ST4R group research project

We want to hear your views about how to make the asylum system better for young people

We are a group called Stand Together 4 Refugees and we are asking young people questions about their life experience in the UK.

By filling in this survey, you would help us to make a difference in the long run for other young people. Based on the results that we get back we can decide what to do to get your voices heard.

We are going to use your ideas and words to find out what needs to change to make things better for young asylum seekers in Leeds and the UK. We will then try to make these changes happen by speaking to the government, local councils and charities.

There are 10 questions. Please answer the questions before 25th January.

Thank you for your help.



No child should feel alone





Before you tell us your views, we need to know a bit about you

Please answer 6 quick questions. This will take you about 2 minutes

1.	How	old	are	you?	*
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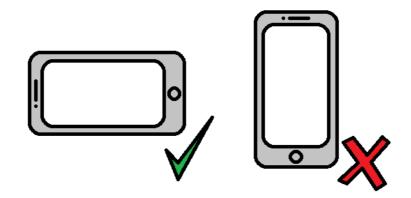
2. Where do you live? *

Please give the age you believe you are if your official age is different	Leeds		
12 or younger			
13-15	In West Yorkshire, but not in Leeds (For example: Wakefield, Bradford, Huddersfield, Halifax)		
16-17	London		
	Somewhere else in the UK		

3. What is your current immigration status? *



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4. Have you ever had these kinds of support since you came to the UK? *

	Yes	No	l'm not sure
Home Office asylum support for 18+ (NASS housing and/or £35 or £37 per week)	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Social care support living in a shared house, supported by a Social Worker or PA	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Social care support living with a foster carer or family	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Living with friends or family members	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

5. Tell us about times when you haven't had enough support in the UK *

	Yes	No	l'm not sure
Since arriving in the UK, have you ever been homeless or sofa surfing (staying with different people)?	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Since arriving in the UK, have you ever worried about how you will get food?	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

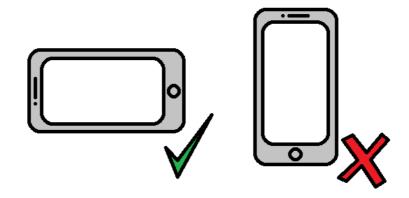
6. If you have your papers (refugee status) please answer these questions *

	Yes	No	l'm not sure	l don't have my papers
Have you ever claimed benefits? (For example, Universal Credit, JSA, PIP)	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Have you ever worked in the UK?	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

Your views, experiences and ideas

There are 4 questions left, which ask for your views, experiences and ideas. These might take a bit longer.

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7. Please read the list of topics below and match it to your experience *

	This is not a problem for me	This is a small problem for me	This is a big problem for me	This is a very big problem for me	l'm not sure
People didn't believe my story	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Problems with age assessments	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Difficulties learning English	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Not getting on with professionals	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Difficulties sleeping	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Not enough support after your asylum was refused	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Nowhere to live or problems with your housing	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Problems getting papers	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Not enough help when you were new to the UK	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Difficulties getting education and qualifications	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Problems with interpreters	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

For questions 8, 9 and 10, please write in full sentences so we can use your words to tell people what changes are needed.

8. What are the main problems you have had in the UK? *

If there are any topics missing from the list above you can write them here.

9. What helped you feel more comfortable in the UK? *

10. What would you like to change for young people? *

Thank you for answering our questions. Do you want to be involved in our group?

Do you live in or near Leeds?

Do you want to meet other young people and help us make change happen?

Do you want to come to a group discussion, or meet with a worker, to to tell us more?

If yes, please contact Ella Montgomery-Smith (the worker who supports the ST4R group who made this survey) on 07710 395 673 or ella.montgomery-smith@childrenssociety.org.uk

Do you need help with any of the topics that came up in this survey?

If you feel upset and want to speak to a counsellor on the phone from anywhere in the UK call Childline on 0800 1111

If you need help and you already have a social worker, PA or case worker, please speak to them about the help you need. If you don't have a worker, or you want to speak to someone else in Leeds go to:

PAFRAS drop in for asylum seekers Every Wednesday 10am - 1pm St Aidan's Community Hall Elford Place West Roundhay Road Leeds, LS8 5QD 0113 262 2163

RETAS drop in for refugees Every Friday 10am - 1pm 233-237 Roundhay Road The Roundhay Road Resource Centre Leeds, LS8 4HS 0113 380 5630

The British Red Cross in Leeds 0113 201 5267

Or look for more services online: <u>https://helpinleeds.com/</u>#