

Bruton Supports Ukraine: Terms of Reference

Bruton Supports Ukraine (BSU) is a group of volunteers working together to try to provide a coordinated response to the needs of Ukrainian refugees and their hosts in and around Bruton.

Governance, insurance and financial administration are provided to BSU by good company (Bruton for Bruton CIC), and where necessary good company's safeguarding policy and procedures will apply to the work of BSU.

BSU works to support hosts, guests and its supporters/volunteers in all activities including, but not limited to, social activities, transport and lift giving/sharing, support with administration, language tuition, provision of emergency financial support. In supporting guests and hosts Bruton Supports Ukraine will also, as required, raise policy or operational issues with local and national government and may approach the media for support in raising the profile of important issues. In these activities Bruton Supports Ukraine will coordinate with large local/regional groups including, but not limited to Somerset Supports Ukraine.

BSU is not a matching service for Ukrainian refugees and potential UK sponsors. However, where potential refugees are known to BSU or any of its supporters (e.g. because they are friends/relations of guests already in the area) or where potential refugees contact BSU direct looking for support in the Bruton area, BSU will try to approach its supporters to facilitate contact between potential guests and hosts. Any arrangement arising from that contact is entirely the business of guests and hosts and is not the responsibility of BSU.

BSU will offer support to guests and hosts in Bruton and the surrounding towns and villages (including Upton Noble, North Brewham, South Brewham, Hardway, Stoney Stoke, Redlynch, Shepton Montague, Wincanton, Castle Cary, Hadspen, Pitcombe, Cole, Wyke Champflower, Lamyatt, Milton Clevedon, Evercreech, Stony Stratton, Westcombe, Batcombe) and outlying properties. Other areas may be included (i.e. a property owner lives in Bruton but the property offered falls outside the area).

All supporters involved with BSU are volunteers. Appropriate policies will inform and support volunteers' practice (e.g. reporting lines for safeguarding). Volunteers are not are paid for their time or efforts. In some cases volunteers will be able to claim back out of pocket expenses incurred in their voluntary work. These cases will be agreed by at least 2 members of the BSU steering group and a record kept.

BSU will, from time to time, fundraise to cover the costs of its work. All funds will be held by good company on behalf of Bruton Supports Ukraine.

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