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Ymchwiliad i ffoaduriaid a cheiswyr lloches yng Nghymru Inquiry into refugees and asylum seekers in Wales

Ymateb gan: Oasis Response from: Oasis I am a volunteer at the Oasis Refugee Centre in Splott Cardiff. If you are looking for an example of best practice then this would be a worthwhile place to start.

The buildings are a little dilapidated but the atmosphere is extremely friendly and welcoming. Oasis is a drop in centre for Asylum Seekers and Refugees to offer support and alleviate the boredom of inactivity.

There is food provided at lunch times and tea and coffee available at any time.

In addition to the vital and extremely popular English classes, there are several activities available. There is a strong focus on sport because the majority of asylum seekers are young men. Monday is women's focus day, offering women only crafts and activities. My absolute favourite is the most wonderful music group.

We often have new arrivals appearing and are constantly amazed at the talented visitors. There have been so numerous "magic moments" where we have held our breath while beautiful music is produced from a new arrival.

The best way to fully appreciate Oasis is to pay a visit.

The best way to help Oasis is to offer financial support - they currently need a kitchen makeover.

The best way to understand the needs of our lovely Asylum Seekers is to speak to them and our dedicated volunteers.

The best way to arrange all of this is to speak to

Wishing you good luck in your endeavours.























