



One Page Checklist for Hosts

Stage 1: You are thinking about hosting

- Find out about [what is involved](#) and discuss it with others in your household
- Find Government advice [here](#) and lots of other helpful info and videos [here](#)

Stage 2: You have decided you want to host

- Register for our local [matching service](#)
- We will work to put you in touch with a [possible match](#) & you can both decide if it feels right
- Apply for visas: we can provide [guidance](#) and support
- Keep in touch with your guests and keep them informed. Invite them to the [Guests WhatsApp](#)
- Follow up: if there are any problems, we can [chase the application for you](#)

Stage 3: The visas are granted

- Talk to your guests about travel arrangements and anything they may need when they arrive.
- Let us know [what you need](#) (SIM card, Foodbank items, clothing, etc)
- [Prepare yourselves](#) and [your home](#) for your guests' arrival (and get the [certificate!](#))

Stage 4: Your guests arrive

- If you cannot meet them, please let us know and we will try to find a volunteer to meet them.
- Help them settle in – read [this advice](#).

Stage 5: Helping them get organised in priority order

- Set up a bank account. [Ringwood High Street](#) (e.g. [NatWest](#)) banks are helpful but take many days to create the account. [Revolut](#) and [Monzo](#) are fast. Some have set up High St and online accounts.
- Let [HCC](#) know that your guests have arrived (they get £200 per person when HCC visit)
- Contact [Red Cross](#) on 08081 963651 (10am-6pm) for £50 support pp within 14 days and other help
- Apply for [Universal Credit](#)
- Visit the [Job Centre](#) who can provide lots of advice and support. They have access to translators and can help you to apply for a [National Insurance number](#) and [Child Benefit](#) at the same time.
- If applicable, apply for [School places](#)
- Register [with a GP](#)
- Talk to your guests about how your house works, their expectations and yours

Stage 6: Going forwards

- If required, organise the next [Foodbank](#) collection
- If required, book Covid-19 [vaccinations](#)
- Signpost trauma support, for example [Sane Ukraine](#) or [Thrive LDN](#)
- Apply for the [3-year visa](#) (important: stay within the Ukraine Scheme). Choose the second Southampton option for the closest to Ringwood and check early to see available appointments.
- If required, register for an [HMRC account](#) (to check taxes)
- [Citizens' Advice](#) can provide useful information on benefits and other matters
- Duolingo offers free online courses for [English speakers to learn Ukrainian](#) – go for it!
- Help your guests to sign up to the relevant groups in Ringwood including Ukrainian Connections, the Work in Ringwood WhatsApp group and the Learning English group.
- Keep learning - Hampshire libraries are offering [lots of fascinating e-books about Ukraine](#)

Please [let us know](#) if you discover something we have missed. We are all learning!

For lots more information go to www.loveukraineringwood.co.uk and our [Facebook](#) page.