
Immigration, Migration & Asylum update

Housing Scrutiny Commission

Date of meeting: 30th October 2023

Lead director/officer: Chris Burgin

Useful information

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1. Summary

- 1.1 Housing Scrutiny Commission will receive a presentation at the meeting on 30th October 2023 from the Assistant City Mayor for Education & Housing setting out a update in relation to immigration, migration & asylum.

2. Recommended actions

- 2.1 Housing Scrutiny Commission are invited to read and comment on the report and presentation.

3. Detailed report

- 3.1 There are a number of different schemes operating within the City of Leicester to support those who are fleeing violence or oppression in their home country.

These include:

- a) Asylum seekers
- b) Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC)
- c) Ukraine Schemes
- d) Afghan schemes (ARAP/ACRS)
- e) Hong Kong BNO
- f) Syrian (VPRS)
- g) Community Support Group (CSG)

- 3.2 The presentation linked to this report will provide a brief update on a number of schemes including the numbers of arrivals and the impact that they have on local services.
- 3.3 There is a focus on the Asylum scheme as there have been recent developments that will have a notable impact on the City in the coming months.
- 3.4 It is important to note that while these schemes have an impact, the richness of culture and diversity that they bring to our vibrant City is something that we celebrate, are proud of and something that we are committed to continue supporting.

6. Financial, legal, equalities, climate emergency and other implications

6.1 Financial implications

None

6.2 Legal implications

None

6.3 Equalities implications

None