

English for Speakers of Other Languages ('ESOL')

There are a number of possible routes for accessing ESOL support or classes for refugees and asylum seekers in Hertfordshire.

- The Refugee Council has produced a useful directory of ESOL offers across Hertfordshire: <u>HERTS ESOL PROVISION.</u>
- Please look at the list of organisations in the <u>Local Referral Pathways</u> section of this booklet which include several offering a range of English language support from informal conversation groups to certified ESOL classes.
- Residents may also be eligible for free ESOL classes from <u>Step2Skills</u> <u>Hertfordshire</u>. Phone 01992 556194 or email <u>step2skills@hertfordshire.gov.uk</u> to enquire about eligibility for any of their ESOL classes. In general asylum seekers who have been in the UK for at least six months and anyone with refugee status is eligible to attend Step2Skills classes.
- Community Action Dacorum run a number of ESOL courses in different places across the county (in-person) and virtual <u>Home - Community Action</u> <u>Dacorum</u>
- Support from the East of England Strategic Migration Partnership East of England Employability Projects.