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(CCC) Afghanistan Resettlement Program

- 1) Will Cambridge council be participating in the Afghanistan Resettlement programmes ARAP + ACRS and if so, how many individuals/families will you be taking on?
- 2) If you are not participating in the Afghanistan Resettlement programmes ARAP + ACRS, can you explain why?
- 3) What was Cambridge council's response to the Syrian Resettlement programme (VPRS)?

Response

1) Cambridge City Council ("The Council") is participating in the ARAP and the ACRS programs. The Council has already welcomed families in and is awaiting arrivals of others. The Council has not limited itself to any number and has an open pledge, dependent on property and support availability.

2) Not applicable, given the response to 1) above.

3) The Council was one of the first Local Government Authorities to welcome Syrian families on the VPRS scheme. The Council has resettled over 100 people already and has now made a joint pledge with South Cambridgeshire District Council to resettle 200 more people.

Further queries on this matter should be directed to foi@cambridge.gov.uk