



Community Sponsorship

June 2021

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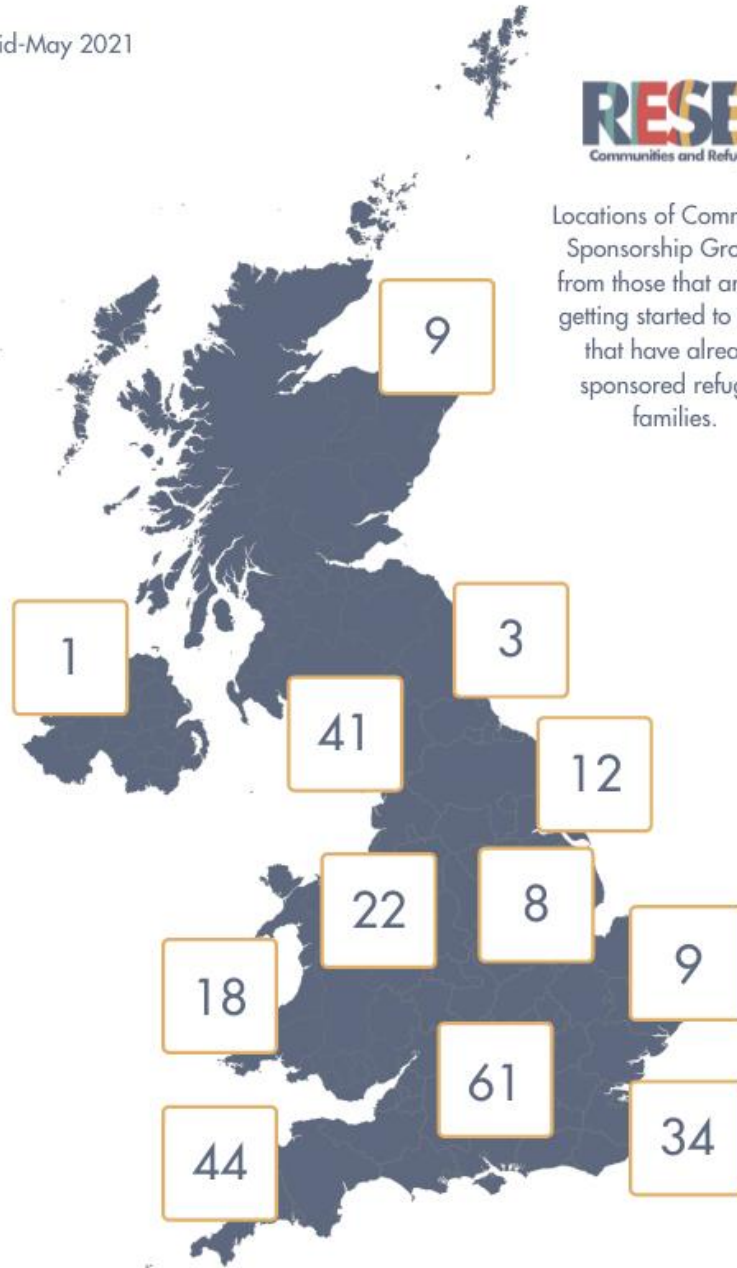
Benefits of CS



Mid-May 2021



Locations of Community Sponsorship Groups, from those that are just getting started to those that have already sponsored refugee families.



157

Applications Coming!

2576

Volunteers Trained

100+

Communities Welcomed

500+

Refugees Resettled

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Benefits of CS

12 months integration support

- Benefits
- Schools
- ESOL Classes
- Initial Cash Payment
- Open Bank Account
- Informal ESOL
- Interpreting
- Social Connections
- Access to
volunteering/employment

24 months housing

- Sustainable and affordable
- Plan what will happen at end of 2
years



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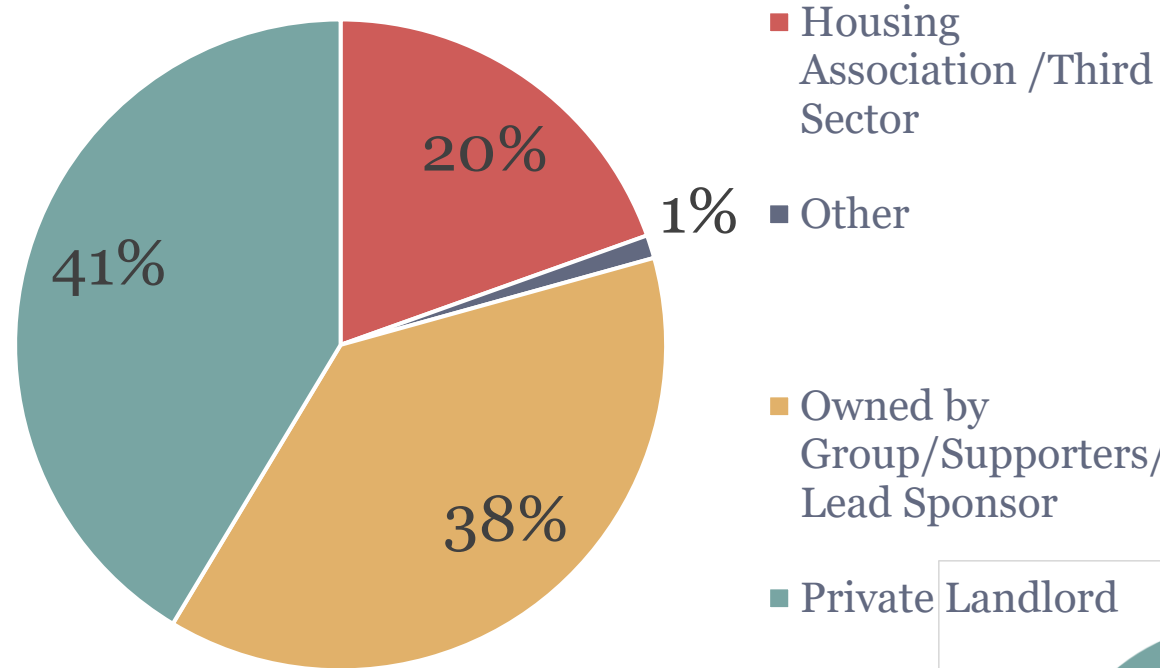
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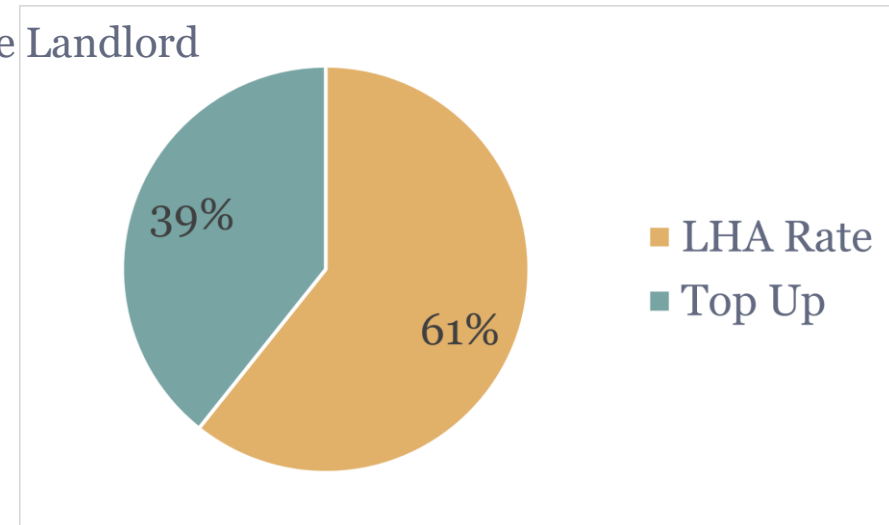
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Housing



- Housing Association / Third Sector
- Other
- Owned by Group/Supporters/Lead Sponsor
- Private Landlord



- LHA Rate
- Top Up

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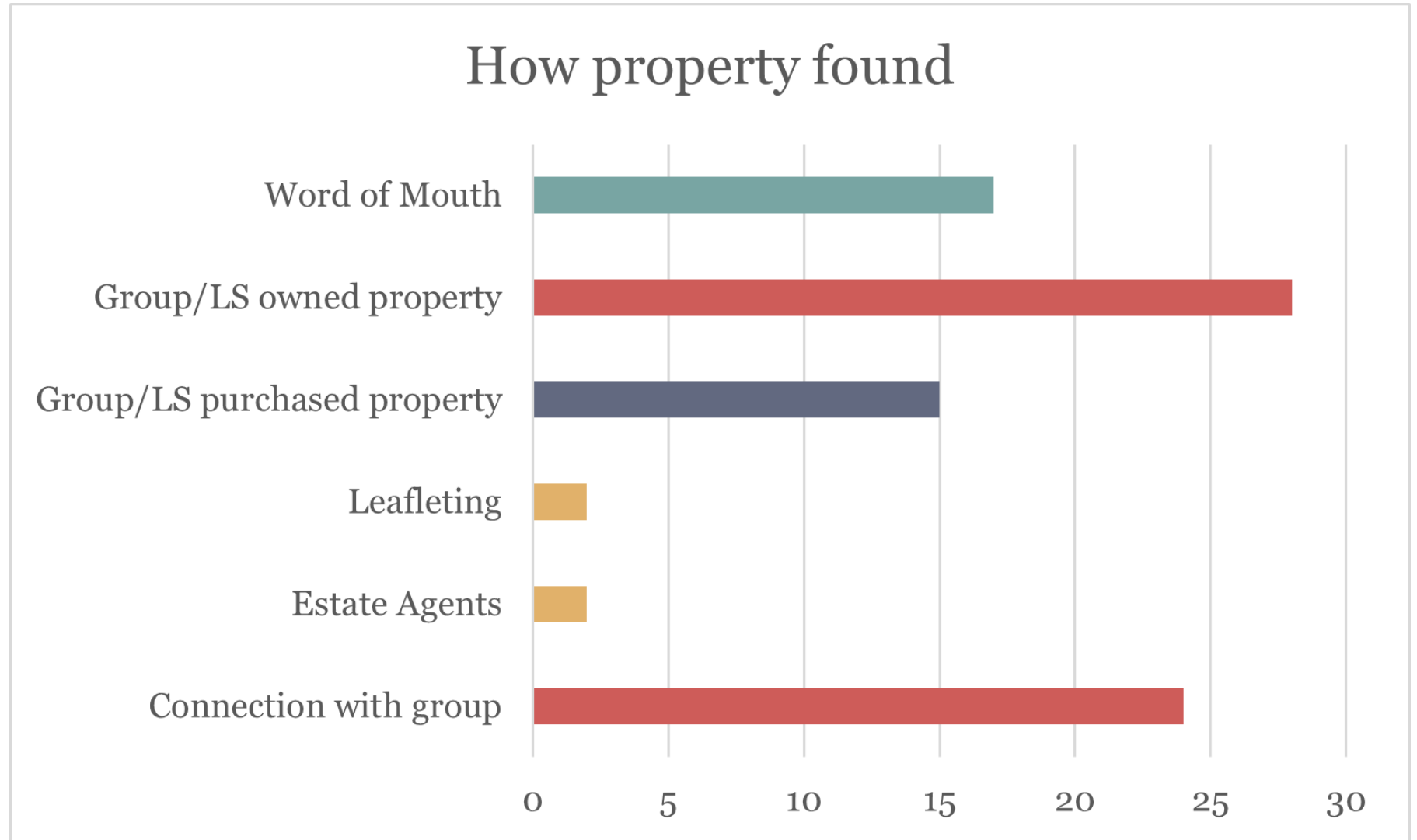
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WHAT DOES LOCAL AUTHORITY CONSENT MEAN?



Agreeing that refugees can be resettled via a Community Sponsorship Group in your area



Introducing the Community Sponsorship Group to your Safeguarding Team to give them the opportunity to review the Group's Safeguarding Policy



You will be invited to confirm that the accommodation provided by the Group for the family adheres to local housing standards



You will be invited to participate in the pre-approval visit with the Group and the Home Office and any future post arrival support visits

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www.resetuk.org/la-toolkit



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“In Mole Valley we are delighted at how well the Community Sponsorship arrangement has worked. The family have truly benefitted from the support given and arranged by our local Community Sponsor. A definite success story.”

Mole Valley District Council

“Community Sponsorship isn’t about local people competing with Local Authorities to resettle refugees. Instead, it’s about Local Authorities working with local people in a different way.”

Devon County Council

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- 91% adults attending ESOL classes
- 72% of ESOL attendees have advanced ESOL level
- 65% adults have worked or carried out work experience
- 77% of men have volunteered
- 26% of women have volunteered
- 86% adults able to utilise digital services
- 90% of adults report having made social connections outside of the Group

