



Furness Refugee Support

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A cul-de-sac of sanctuary,
Furness is a welcoming mix of communities
with a melting pot of dialect and language.
Grow, building bridges and felling barriers
Capital of blue collar Britain
Shaking with the beat beat beat of industry,
A Vale of Night Sheds,
Winding winds and wide open skies
Restoring tranquility

-A poem written by residents and friends of Furness
Refugee Support (March 2018)

دعم اللاجئين في منطقة فورتيس

في إرتقبا ملاذ منطقة فورتيس، مرسية لختلف الثقافات
أو خلط من المجتمعات، اللغات و اللهجات معاً لتتم،
ليني الجسور ونهدم العواجز أهي عاصمة العمال أ
ترج مع صوت المصانع أهي وادي النباتات البرية أ
الرياح اللووية وسماها المقتربة أ تستعيد الهدوء

شعر من تأليف أعضاء رشتلوج في مدينة دعم اللاجئين في
فورتيس أمار 2018 - ديسمبر

A Practice of Welcome Signal Film and Media, Barrow-in-Furness

Oct 2017 — Feb 2018 **EIMaArt, Samra Mayanja +FRS**

A Practice of Welcome is a two-part project in collaboration with artist **Samra Mayanja** and **Furness Refugee Support** which included the creation of an installation questioning the materiality of hospitality in relation to migration, and a live performance piece poetry writing website building (see above image). Local residents and organization FRS (Furness Refugee Support) members all worked together to create poetry, and build a site with local knowledge and information. As the home to BAE systems, the UK's arms and submarine company, and the location of settlement for uk schemes granting refugee status, the FRS formed as a skill and resource sharing platforms for community members (both new and old) and as a critical alternative to the negative narrative of both Barrow-in-Furness and migrants as seen in the media. Please see the site and their work at <https://furnessrefugeesupport.co.uk/>

Poem reads;

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