

# ShareDydd Monthly Newsletter MAY 2021 / ISSUE 1





## Our first newsletter....

We're very excited to be launching a monthly newsletter to keep you updated about ShareDydd's activities, news and goals!

ShareDydd is a registered charity that arranges hosted accommodation for asylum seekers who face destitution. By working with our partners, Refugees at Home, ShareDydd recruits local people in Cardiff to provide a spare room in their home to a person who would otherwise become homeless.

When people reach a break in their asylum claim, they become destitute. Living without shelter, money and without the right to work begs the question: how are people expected to even exist?

A hosting period allows people a period of respite, an opportunity to find durable solutions out of destitution and a chance to pursue refugee status without housing insecurity.

We hope that our monthly newsletter will keep you connected and involved in our charity's mission to enhance equality and welcome to people who come to Cardiff in need of asylum.

WHAT'S NEW?

**TWO CLIENTS HAVE RECEIVED SECTION 4 SUPPORT** 

**CALL FOR ACTION: MORE HOSTS NEEDED IN CARDIFF AREA** 

**NEW SHAREDYDD TEAM MEMBERS** 



#### Our Clients and Hosts

Since January 2021, ShareDydd has supported 5 asylum seekers in hosted accommodation in the Cardiff area. Two of those people have been taken into Home Office accommodation, which means they will be more likely to progress with their asylum claim. Find out more about the UK's asylum system here: What is Asylum? | Sharedydd.

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One young man had been hosted for 2 years and had been in Home4U accommodation, our partners, for 6 months! www.home4ucardiff.org. The asylum system can be bleak and keeps so many people stuck in limbo for long periods of time. Thanks to charities, organisations and kind people like our hosts, these long periods of waiting are made a little easier because a safe, warm home is made possible for people who have no lawful means to support themselves through work.

We currently have 2 spaces available for people seeking asylum, please get in touch if you would like to make a referral.



### Cardiff Needs more Hosts

Due to the continued affects of Covid-19, the Home Office is not evicting asylum seekers who have reached a break in their claim, for example if they are refused or miss a deadline to appeal. However, we expect evictions to proceed later this year.



In preparation for this, ShareDydd is recruiting new hosts in the Cardiff area. Hosts show a willingness to share space in their home with an asylum seeker in need of accommodation. Hosting is a journey that you may shape yourself, as long as basic principles of respect and compassion are followed.

ShareDydd supports and follows Refugees at Home's guidance on hosting, which can be found here:

R@H-Host-Handbook.pdf (refugeesathome.org)

ShareDydd and Refugees at Home work hard to make sure hosting experiences positive for everyone!

If you would like to make an enquiry or discuss the hosting process in the Cardiff area, please email <a href="mailto:sharedydd@gmail.com">sharedydd@gmail.com</a>.







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## New Team Members at ShareDydd

What would a charity be without its dedicated team members?

Since the beginning of the year, ShareDydd has new team members who contribute new insight to the daily activities of our work.

Mel has joined Sheila and Simon on the trustee team. She has knowledge in marketing and her ideas have been instrumental to our plans for the future!

Keira has joined Suzy on our small employee team. Suzy, our Placement Coordinator, has been our only member of staff for two years! With Keira as the second member of staff, we have had the capacity to develop our logo, website and communications alongside our commitment to managing referrals and placements and maintaining relations with partners.

Our Link Worker team are a crucial to ShareDydd's existence as they maintain frequent contact and support to clients. We have dedicated volunteers who work passionately to ensure our clients are supported in every way possible! Hugh, Vin and Patrick are valued members of the Link Worker team.

If you are interested in joining our team or becoming a host, or helping us through donation, please visit: <u>Get Involved | Sharedydd.</u>



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