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Dear Lewis Brackpool

Freedom of Information Request:

Thank you for your email of 8 July 2025, which we have included as Annex A.

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Please find the responses to your questions included in Annex B.

If you are dissatisfied with this response, you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to foirequests@homeoffice.gov.uk, quoting **reference FOI2025/09191**. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

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Yours sincerely

Migration and Borders Group

ANNEX A

Thank you for your response to FOI2025/08248. To bring the request within the cost limit, I would like to refine it as follows:

Please provide:

- 1. A list of NGOs or charities that have been formally engaged by the Home Office in relation to asylum accommodation policy between 2020 and 2024.
- 2. For each organisation, please indicate the nature of the engagement (e.g. consultation, funding, delivery partner, MOU) and the years of involvement.

 I am not requesting detailed correspondence or raw documents—only a structured list of organisations, engagement types, and years.

ANNEX B

Based on the information you provided, here is a structured list of Non-Government Organisations and charities that were formally engaged by the Home Office in relation to asylum accommodation policies between 2020 and 2024, including the type of engagement and years of involvement:

NGO & Charity Engagement with the Home Office (2020–2024)

Organisation	Type of Engagement	Years of Involvement
Micro Rainbow	Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings	2020–2024
NACCOM	Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings	2020–2024
British Red Cross	Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings	2020–2024
Refugee Action	Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings	2020–2024
Asylum Matters	Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings	2020–2024
Scottish Refugee Council	Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings	2020–2024
Refugee Council	Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings	2020–2024
ASAP (Asylum Support Appeals Project)	Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings; Cochairing roles in some meetings	2020–2024
Freedom from Torture	Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings	2020–2024
Rainbow Migration	Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings	2020–2024
Helen Bamber Foundation	Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings	2020–2024
Migrant Help	Delivery partner (AIRE services); Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings	2020–2024
ILPA	Consultation via NASF/SEG meetings	2020–2024
UNHCR	Strategic consultation and policy advisory role via NASF	2020–2024

- All organisations listed were engaged formally through meetings of the National Asylum Stakeholder Forum (NASF) and its Strategic Engagement Groups (SEG), for matters in relation to relation to asylum accommodation policy.
- Engagement was primarily sharing of information, with some organisations (e.g. Migrant Help) also acting as delivery partners.
- The NASF and SEG meetings are quarterly, co-chaired by Home Office officials and NGO representatives.