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Dear Carolyn,

**Re: Oldham Council Resolution – Refugee Crisis**

I fully support this motion.

The motion rightly states that given continuing conflicts in the Middle East and Africa, Oldham has rightly provided sanctuary and support for asylum seekers.

The motion also notes that they have been supported by a network of commendable Oldham based community organisations.

The Labour party is fully committed to providing more support for refugees, including ending the indefinite detention of people in the asylum and immigration system and also ensuring Britain continues its proud history of providing refuge for those fleeing persecution by upholding our international obligations, including working with the UN to support vulnerable refugees from Syria.

As the member of parliament for Oldham West and Royton, I welcome the hard work by local groups and individuals in Oldham in supporting refugees and will also seek to raise some of the matters mentioned in the motion with the Government

Yours sincerely

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