## Welcome to High Wycombe!



**Wycombe Refugee Partnership** is a multicultural group acting together to help refugees. We are a local community organisation of volunteers, without any government support.

We will do all we can to help you settle in. We hope that you will soon feel at home among us.



## We agree to:

- 1. Provide accommodation in a small furnished house for at least two months. There will be some food, toiletries and cleaning products in the house for you when you arrive. We will charge a low rent but you will not need to pay the rent back to us until you are receiving benefits or earning money.
- 2. Help you apply for benefits and jobs during the first two months, while you are in temporary accommodation.
- 3. Find a befriender to help you settle in during the first few months.
- 4. Help you to review your progress each month.
- 5. Find a house or flat for you to rent after you have found a full-time job. The tenancy agreement will be between you and the landlord.
- 6. If necessary, lend you the deposit and the first month's rent, at no interest.
- 7. Make sure that the house/flat has basic furniture, bedding and kitchen equipment.
- 8. Help you apply for school places for your children. This process may take several weeks or even months.
- 9. Help you apply for English classes in High Wycombe if you want to improve your English. In some cases, we may offer a volunteer tutor to teach you English in your home.
- 10. Help you with money management.

## You agree to:

- 1. Do everything you can to get a full-time job in the first two months. This work may have to be very different from what you did before. If you do not get a full-time job, we will not be able to find you a house or flat.
- 2. Keep in touch with your befriender and other WRP volunteers, replying quickly to texts, emails and phone calls.
- 3. Repay the money we have lent you as soon as you can, when you start receiving money from housing benefit or a job.
- 4. Pay your rent directly to the landlord each month on the agreed day or before. If you do not pay on time, the landlord can end your tenancy agreement and make you homeless.
- 5. Look after the property and report any damage to the landlord. If you want to remove or change any furniture which belongs to the landlord you must get his agreement.
- 6. Stay in your house for at least the minimum period of the tenancy agreement, which may be six or twelve months.

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Signed (for WRP)	 	
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**Data Protection** – Under the law of the UK, we have to tell you about what we do with the personal information we receive from you.

We keep it safe and only use it so that we can do our work properly. Sometimes we have to share your information with other people and organisations, when we believe it would help you. You can tell us not to share your information with anyone, but if you do so, it may stop us arranging help for you. We will NOT tell the Police or Immigration Office about you unless there is a direct legal order for us to do so. You can read more about our Data Policy and your rights on the Privacy Notice on our website. [www.wycombe-refugees.org]

If you agree with this, please mark **one or more** of the boxes below, and sign your name.

I am OK to be contacted by :

