### C R S N Craven Refugee Support Network

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Settle Next Thursday...

# Settle Welcomes Refugees Open Meeting

# Thursday February 29<sup>th</sup> at 4pm Settle Quaker Meeting House

# Would you like to welcome refugees from Leeds on day visits to our beautiful Dales ?

- The idea is a Saturday in spring or early summer, no date fixed yet.
- The group will be approx. 10 men with some of their volunteer supporters.
- We would pay for train fares, provide lunch, could include early evening meal
- accompany around Settle to show them the town or drive to various local spots,
- We need a core group of organisers and a wider group of volunteers.

Everyone is welcome at the meeting to share ideas and help us plan

Contact Marian McNichol on <u>marianmenichol@gmail.com</u> if you want to be involved but can't attend the meeting.

### DALES TRADITIONAL MUSIC AND DANCE - ALIVE AND LIVELY! Grassington Town Hall Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024 7pm to 10



Grassington Town Hall, Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024, from 7-10pm



# COME Traditional Dales Village DANCING!



# "Buttered Peas"

# with caller Terry Evans

ALL WELCOME – families, couples, groups or come on your own....there's always someone to dance with! ENJOY lively tunes & dances from the Yorkshire Dales & elsewhere!

#### Licensed bar

Tickets £8.50 in advance from Grassington Hub (cash or cheque), t: 01756 752222 or via www.ticketsource.co.uk or £10 on the door

#### Entry FREE for refugees & under 18's

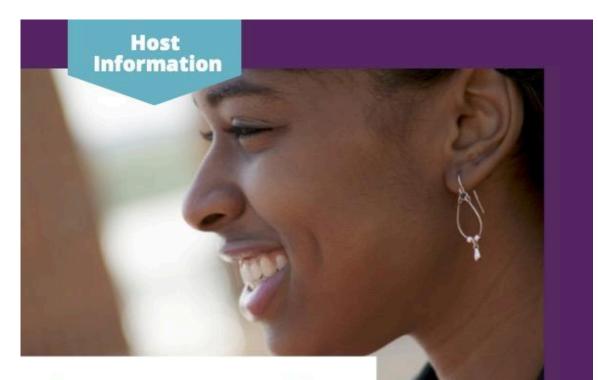
For further info contact: Richard Hargreaves e: strand@hawkswick.net t: 01756 770346

### Monday 11th March 7pm Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking

An online session from Craven District of Sanctuary

A presentation from Jared Hodgson and Ruth Packwood of <u>Hope at Home</u>. This will be followed by discussion. You will learn how to recognise and report incidents of modern slavery.

Please contact Angie on angie.pedley@gmail.com to register a place





safe homes for survivors of slavery

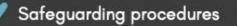
Hope at Home is a UK-wide hosting scheme for survivors of modern slavery and human trafficking. We train and support hosts to welcome a survivor into their homes for an agreed period of time. We offer hosts:

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In-depth training



Thorough matching process



Ongoing support

info@hopeathome.org.uk

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# Who can host?

Our hosts are a mixture of employed, unemployed, retired, families with small children, families with teenagers, singles, couples, people with faith and people with none.

Their most important attributes are flexibility, sense of humour, openness to learning new things and being welcoming.

# Types of guests

- Male and female
- Adults
- Pregnant women
- Mums and small children
- Asylum seekers
- Refugees waiting for housing
- EU citizens looking for work.

Quy\* is from Vietnam. He moved in with a lovely couple & now has a job, his own place and is studying English.



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"My hosts were kind, caring, took me out to explore they took me to their church. It was really good for me, I learned very positive things from them. They really like me, they love me".



# Get started

Contact us on 1 infochopeathome.org.uk to begin!

- We will arrange an initial chat with you 2 to answer any questions.
- We'll help you to complete your 3 application form.
  - We'll arrange a home visit before matching you with your guest.
- Your host training will begin so we can 5 make sure you're fully supported.
- We complete your DBS checks and 6 references before your guest moves in!

Got a question? We've answered your big questions at hopeathome.org.uk/fags

# https://www.hopeathome.org.uk/get-involved/fags/

### Camouflage helmet covers for Ukraine

In the summer of 2023, Alison Marshall spent several weeks in Lviv working as a volunteer. One of the jobs she did was to help produce camouflage nets and helmet covers.

All over Ukraine, there are groups working in colleges, churches and community centres, to make these essential items. Most groups work on large nets, stretched across big frames to help disguise tanks or troop emplacements. For those that can't easily work on these large projects, individual helmet covers are also needed, which can be made at home by individuals and small groups.

A request was sent to previous volunteers to make them in their home country. Alison saw this as a golden opportunity for people in Settle to contribute. The technique is simple - weaving small strips into a net, which is afterwards removed from the frame and tied with elastic. All that is required is time and a supply of materials. A group has been formed, including many people with crafting skills as well as those less experienced, who are aiming to make at least 100 helmet covers for Ukraine.

We need to raise money for the fabric, netting and other components, as well as for transport costs to Lviv. We meet at Settle Victoria Hall, or people can work at home. The project operates in connection with Settle Supports Ukraine and by\_porokhova, Lviv. https://www.fundsurfer.com/node/4652/pledge **Donate now** 

## Message from the City of Sanctuary...

If you're tired of reading headlines that create division, join our mission. This challenge aims to platform the call for a new, fair asylum system; normalise a compassionate approach to refugees; and grab the attention of MPs and candidates.

Right now the voices of people who want a compassionate approach to refugees are not being heard. This challenge is about using local media to change that. Throughout the month of March, we will be encouraging City of Sanctuary groups, partner organisations, Sanctuary awarded institutions and individuals to place messages of solidarity and compassion in local letters pages, op-eds, articles, radio phone-ins, blogs and more.

