

Report to Bentham Parish meeting from Bentham Area Refugee Support Group.

The group was founded to welcome and support refugees and asylum seekers. We fundraise - £1600 in past 18 months, Bentham is generous. A huge amount of warm waterproof clothing was donated at our November Keeping Others Cosy event for those camping in northern France. We collected sleeping bags distributed by Bradford Red Cross to destitute refugees. Eleven blankets have been handknitted and much appreciated by a mother and baby group in Bradford. We host visits by Lancaster asylum seekers for walks, picnics, games. We campaign, lobby, organize information events, library and shop displays, films and special activities during Refugee Week each June. Do join us!