



PRESS RELEASE

DIAL DONCASTER AWARDED FUNDING FROM THE PEOPLES POSTCODE TRUST

We are delighted to announce that DIAL Doncaster has been successfully awarded funding from the People's Postcode Trust.

The funding will allow us to work with South Yorkshire Police, Doncaster Conversation Club and other organisations to help prevent asylum seekers in Doncaster become the victims of human trafficking once they have received refugee status. We plan to work with asylum seekers at the transition stage of their immigration status informing them of what to expect, particularly with regard to claiming benefits, finding housing and helping them to navigate the system to access employment and education; hopefully giving them the information and support they need to avoid being enticed into slavery.

Many asylum seekers have some form of disability, either mental, due to the circumstances that have led them to seek asylum in the first place or physical, often as a result of torture. As an experienced disability information and advice service we believe we are ideally placed to find a way through the systems and processes in place and so support refugees to settle safely into the UK.

DIAL Doncaster's Chair, Dr Susan Ekins said "We expect this to be a difficult piece of work but relish the challenge of helping some of Doncaster's most vulnerable residents to settle safely in the UK. We already have someone in place to deliver this piece of work and plan to get started as soon as possible."



"People's Postcode Trust is a grant-giving charity funded entirely by players of People's Postcode Lottery"