

SAT 13TH DECEMBER 2025 12-2PM

STAND WITH REFUGEES



Far-right "Patriots"
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asylum seekers, but we'll
be there to outnumber
them once more!

MEETING POINT:
Cambray Place,
Cheltenham

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Join us on Saturday, 13th December to rally and celebrate the diverse communities of Gloucestershire. The “Patriots” and their friends in neo-Nazi groups like “Patriotic Alternative” will be holding a protest in Cheltenham that day, seeking to demonise people seeking asylum - we’ll be there to outnumber them and stand up for humanity.

Please bring beautiful placards, positive vibes and food to share with others! And be prepared to use your vocal chords as there will be a band, singing and speeches.

DIVERSITY IS BEAUTIFUL! Our society in the UK, and here in Gloucestershire, is enriched by the many stories of people who have made this place their home. We can celebrate and be curious about what makes us different, while uniting around all that we share.

SOLIDARITY NOT SCAPEGOATING! We face many challenges in our country, but blaming people seeking asylum is not the answer. Everyone has the right to seek asylum. The Home Office places people in hotels while their claims are assessed, and many will be granted refugee status. Asylum seekers are human beings who deserve dignity and respect. It is wrong – and racist – to portray them as a threat to women and girls. The way forward is solidarity, not scapegoating.

END ABUSE EVERYWHERE! Male violence against women remains terrifyingly common. One in four women will experience domestic abuse in their lifetime. According to the NSPCC, over 90% of children who experience contact sexual abuse are harmed by someone they know. To end sexual abuse and protect all victims, we must confront its root cause – the patriarchal culture that allows abuse to thrive – rather than showing outrage only when perpetrators fit a certain race or background. Weaponising abuse to fuel prejudice or incite violence makes women and children less safe.

WE WANT SECURE HOUSING FOR ALL! Housing is a human right. Yet council waiting lists are endless, rents are soaring, and home ownership is out of reach for many. Homelessness is rising, even as more than 700,000 homes sit empty across England. Everyone – including people seeking asylum – deserves dignity and safety. It’s time to stop treating housing as an investment and start recognising it as a basic human need.

CELEBRATE COMMUNITY! The news, here and around the world, can feel bleak and overwhelming. Violence and unrest are rising, but we choose not to meet division with more division. Instead, we hold on to compassion and remember that everyone, including those protesting outside hotels, is human.

Let’s look out for each other, celebrate our community, and come together to demand better for everyone! Scan the QR code to visit our website and get updates from our public WhatsApp channel.

