



8.5.3 REFUGEE WELCOME ZONES

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Attachments:	8.5.3 – Information Sheet

Summary:

Council are asked to consider whether the Shire of Denmark should become recognised as a “Refugee Welcome Zone” for Refugees who are bound for Western Australia.

Background:

At its Briefing Forum held on Tuesday, 29 September 2015, Council discussed a request received from a Ratepayer about Denmark becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone and the outcome from those discussions was that a Council Officer prepare a report for Council’s formal consideration on the matter.

The following article is from the 10 October 2015 issue of The West Australian Newspaper which provides some background information.

REFUGEE CAMPS RULED OUT by Andrew Tillett

One-thousand Syrian refugees bound for WA will be resettled in the community immediately rather than housed in makeshift accommodation when they arrive to begin their new lives.

Federal and WA officials met in Perth this week for the latest talks on the mammoth humanitarian mission, with the first families from the battle-scarred country still expected in Australia by Christmas.

But the State Government has ruled out settling the refugees in a temporary and centralised centre or camp.

The Royal Agricultural Society had volunteered Claremont Showground, while Leeuwin Barracks at East Fremantle had been suggested by local mayors.

With the 12,000 refugees selected to come to Australia undergoing the necessary health, security and character checks before they arrive, Colin Barnett is keen for them to embrace as quickly as possible life in WA.

“We are incredibly thankful for the offers of temporary accommodation sites but at the moment it’s looking more likely that we may be able to work with the resettlement agencies and relevant government and not-for-profit organisations to resettle arrivals directly into the community,” the Premier told The Weekend West.

“This would be the same process already in operation in WA for settling migrants.”

In the past five years, WA has resettled 5,500 humanitarian entrants.

“What these people will need is access to support — they will have been through a very traumatic experience and we will need to ensure there are the relevant counselling and other support services in place for their arrival,” Mr Barnett said.

Canberra has not said whether any more refugees on top of the 1,000 Mr Barnett offered places for would come to WA.

A pre-Christmas arrival was still expected but Mr Barnett said there would be a further update on timing soon.

Immigration Minister Peter Dutton said 1,000 Syrians had been referred to Australian officials in the Middle East for processing, with an undisclosed number of people screened out.

Mr Dutton said he did not have a breakdown on the religion of the applicants but the priority remained families and women and children facing persecution.

“Under no circumstance will we sacrifice the security screening,” he said. “It will take time for us to conduct the biometric searches.

“I don’t want places in the 12,000 taken by people who weren’t at threat of being persecuted because that means we are going to displace from the 12,000 those who are legitimately in need, at considerable risk and that would benefit from coming to our country who otherwise may have faced death or a terrible circumstance.”

Refugee Welcome Zones are an initiative of the Refugee Council of Australia Incorporated, an organisation incorporated as a not for profit association in the Australian Capital Territory (ACT).

The aim of the Refugee Council of Australia (RCOA) is to work with its members in promoting the development of humane, lawful and constructive policies towards refugees and asylum seekers by Australian and other governments and their communities.

In order to achieve this purpose, the RCOA pursues the following aims:

- To act as a unifying organisation and to represent its members.
- To promote the empowerment of refugee communities and individuals in Australia and internationally and support the capacity building of Australia’s refugee sector.
- To monitor, research and present information on issues relating to the needs and circumstances of refugees and asylum seekers.
- To assist governments and inter-governmental organisations to formulate policy and improve support and services for refugees and asylum seekers.
- To increase public awareness of, and media sensitivity towards, refugees and asylum seekers.

The RCOA is the national peak body for refugees and the organisations and individuals who support them.

RCOA promotes the adoption of flexible, humane and constructive policies towards refugees and asylum seekers through conducting policy analysis, research, advocacy and public education on refugee issues.

The following information has been sourced from the RCOA Website at <http://www.refugeecouncil.org.au/get-involved/refugee-welcome-zones/>.

“WHAT IS A REFUGEE WELCOME ZONE?”

A Refugee Welcome Zone is a Local Government Area which has made a commitment in spirit to welcoming refugees into the community, upholding the human rights of refugees, demonstrating compassion for refugees and enhancing cultural and religious diversity in the community.

This public commitment is also intended as an acknowledgment of the contributions refugees have made to Australian society in the fields of medicine, science, engineering, sport, education and the arts. By making this Declaration it is hoped by the RCOA that local governments will be encouraged in their continuing efforts to support the men, women and children who make the difficult journey to Australia to seek protection.

The Refugee Welcome Zone initiative began in June 2002 as part of Refugee Week celebrations. At the time, 15 local Councils in Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia were declared Refugee Welcome Zones.

By 2015, more than 100 Local Government Areas in Australia (only approximately 5 in WA) have declaring themselves Refugee Welcome Zones.

The initiative is stated as being proven to be a great success in connecting local governments with the issues facing refugees and asylum seekers.

WHAT IS THE PROCESS FOR BECOMING A REFUGEE WELCOME ZONE?

The process for becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone involves the Council signing the Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration, which is “a commitment in Spirit to welcoming refugees into our community, upholding the human rights of refugees, demonstrating compassion for refugees and enhancing cultural and religious diversity in our community”. An example of the Declaration is included at Appendix....

To mark the occasion of becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone, many Councils have chosen to hold public signing ceremonies. These provide an opportunity to highlight the initiative and acknowledge the work of local groups and individuals that support refugees and asylum seekers.

If possible, a representative from the Refugee Council of Australia would appreciate the opportunity to attend the ceremony to present a Certificate of Appreciation.

WHY BECOME A REFUGEE WELCOME ZONE?

Local Government has historically played an important role in assisting refugee settlement and promoting community harmony. Since Federation in 1901, Australia has become home to over 800,000 refugees and we have a proud history of settling refugees from all over the world who have gone on to make an enormous contribution to our economic, social and cultural life.

Becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone is a way to continue this proud tradition of supporting the settlement of refugees.

Signing the Declaration can also promote harmony, social cohesion and respect for human rights in your local community. It is a great way to demonstrate support for refugees and take a strong stand against racism and discrimination. It can help to raise awareness about the issues affecting refugees, foster a culture of mutual respect and promote an appreciation of cultural diversity.

Becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone can also encourage the development of a more coordinated approach to supporting refugee settlement. It can motivate Local Government and local organisations and support groups to work together more effectively so as to improve settlement outcomes for refugees.”

WHAT ARE THE OBLIGATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF REFUGEE WELCOME ZONES?

The Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration does not confer any formal obligations and Refugee Welcome Zones are not required to uphold any statutory responsibilities or financial commitments. The signing of the Declaration is simply a way of demonstrating broad support for the principles it contains. Any actions or activities undertaken by Refugee Welcome Zones to implement the Declaration are voluntary.

However, while signatories to the Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration are not required to undertake any specific activities, any initiatives which help to create a welcoming atmosphere and assist the settlement of refugees and their communities are welcomed and encouraged.

HOW CAN REFUGEE WELCOME ZONES SUPPORT REFUGEES?

The following are examples suggested by the RCOA that the Local Government area can do to welcome refugees to its community:

- *Develop a Local Government policy relating to refugees and asylum seekers or review existing policies.*
- *Offer funding for community-based projects which support the settlement of refugees.*
- *Hold community picnics and gatherings to encourage families from different backgrounds and community organisations to meet.*
- *Build partnerships and work collaboratively with local community groups and service providers to enhance support for refugees settling in your area.*
- *Organise an event during Refugee Week, such as a street fair or festival.*
- *Host a community meeting with newly arrived refugees and guest speakers from refugee support organisations to find out how your Council can best support refugees in your community.*
- *Hold a multicultural film festival.*
- *Coordinate with local libraries in the area to develop an English tutoring program for newly arrived refugees.*
- *Liaise with the Red Cross to run information sessions for newly arrived refugees who have been separated from family members and relatives.*
- *Hold a public forum to enable guest speakers from refugee backgrounds to share their stories.”*

Attachment 8.5.3 lists the current Refugee Welcome Zones however the Officer notes that they have received advice that the website states that there are currently five (5) zones in WA however there are six (6), with the addition of the Shire of Augusta-Margaret River.

Consultation:

The Officer has considered the requirement for consultation and/or engagement with persons or organisations that may be unduly affected by the proposal and considered Council's Community Engagement Policy P040123 and the associated Framework and believes that the Council may wish to give consideration to how it should engage with the community on this decision.

The Chief Executive Officer is unaware of any data on the current number and/or diversity demographics of refugees currently residing within the community, however anecdotally believes that the number would be low.

The Chief Executive Officer is aware that there is a newly formed community group within the Shire called the Denmark Rural Australians for Refugees, which does support the Declaration, however has little other information which would give confidence to the Officer or Council that signing a declaration without engaging with the community would be well supported or not.

If the Council believes that it requires additional engagement with the community prior to making a decision on whether to sign the Declaration or not, then it possibly should advertise the proposal in the Denmark Bulletin for a period, inviting comment.

Statutory Obligations:

There are no statutory obligations.

Policy Implications:

Were Council to become recognised as a “Refugee Welcome Zone” it would effectively be creating a policy that provided for that outcome.

There are no current policies of Council that relate.

Budget / Financial Implications:

There are no known financial implications upon either the Council's current Budget or Long Term Financial Plan.

Strategic Implications:

On the assumption that Council endorses the principle of being recognised as a “Refugee Welcome Zone”, and subsequently this leads to an increase in the number of refugees that may settle within the Shire in time, then it will become important to ensure that the Council and community have appropriate policies and practices that allows for both integration and support services, as well as providing for opportunities to recognise and celebrate the unique culture, linguistic and religious diversities of those refugees.

However, the Council’s Vision of “Denmark in the year 2031 is a leading example of a dynamic, connected, caring and cohesive community, in tune with its environment”, which is supported by the underpinning social objective that “Denmark’s communities, people and places are connected and creative, vibrant and dynamic, healthy and safe”. Therefore, arguably it should, but it does not currently reflect any strategies, goals or values celebrating or promoting diversity.

This notwithstanding, if Council were to receive a number of refugees, then a policy such as this would assist achieve the overarching vision of a connected, caring and cohesive community.

Sustainability Implications:

➤ **Governance:**

There are no known significant governance considerations relating to the report or officer recommendation.

➤ **Environmental:**

There are no known significant environmental implications relating to the report or officer recommendation.

➤ **Economic:**

There are no known significant economic implications relating to the report or officer recommendation.

➤ **Social:**

As mentioned in the strategic implications, if Council were to receive a number of refugees, then a policy such as this would assist achieve the overarching vision of a connected, caring and cohesive community.

➤ **Risk:**

Risk	Risk Likelihood (based on history and with existing controls)	Risk Impact / Consequence	Risk Rating (Prior to Treatment or Control)	Principal Risk Theme	Risk Action Plan (Controls or Treatment proposed)
That the Council resolves to sign the Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration, contrary to the perceived desires of the community.	Possible (3)	Minor (2)	Moderate (5-9)	Inadequate Engagement - Community / Stakeholders / Crs	Accept Risk and either advertise the intent to sign the Declaration or, if Councillors believe that they are aware of community attitudes to resolve to sign the Declaration.
That the Council sign the Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration and as a result of this, additional services are required to support the additional refugees that may settle within the Shire.	Unlikely (2)	Moderate (3)	Moderate (5-9)	Not Meeting Community expectations	Accept Risk

Comment/Conclusion:

Signing the Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration indicates that Council, on behalf of the community, both welcomes Refugees to Denmark, as well as potentially being perceived as supporting an increase in the intake of refugees into Australia as a political statement.

Specifically the Declaration required of Council is as follows;

“The Denmark Shire Council
Declares the Council of Denmark a
Refugee Welcome Zone.

This Declaration is a Commitment in Spirit to
Welcoming refugees into our community,
Upholding the Human Rights of refugees,
Demonstrating Compassion for refugees and

Enhancing cultural and religious Diversity in our community.”

As this is the first time that Council has considered the matter formally, it is difficult to gauge the community’s position and perhaps Council need to undertake some form of community engagement to assess the level of community support for these two elements.

The Officer is cognisant that the Council does not normally engage in what might be classified as international or Commonwealth policies.

In the Officer’s opinion, the principle purpose of the Declaration is intended to deal with the question of supporting refugees that have arrived in Australia, however it also has a very overt statement that the Council upholds the human rights of refugees and demonstrates compassion for refugees, which arguably purports to state a philosophical, political stance on the matter of an increase in Australian refugee intake.

The question is whether the Council wishes to engage in the philosophical or political debate at the Commonwealth level, on behalf of our community, and how it would judge the community’s values, if it wishes to do so?

The Council perhaps has three (3) general options as follows;

- That the Council sign the Declaration;
- That the Council not sign the Declaration on the basis that it relates to a philosophical and/or political debate at the Commonwealth level; or
- That the Council engage with the community on the question via a process such as an online ‘pulse of the community’ survey and submission period via a general advertisement.

Voting Requirements:

Simple majority.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION & OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 8.5.3

MOVED: CR GILLIES

SECONDED: CR LEWIS

That with respect to the suggestion that the Council should sign the “Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration”, Council engage with the community on the question via an online ‘pulse of the community survey’ and submission period via a general advertisement for a period of 60 days.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: 9/0

Res: 331015

Denmark Rural Australians for Refugees
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DENMARK WA 6333

Mr David Morrell
Shire President
Shire of Denmark
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DENMARK WA 63333

Dear Mr Morrell,

Re: Shire of Denmark Refugee Welcome Zone Survey & Comment & Submission Period

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Shire of Denmark ICR15137361	
- 5 JAN 2015	
CHAIR	
COUNCILLORS	
CEO	
DIR OF FINANCE	
DIR OF PLANNING	
DIR OF INFRASTRUCTURE	
DIR OF COMMUNITY	
MEMBER	TEIQA ✓

Please find enclosed the names and signatures of 548 members of the community who wish to register their vote in favour of the Shire of Denmark becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone.

During the 60 day public consultation period, Denmark Rural Australian for Refugees (DRAR) has engaged with many people in the community and sought to explain what a 'Refugee Welcome Zone' is. We believe many members of the community are unaware that signing the declaration does not infer any legal, statutory or financial commitments on the Shire, nor do they understand that this is a 'commitment in spirit' and will not change the settlement practices of refugees.

DRAR has an active presence in the community, holding a well visited market stall at the last two Denmark Arts Markets and has the support of many community businesses which were happy to display copies of the attached document to gather signatures.

DRAR successfully held a movie event during Refugee Week last year, which was an all ages event where the movie Paddington Bear (a refugee from darkest Peru) was screened and an afternoon tea was shared. The Civic Centre was at capacity for this event, and whilst admission was kept deliberately low DRAR still managed to raise over \$700 for charities and organisations supporting refugees.

We believe that becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone is a natural extension of Denmark's 2031 vision to become a leading example of a dynamic, connected, caring and cohesive community. There are currently 125 Refugee Welcome Zones in Australia, with the City of Fremantle, Shire of Katanning, Shire of Augusta-Margaret River, City of Subiaco, Town of Victoria Park, City of Vincent representing WA – let's join them!

Kind Regards,

Denmark Rural Australians for Refugees

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Recipient: Denmark Shire Council

Letter: Greetings,

Support for the Shire of Denmark becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone

Signatures

Name	Location	Date
Denmark Rural Australians for Refugees	Australia	2015-10-14
Seirah Woodward	Denmark, WA, Australia	2015-10-14
Ceinwen Gearon	Australia	2015-10-14
Phillip Light	Denmark, Australia	2015-10-14
Sheila Ayling	Denmark, Australia	2015-10-14
Sarah Carver	Australia	2015-10-14
Jessica Aitken	Australia	2015-10-14
Teiga Murray	Australia	2015-10-14
Bianca Swart	Australia	2015-10-14
Natasha McCarthy	Australia	2015-10-14
Caren Blair	Denmark, WA, Australia	2015-10-14
Alice Duncan	Australia	2015-10-14
Jenelle Piercey	, Australia	2015-10-14
Dean Benson	Australia	2015-10-14
Yoko Luscher	Denmark, WA, Australia	2015-10-14
Karen Buck	Australia	2015-10-14
Anomie Anomie	Australia	2015-10-14
Kate Gersbach	Denmark, WA, Australia	2015-10-14
Melissa Palmer	Australia	2015-10-14
Emma Claudius	, Australia	2015-10-14
Theva Indrasenan	Denmark, WA, Australia	2015-10-14
Sarah Dunkley	Australia	2015-10-14
Bronwyn Neville	Australia	2015-10-14
Joanne Rowling	, Australia	2015-10-14
Geoff Bacon	Australia	2015-10-14
Bec Vincent	Australia	2015-10-14
Toby Kruger-Le Fort	Australia	2015-10-14
Nikki Green	Australia	2015-10-14
Lydia Kenyon	Denmark, Australia	2015-10-14

Name	Location	Date
Kael Wilson	Australia	2015-10-14
Donald Clarke	Denmark, Australia	2015-10-14
Samuel Barron	Australia	2015-10-14
jess beckerling	walpole, Australia	2015-10-14
Nina Bradshaw	Australia	2015-10-14
Sam Baxter	Australia	2015-10-14
Christie collis	Australia	2015-10-14
Michaela ross	Australia	2015-10-14
Dawn Atkin	Australia	2015-10-14
Kalinga White	Australia	2015-10-14
sam blythe	Australia	2015-10-14
Sonia Anderson	Australia	2015-10-14
Kim Bastow	Australia	2015-10-14
Melissa Boughey	Australia	2015-10-14
Kerry Lund	Perth, Australia	2015-10-14
Jill Rule	Australia	2015-10-14
Gwen Sutherland	Denmark, Australia	2015-10-14
don anderson	denmark, WA, Australia	2015-10-14
Deanna Forster	Australia	2015-10-14
Bart Lebbing	Denmark, Australia	2015-10-14
didi Henderson	Australia	2015-10-14
Nicole Hodgson	Australia	2015-10-14
Denise Bullen	Australia	2015-10-14
Janine McCrum	Australia	2015-10-15
Erica Stokes	Australia	2015-10-15
Kiana Linckens	Australia	2015-10-15
Tracey Whooley	Australia	2015-10-15
Anala Linckens	Australia	2015-10-15
robyn polt	Australia	2015-10-15
Lucy Greenwood	Australia	2015-10-15
Nelson Boughey-Britten	Australia	2015-10-15
Zoe Car	Denmark, WA, Australia	2015-10-15

Name	Location	Date
Charles Lemann	Australia	2015-10-15
Bekky Greeuw	Torbay, WA, Australia	2015-10-15
Shae Bloomer	Australia	2015-10-15
Toni Gunning	Australia	2015-10-15
Clare Hastie	Australia	2015-10-15
Patricia Roux	Australia	2015-10-15
Jillian Green	Australia	2015-10-15
William Lawrance	Australia	2015-10-15
Maitreya Egan	Australia	2015-10-15
Nicola-Jane le Breton	Denmark, Australia	2015-10-15
Lisa Thanos	Australia	2015-10-15
Jochanan Schnitter	Australia	2015-10-15
Andreas Buttler	Australia	2015-10-15
Cate Tauss	Perth, Australia	2015-10-15
Sonia Dezius	Denmark, Australia	2015-10-15
Eva Blazey	Australia	2015-10-15
Alison Kershaw	Australia	2015-10-15
Jeremy von Kobra	Australia	2015-10-15
Isabella Ragus	Australia	2015-10-15
Jerome Keightley	Australia	2015-10-15
paul moncrieff	kentdale, WA, United States	2015-10-15
kathleen parin	Australia	2015-10-15
Peter Orell	Scarborough, Australia	2015-10-15
Joy Boughey	Australia	2015-10-15
Erica Wong	Australia	2015-10-15
Robyn Glenister	Australia	2015-10-15
Franziska Mumme	Australia	2015-10-15
Zoe Dunn	Australia	2015-10-15
karen andersson	denmark, Australia	2015-10-15
Jennifer Barter	Denmark, WA, Australia	2015-10-15
Oona Mansour	Australia	2015-10-15
lumari mcguinness	Denmark, WA, Australia	2015-10-15

Name	Location	Date
Ursula Gabriele Gehlhaar	Australia	2015-10-15
Linda Bradbury	Australia	2015-10-15
Joss Goulden	Fremantle, Australia	2015-10-15
Jamila Jafari	Australia	2015-10-15
Joanne Carter	Australia	2015-10-15
Gay Blake	Australia	2015-10-15
Lydia Barak	Denmark, Australia	2015-10-15
Cindy Leon	Perth, WA, Australia	2015-10-15
Kathy Rainbird	Australia	2015-10-16
Laura Blake	, Australia	2015-10-16
Adrienne Riddell	Australia	2015-10-16
whitney benson	Australia	2015-10-16
Alexandra Blake	Australia	2015-10-16
Isobel B	albany, Australia	2015-10-16
Meggie Townsend	Australia	2015-10-16
Tahnee Thompson	Perth, Australia	2015-10-16
Hayley Moeller	Canberra, Australia	2015-10-16
Jeff Cocking	Denmark, WA, Australia	2015-10-16
Tessa Caramia	Australia	2015-10-16
Freya Russell	Australia	2015-10-16
Bo Wong	Australia	2015-10-16
rieka bosman	Australia	2015-10-16
Rachel Duke	Australia	2015-10-16
Andrew Milbourne	Australia	2015-10-16
Andries Mostert	Australia	2015-10-16
nadene Phipps	Lowlands, Australia	2015-10-17
Ayla phipps	Australia	2015-10-17
Eloise carter	Australia	2015-10-17
Ann Howard	Australia	2015-10-17
Simon Clark	Australia	2015-10-17
Annette Carmichael	Australia	2015-10-17
Gaea Gandhi	Australia	2015-10-17

Name	Location	Date
deborah j volk	Australia	2015-10-17
Katja Verbunt	Australia	2015-10-17
Allie Wilson	Australia	2015-10-18
theda mansholt	denmark, Australia	2015-10-18
Cressida Rubinich	Australia	2015-10-18
Nikki-Sue Brecker	Singapore, Singapore	2015-10-18
Maren Heckel	Australia	2015-10-18
Mandy Hodgson	Hamilton Hill, Australia	2015-10-18
Julie Glynn	Australia	2015-10-19
Renee Schipp	Australia	2015-10-19
michele mora	Australia	2015-10-19
AJ HAOLDEY	Australia	2015-11-02
Isabelle Bonenkamp	Germany	2015-11-24
Anita Kanitz	Stuttgart, Germany	2015-12-18



Simon

Denmark Rural Australians for Refugees

Petition: Support for the Shire of Denmark becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone

In the coming months the Council will be considering a request to become a Refugee Welcome Zone, in order to make this a possibility we need to show that there is support in the community.

What is a Refugee Welcome Zone?

A Refugee Welcome Zone is a Local Government Area which has made a commitment in spirit to welcoming refugees into the community, upholding the human rights of refugees, demonstrating compassion for refugees and enhancing cultural and religious diversity in the community.

How does the Shire become a Refugee Welcome Zone?

The process for becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone is very straightforward. It simply involves the Council signing the Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration, which is "a commitment in Spirit to welcoming refugees into our community, upholding the human rights of refugees, demonstrating compassion for refugees and enhancing cultural and religious diversity in our community".

What are the benefits?

Local Government has historically played an important role in assisting refugee settlement and promoting community harmony. Since Federation in 1901, Australia has become home to over 800,000 refugees and we have a proud history of settling refugees from all over the world who have gone on to make an enormous contribution to our economic, social and cultural life. Becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone is a way to continue this proud tradition of supporting the settlement of refugees. Signing the Declaration can also promote harmony, social cohesion and respect for human rights in your local community. It is a great way to demonstrate support for refugees and take a strong stand against racism and discrimination. It can help to raise awareness about the issues affecting refugees, foster a culture of mutual respect and promote an appreciation of cultural diversity.

Are there any legal obligations or costs involved?

No! The Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration does not confer any formal obligations and Refugee Welcome Zones are not required to uphold any statutory responsibilities or financial commitments. The signing of the Declaration is a simply a way of demonstrating broad support for the principles it contains. Any actions or activities undertaken by Refugee Welcome Zones to implement the Declaration are voluntary.

Who else is doing this?

There are currently 112 Refugee Welcome Zones in Australia, with the City of Fremantle, Shire of Katanning, City of Subiaco, Town of Victoria Park, City of Vincent and the Shire of Augusta-Margaret River representing WA. Let's join them!!

Name	Signature	Date
Troy Dowling	Troy Dowling	30/11/15



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Name	Signature	Date
JOHN MENDERSOHN		12/12/15
Joene FROYLAND		12-12-15
STEPHANIE MURCH	Stephanie S. Murch	12.12.15
Judy Pine		12/12/15
MICHELE HENDERSON		12.12.15
Mark PARRÉ		12.12.15
Opheia Robinson		12/12/15
Dobbie Elwin		12/12/15
PHILLIP G LIGHT		12/12/15
Theda Mansfield		12/12/15
Yvonne Day		12.12.15
SHIRLEY BEAL		12/12/15
Sonia Schrage		12-12-15
Audra Rammeth		12-12-15
ROLAND WEBER		12/12/15
Marion Luderitz		12.12.15
COLIN TAYLOR		12.12.15
Barbee Wilson		12.12.15
Linda Tayl		12.12.15
Vince Redford		12-12-15
Hannah Walker		12-12-15
Felix England-wong		12-12-15
Joanna Harmony		12.12.15
Anna Kemp		12-12-15



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Name	Signature	Date
Bob Fenwick	Bob Fenwick	12/12/15
Kruee Shale.		12/12/15.
Rouya Kaurath	Kaurath	12/12/15
Birte Zielaskow	B. Zielaskow	12/12/15
Patricia Hoop	P. Hoop	12/12/15
ANNIE EUSTACE	Annie Eustace	12/12/15
Tessa Bryant	Tessa Bryant	12/12/15
Kieran Madigan	K. Madigan	12/12/15
Amelia Stephens	Amelia Stephens	12/12/15
BEN HOX		12/12/15
Meg Jagger	Meg Jagger	12/12/15.
Emma Christophers		12/12/15
Alison Brown	Alison Brown	12.12.15
Rhys Brown	Rhys Brown	12.12.15
Barbara Stephens	Barbara Stephens	12.12.15
Ryan Christophers	R. Christophers	12.12.15
Anthony Pedro	A. Pedro	12-12-15.
GREGOR SUTHERLAND	G. C. Sutherland	12.12.15
Anne Marie Hoop	A. Hoop	12.12.15.
Lauer, Renee	Lauer	12-12-15
Maddison Syme	M. Syme	12/12/15
MARIA BUSH	M. Bush	12/12/2015
Teera Syme	Teera Syme	12/12/15
Jack Mackinnon	Jack M	



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Name	Signature	Date
sarah		2.1.16
Margaret Walker		2.1.16
Beet Steunik		2-1-16
Usha Boyd	Usha Boyd	2-1-16
Morwenna Sarah		2/1/16
Alison Egan		2.1.16
Naomi O'Shea		2-1-16
Maia Harcourt	M Harcourt	2/1/16
Matilda Lloyd		2/1/16
Charlie Langnick		2/1/16
CHRIS SERMAN		2/1/16
Kate McKenzie	Kate McKenzie	2/1/16
Josiah Ward	Josiah Ward	2/1/16
Kathleen Ward	Kathleen Ward	2/1/16
Tom Lee		2/1/16
Sarana Haeata		2/1/16
Gemma Vale		2/1/16
mead Basire		2-1-16
Jill Giles		2-1-16
SONIA EMERY		2-1-16
Hannah Hill		2.1.16
Cecilia Leigsons		2/1/16
STANLEY MURPHY		2/1/16
GRAHAM KERSTAN		2/1/16
Jenny Street		2/1/16
Deborah Mellor		2/1/16



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Stephen Pickup		2/1/16,
Nic Spanbroek		2/1/16.
DONNA O'HARA		02/01/16
Loretta Edwards		2/1/16
Jean-Maree Hawke.		2/1/2016
Mia Hawke		2/1/2016
JOE Hawke		2/1/2016
Edie Hawke		2/1/2016
Jenny McSwich		2/1/16.
Jacqui Griffiths.		2/1/16
Georgie Henderson		2/1/16
Peter Caron		2/1/16
Allison Gorman		2/1/16
Paul GORMAN		2/1/16
John Collins		2/1/16
Aileen Collins		2/1/16.
Birdie Dickinso		2/1/16
SUMAI		2/1/16
Sophia Brooks		2.1.16
SHINEEN GREGG		2.1.16
Scott Quigg		2/1/16
Nancy Haddaden		2/1/2016
Vivian Collins		2/01/16
MADÉLINE MARIE GREY		2/01/16



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Name	Signature	Date
Annie Nutt	Annie Nutt	12/12/'15
Drew Lince	Drew Lince	12/12/15
Pat DUBERTY	[Signature]	12/12/15
Cass Pollock	[Signature]	12/12/15
Meggie Townsend	meggiet	12.12.15
Amber McWhinnie	Amber	12.12.15
Claire Rooche	Cl Rooche	12/12/15
Nilanthi Dayanand	Dayanand	12/12/15
Mahendra Sanner	[Signature]	12/12/15
BRENDA CHAMMAN	B. Chamman	12/12/15
Charlotte Bonnett	[Signature]	12.12.15
Carsten Pedersen	[Signature]	12.12.15
Soma Ranasinghe	Ranasinghe	12/12/15
Geoff Bacon	[Signature]	12/12/15
DEN FINNIS	[Signature]	12/12/15
Louise Duxbury	[Signature]	12/12/15
Sophie Bacon-Lewis	[Signature]	12/12/15
Lily Grandt	[Signature]	12/12/15
Tina Lewis	[Signature]	12/12
Loke Lewis	[Signature]	12/12
Jayden Lewis	[Signature]	12/12
Marty Edmonds	M Edmonds	12/12/2015
Benjamin Edwards	B. Edwards	12.12.2015
Cath Martin	C Martin	12.12.2015



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Name	Signature	Date
Gabriele Gehlhaar	<i>Gabriele Gehlhaar</i>	12/12/15
Uzsani Lacey	<i>Uzsani Lacey</i>	12/12/15
Memema Dickinson	<i>Memema Dickinson</i>	12.12.15
Paul Vuister	<i>P. Vuister</i>	12.12.15
IAN COOPER	<i>Ian Cooper</i>	12-12-15
Trudi Lawrence	<i>Trudi Lawrence</i>	12.12.15
Janine Terry	<i>Janine Terry</i>	12.12.15
Baden Clarke	<i>Baden Clarke</i>	12.12.15
Grace VERITY	<i>Grace Verity</i>	12-12-15
Jennife Metcalf	<i>Jennife Metcalf</i>	12-12-15
Liam Murray	<i>Liam Murray</i>	12-12-15
Gaea Gandhi	<i>Gaea Gandhi</i>	12.12.15
Asit Gandhi	<i>Asit Gandhi</i>	12/12/15
Jacob Vanderbijl	<i>Jacob Vanderbijl</i>	12/12/15
KYLIE RICHES	<i>Kylie Riches</i>	12/12/15
ROB CURTIS	<i>Rob Curtis</i>	12/12/15
Janey Glauser	<i>Janey Glauser</i>	12/12/15
Gaylene McComb	<i>Gaylene McComb</i>	12/12/15
Sheila Foyes	<i>Sheila Foyes</i>	12/12/15
NORA MAASBERG	<i>N. Maasberg</i>	12/12/15
William Lawrence	<i>William Lawrence</i>	12.12.15
Jane Brans	<i>Jane Brans</i>	12.12.15
R. Goodworth	<i>R. Goodworth</i>	12-12-15
K. Lamb	<i>K. Lamb</i>	12.12.15



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Name	Signature	Date
SHEILA MURPHY		12/12/15
Paul Greenfield		12/12/15
Geoff Evans		12/12/15
Coenna Vale		12/12/15
Katie Bewley		12/12/15
Manjika Hazelzet		12/12/15
Oona Mansour		12-12-15
Michelle Burkett		12/12/15
Lise GIROUX		12.12.15
FERN ROBINSON		12-12-15
Ray Ellison		12-12-15
Didi Henderson		12-12-15
Ken HENDERSON		12.12.2015
ANDREAS BUTLER		12.12.2015
Ruth Baldy		12-12-2015
Shobha Day		12.12.2015
Rosee LEANS		12/12/15
Maia JACKSON		12.12.15
Ilyga Cemini		12/12/15
Sage Savic		12/12/15
Ruth Donnison		12/12/15.
Sonia DEZIUS		12/12/15
Andrew HUGHES		12/12/15
Wendy WOOD		12/12/15



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Name	Signature	Date
Melita Smith		12.12.15
Meg Hewick		12.12.15
DAVID FAULKNER		12.12.15
VONNI DU VAL		12.12.15
SANDRA McASPURN		12-12-15
JESSICA DYER		12-12-15
Shane Greaves		12.12.15
Kabara Schmidt		12.12.15
Pat Mead		12-12-15
Rose Wyde		12.12.15
Justine Reynolds		12.12.15
Alex Lyde		12.12.15
Lyn Knight		12.12.15
PAH RAVENHILL		12-12-15
Konstantin Oschatz		12-12-15
Katherine McKenzie		12/12/15
Robert Onite		12/12/15
Marnie Goodwill		12.12.15
Margaret Norcross		12/12/15
Emma Griffiths		12/12/15
Duncan Baldy		12/12/15
Martin Sulloway		12/12/15
DONALD CLARKE		12/12/15
ARY CLARKE		12/12/15



Mustard Seed

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Name	Signature	Date
ANNE MACKAY	<i>[Signature]</i>	24/11/15
DAVID RICE	<i>[Signature]</i>	24 NOV 15
HEER-ARON GILBERT	<i>[Signature]</i>	24-11-15
SUZANNE BELL	<i>[Signature]</i>	24-11-15.
Alysha Jennings	<i>[Signature]</i>	25-11-15
Caroline Nathall	<i>[Signature]</i>	25-11-15
Rose Robson	<i>[Signature]</i>	25. 11. 15
HENDY WILSON	<i>[Signature]</i>	26 11. 15
G. LAWRENCE	<i>[Signature]</i>	27.11.15
Chris Malan	<i>[Signature]</i>	27. 11. 15
Wm Lawrence	<i>[Signature]</i>	27-11-15
Kerry Clark	<i>[Signature]</i>	27-11-15
FAY MALCOM	<i>[Signature]</i>	27. 11. 15
Sarah Newman	<i>[Signature]</i>	29 / 11 / 15
Kate Shaw	<i>[Signature]</i>	30 / 11 / 15
DANA DOUGLAS	<i>[Signature]</i>	30 / 11 / 15
VALERIE BEWICK	<i>[Signature]</i>	30/11/15.
Julie Hancock	<i>[Signature]</i>	22/11/15
PAUL MUNDELL	<i>[Signature]</i>	1 / 12 / 15
TRUDY PATE	<i>[Signature]</i>	5/12/15
KATHERINE ROBINSON	<i>[Signature]</i>	9/12/15
Jarvis Gibson	<i>[Signature]</i>	9 / 12 / 15
Liz [unclear]	<i>[Signature]</i>	10 / 12 / 2015
Hannah Lloyd-Deely	<i>[Signature]</i>	10 / 12 / 2015
DENMARK	TOTALY	
RESIDENT	OPPOSE !!	

X Sarah Dawson
X resident

Totally oppose this
 mandate !!



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Sydney	Sydney	12/12/15
Marie Stensan	Marie Stensan	12/12/15
Naedie	Naedie	12/12/15
Chloe	Chloe	12/12/15
Nanah	Nanah	12/12/15
Val. Lang	Val. Lang	12/12/15
John Saunders	John Saunders	12/12/15
Rann ANDERSSON	Rann ANDERSSON	12/12/15
Kate McEae	Kate McEae	12/12/15
Fiona Williamson	Fiona Williamson	12/12/15
BRETT MONTGOMERY	BRETT MONTGOMERY	12/12/15
Tennille Pooley	Tennille Pooley	12/12/15
Gaz Pooley	Gaz Pooley	12/12/15
Christina Cairns	Christina Cairns	12/12/15
Hazel Blake	Hazel Blake	12/12/15
Rachel Pontin	Rachel Pontin	12/12/15
Tony Docherty	Tony Docherty	12/12/15
Alexandra Chase	Alexandra Chase	12/12/15
Lachlan Ross	Lachlan Ross	12/12/15
Louis Vier	Louis Vier	12/12/15
Hugo Faulkner	H. Faulkner	12/12/15
Imogen Pooley	Imogen Pooley	12/12/15
Charlie Pooley	Charlie Pooley	12/12/15
Kristi McMullan	Kristi McMullan	12/12/15
Maggie Hayton	M. Hayton	12/12/15



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Bonb Piercey	B Piercey	12/12/15
Erika Meijbaum	Erika Meijbaum	12/12/15
Nadene Phipps	N Phipps	12.12.15
Jill Mounsher	Jill Mounsher	12.12.15
MIGUEL PEZ	Muller	12.12.15
Douglas Lawson	Douglas	12-12-15
ROSIE REDDIE	R Reddie	12-12-15
Joel	Joel	12-12-15
RHYS	Rhys	12-12-15
KATHY PARIN	K Parin	12.12.15
Cathie Denery	C Denery	12.12.15
Sabriel Dendry-Engledow	D	12/12/15
SHADI KHORRAVIANI	S Shadi	12/12/15
SHERIN KHOSRAVIANI	S Sherin	12/12/15
MARIONA DORRBOON	M Dorroon	12/12/15
Sarah Russens	S Russens	12/12/15
Shae Marten		
Jane Matthews	J Matthews	12.12.15
Ellen C.C.	E C.C.	12.12.15
Kama B		12.12.15
Narelle O'Brien	N O'Brien	12.12.15
irmah Sain	I Sain	12/12/15
Katie White	K White	12/12/15
SARA GUNNING	S Gunning	12-12-15



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Angela TULLER	A. Tuller	12/12/15
Evelyn McMullan	Evelyn	12.12.15
Shakira	Shakira	12-12-15
Bryghem	Bryghem	12-12-15
Danielle Tuller	Duller	12/12/15
ANKE SEIDLITZ	AS	12/12/15
KRISTEN EMERY	Kristen	12.12.15
Andrew Dickinson	Andrew	12-12-15
ANDREW TULLER	A. Tuller	12/12/15
Stella Brogmus-Thompson	Stella	12/12/15
Keeta Brogmus	Keeta	12/12/15
Ethan Edwards	Epe	12/12/15
Lucia Edwards	Lucia	12/12/15
Sonia Edwards	Sonia	12/12/15
Sky Broadhurst	Sky	12/12/15
JULIAN CESTER	Julian	12/12/15
Waltham Blye	Waltham	12/12/15
Jess Decker	Jess	12/12/15
JENNY BARRETT	Jenny	12/12/15
J. BARRETT	J. Barrett	12/12/15
Anni Styl	Anni	12/12/15
Aron Schöffer	Aron	12/12/15
ARCHIE RYAN	Archie	12/12/2015
Jaspa Cargill Fletcher	Jaspa	12/12/15
Lumari McGuinness	L. McGuinness	12/12/15



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Jamie Kiddle	<i>[Signature]</i>	2-1-16
Andrew Armstrong	<i>[Signature]</i>	2-1-16
Susie Brown	<i>[Signature]</i>	2-1-16
Sarah		2-1-16
Jai & A	<i>[Signature]</i>	2-1-16
Rebecca Sky	<i>[Signature]</i>	21-16
Rebecca	<i>[Signature]</i>	2-1-16
Andrew Groom	<i>[Signature]</i>	2-1-16
Anne Jones	<i>[Signature]</i>	2-1-16
Lynden Hughes	<i>[Signature]</i>	2-1-16
Jodi Fotios	<i>[Signature]</i>	2/1/2016
Gwen Sutherland	<i>[Signature]</i>	2/1/2016
Jacquie Walker	<i>[Signature]</i>	2/1/2016
Nobby Thompson	<i>[Signature]</i>	2/1/2016
Brychan Dickinson	<i>[Signature]</i>	2/1/2016
Tonya Garin	<i>[Signature]</i>	2/1/2016
Jason Curdall	<i>[Signature]</i>	2/1/2016
Andrea Butler	<i>[Signature]</i>	2/1/2016



"Luscious" Jagan

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Guy House	[Signature]	30/11/15
MITLE SONTHEY	[Signature]	30/11/15
Simon [unclear]	[Signature]	30/11/15
Katrina Hithersay	[Signature]	30/11/15
Narie LITONBIN	[Signature]	30/11/15
Libby Foster	[Signature]	30/11/15
Carmel Appleby	[Signature]	1/12/15
Sabine Sommerhalder	[Signature]	1/12/15
PAUL ROBERTSON	[Signature]	1/12/15
Iveta Teague Robertson	[Signature]	1/12/15
Steph Tchan	[Signature]	1/12/15
Rohan Macdonald	[Signature]	1/12/15
Melissa Palmer	[Signature]	2/12/15
MICHAEL THORWHILL	[Signature]	2/12/15
BRAD WOODRUFF	[Signature]	2/12/15
SIMON SHEPHERD	[Signature]	2/12/15
TARVIN SMILES	[Signature]	4/12/15
Bianca Swart	[Signature]	5/12/15
Paul Nelson	[Signature]	5/12/15
Danielle Johnson	[Signature]	5/12/15
Emma Lloyd	[Signature]	3/12/15
Richard Dunn	[Signature]	7-12-15
Shera Booth	[Signature]	7.12.15
LOUISE CATO	[Signature]	7.12.15
Verence Steed	[Signature]	7/12/15

Name	Signature	Date
THEVA INDRASENAN	[Signature]	8/12/15



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Name	Signature	Date
Kate van Hylssen	Katerull	02.01.16
JESSE LEE	Jessica Lee	02/01/16
Jill Wilkman	Jill Wilkman	02/12/16
CONRAD (Cultural inclusion lover) MACLEAN	con	2/1/16
BENNI BURNAY	Benni Burnay	2/1/16
Joanne Sragelli	Joanne Sragelli	2/1/16
Kevin Jones	Kevin Jones	2/1/16
TIM MASON	Tim Mason	2/1/16
FELICITY HENDERSON	Felicity Henderson	2-1-16
Samantha Hillier	Samantha Hillier	2/1/16
Coslyn Williams	Coslyn Williams	2/1/16
Freda Thilley	Freda Thilley	2/1/16
Dhanhana Sivapathnam	Dhanhana Sivapathnam	2/1/16
Alissa de Souza	Alissa de Souza	02/01/16
Jane Claessens	Jane Claessens	2/1/16
Nic Duncan	Nic Duncan	2/1/16
Steve WONDER	Steve Wonder	2/1/16
Rickard Duss	Rickard Duss	2/1/16
Meg Montague	Meg Montague	2/1/16
Nelle Montague	Nelle Montague	2/1/16
Margie Briggs	Margie Briggs	2/1/16
Wesley Briggs	Wesley Briggs	2/1/16
Nel Struik	Nel Struik	2-1-16
RONA CHADWICK	ARNADACE WA 6112	2-1-16
Annie Jackson	Annie Jackson	2/1/16



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Miranda Miller	REMITTED	2/01/16
KRISTE ELLIOTT	REMITTED	2/01/16
Deborah Durr	Durr	02/01/16
EVELYN FARRIS	[Signature]	02/01/16
Rachael Py	Rachael Py	02/01/16
Carlyn Edwards	[Signature]	02/01/2016
Hannah Walker	[Signature]	02/01/2016
LAWRENCE EMERY	[Signature]	02/01/2016
Edwina Squire	[Signature]	2/1/16
CHARLES MACLEAN	Charles Maclean	2/1/16
KEVIN NEIL WOOD	[Signature]	2/1/16
Alanna Ward	Alanna Ward	2/1/16
Natasha Fulford	[Signature]	2/1/16
Mariëke de Vries	[Signature]	2/1/2016
My Logan	My Logan	2/1/2016
J. Benjamin	J. Benjamin	2/1/2016
Gwyneth Checketts	Gwyneth Checketts	2/1/2016
Paul King	Paul King	2/1/16
CARMEL WEMM	[Signature]	2/1/16
Kerry Townsend	[Signature]	2/1/16
Carmen Weneley	Carmen Weneley	2/1/16
Jacly Fredericks	Jacly Fredericks	2/1/16
Lisa Wilson	[Signature]	2.1.16
Chloe Hales	[Signature]	2.1.16
Carli Breur	CBreur	2/01/16

Chief Executive Officer

Sarah Dawson

Denmark Shire Western Australia

C/O Bow Bridge P.O. 6333

4/2/2016

Dear Annette Harbron or 'new CEO?

I am writing to convey to you the results of the recent survey I undertook independently in the Denmark region. It was an enquiring into the 'refugee welcome zone' proposal, put forward by the Refugee Council of Australia.

I distributed 1000 surveys through various random means such as; mail box, poster, canvassing in the street, asking for business to either advertise or participate, and email was also used after the fact of being contacted because of mail or other, bush telegraph...and so on.

I would like you to share/present the results please to the Councillors at the next Pre Council meeting that address the 'refugee welcome zone', next week.

I will be dropping off the folder with the results on Friday morning.

This project has been very interesting and very rewarding. I have been fascinated to learn of the political will of this region, albeit somewhat, under interesting circumstances.

I will have accompanying the folder with the survey results, a statutory declaration, stating the honesty of the process and data.

I spent a long time counting, when audited I think one should allow for a slight discrepancy, it was a mind boggling task, that I ended getting assistance with after headaching...

Please could you respond in written form to my enquiry.

I thank Your for your time.

Sincerely

Sarah Dawson

SURVEY OF 'REFUGEE WELCOME ZONE' AWARENESS

RESULTS: IN DENMARK REGION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

1. WERE YOU AWARE OF THE PROPOSED 'REFUGEE WELCOME ZONE'?	Yes: 75 No:177
2. WERE YOU AWARE THAT YOU CAN VOTE ON THIS PROPOSAL?	Yes: 36 No:219
3. WERE YOU AWARE THAT SHIRE HAS AN ONLINE SURVEY? Do not know:1	Yes:38 No:203
4. WERE YOU AWARE OF THE JAN 5 2016 CLOSING DATE FOR VOTING ON 'REFUGEE WELCOME ZONE'? Do not know:1	Yes: 22 No: 213
5. DO YOU KNOW THE MEANING OF 'REFUGEE WELCOME ZONE'? Other description: 4	Yes:71 No:166
6. DO YOU WANT MORE TIME/ INFORMATION TO UNDERSTAND THE MANDATE AND ITS MEANING/IMPLICATIONS HERE FOR DENMARK PEOPLE? Do not know: 2 Other description:1	Yes: 199 No: 54
7. DO YOU WANT A REFERENDUM INTO THE 'REFUGEE WELCOME ZONE' MANDATE? Do not know: 9 Other description: 3	Yes: 165 No: 59
8. DO YOU WANT THIS ISSUE TO BE DISCUSSED IN PARLIAMENT FOR QUESTION TIME IN FEBRUARY 2016? Other description: 2 Do not know: 3	Yes: 202 No: 33
9. HAVE YOU READ THE PROPOSAL FOR THE 'REFUGEE WELCOME ZONE' AT THE SHIRE OF DENMARK? Other description: 2	Yes: 25 No: 215
10. DO YOU WANT A HALT ON THE CREATION OF A 'REFUGEE WELCOME ZONE' IN DENMARK. UNTIL THERE IS GREATER TRANSPARENCY AROUND THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN INTERNATIONAL LAW, LOBBY GROUPS AND LOCAL GOVERNANCE? Other description: 6 Do not know: 15	Yes: 190 No: 30
11. DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE LOBBY GROUP 'THE REFUGEE COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA'? Other description: 5 Do not know: 5	Yes: 15 No: 217
12. DO YOU WANT DENMARK TO BECOME A 'REFUGEE WELCOME ZONE'? Other description: 15 Do not know: 49	yes: 38 No: 137