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Options After Hosting? Establishing Independent Lives in the New Forest

23th August, 7pm

Lymington Community Centre

Guests and hosts warmly invited!

Hosts signed up as sponsors for a minimum term of 6 months.

Guests may be uncertain as to their options once the 6 months is up and may feel uncomfortable raising this topic with their hosts.

A recent Opora survey showed that 42% of guests have no plan yet for accommodation beyond the sponsorship period. Only 7% said they plan to go back to Ukraine if possible.

Richard Knott (Housing Manager at New Forest District Council) will give a realistic view of the housing options available locally to guests as they move to independent living.

- Housing options – benefits and issues of each
- Associated support (Housing Benefit, Council Tax Support)
- Preparing for private renting - actions to take now

Lymington Job Workshops – 5th and 6th September 2022

We are working with GoHenry and St Barbe's Ukraine project to organise two job workshops in Lymington.

They will cover:

- Cultural differences in job hunting in the UK,
- CV refinement with focus on transferable skills,
- Interview practice,
- Where to find jobs and finding out about employers
- UK employment law – rights and responsibilities

Places are limited so guests need to apply online via our website.

https://www.newforesthomesforukraine.co.uk/employment

If you can help with translation at this event please get in touch by email contact@newforesthomesforukraine.co.uk.

Local activities and free summer camps



Lots to see and do this summer in the New Forest with special offers for guests.
https://www.newforesthomesforukraine.co.uk/summeractivities

Volunteering Opportunities



We are looking for enthusiastic individuals to expand our team of volunteers to meet the demand for our matching and support activities.

In particular we are looking for

Administrator	Website Editor	Publicity
Job Coaches	ESOL Teachers	A Civil Engineer*

* To help 2 engineers with technical English

Detailed job descriptions can be found on our website

https://www.newforesthomesforukraine.co.uk/volunteering-opportunities

If you are interested in any of our current volunteering opportunities, please email us.

English classes

Our free, weekly classes are running in Lymington, New Milton and Hythe with over 50 students enrolled. Lessons in Totton start in September. Adult guests can register for classes on our website.

https://www.newforesthomesforukraine.co.uk/guest

We can't thank our teachers enough for their enthusiasm and commitment!

Hosts Still Needed!

We urgently need more Hosts!

The situation in Ukraine is no longer making the headlines as it was so we find that very few new hosts are coming forward while the demand for sponsors is still very much there. If you, or anyone you know, is keen to host a Ukrainian family, please encourage them to register online for matching with us.

https://www.newforesthomesforukraine.co.uk/apply-for-matching

Over £16,000 Raised

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