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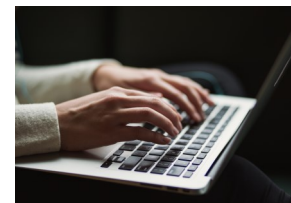
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## EAST MIDLANDS COUNCILS ANNUAL REPORT

Following last week's East Midlands Councils AGM, we are excited to launch our 22/23 Annual Report, which is a summary of our work over the past 12 months and enables us to account to our membership for what we have done on your behalf in meeting your agreed priorities.

The annual report can be viewed here:

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## WE'RE HIRING

**Resettlement Policy Officer – x2 roles**

**Grade H (£36,298 - £38,296) pay award pending**

**37 hours per week**

This is an exciting opportunity to assist with the co-ordination of the East Midlands Strategic Migration Partnership on migration issues including the regional coordination Asylum and Refugee Resettlement Schemes.

The work involved with this important and high-profile programme will include working with local authorities to encourage participation, coordinating arrivals and supporting integration.

The ideal person will have experience of working within a local authority, partner regional agency or equivalent organisation, including responsibility for policy development, advocacy and partnership working.

**CLOSING DATE: FRIDAY 11 AUGUST 2023**

For more information and how to apply, visit:

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## CYBER SECURITY – STAY SAFE ONLINE!

### WORKSHOP FOR COUNCILLORS IN THE EAST MIDLANDS

East Midlands Councils, working collaboratively with the East Midlands Special Operations Unit (EMSOU), is hosting a free webinar for Councillors on cyber security.

Cyber Security is the protection of your hardware, software and data from unauthorised access and cyber-attacks. We recognise the value and responsibility you bring to our communities as a councillor, with this in mind we want to ensure that you have strong cyber security protection available to you.

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### HS2 EAST—TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Department for Transport has released the terms of reference for HS2 East.

This followed the release of a report which was backed by leaders across the North and the Midlands detailing how their cities, towns and communities can be better connected by rail, and at a reduced cost compared to the original HS2 proposals for the east of the country.

The report was commissioned by the HS2 East group, which includes EMC, and identifies a three-phase process to deliver better connections between the North East, Leeds, Sheffield, the East Midlands, Birmingham and London.

The three phases incrementally build on the proposals within the government's Integrated Rail Plan published in November 2021 by offering much-improved inter-city and inter-regional connectivity.

Read the full report:

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Read the Terms of reference:

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### AFGHAN RESETTLEMENT RE-HOUSING SUPPORT

Speaking in Parliament this week, the Minister for Veterans' Affairs, Rt Hon Johnny Mercer MP, asked councils to make use of the government's £285 million package of re-housing support to help resettled Afghans find settled accommodation.

Landlords have also been asked to support the resettlement scheme and encouraged to offer accommodation through their local council or via the updated Afghanistan housing portal.

Afghans currently living in bridging accommodation are entitled to a range of support to find settled accommodation and have indefinite leave to remain, the right to work, access to healthcare, and recourse to public funds.

The £285 million funding package includes additional funding for councils, equivalent to £7100 per person, and flexibility to decide where money is needed and spent in their area.

### EMC Leadership

Chair: Cllr Martin Hill OBE

Vice Chair: Cllr Sarah Russell

Vice Chair: Cllr Tricia Gilby

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