



# #RETHINKING REFUGEE EVENTS UPDATE

## Rethinking Refugee Event Update



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As you've undoubtedly noticed, we're in the process of running a series of Rethinking Refugee events around the country. These started in Bristol in October 2016, with Birmingham in February 2017, with Bath and Wolverhampton both in April.

Stop Press \*\* You can read the outcome report from our Birmingham event [here](#) \*\*

The Wolverhampton event was held yesterday at Molineux Stadium, and you'll be able to read about that in next month's newsletter.

The Bath event was held on Monday in the Guildhall, and a brief roundup is below:

Bath: Rethinking Refugee  
3rd April 2017  
12pm - 2pm

We presented our approach to refugee resettlement and integration at this event, revealing how to rethink refugees as assets rather than liabilities. There were plenty of insightful and probing questions from the audience, covering topics including asylum status, the education system and the gaps between the Local Housing Allowance and market rent.

It was agreed that we need to change the narrative around refugees and work together to find more housing for refugees in Bath & North East Somerset.

We would like to thank Bath & North East Somerset Council for hosting the event, Cllr. Tim Warren for speaking, and Bath Welcomes Refugees, Sarah Prettejohns and Jane Ginnever for helping with its organisation.

We look forward to continuing this dialogue with interested parties across the West of England.



