PLANNING YOUR literature search

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| Name: |  | | programme |  |
| Brief outline of research topic:  Scope of your research *(e.g. time period covered, any aspects specifically excluded?)* | |  | | |
| **Useful keywords, proper names...**  *Note here any spelling variations, truncation etc. Think of synonyms.* | |  | | |
| **Resources already consulted (if any):** | |  | | |
| **Useful databases to search:**  (look at the listing in the *Find resources* section of your Library Guide) | |  | | |
| **Reference works (print and online):**  *(Encyclopedia etc)* | |  | | |
| **Other specialist sources** *(e.g. audio-visual resources, newspapers, official publications, statistics, special collections etc.):* | |  | | |
| **Primary sources** (*for example archives, interviews):* | |  | | |
| **Other useful web sites to consult:** | |  | | |
| **People and events**  *Do you need to contact people, attend events etc?* | |  | | |
| **How will you keep up with new resources?**  *(e.g. database alerting service, mailing lists, blogs, social networking etc):* | |  | | |
| **How will you keep a record of the references you have consulted?** | |  | | |
| **Any other things to consider?**  (for example, foreign language material, items which may be hard to obtain etc.) | |  | | |