of kids and stuff like that at the weekends. And then secondary schools, sometimes you would sneak into them. If you were primary seven, you would go to the first and second year ones. So that was good. The gang kind of culture came in there as well. So after it would normally be fights and stuff like that as well, knife crime. Not always. That was once every so often and stuff like that, but they were quite good. Had some good nights in the Project and stuff like that as well. I think they run a good few projects. Like the football team and stuff like that run out of there so they had a few things on.</p>	17.42-18.38
18.40	<p><i>Was there much to do for teenagers?</i></p>	
	<p>I wouldn't say so. Because of the gang culture. So FARE were in Den Toi, Lochdochart Road area so we couldn't go along there. It was good for people in that area probably. The Project, our side sort of thing kind of, Drummy, Aggro type area. But I wouldn't say that there was... not quite as much as there is just now, I don't think. Maybe there was and I just never used them. We were just football orientated anyway, so. Maybe there was and I just never use them. But there was none that really jumped out that lots of people or lots of my pals went to.</p>	18.42-19.30
19.30	<p><i>Did you see any changes in the community?</i></p>	
	<p>In what aspect?</p>	19.36
19.37-19.46	<p><i>You said it was quite close and you knew everybody and that kind of thing. Did that aspect change?</i></p>	
	<p>It probably disappeared, so we were in the tenements, so you never really had a choice but knowing your neighbours. Where we grew up, so the whole street that I grew up in is now knocked down. It is the up and downstairs house which is much better houses and stuff like that, cheaper to run and all that kind of thing. But you don't really need to talk to your neighbours, you can just go in and out of your house without knowing them. Neighbours from different areas got moved in because</p>	19.49-20.24

	categories then came in, the higher up up. So it probably fell away a wee bit, I would say.	
20.25	<i>What would you say the community spirit is like now?</i>	
	I think it's still close. We always pull together. So if you need something, the community is always there if anybody needs anything. I think it always has been there. I think it always will be as well. It's just Easterhouse. We have all these bad terms and stuff like that, but always good people. I've now got jobs and I'm working with the community and stuff like that, I'm seeing a lot more. But it's always really, really close.	20.30-21.04
21.06	<i>The people that you knew when you were growing up, are they still around?</i>	
	Yeah, I don't think they've aged any, which is weird! All the adults and stuff like that, so we used to have a neighbour, Lynn, she just looks the same to me as when I was 8 or 9 year old. But it is weird now seeing, it will be weird for her to see me as an adult. But they are still around and stuff like that, still local. I think a few may be moved away and stuff like that but there's a lot that are still local.	21.10-21.38
21.39	<i>Were there any characters?</i>	
	Me! A few big names and stuff like that kicking about that you didn't mess with. A lot of big families but being a bigger families, everybody kinda knew who you were and we had a mix of characters in my family. But nobody really stuck out. No, we were all really close anyway. I think we were all characters, to be honest. Nobody really sticks out.	21.41-22.16
22.20-22.22	<i>When you were in school, did you have any idea of what you wanted to do afterwards?</i>	
	I wanted to be a firefighter. It is weird which because I always set fires, which is really strange. I probably shouldn't admit that. So I'd go in and smell of smoke and stuff like that, it was never buildings or anything like that. I'd like to point that out! I never murdered anyone! It was just small fires like bins and stuff like that. I always wanted to be a firefighter, but it never came to anything. A football player, like every young boy dreams of that.	22.25-23.00
23.01	<i>Did you take any particular classes towards a career path?</i>	
	Not until I was probably too old, if that makes sense. I probably made a career choice too late. I didn't think even nowadays I don't think schools help enough to steer people towards what they're good at. So I was quite good at modern studies, so maybe that I didn't need to try at it and I probably chose that just a wee bit too late. but other than that, no. I don't think I chose anything.	23.04-23.37
23.38	<u>What did you do after school?</u>	
	I left and went into sports coaching, did an HND in sports coaching, but it never really came to anything. I got a job at the Post Office at the shopping centre, Seven Lochs shopping centre. And then from there just kind of progressed from the post office in different jobs, just kind of, where life took me.	23.40-24.03

24.04	<i>What are you doing now?</i>	
	I'm a Community Impact Officer now for Easterhouse Sports Centre. I love it. It's not something I've ever done before, it's something I've always wanted to but just never materialised to anything. But it's difficult, and good support and stuff like that as well, but it's good to work within the community. And now offer things because as I say, there wasn't any clubs when I was growing up, so now I can do something about it.	24.05-24.36
24.37	<i>Can you tell me what your job involves?</i>	
	So it's trying to see if there's any gaps within the community whether it would be youth based or adult based or anything as a club or anything like that that I can introduce spaces available to clubs that need to grow, or spaces that clubs need to move forward or develop clubs in itself. To impact the community for the better. So walking football is something that I am now trying to introduce and trying to bring forward mental health and physical health and stuff like that as well for all ages. So it is not just for over 50s, it is any age, any background, anything like that, you can come in and play some walking football. You don't need to be fit or anything like that. So that is one of the very first projects. But it is a very big projects in itself, the sports centre, taking it over from Glasgow Life. So it is slow progress, but it is better than no progress.	24.38-25.50
25.51-25.56	<i>How easy is it to get the local community involved in new enterprises like this?</i>	
	Right now it is quite difficult because the sports centre was used as the COVID centre through COVID, it closed down. It wasn't really overly used prior to that, maybe three years before and then they took it over as the COVID centre. So it has still got that stigma as the COVID centre. So it is quite slow progress. So we don't have marketing and stuff like that just yet, so we have not got social media to then break that stigma. We don't have the staff to allow me to go out in the community as much as I would like to, to break that stigma. But it is getting there. It will get there as well. Easterhouse will pull together and make it work. When we took it off of Glasgow Life at is charity based it needs to be funded. So I think we will pull together and make it work.	25.58-26.59
26.50	<i>What are the main challenges for you?</i>	
	For me personally, trying to find the right balance of how to charge people. Because it is a business, we still need to keep it open but also make it affordable for the community, because it shouldn't be, sport shouldn't be out of reach for anybody. So it is trying to get that right balance. I would say it is trying to, trying to bring money through the door to keep the lights on, but also bring people through the door as well.	26.54-27.27
27.28	<i>Do you work with volunteers?</i>	
	We are working towards volunteers and stuff like that. We need to start partnerships with the high schools and stuff like that to try and develop	27.29-28.00







	employability and things like that. There is only a core of three staff at the moment, the centre manager, myself and a senior community impact officer. So it's just ourselves, we're running centre and out in the community so it is a bit slow progress but getting there.	
28.01	<i>What is the centre called?</i>	
	The business is Easterhouse Henosis. But I am not explaining that to everybody I talk to so it is just Easterhouse Sports Centre. We have had plenty of offers of volunteers. The community is there to offer services and stuff. It is just trying to find the right people for the right roles and stuff like that as well.	28.02-28.27
28.28-28.55	<i>The community is still quite tight, but there have been loads of physical changes in Easterhouse and Blairtummock over the last 40 years or so. Do you think that they have created a better co-mmunity or a worse?</i>	
	Both. I think there has been a lot of wasted money. The project, I honestly couldn't tell you what it was called... So the old ash pitches just across there, they've done it up to be wildlife and a path through it, which is great. It's an eyesore in my opinion. I think it cost a lot of money. I think it could have been a lot better spent elsewhere. They've got this lovely park going through and there is nae bins. So why is there no bins? Littering is going to happen, so try and prevent it happening by putting bins in. They don't want to put bins in because they don't want to pay for it to be uplifted. So what is the point? I don't think the community was consulted enough on that aspect. There is a lot of charities and stuff like that that could have used that space a lot better for the benefit of the community. That one really annoys me because I think there was a lot of money spent on that particular development that in my opinion worsens Easterhouse.	28.56-30.01
30.02-30.03	<i>Do you think the community in general is consulted about any changes?</i>	
	I think they are consulted through the council and stuff like that because the council needs to do it. They must be consulted because it's legislation and all that stuff, it's all a box ticking exercise. Are they actually consulting? Probably not. We are consulted through QR codes. Find me a 50 year old that knows what a QR code is. Find a youth that is going to walk by and go "what is that QR code?" Go into the schools and ask. Find who you are trying to target and go round the local charities and organisations and things like that. I think they are consulted, legally kind of thing, but I don't think they are properly consulted.	30.08-30.49
30.50	<i>For you as a young man, what is it like living in this area just now?</i>	
	I want to say tough, but I don't think that's the right word. It is quite difficult to find stuff to do with kids, I've got two young kids. It is quite difficult to find stuff to do without spending a lot of money, which is I suppose I am now part of the problem that I'm trying to resolve with my job and stuff. But I think that is quite difficult. And that I mentioned targeted at whether that be a skateboard park or a BMX park, something that could just sit there and doesn't really need maintained I think stuff	31.02-32.08

	like that could happen, but. Yeah, probably tough is the right word. Everywhere is tough to live though. I think the cost of living and stuff like that because we don't have the money to start throwing about and stuff like that.	
32.09	<i>Is there anything for you to do for fun outside of work?</i>	
	There is a few football clubs and stuff like that, but probably not, no. I'm just running through my head where everywhere is. I don't think so. There is a sports centre that was closed for maybe three years, there four years through COVID and stuff like that, so that got wiped away. So a lot of things that people could do, badminton, basketball, netball and stuff like that, that got took away from us. And now it's looking to get permanently took away through the council not willing to keep the centre open, so it was looking to get closed down.	32.13-2.59
33.00	<i>Are there any cinemas or pubs?</i>	
	There is actually up at the Fort, there is the cinema up there and they do quite well. I think it is Saturday mornings is quite good to take the kids up. And maybe the restaurants good could work a wee bit harder to offer some things that weekends or after school or something like that to make it affordable. It is easy me saying that, they've got their business, and staff to pay and things like that and overheads. But maybe they could work a wee bit harder. Other than that, you're probably talking Coatbridge and stuff like that for the bowling. The cinema out there, but if you don't drive, there's not really much way to get out there.	33.03-33.43
33.44	<i>What is transport like in this area?</i>	
	Going into the city centre is quite well. There are plenty of buses that go in that direction. Baillieston, Gartcosh, Coatbridge I think there is only one bus that goes towards Baillieston. It sections you off at that general direction, but going in the opposite direction is quite good.	33.51-34.12
34.13	<i>Has transport always been an issue here?</i>	
	It's always been the same. I have only ever known it as the Henderson Bus. I don't know who runs it. GRC travel or something like that. The 310 which goes towards Baillieston, that is the only one that has ever went in that general direction. The 900 maybe goes down that way from the train station, but if you're up this side of Easterhouse, it is quite a lengthy walk to get there. Always getting into the city centre has always been quite well, the X19 and stuff like that. So that is always been there and First Bus has run a few.	34.16-34.52
34.55-34.59	<i>Going forward, what would be your aspirations for Easterhouse and Blairtummock?</i>	
	To get away from the stigma of being deprived and stuff like that. I know plenty of people that work that do well, do well for themselves. They have got their own businesses and have grew up here and some of the biggest supporters of this are people who stay round here as well. But there is still a problem there. So probably getting away from that stigma is probably quite big. Like you've got Glasgow Fort that invested millions,	35.05-36.00

	some of the high end shops that are up in Glasgow Fort - Flannels and stuff like that as well. It is 100 quid T-shirts and stuff like that. They won't put a shop there if it is not going to sell. Probably getting away from that kind of stigma would do quite well. People being proud of where they're from.	
36.01	<i>Do you think people are proud of Easterhouse?</i>	
	Not enough. I don't think they are enough. It is a very close community. They should be proud of it, but at the same point I don't think there is enough help like eyesores that cost millions that they just plant right in the middle of Easterhouse. It doesn't help the place. I don't think a bit of help could come in. They might want to go "We have invested X amount of money in it", but it has went on a complete and utter eyesore.	36.02-36.34
36.37-36.46	<i>When you were growing up and to the age you are now, what are your best memories of Easterhouse and Blairtummock?</i>	
	I loved my youth. I say that all the time. I loved growing up. We were always out. We were always a very close family as well. Even now, we are still close. We would come home from school, the bags would get dumped and we were straight out playing. I don't think enough kids do that now. I think it's just the generation that doesn't engage clubs and stuff like that. But I loved growing up. I loved being at school. I love being with my friends and teachers. I loved the... I don't think today's culture, I think nowadays, kids need to be told if you are a wee arsehole. Excuse my French. I think a teacher could come round and tell you stop being an idiot. Is that right to say that? No. Was I acting like an idiot? Yeah, I was acting like an idiot, yes, and I don't think that... I think a lot of that power has been took away, not just from teachers, but people in power and stuff like that as well, and neighbours and things like that. I would hope that if my kids were acting up, people would tell them to stop acting up. But I loved that because you knew your boundaries growing up. Doesn't mean I stuck to them, but I knew them!	36.49-38.15
38.16	<i>Did you think that was important?</i>	
	Yeah. So we didn't grow up with too much in my family. I would never change it. My dad, he did take ill health. And he raised the four of us because my mum took bad mental health and stuff like that and we were all close together so we didn't have a lot growing up financially and stuff like that if I was to go back and do it all over again, I totally would cos it's stuck us all close together and stuff like that now. One of my best friends, his mum and dad worked. He had consoles the day they came out and the tracksuits and all that type of stuff. And we were still best pals and stuff like that. It didn't stop me being pals with people that did have. I loved just the childhood. I'd hate to grow up nowadays, I really would hate to grow up nowadays.	38.18-39.19
39.18-	<i>Is there a particular event or a particular day, or a particular Christmas or something that springs to mind, that brings back really good memories for you?</i>	

	I don't think so. I cannae remember what I done last week! I always remember getting a bike, I remember asking for a bike. And as I say, we never had anything growing up. I remember going in and seeing a bike and that has always stuck in my head. The bike ended up being an absolute nuisance to be fair, because the pedal kept falling off. The initial thing with getting that bike.	39.41-40.05
40.04	<i>How old were you?</i>	
	Ten, around about 9, 10 I would say. That was Christmas. I remember getting a PlayStation as well. Looking back, probably got it through Crazy Geordie's or something like that. But no, we never, really... Nothing really sticks out. We were always grateful for anyway. It sounds dead cliché and cheesy and stuff like that and I'd probably get leathered off my brothers for saying it but they're the family anyway. We were always quite happy if we go to football, we were happy with that. Anything else was a bonus. A football or a can that we could kick about or a bottle. Even now I am dead easy to please - just a football!	40.09-41.05
41.06-41.08	<i>You were the youngest, so did you always get hand-me-downs?</i>	
	I was the youngest. Yeah. Hand me downs. I think they did [fit]. I don't know if they did fit or they were made to fit. But there wasn't a big age gap between us all. I'm 31. My oldest brother is 38. There is five of us in there, so the one above me is 33. 31, 33, 35, 36 and 38 or something like that. So it is not a massive gap really.	1.09-41.06
41.07	<i>Do you still get on? Do you all still live locally?</i>	
	Yeah, two of us still stay in Easterhouse. My mum and dad still stay in Easterhouse. One of them stays in Garthamlock. Cambuslang and Drumchapel. One of them moved away, the fiancé is in Drumchapel. But relatively local. But Jamie, the oldest one, he stayed in Barlanark till he was 35, 34, 35 and then moved in with his Mrs in Cambuslang.	41.08-41.29
42.30-41.35	<i>You mentioned that your oldest brother went to live with grandparents. Did you see them much?</i>	
	We never really spoke to, so that's my mum's side of the family. They always stayed within the same kinda scheme as us. I played with my cousins and stuff like that, but we were never really that close. Looking back, I think a lot of stuff happened between them, mental health and stuff like that as well. And I think there was a lot of stuff between that family alone. Even now it doesn't really bother me anyway. But they were always there for us, if we really needed them and stuff like that. Even now they were always there, but we weren't overly close.	42.36-43.12
43.13	<i>And your dad's family?</i>	
	My granny and grandad died when I was young, so I can't remember them. I think there is a few photos of my Gran holding me and stuff like that, but I don't remember them. There are a lot of neighbours that became aunties that weren't actually aunties and stuff like that. An auntie cos my dad borrowed a lawn mower off them once and stuff like that. No, my dad's family have moved down south and stuff like that as	43.14-43.49

	well. So there is family down stuff that we're close to, so uncles and stuff like that as well.	
43.56-43.59	<i>I'd like to ask how you would sum up Easterhouse of the past?</i>	
	It is going to be strange, but, close but divided. I think within the schemes they were always very close. But certainly divided, there were certainly areas you couldn't go into alone and stuff like that. If you were in your own wee scheme and stuff like that, it was always very, very close, like aunties that weren't actually aunties. And your parents could go away shopping and leave you in the street knowing you would be safe and you couldn't do that now. That's not probably because of the scheme that's like modern day society and stuff like that. Yeah, close, but divided is probably my kind of...	44.00-44.50
44.51	<i>Is there anything you would like to add?</i>	
	I don't think so, no.	44.52
   		
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