General Election 2017 Pledges on Asylum and Immigration

As a candidate standing in the General Election on 8 June 2017 we would ask you to support the following policies on Asylum and Immigration:

* Guarantee the rights of all EU citizens who are at present resident in the U.K. to continuing rights of permanent residency and without expensive and time consuming registration.
* Fully support the UNHCR in establishing safe routes for people seeking asylum in the U.K. Take a fair share of refugees already in the E.U. and all children who have family or other links with the U.K.
* End the indefinite detention of asylum seekers and migrants without time limits. End the detention of children. Close down detention centres (Immigration Removal Centres).
* Those seeking asylum should have the right to work whilst in the U.K. Levels of financial support whilst waiting for asylum decisions should be equivalent to standard U.K. benefit rates not just £37 per week. Give those seeking asylum full access to free NHS healthcare and to English courses.
* Take asylum housing contracts from G4S in 2019 and give back the organisation of asylum housing contracts to local councils and the provision to housing associations and not for profit agencies.

Please let us know **by Monday 29 May** if you support some or all of these pledges. We will publicise your response. Thank you for your time and cooperation

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**Please reply to SYMAAG dignitynotdetention@yahoo.co.uk**

Read the Pledges and look at asylum and migration rights issues at :[www.symaag.org.uk](http://www.symaag.org.uk)