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A NEW one-stop shop service will be set up for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in hubs around the country.

The Government wants to make it easier for people fleeing Mad Vlad's invasion.

Some 34,561 Ukrainians have travelled to Ireland to escape the war. Currently, refugees must come to Dublin to register with Immigration Services where they are given a PPS number and access to State supports.

Most are arriving into Ireland through Dublin Airport. But a rising number are arriving via other routes like Rosslare Port.

A reception area has been set up in the Co Wexford port for refugees, with support hubs also in Limerick and Cork. Ministers yesterday signed off on a plan to give regional hubs more power to register refugees rather than making them come to the capital.

Justice Minister Helen McEntee brought legislation to Cabinet yesterday which she hopes will pass through the Houses of the Oireachtas in the coming weeks.

It comes after Ukraine football manager Oleksandr Petrakov praised Ireland for the hospitality shown to refugees. Speaking after thousands of Ukrainians now based here watch his side beat Ireland 1-0 at Dublin's Aviva Stadium on Wednesday, he said: "You guys took in our women and children who were risking their lives leaving Ukraine, and I want to extend my gratitude to the whole of Ireland.

"They're still longing to go back to Ukraine but we made them a little happier tonight and that is the main thing in my view." Sentenced to Death by Russia - Page 25

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New legislation ... McEntee

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***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** had to sleep on the floor at Dublin Airport as the State's run out of emergency housing.

A tent town built at Gormanstown Barracks, in Co Meath, will open on Monday to put up arrivals.

The Defence Forces-built site can accommodate 350 people.

Government leaders yesterday held an emergency meeting to discuss new measures to house refugees arriving in Ireland.

A temporary accommodation centre for people fleeing war was set up at Dublin's Citywest Hotel earlier this year.

However, 250 Ukrainians had to kip on the airport floor this week as Citywest is now full. Ministers last night confirmed that over 160 of these had been transferred out of the airport.

Some 41,000 people have come to Ireland from Ukraine since the Russian invasion began in February. Of those, 30,000 sought accommodation assistance from the State.

And in recent weeks, Ireland has seen a dramatic increase in the numbers seeking refuge here from countries other than

Ukraine. In 2021, 2,648 arrivals sought international protection at the border, compared with 7,080 arrivals so far this year.

Taoiseach Micheal Martin yesterday blamed the UK's "shocking" plan to deport some migrants to Rwanda for a surge of arrivals.

He said: "Clearly it may have motivated people utilising the common travel area to come into the Republic."

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Camping out . . Army tent town

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***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** coming to Ireland this year will have to go through training and skills supports to help them get a job, The Irish Sun can reveal.

Minister for Social Protection Heather Humphreys will today bring legislation to the Cabinet outlining new requirements for Ukrainians who come to Ireland to escape the war with Russia.

The new laws will give effect to the Government's decision to reduce social welfare payments for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** from the current (EURO)232 per week down to (EURO)38.80 per week.

However, the legislation will also include a new requirement that ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** receiving welfare must engage with the Department of Social Protection to receive training or skills supports to help them get a job.

It is likely that this could include English language classes and other specific skills training to bring them into the workforce.

The legislation is expected to go before the Dail next week when TDs return from their winter break.

Sources told The Irish Sun that the legislation is likely to be passed by the end of the month, which would bring into effect these changes for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Meanwhile, at the first Cabinet meeting of 2024 today, Health Minister Stephen Donnelly will tell his colleagues the health service is winning the war on waiting lists.

The Fianna Fail TD will brief Ministers on 2023's progress when it comes to cutting the time that people are waiting for medical care in Ireland. The number waiting between ten and 12 weeks for a procedure or appointment fell by 11 per cent last year - just above the Government's ten per cent target.

Some 1.74million people were removed from waiting lists for healthcare last year - 177,000 more than were removed in 2022.

A source told The Irish Sun: "These figures show that there has been a 27 per cent reduction in the number of people waiting longer than ten to 12 weeks since the peak during Covid-19.

"At the same time, the number of people attending outpatient appointments last year was eight per cent higher than the HSE predicted."

**Graphic**

New legislation . . Humphreys

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WOMEN who fled the war in Ukraine are counting their blessings - after landing top banking jobs.

Thousands of refugees came to Scotland from the war-torn country, but a third struggled to find work, with many highly skilled people turned down for shelf-stacking roles.

Now a tech pilot, run by The Royal Bank of Scotland, has helped those who have been displaced develop the tools they need to start successful new careers.

And they are calling for more firms to offer lifelines to the skilled workers who need them most.

The bank launched its Women in Tech programme a year ago, delivering free training to folk who settled in Scotland due to the fighting.

Through it, nine women have now secured full-time positions at its Edinburgh HQ.

Kateryna Losyeva, 37, was a teacher back home and wanted to create a better life for her daughter, 10. But she was knocked back for a number of shop jobs before she took part in the pilot.

She said: "Maybe it was fate as I've always been attracted to the tech field.

"Not long before the war I found the courage to seek re-skilling opportunities in Ukraine.

"The war erased all my dreams and what I was working for. At that time I wasn't thinking about my future career, it was about safety.

"Everyone keeps saying we are so brave and hardworking but you need an opportunity.

"A lot of people in Ukraine have skills, higher education and lots 'Maybe was fate of experience. "So it could be useful for both sides to have these shared experiences."

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The pilot is being delivered in a link-up with training organisation Code First Girls, jobs strategist Capital City Partnership, innovation centre Data Lab, and Equate, which promotes women in the workplace.

Nearly 30,000 displaced Ukrainians have arrived in the UK with a Scots sponsor since the war broke out. Many held prestigious jobs in their homeland and studied for years to reach the top of their field.

But some qualifications aren't recognised in the UK so they've been forced to leave their areas of expertise and seek jobs they wouldn't have otherwise considered.

Liudmyla Chernick, 35, was a teacher in 'First

Mariupol until her home was hit during one of the early bombings in February 2022. Thankfully Liudmyla,

I cried when we city, we have time before. bombed her husband and 11-year-old son, weren't there when tragedy struck.

One of their neighbours didn't survive the blast as the situation worsened.

Liudmyla said: "This opportunity was just what we needed. In Ukraine we had a wonderful house, beautiful garden, two cars and everything we needed.

"The first time I cried was when we left the city, we literally didn't have time to cry before. They bombed constantly. We were hiding in basements.

time was left the didn't to cry They "We didn't build plans for the future because I didn't feel we had a future."

Liudmyla couldn't continue her teaching career in Scotland and quickly set out to find a different vocation.

She has also called on businesses to follow RBS's example on displaced workers.

She added: "I didn't expect I would succeed as a software engineer. When I started the course it was so difficult but I did it.

"It was easier to make these steps because everything I had was in the past.

"After everything that's happened to us, any boundaries in my head have disappeared.

"Of course we're scared and it's difficult, but it's better to try now than regret not trying later."

Olga Chumak, 45, and her family left Ukraine on the first day of the war when a rocket hit a nearby house.

Thinking they would be back in a few days, they left with just the clothes on their back. Two years on, it still isn't safe return.

But the former accountant, who has a son, 12, can finally see an exciting future.

She said: "This is about moving from darkness to light.

"Scotland was especially attractive for people who watched

Braveheart. We were welcomed very warmly with lots of hospitality.

"But the real question was of what to do next and how to find a job.

"I heard about this amazing programme where the most important thing was desire and to keep growing. "It was an amazing experience and the best course I've ever had in my life."

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"And this programme is a huge gift for refugee women.

It's an opportunity to rebuild your life."

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BRIGHT FUTURE . . Kateryna, Liudmyla and Olga

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PROPOSALS to kick ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** out of State accommodation after three months would only apply to new arrivals in Ireland, the Tanaiste revealed.

It comes as Micheal Martin laid down his "bottom line" in the Cabinet dispute on reducing supports to Ukrainians and declared children must be allowed to stay in Irish schools.

Last week, a row broke out between Cabinet ministers about proposals to reduce supports available to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** coming here to escape the Russian invasion.

Equality Minister Roderic O'Gorman wants to put a three-month limit on housing given to refugees, with the Government also discussing reducing welfare payments.

Proposals to provide Ukrainian children with 'in-house' education within State accommodation has also been discussed.

Earlier this week, The Irish Sun reported on concerns from Ukrainian families living here about the impact cuts to supports would have on their children. Asked about their concerns, Mr Martin ruled out children being denied access to Irish schools.

The Tanaiste has also indicated any three-month time limit on housing for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** would only impact new arrivals here.

Asked about the threemonth housing rule, he told The Irish Sun: "That's not contemplated for those already in accommodation.

"Close to 98,000 now have come into the country and obviously that creates its own challenges.

"The Government will continue to review this and give this consideration."

However, the Fianna Fail leader laid down his "bottom line" in the dispute on cutting back supports to Ukrainian people - kids must be allowed stay in Irish schools.

He told The Irish Sun: "Children coming into the country must always be educated and must always be facilitated in terms of access to schools - that would be a bottom line to me."

The Tanaiste was speaking to The Irish Sun as he reviewed soldiers from the 123rd Infantry Battalion at Kilkenny Castle as they prepare to be deployed to Lebanon for a peacekeeping mission with UNIFIL.

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Desperate ... refugee families

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COPS are probing an arson attack at a Cork school that was being refurbished to house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Three people wearing balaclavas threw petrol bombs at Gaelscoil Ui Riordain in Ballincollig early on Friday morning.

The building has been vacant for over a decade and damage was minor.

Two units from Cork City Fire Brigade attended and a number of small fires were quickly extinguished. Gardai conducted a technical examination at the scene yesterday and their probe is ongoing.

The incident happened days after work had begun to refurbish the former gaelscoil in preparation for the arrival of around 100 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** there.

Speaking in Cork, Tanaiste Micheal Martin said: "Anybody who commits crime or arson, the full rigours of the law should be applied."

But he said there were a far greater number of positive stories about how society and communities in Ireland responded to the plight of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. He added: "I witness it up and down the country as I go to various communities.

"[But] there is an element on the far-right who are stoking up unacceptable racist rhetoric and making very false accusations against people, not just in terms of the context of Ukraine but also in the context of those seeking asylum in this country, young males in particular."

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Probe ... Garda patrol car at the scene

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IRELAND has reached capacity on how many ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** can be housed here - as Government plans to reduce supports available for people fleeing the war, Taoiseach Leo Varadkar revealed.

Equality Minister Roderic O'Gorman outlined proposals to limit accommodation given to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** to just three months on Tuesday.

But Tanaiste Micheal Martin and Housing Minister Darragh O'Brien were concerned about the impact this move would have on Ireland's already difficult housing crisis and on Ukrainian kids not having access to [*www.schools.No*](http://www.schools.No) decision has been made on the proposals, with ministers asked to continue to work on plans which may be brought forward as soon as next week.

The Taoiseach yesterday told the Dail Ireland has welcomed 100,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** since the war began, causing serious challenges for the State.

Leo claimed Ireland has reached its capacity of how many Ukrainian people can be supported, as he warned we would not be able to cope with another 30,000 to 50,000 people who are predicted to come here. While he said that taking in 100,000 Ukrainians fleeing war "is something that we should be proud of," he added it is "increasingly apparent" that "there is a limit on our capacity and we're very much at that at the moment".

Varadkar said: "We just don't know whether we'll be in a position to provide accommodation and all those additional supports for another 30,000 to 50,000 people if that number arrived over the course of the next year - and based on current numbers it wouldn't be far off that."

The Taoiseach yesterday warned there has been a rise in Ukrainian people who are living safely in other EU countries moving to Ireland - some of which he claimed are coming here because Ireland has a "better offering".

As a result, ministers plan to reassess the supports available to Ukrainian people in Ireland, such as housing, health, education and social welfare payments, with a view to bringing them in line with other European countries.

Minister of State Jack Chambers told The Irish Sun: "We have to make sure our approach is sustainable and can be managed into the medium term as the war continues.

"It's trying to strike a balance from an accommodation perspective but also examining other areas like social protection to make sure the overall response is comprehensive."

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Limits ... Chambers and Varadkar, right

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[*LEO PLEDGES NEW REFUGEE SUPPORTS; DAIL IMMIGRATION DEBATE Roscrea protest worry*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6B47-0WY1-DYTY-C103-00000-00&context=1519360)

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NEW supports will be extended to Kerry, Donegal and eight other areas which have taken in the most refugees, Leo Varadkar has revealed.

It comes as Government is looking to buy a hotel in Roscrea after protests over asylum seekers being housed in another Tipperary hotel.

Kerry is currently home to over 8,000 people from Ukraine and asylum seekers.

Donegal has welcomed almost 7,000, and south Dublin and Dublin city just under 5,000 each.

It emerged last night that the Government is to consider using state funds to buy a hotel in Roscrea to appease protesting locals angry about asylum seekers being moved into the Racket Hall Hotel.

Fianna Fail TD Jackie Cahill said he received "buy-in" for the idea from Government leaders yesterday. He explained: "The Taoiseach and Tanaiste have said they are open to examining which funds could be used to buy Grant's Hotel in the centre of town to be run as a community facility for functions."

Meanwhile, Taoiseach Varadkar yesterday asked Cabinet Ministers to put together new supports to help areas in the country that have taken in the most ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** and asylum seekers in recent years Following further protests outside Racket Hall Hotel in Roscrea yesterday, the Taoiseach said he understands people there feel they've taken in their fair share of refugees - with two accommodation centres already operating there.

He said: "One of the things we're going to do at Cabinet is ask all Ministers to come together to take the ten districts in the country that have the highest proportion of people from Ukraine and people seeking international protection and put together a special package to help those areas under pressure."

Figures provided to The Irish Sun show Kerry, Donegal and Dublin have taken in the most ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** and asylum seekers.

Cork County has taken in the fifth most refugees with 4,815 followed by Clare with 4,507 and Mayo with 4,156.

**Graphic**

Tension . . protest and, right, Leo

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THE number of Ukrainians living in Ireland has dropped by around 25,000, the latest Government data shows.

Ministers have been told they have either returned home, despite the war with Russia, or moved on to other countries.

Just under 107,000 Ukrainians came here and claimed temporary protection when Vladimir Putin's army invaded in 2022.

But, as of May 19, 45,000 are in State-serviced accommodation, such as hotels and B&Bs.

This number has fallen from 60,000 only last September. Around 8,000 Ukrainian people currently live in homes pledged and provided by the public. Their rooms are paid for by the State.

Since March, new arrivals from Ukraine have to stay in designated accommodation centres and there are currently 6,000 there. This means 65,500 are accounted for in State-provided or pledged accommodation.

The remaining 41,000 who originally arrived are classed by the Government as "category unknown".

These have either returned home, gone to another country or are staying in privately sourced accommodation.

Previous Central Statistics Office data from late last year estimated that only 78 per cent of PPS numbers which were given to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** were active, a clear indication that many had left Ireland. A Government insider said: "Essentially the numbers of Ukrainians arriving are well down and all the data shows at least 25,000 appear to have moved on since 2022."

Ministers expect the numbers to continue falling after the recent crackdown on Government payments and free accommodation for refugees.

Justice Minister Helen McEntee said the reduction in payments was "to bring everybody in line to make sure those who are here, those who have access to work, those who are available to provide for themselves, that they can provide for themselves".

She added: "That's why these payments are changing."

**Graphic**

Fleeing war ... refugees and McEntee, right

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**Body**

THE bill for housing ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will hit (EURO)1billion within weeks.

New figures reveal the State has so far paid out (EURO)860million, with (EURO)350million spent since the start of this year.

The Department for Integration ? which is responsible for looking after Ukrainians who came here to flee the war ? confirmed most of the money was used to provide accommodation.

It is understood that millions owed to housing providers across the country were paid up last week. In many cases the State was three to five months behind in settling bills.

The Department told The Irish Sun: "This year the Dept has paid out almost (EURO)350million. This has been paid out on a weekly basis rising steadily over time.

"This week and last week the Department paid out a somewhat larger volume of payments than in previous weeks, including a number of very overdue invoices in line with our commitment to prioritise these.

"We are now consistently paying out substantially more than the invoices that are coming in and therefore progressively reducing the payments backlog.

"While payments remain overdue they are now much more likely to be overdue for a shorter period of time, reducing the impact on providers' cash flow. We accept that more needs to be done and we remain committed to the best practice of paying all correct invoices within 30 days.

"The Department has expended over (EURO)860million on Ukraine accommodation and related costs since the invasion of Ukraine and the start of refugee arrivals last year."

The State currently has 800-odd contracts to supply emergency accommodation to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

They currently provide 45,089 bed spaces. But the Department said these deals are renewed on an ongoing basis with dozens expiring in any given month.

Nearly 80,000 Ukrainians currently live in Ireland, recent stats reveal. Around 85 more jet in each day to escape Mad Vlad's war.

Ukrainian troops freed ? Page 15

**Graphic**

Escape ... Ukrainians leave country

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[*SI'S TOUGH TALK 'A BID TO WIN VOTES'; HARRIS IMMIGRATION RAP Govt plans benefit cuts*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6C1K-CJ81-JCBW-N141-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** ADAM HIGGINS

**Body**

TAOISEACH Simon Harris has been accused of hardening the Government stance on immigration in a bid to win votes ahead of the local elections.

It comes as the Cabinet discussed ten new measures to tackle the immigration.

They included slashing welfare benefits, a review of travel from 'safe countries' and increased workplace inspections. More than 7,000 people have applied for international protection in Ireland so far this year, with Government unable to accommodate all of them.

Some 1,780 applicants are currently without State-provided accommodation with many sleeping out in tents.

The Cabinet agreed a number of measures yesterday aimed at increasing the accommodation available for asylum seekers, while also reducing the number of people arriving in Ireland.

As part of this, more ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in Ireland who are availing of weekly social welfare payments worth (EURO)232 will see their benefits reduced to (EURO)38. This move was initially brought in last year for all new arrivals, but it will now be extended to all Ukrainians in Stateprovided accommodation.

This is expected to impact around 27,000 people.

Social Protection Minister Heather Humphreys has also told the Cabinet she will review the payments given to asylum seekers within six weeks to ensure they are in line with other countries.

Justice Minister Helen McEntee is also carrying out a review of countries deemed safe - with a view to speeding up applications from asylum seekers from them. Meanwhile, Minister Roderic O'Gorman is looking to source more State-owned land to build further camps for asylum seekers.

However, Labour leader Ivana Bacik yesterday told The Irish Sun she believes the Taoiseach is hardening up the Government's immigration stance to help his party ahead of next month's local and European elections.

The Dublin TD said: "I am concerned about this apparent hardening in stance. It looks to us like it's being done in advance of an election."

A spokesperson for the Taoiseach last night denied the timing of the new immigration measures had anything to do with the upcoming election.

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Votes row

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[*NEW PLEA TO HELP REFUGEE BED CRISIS; 1,400 FROM UKRAINE A WEEK Govt offering (EURO)135 a night*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:660D-NW31-DYTY-C1X2-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** JASON JOHNSON

**Body**

A SHORTAGE of beds for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** has sparked a Government plea to hotels and guest houses.

It is offering up to (EURO)135 per person a night to those who take them in.

The move - announced on a government website - is designed to ease accommodation pressures.

Some new arrivals have ended up sleeping on floors and chairs while many others are staying in tents.

The call-out for "expressions of interest" comes as Defence Forces continue to examine all options, including buying up additional tents.

Latest figures show more than 43,000 desperate refugees have come to Ireland after fleeing Vladimir Putin's war, launched in February.

Around 1,400 are arriving each week and all the signs are that the numbers will not drop off any time soon.

The Department of Children said it "urgently needs to secure shortterm accommodation and ancillary services" for Ukrainians, advising that "turnkey" options would be best.

It advises via the Government Tenders site that "short-term" means the next six months or longer.

Normal government rules around providing accommodation have been loosened to speed things up.

The site calls for catered and noncatered accommodation which can hold at least 50 residents in double or triple rooms.

Many hotels and B&B's came forward in March to strike deals with the Government when ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** began arriving.

However, most of those contracts are coming to a close in August and it is not clear how many providers will agree to extend.

A Department spokesperson said: "As existing contracts reach capacity and/or expire, the department is continuing to proactively reach out and engage with the market in order to deliver additional capacity."

Department rates point to (EURO)135 paid per night for each single adult on a full-board basis in Dublin. And Tents an additional (EURO)25 would be paid for each additional spouse or child.

The payments are likely to drop for properties outside the capital.

Around 150 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** arrived in Gormanston Army Camp, Co Meath, on Tuesday.

They have been staying in around 40 military tents while more permanent accommodation was sourced.

And further Defence Forces tents have opened at Knockalisheen Direct Provision Centre, Co Clare, to house 100.

Meanwhile, under new rules, non- Ukrainians granted refugee status in other countries will need a visa to enter Ireland.

Justice Minister Helen McEntee said there was "evidence that there may be abuse" of the system.

Gormanston camp

**Graphic**

Tents ... Gormanston camp

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[*Ukraine housing offer cut to 3mths*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6BJC-BV31-DYTY-C10Y-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** GRAINNE NI AODHA

**Body**

NEW Ukrainian arrivals will only be put up in State accommodation for 90 days from today.

The decision was approved at Cabinet in January and legislation was passed last week.

Under the revised plan, ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will be provided with State housing for a maximum of 90 days in Designated Accommodation Centres.

They will also be given food, laundry services and integration support - with their allowance cut from (EURO)232 to (EURO)38.80 per week while in a centre.

But refugees can still access child benefit and other payments if they meet the requirements.

They will also be required to engage with the State's employment service. Once they leave the centres, they will be able to apply for social welfare and must source their own housing.

The Government has confirmed the locations of the first five centres.

The biggest will be in Stradbally, Co Laois, which can accommodate 950 Ukrainians and Punchestown, Co Kildare, where 378 will be put up.

One on Ballyogan Road in Dublin City can house 392 people, Fernbank in Limerick City will have room for 250, and another on Gerald Griffin Street in Cork City can offer beds to 107 people.

Taoiseach Leo Varadkar previously told how the changes were needed as the State runs out of refugee accommodation.

He said: "Ukrainians will remain welcome in Ireland, and those fleeing war, they will remain welcome in Ireland.

"But we are going to have to adjust to what we offer in order to bring it more into line what the western European countries are doing."

Ukrainians already in Ireland are not affected.

**Graphic**

Centre ... Stradbally

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[*Football unites*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65MT-YW71-DYTY-C0GD-00000-00&context=1519360)

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***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** will be in the Aviva Stadium tonight to see their country take on Ireland in the Nations League.

We understand FAI chiefs have handed out 3,500 free tickets to Ukrainian supporters for the clash.

As Russian President Vladimir Putin continues to wage war in their homeland, football is clearly only secondary to the conflict.

But for 90 minutes, the fixture is an opportunity to show solidarity with the Ukrainians who have fled here to escape the murder and mayhem unleashed by Mad Vlad's forces.

The Green Army will no doubt warmly greet the throngs of visitors to Lansdowne Road. It is sure to be an emotional occasion for our new guests - and for many Ireland fans as well.

As a country, we have collectively recoiled in horror at the atrocities being carried out by Russian forces.

Ireland has stepped up to provide assistance to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** arriving here. Thousands are now living within communities across the country.

Tonight is an opportunity to welcome them publicly.

When it comes to the game itself, we will, of course, be rivals on the pitch when the whistle sounds for kick-off. But win, lose or draw, we will remain firm friends long after the match.

The Green Army and the country stands in solidarity with Ukraine.

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[*Refugee fail is UK's shame; Scottish Sun letters The page where you tell Scotland what you think*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:650G-N341-JCBW-N18F-00000-00&context=1519360)

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£50 LETTER

WHAT an amazing moment caught on camera when the first ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** arrived to the sanctuary of Scotland.

The look of glee on that little girl's face said it all, she was clearly overwhelmed with happiness to be safe and sound in the arms of her loving and relieved relatives.

And what a contrast to the pictures coming out of the wartorn country.

I only hope seeing pictures like this will spur Priti Patel, pictured, on to do better. The disastrous UK refugee situation is a massive shame and embarrassment that we will not easily shake.

LORRAINE BROWN Glasgow IT'S easy to knock someone when they're down but in the case of Home Secretary Priti Patel it is well deserved.

Her three years as Home Secretary have been blighted with fundamental errors and bad judgment and her latest debacle when the ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** desperately need help, is simply farcical.

SEAN SPILLANE By email

THE administrative obstacles being faced by ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** trying to enter this country legally are unbelievably harsh.

Perhaps these poor souls would have received a warmer welcome if they had boarded a dinghy in France and landed clandestinely on the south coast of England.

SYLVIA KNOWLES By email

I WAS very disappointed to read that Burger King, KFC and Danone are still operating in Russia.

Money may talk, but there is no possible way it can drown out the screams of the innocent lives still being lost on a daily basis.

I hope they come to their senses and follow in the footsteps of the majority of companies by ceasing to do business in the country as soon as possible.

LUKE CHARLTON By email

SO now we have it, Nicola Sturgeon knows better than the NATO leaders by calling for a no-fly-zone over Ukraine, thus heralding the start of a nuclear war.

Heaven help us if we ever get independence with her in charge.

F.MCPHERSON Elgin

WHY is there hardly any coverage of the Paralympics? Channel 4 shows it early in the morning, but the evening highlights show keeps being cancelled in favour of extended news.

Once again disabled athletes are treated as second-class citizens. PAT SUTTMANN By email

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[*UKRAINE REFUGEE BENEFITS ARE CUT*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:69VJ-2D71-JCBW-N3XC-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** DAVID YOUNG

**Body**

NEW ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** face a cut in benefits, the Cabinet agreed last night. Their weekly payment will be chopped from (EURO)220 a week to just (EURO)38.80 while they are in State-provided housing.

And new arrivals will only be put up for a maximum of 90 days before they have to go it alone.

But Ukrainians will be able to claim the full (EURO)220 in Jobseekers' Allowance once they leave their State accommodation. Ministers signed off on the plans hours after Taoiseach Leo Varadkar told how changes were needed.

He said: "What we offer people fleeing Ukraine in Ireland should be similar to what's offered in other parts of western Europe.

"In most cases in western Europe, people are offered accommodation but not indefinitely. And if you are being provided with accommodation - food, board, lodging, heat, light - by the State, you don't get the full social welfare payment."

But asked if initially offering (EURO)220 a week was a mistake, Leo said: "I really don't think so. We managed to welcome about 100,000 people from Ukraine and I'm proud of the country."

He also said housing could not longer be "indefinitely" provided due to "the numbers that have come here and our own pressures with accommodation".

**Graphic**

Proud of efforts ... Leo

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[*NOT WILD ABOUT SURGE IN REFUGEES; ATLANTIC WAY TOURISM HIT 'Ukrainians cost us (EURO)2M' EXCLUSIVE*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:67KD-NWD1-JCBW-N4P2-00000-00&context=1519360)

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HOUSING Ukraine refugees in a Wild Atlantic Way hotspot will cost the area (EURO)2million a year in lost tourism, local business owners claim.

They say the number of people being settled in Rosses Point, Co Sligo, will double the seaside village's population from 800 to 1,600.

It comes after the Department of Children made a deal to let the Yeats Country Hotel as accommodation for 300 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

A number of other buildings in the area are also being used to house refugees, which has incensed local tourism business owners.

In a letter to Tourism Minister Catherine Martin, the Rosses Point Development Association chairman Ros Palmer wrote: "You may be aware that the Yeats Country Hotel in Rosses Point has been let out to accommodate ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

"This together with other properties in the area will double the overall population in the Rosses Point from 800 to 1,600.

"The doubling of the population without any planning will have a significant impact on community services and the local hospitality industry with an estimated loss to the local economy of in excess of (EURO)2million per annum."

In particular, business owners are worried about the lack of hotel accommodation for tourists visiting the area.

He said the group would like to see a plan put in place that would help everybody and could enable refugees to ' integrate into the area. In a separate letter, an unnamed business person warned the Government that the accommodation of refugees was "killing tourism".

In the letter forwarded by Fine Gael's Frank Feighan to Minister Martin, they said: "I am pro-Ukrainian, and in favour of accommodating refugees, but not at the cost of my own business and the livelihoods of my neighbours and other Irish families who depend on the tourism trade."

In a meeting with the Irish Tourism Industry Confederation in December, Minister Martin said she was aware of the knock-on effect that the lack of tourism accommodation could have on businesses.

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**Graphic**

Hotspot . . Rosses Point and Palmer

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[*3.5K REFUGEES TO CHEER ON UKRAINE VS IRELAND*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65MT-YW71-DYTY-C0GB-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

THOUSANDS of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will roar their football team on against Ireland at the Aviva Stadium tonight.

Ukraine take on Stephen Kenny's men on what will be an emotional occasion at Lansdowne Road.

Around 30,000 members of the Green Army are expected to show solidarity with thousands of visitors. The Irish Sun can reveal big-hearted FAI chiefs handed out 3,500 free tickets to Ukrainian supporters hoping to cheer on the away side.

Having originally planned to give away 2,000 complimentary seats, officials were blown away by the demand from fans looking to make the match.

They vowed to liaise with community groups and grass- roots football clubs who have welcomed ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** recently into their communities.

Supporters groups are also aiming to arrive to the venue early to soak up the atmosphere ahead of the evening kick-off.

FAI president Gerry McAnaney recently said: "Football is only secondary to the current situation in Ukraine and the crisis their people are going through but this donation and the allocation of tickets to Ukrainian families now resident in Ireland will, we hope, consolidate our support for the Ukrainian people." The Association will also donate (EURO)100,000 to the Irish Red Cross.

After their narrow defeat to Wales, Ukraine boss Oleksandr Petrakov said: "We have children and women dying, our infrastructure is being ruined.

"The Russians want to hurt us but Ukrainians are resisting and defending their land. We just want your support."

Defiance in the Ruins - See Page 16

**Graphic**

Solidarity ... supporters

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[*LATE CHUCK OUT; Dublin hotel gives Tartan Army boot for refugees*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65NF-X0K1-JCBW-N4VJ-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

THE Tartan Army were chucked out of a Dublin hotel before they even arrived - to make way for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Scotland fans had reservations they made months ago cancelled just days before today's game against Ireland.

The last-minute knockback from the Clifton Court Hotel left them searching frantically for digs elsewhere in the city - with prices shooting up.

One supporter heading for the Nations League tie posted: "We were to stay Friday to Sunday. Just got a message saying it's cancelled due to housing Ukraine refugees. We booked early and now prices are through the roof."

The hotel's message said: "We are really sorry to inform you that your reservation is cancelled. The hotel will be closed from 8th June to accommodate the refugees from Ukraine."

Another fan commented: "They can't cancel this late. That's outrageous. Surely they must find you an alternative?"

Some footsoldiers claimed they got mixed messages from the two-star venue.

One said: "They told me they are closed and they only work with [*www.booking.com*](http://www.booking.com). I booked via

Expedia in December but they said they haven't worked with them since September."

One poster claimed the hotel was "100 per cent getting more money from their government to house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** than a normal booking".

The 30-room site is owned by businessman Michael Fetherston, who bought the K Club golf resort in Kildare in 2020. The hotel was contacted for comment.

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**Graphic**

Booking woe ... fans

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[*REFUGEE HOTELS TO SHUT; HARRIS' NEW MIGRANT PLEDGE 68 Ukrainian centres to close No more cash for asylum tents HOTEL*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6C4C-0RM1-DYTY-C2N7-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

DOZENS of hotels currently housing ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** could soon return to public use, the Taoiseach has said.

The Government won't renew 68 contracts that will "shortly expire" ? as Simon Harris insists we need to move "beyond this emergency response" to migrants.

And the State will stop paying charities to provide asylum seekers with tents. Mr Harris said communities could get their hotels back by the summer.

He said: "We need to stop taking the only hotel in the town and there is some good news in relation to this. In Co Kerry, we've been able to put two hotels that had been used for migration back into use."

He added: "We'll see many hotels and other facilities coming back into the community."

Mr Harris said he had been told people wanted to see a bit of "cop on" in our migrants policy.

He added: "I believe very strongly that Irish people are compassionate. I really believe it. Irish communities have done an incredible job.

"We have taken a number of measures to show people that there's a rules-based system.

"That if you come here and you don't have a right to be here, you're going to find out about that quicker and be asked to leave, that our welfare system is there to support you, but it's never open to abuse."

He also revealed plans to clear the latest tent city by Dublin's Grand Canal later this week.

More than 100 tents were previously removed with metal fences erected to stop people returning.

And Mr Harris insists he wants the barriers gone soon, adding: "I certainly don't want to see a scenario where they become anything like a semi-permanent feature."

He also confirmed the State will stop funding charities for providing tents and sleeping bags to asylum seekers.

He said: "It's not safe and secure for people to be having to pitch tents in public areas without access to sanitation.

"As more State land becomes available, and as we can provide you with safe and secure tented accommodation with access to sanitation, it would then make sense to be directing you there, rather than to be funding a charity to give you a tent that, frankly, can't meet those standards."

**Graphic**

Won't renew deals . . Harris &, left, asylum seekers' tents'Measures' ... Harris

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[*BID TO CUT HOTEL REFUGEE NUMBERS; TALKS TO CHANGE CONTRACT 200 protest over plan*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6BC2-2XM1-DYTY-C195-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

BEHIND-the-scenes talks are taking place with the owners of the D Hotel in Drogheda to see if they will halve the number of refugees due to be housed in the building.

About 200 people turned out in the rain yesterday to protest at the hotel housing 500 asylum seekers.

Locals largely stayed away after being warned by the town's politicians that the march could be hijacked by the far right and the Irish Freedom Party.

Drogheda's three TDs, Fergus O'Dowd, Imelda Munster and Ged

Nash, along with all of the Borough Council members had urged local people to boycott the event. Last night, it emerged new behind-the-scenes efforts are being made to change the contract between the hotel and the Dept of Integration. The public and politicians claim the use of 113 beds in D Hotel for refugees would leave few beds in the town for tourists and business.

Deputy O'Dowd said: "We are taking our fair share and else around the country has to chip in. We can't afford to lose our last hotel, otherwise there is nowhere for visitors to stay in Drogheda."

It is understood that contact is being made with the hotel owner to see if they will reduce the number of migrants they are willing to take by at least half, as happened in other hotels nationwide. This would leave 50-plus rooms for tourists.

Taoiseach Leo Varadkar has been asked to get involved and speak to the Integration Minister Roderic O'Gorman.

The Irish Sun on Sunday has also learned that the Department plans to place 128 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in an old mill being converted in Merchants' Quay, Drogheda, before June this year. Another protest is due to be held later today over the issue.

**Graphic**

Protest ... against migrant plans

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[*OPEN UP THE HE HOME FRONT; UKRAINIANS SEEK SHELTER AS GOVT RUNS UP £20M BILL told: Ease red tape for refugees lAid appeal as 405 hotel rooms unused*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6764-72G1-DYTY-C4TH-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

NATS chiefs were last night urged to relax red tape and open more homes to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** - amid claims the party is wasting millions on hotels.

Scots Lib Dem chief Alex Cole-Hamilton demanded asylum seekers fleeing miseries including the Russian invasion be settled here faster.

And he insisted the process of matching hosts with guests should be simplified as it emerged the SNP Government's annual bill to reserve rooms at inns - which may end up lying vacant - could run to an astonishing £20million.

Mr Cole-Hamilton said: "People want to open up their homes in a collective gesture of generosity.

"It's time the Scottish Government supported local authorities properly so they can conduct the necessary checks, match guests quickly and help people settle into new lives in Scotland.

"***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** should be receiving the warmest of welcomes.

"But the Scottish Government's response has been glacial and meant a reliance on expensive temporary accommodation including hotels and cruise ships."

Figures released under freedom of information laws show that, from October 5 to November 9, the government paid for an average of 405 vacant rooms daily for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, at a cost of £134 a night - totalling £54,270.

Estimates put the prospective bill for the five-week spell at £1.9million, or £19.8million for the year.

It comes as data revealed 20,591 Ukrainians had arrived here under the UK sponsor scheme - 16,868 backed by the SNP Government and 3,723 by individuals.

To become a sponsor, hosts must have leave to be in the UK for at least six months, pass criminal record and council checks as well as home inspections.

Those looking to move to the UK under the scheme must also pass checks on their identity and criminal record.

Officials warn the process can take months. Number crunchers say the empty rooms data is a snapshot of 24 hours and total vacancies change daily, with stats logged weekly.

Officials recorded 311 unused rooms as of October 5, but the tally rocketed to 592 by November 9.

The figures can be revealed just a week after Westminster criticised Scotland's response to the Channel migrant crisis. Immigration Minister

Robert Jenrick claimed the country was housing fewer asylum seekers in hotels than it should.

And the Tory MP told the Commons: "Today in Scotland, in contrast with the rest of the United Kingdom, only one city - Glasgow - is doing its fair share and taking asylum seekers.

"In Scotland, only a dozen hotels outside Glasgow are taking asylum seekers, which isn't fair and equitable.

"The Scottish Government are refusing to take any of the asylum seekers who are arriving in the UK on small boats, which is not right." The Scottish Government dismissed the claims as "clearly nonsense", adding: "Scotland has a strong track record in supporting people seeking asylum, despite the UK Government and Home Office's ridiculous approach."

A £100million scheme to house refugees on board two cruise ships - MS Victoria in Leith, Edinburgh, and MS Ambition in Glasgow - has been extended to next June.

But figures show that there were an average of 232 vacant cabins on the vessels between October and

November. Officials recorded 364 empty on October 5, in contrast to 162 on November 9.

Stats also reveal there were some 4,741 people in 2,495 hotel rooms and 2,247 in 1,172 cabins on the passenger liners as of October 12.

But it's understood not every arrival needs accommodation, with some refugees finding their own digs or being placed without the help of a government agency.

A Scottish Government spokeswoman said of its efforts to aid refugees fleeing the war: "We are still seeing displaced people arrivlNats ing in Scotland from Ukraine. And we need to ensure we have accommodation available for those who need it until they are matched to volunteer hosts or find suitable longerterm accommodation.

"Scotland is providing sanctuary to more displaced people from Ukraine per head of population than any other part of the UK, with more than 22,000 people with a Scottish sponsor having arrived.

"We don't want anybody to spend any longer than necessary in temporary accommodation."We told yesterday how Scottish prosecutors are set to help nail Russian war criminals. Law chiefs have agreed to take testimony from tragic ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** now based here.

SNP Justice Secretary Keith Brown insisted Scottish authorities will do their bit to make sure Putin's warmongers are brought to justice.

Statements from refugees who have fled Ukraine could be passed abroad to form part of any tribunal into the invasion, which began in February.

SNP minister Mr Brown, a former Royal Marine and Falklands War veteran, said: "Atrocities have been committed in Ukraine and the perpetrators of war crimes must be brought to trial. We will always stand with Ukraine and we support the work of our independent justice system as part of international efforts against crimes in that country."

Tory MSP Jamie Greene said: "It's right and important that Scottish prosecutors should fulfil their legal obligations and attempt to obtain justice for the victims of Putin's brutal and illegal war."

The Crown Office vowed to "assist the Ukrainians in any way possible".

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**Graphic**

ESCAPE ROUTE Families fleeing Ukraine, above have been allocated space in Scots hotels and cruise ships, left, but only 20,000 are here so farDESTRUCTION Civilians have seen homes flattened by Russian attacks

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[*GOVT TO REDUCE MIGRANTS' CASH; ASYLUM SEEKERS CRISIS Welfare attracting influx*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6C15-FB31-DYTY-C1FC-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

A REVIEW of the payments to migrants will be carried out "within weeks", underpressure ministers confirmed yesterday.

The Government has pledged to make Ireland less attractive for migrants as the country grapples with an asylum seeker influx.

Concerns have been raised that we've become a "soft spot" due to generous welfare entitlements and easy access to employment.

But Paschal Donohoe, the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, yesterday told how a review of all State supports for asylum seekers and refugees was underway. Minister Donohoe says the Government aims to ensure people are treated "compassionately" and "fairly".

But the Fine Gael rep admitted there is also a need to ensure the country acts in a way that's in line with similar offerings in Europe.

The minister said: "Obviously, the context of all of this is the number of people coming to Ireland has increased considerably over the last number of months.

"This is happening to other countries as well.

But this will be worked within weeks, and I know the Government will act quickly." Donohoe pledged the Government will make "good use" of taxpayers money.

Meanwhile, Taoiseach Simon Harris has ordered a review of all welfare supports and housing entitlements offered to asylum seekers.

The Fine Gael told how he will "ensure Ireland adopts a firmer system, and ensures we are not out of kilter with other EU countries".

He said: "This will not be a long, drawn-out process. The Government will take decisions on this soon."

Harris said the Government will work to ensure the State does not incentivise economic migrants to come to Ireland. On top of the new review of welfare supports, the Government has also ordered a separate crackdown on employers hiring illegal workers.

Government sources told how there will be an increase in workplace inspections to ensure all employees have permits to work.

The Government believes there is a large number of asylum seekers working illegally in various sectors, including construction and hospitality.

Social Protection Minister Heather Humphreys said a memo will go before Cabinet tomorrow on the entitlements of international protection applicants and ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Humphreys said: "We have to meet our legal and international obligations. We want to make sure we're meeting those, and that that's the ceiling and we're not paying over and above what we are legally entitled to do."

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Review ... Donohoe

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**Body**

EU Commissioner Mairead McGuinness has dismissed UK security concerns surrounding ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** coming to Ireland.

Her comments follow reports Ireland's open-door policy to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will create a back door to the UK due to the Common Travel Area.

This could allow those who have not passed British security checks to enter their country. Ms McGuinness told Newstalk radio: "I think what's justified is that we focus on humanitarian help for distraught people. We shouldn't mix these issues.

"This is a war and it's on European soil. It demands us to think and act differently than in peace time.

"As a European country, Ireland is getting its priorities right. I think the issue of the 'what ifs' and the Common Travel Area - I think that the UK is not part of the European Union, they have a right to express their views.

"But frankly, given what I have seen on video and what I'm hearing from people that are on the ground out there, these are people whose lives have been torn apart.

"And there should be no question but that children, women, and disabled and people who are vulnerable are protected and looked after." Further sanctions need to be focused, she said, adding: "Hitting the

Central Bank in Russia has been the direct target, and is having a huge impact on the Russian economy.

"The question of dependency on energy is on our agenda today. What we need to really focus on is we want to impact the Russian war machine."

**Graphic**

Priorities ... McGuinnessHelping is most important ... Ukrainians flee onslaught in Irpin

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THE people of Ukraine have seen their nation brutally invaded, their towns and cities bombed and their people murdered.

Their neighbour to the east has treated them in a way that shames Russia, and Europe will not forget it.

When the war kicked off last year, it was right for Ukraine's neighbours to the west to stand up and be counted.

Ireland was among them, coming forward to offer sanctuary to those who needed it when they needed it most.

We have much to be proud of. When the urgent call came, we answered.

How things progress with the war and the status of its 100,000 refugees in Ireland from here remains unclear.

We report today on a row within the Cabinet around this issue.

Equality Minister Roderic O'Gorman had outlined proposals to limit the accommodation time frame for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** to just three months.

After that they would have to find property for themselves.

Tanaiste Micheal Martin and Housing Minister Darragh O'Brien raised concerns around the ongoing property shortage and children's access to schools.

All of these issues must be discussed as a matter of course.

But at the heart of this conversation are people who have seen their homeland violated by that maniac in the Kremlin, Vladimir Putin.

Whatever decisions are ahead, all of those with a part to play in this debate would do well to bear that in mind.

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[*STUDENT MECHANICS TO GET EV REPAIR TRAINING*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:69MJ-WM51-DYTY-C0H6-00000-00&context=1519360)

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THE old Columb Army Barracks in Mullingar is a possible site for Ireland's first ever school for electric vehicle mechanics.

New plans have been unveiled for a national centre to teach people to mend electric cars, bikes, scooters and buses.

Higher Education Minister Simon Harris has announced the plan, with a temporary office set up in Longford Westmeath Education and Training Board's office in Marlinstown.

The Government are seeking a permanent base for the training centre, with the old Columb Army Barracks being considered.

The barracks was used by the military for more than 200 years, but has been unoccupied since 2012. Over the past two years, the barracks have provided temporary housing for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

The temporary base for the new EV National Centre will be replaced by the permanent HQ next year, with (EURO)200,000 set aside.

Minister Harris said EV mechanics will become an important career in Ireland, with people buying electric vehicles rather than a new petrol or diesel car.

He said: "Up until now, this has largely been left to the industry.

There are some good examples in the third-level system, but really we need to step up here.

"More and more people are buying electric vehicles. The Government's climate plan is really clear in relation to this.

"But as night follows day, as you buy vehicles over time, they need to be checked, repaired and maintained and we need to make sure we have the skill-set in Ireland to do that."

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[*FEARS REFUGEE TOLL MAY HIT 15M*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6502-PVF1-DYTY-C3RJ-00000-00&context=1519360)

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BRITAIN and the EU may have to welcome 15million ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** if Vladimir Putin keeps up his bloody campaign of terror.

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[*WOMAN HELD AFTER MAN 'STRUCK BY CAR'*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:69C3-RC71-JCBW-N0V4-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

GARDAI were last night quizzing a woman over the death of a Ukrainian refugee who they think was run over by a car.

The body of the 49-yearold man was found in a hotel car park near Cork Airport at 3am on Sunday.

The man, named locally as

Nesterov Andril, was found "in an unresponsive state" near his car, which he had brought over from Ukraine when he entered the country seeking refugee status a few months ago.

A woman in her 40s was arrested yesterday morning. She was detained under Section 4 of the Criminal Justice Act and was being questioned in a

Garda station in Co Cork. It's understood the car had mounted a grass verge in an overflow car park beside the Airport Hotel close to Cork Airport, where mainly ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** are accommodated.

A source said: "When the body was located, it appeared there were some injuries visible, consistent with being struck and run over by the car.

"The dead man was accompanied by a female who ran for help to the hotel." A post-mortem examination on the man took place yesterday at Cork University Hospital.

The car park was sealed off on Sunday and today.

Gardai are treating the death as suspicious, and a source said an investigation is ongoing.

In a statement Gardai said: "A woman (aged in her 40s) was arrested this morning, Monday 9th, October 2023, in relation to this investigation."

**Graphic**

Probing death ... Gardai

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[*Ukrainian refugees 'betrayed'*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6868-6XB1-DYTY-C1JH-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

MINISTERS were yesterday accused of betraying ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in Scotland - with almost a third still languishing in temporary housing.

Some 7,596 of almost 23,000 who fled here since February last year have yet to be allocated a long-term home - including 1,862 children.

Scots Tory housing spokesman Miles Briggs, whose party complied the figures, said: "It represents a shocking betrayal.

"These are vulnerable people who fled Putin's brutal invasion of their homeland, and they have been woefully let down."

Social Justice Secretary Shirley-Anne Somerville said: "Our focus remains to secure longer term accommodation."

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**Graphic**

Housing anger ... Briggs

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[*From hell ...to hope; sun employment HELPING YOU BACK TO WORK*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:67MG-HXR1-JCBW-N185-00000-00&context=1519360) [*www.thesun.co.uk/sunemployment*](http://www.thesun.co.uk/sunemployment)[*www.Jobs.thesun.co.uk*](http://www.jobs.thesun.co.uk) [*LIFEGUARD DUTIES A BIG BREKKIE WITH WEETABIX FIRMS WELCOME UKRAINE REFUGEES*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:67MG-HXR1-JCBW-N185-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** Jane Hamilton

**Body**

TODAY marks one year since the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

More than 16 per cent of the world's refugees are Ukrainian, after eight million have fled the country, says the United Nations.

But thousands of UK firms are responding by helping these people to find jobs here.

Around half of the 120,000 who have arrived in the UK are already employed, two thirds in permanent roles, official figures reveal.

Approximately a third are working in accommodation and food services, 16 per cent in manufacturing and trade.

Our businesses are also helping Ukrainians still in the warzone, offering access to start-up funds, training and internationally recognised qualifications.

Ukrainian student Vlad Kupriienko, for example, has secured a prestigious tax qualification with UK help.

The 27-year-old, right, who works for accountancy giant PWC in Ukrainian capital Kyiv, sat the Advanced Diploma in International Taxation exam online through the UK's Chartered Institute of Taxation.

He feels grateful to be alive and adds: "To take exams can now be considered a luxury that few can afford."

But CIOT President Susan Ball applauded his resolve in such troubled times.

She said: "The ADIT exams are not easy, so to attain the full qualification amid the continued turmoil we are seeing in Ukraine is a hugely impressive achievement." With many more people needing help, here is our guide to some of the organisations offering opportunities [*www....UK*](http://www....UK) GOVERNMENT SUPPORT: Employers with jobs to offer to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** can publicise vacancies through the Department of Work and Pensions' Jobcentres. Just fill in the form at [*www.gov.uk/offer-work-ukraine*](http://www.gov.uk/offer-work-ukraine). UKRAINIAN REFUGEE HELP: This charity advises on all areas of employment, including professional jobs and help with childcare. See [*www.ukrainianrefugeehelp.co.uk/job-sectors*](http://www.ukrainianrefugeehelp.co.uk/job-sectors). PRET A MANGER: Alina Yefimenko, above, is one of 250 Ukrainians already hired through the sandwich chain's Ukraine Employment Programme. See [*www.pret.co.uk*](http://www.pret.co.uk)/ en-GB/the-pret-foundation.

MARKS & SPENCER: The high street favourite has a specialist scheme to settle refugees into their new jobs, including mental health support and help with travel costs until the first pay packet. For details, see [*www.jobs.marksandspencer.com*](http://www.jobs.marksandspencer.com)/ jobs-for-refugees.

EMPLOY UKRAINE: The jobs board highlights both remote and office-based professional roles in software, marketing and industry.

To learn more, visit [*www.employukraine.org*](http://www.employukraine.org).

TRAVELODGE: The hotel chain is recruiting Ukrainian staff, offering full training and a path into management roles. Visit [*www.travelodge.co.uk/careers*](http://www.travelodge.co.uk/careers). SPRINGBOARD: The hospitality charity's CareerScope hub offers help to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, with employability training and jobs access. For details, see [*www.careerscope.uk.net*](http://www.careerscope.uk.net).

**Graphic**

ROLL WITH IT ... Alina at a central London PretPASS ... Vlad Kupriienko

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**Body**

LET'S confiscate mansions from Russian billionaires and use them as hostels for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

If Jeremy Corbyn had come out with that brainwave on Question Time, they'd have laughed him out of the studio.

But here's the thing. It isn't someone from what the Lazy Right would call the Loony Left who's come up with such a radical way of homing the desperate.

It's Michael Gove, a Tory so Toryish that retired Army colonels look up from behind their Daily Telegraph to ask who the Tory-looking chap is.

Michael Gove, who voted in the Commons against Human Rights laws, against EU citizens being allowed to stay in Britain after Brexit and for tougher immigration rules, who campaigns for businesses to pay less tax but for holidaymakers to pay more tax on air fares and for rail tickets to be more expensive, who is against measures which slow down climate change and in favour of the NHS being dismantled. The politician, who looks like Tony Hart moulded him in plasticine, has morphed into Vladimir Lenin.

Now, I'm not saying that housing ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in the vast palaces vacated by those sanctioned in the wake of Russia's atrocities is a bad shout.

It's just ... well, it's Michael bloody Gove, who in peace time would happily have set the bar for immigrants at whether or not they could be used as a comfy enough footstool, yet who reacts to an act of war by demanding the redistribution of wealth for the benefit of the oppressed proletariat.

And what do you know? He's on to a winner, because even as I write, squatters have taken over the central London pad belonging to aluminium magnate Oleg Deripaska. Gove 1, The Man 0. Next he'll be jogging in a recycled T-shirt reading Eat The Rich. Though the back will say: "But not with THAT fork, you oik".

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[*Ireland isn't full*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:69GR-7FS1-DYTY-C0W6-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

OUR hundred thousand welcomes to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have finally run out.

The Government is now looking at reducing social welfare supports for those coming in to flee the war.

There were reportedly heated talks between ministers over limiting the provision of accommodation for them.

The Tanaiste has, of course, tried to downplay the Cabinet split, but there's no doubt there has been tension over the spiralling issue. It's sort of alarming that the Government hasn't really anticipated this, however.

Minister Simon Harris said it's now an opportunity to look at how we make sure our offerings are "sustainable and durable for the weeks, months and potentially years ahead".

Shouldn't you have been thinking of this even before we accepted even a single refugee from Ukraine?

Many of us feel that we would take in as many Ukrainians as we can, such is our culture, history and just human nature.

Unfortunately, practical concerns have now caught up to us.

This was always coming down the line, though.

We had a housing crisis long before the war started and it's beginning to seem like we'll have one long after that conflict has ended.

And that's without mentioning the problem of homelessness, where numbers just keep rising and rising.

Meanwhile, the far-right will claim they were correct all along in claiming that 'Ireland is full', but this was never the case. In fact, it is still not the case.

It's simply logistics that prevent us from looking after that many people's needs given we weren't prepared.

We're well able to look after the Ukrainians and other refugees as well as ourselves - there simply has to be the political will and readiness to do so.

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£50 LETTER

IT scares me to think what kind of circumstances we will be in come next winter.

With the energy price hikes now in effect and the other cost of living rises, there will be so many people struggling.

That's all very well as we enter spring and warmer weather is on its way but come winter I fear that very many of us will be in dire straits.

I suspect the easing measures declared by Chancellor Rishi Sunak, pictured, will seem a drop in the ocean when people already living on the poverty line are forced to choose between heating and eating.

LINDA MORRISON Glasgow MPs are moaning about how are they going to pay their energy bills, so we can guess what's coming around the corner - another bumper package to offset their leccy bills.

ST VAUGHAN By email HAVING read the First Minister would like to appear in a soap I'd say that, given her many dramatic TV performances during the last 15 years, she already is starring in one.

Is it not about time Nicola Sturgeon acts like a politician rather than a soap star and admits the SNP are deluded if they think the public will dismiss the mess which surrounds the ferry contract scandal.

JAMES FYFE Falkirk ONCE again Nicola Sturgeon is determined to keep the Covid restrictions going.

I think if she had her way we would be on a permanent lockdown. Taxi for Ms Sturgeon!

JD BLACK Dundee THE way Chris Rock dealt with Will Smith's outburst at the Oscars ceremony was admirable and showed professionalism.

I'm not condoning his comments and Will was defending his wife but it should have been settled privately after the show.

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SIX-year-old refugee Katia Melnyk has told of her grief after returning to Ukraine to bury her dad - killed by Russian troops.

She was among the first ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** to arrive in Scotland in March, but less than three months later she was back home to honour her father, Ihor, 47, who was a senior intelligence officer.

The Scottish Sun told on Wednesday how he had been flying drones for the Ukrainian army when he was killed last week in east Donbas.

At his funeral last Friday, Katia choked back tears as she paid him an emotional tribute.

She said: "I can't comprehend such painful news.

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refugeES' DAD "I have just finished the third grade, and already have to say goodbye to my father.

RITA TO WED SEEPAGE7 Heartache "I only have good memories of him. I loved my dad very much, I loved him so much, he loved me so much."

In March brave Katia, along with her sister, 18, and grans Luba Fitryk, 62, and Olha Starko, 70, were thought to be the first ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** to arrive in Scotland.

dad RefugeesKatiaMelnyk,six,andsister, 18 - who arrived here in March - are grieving for brave freedom fighter Ihor, 47, left. A loved one said: "We are heartbroken."

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SCOTLAND lGransfleewithgrandkidslTheirreliefatsaferefuge EUROPALEAGUELATEST

Twoyoungsistersandtheirtwo grans were hugged by Scots-basedlovedonesasthey arrived inEdinburgh yesterday.

Theyarebelievedtobethefirst family to make it here following the Russian invasion. Luba Fitryk, 62, said: "I'm very grateful I'm able to come to SCOTLAND to be safe."

Picture:LESGALLAGHER Welcomehug...forUkrainiangirlinEdinburgh EXCLUSIVEbyTHOMASBROWN ABRAVEUkrainianfamilythankedScotlandforgivingthemrefugeaftertheyfledtheirwar-tornhomeland.

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KILLEDBYRUSSIANS forfirstUkrainiansinScotland

After leaving their home in Chernivtsi - about 330 miles south west of Kyiv - they made the 500-mile journey to Warsaw, Poland, for visas.

They then made a 1,300-mile journey to Edinburgh before travelling on to Fife.

Touching down at Edinburgh Airport, grandmother Luba, who had to leave behind her husband and 86-year-old mother, branded Putin "worse than Hitler".

The family have settled in Scotland with relatives and Katia has adapted to her new school.

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[*Keep Baby P 'mother' in jail*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6549-YM01-JCBW-N2H7-00000-00&context=1519360)

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£50 LETTER

THERE is no justice if the mother of Baby P is let out of jail [*www.earlier.No*](http://www.earlier.No) one should give Tracey Connelly the time of day, and she should not even see the light of day again. She allowed the torture of her son and that is as bad as murder.

Dominic Raab is right to ask the Parole Board - which decided Connelly is no longer a danger to the public - to think again.

ELERI WEBBER Little Neston, Cheshire IT is disgusting that Tracey Connelly is being considered for release after the treatment she inflicted on her son, which led to his death.

So it's good that Dominic Raab is going to look into the Parole Board system, which is totally outdated and allows these criminals back into society only for some to do it again.

JANET BURRIDGE Clacton-on-Sea, Essex I'M beyond disgusted at how the Parole Board is set to release Tracey Connelly.

She will get a new identity and appearance and can start afresh living among people who have no idea who she is. Someone like her doesn't deserve anonymity.

Our judicial system is a farce.

JENNY FINN Ballywalter, Co Down I'M right behind Raab. It's about time someone stood up for these abused and murdered babies.

The mother of Baby P doesn't deserve freedom. She was released in 2013 on licence but was back inside two years later.

ZOIYAR COLE Lowestoft, Suffolk THE Baby P case shocked the world in 2007. Now it has been highlighted again by the Parole

Board's foolish decision to free Connelly, who stood by while that helpless tot was tortured to death by evil Jason Barker and Steven Owen. Keep her locked up.

STEVEN SMITH Marden, Tyne and Wear TRACEY CONNELLY has duped the Parole Board into releasing her. This evil monster put her own son through sickening abuse and will now be released with a new identity and, no doubt, a home with funding from the taxpayer. She will be in a better position than ever.

HARRY HODGE Aldershot, Hants IT is incomprehensible that, over 19 years, nine mums and 201 babies died, with 94 more tots left brain-damaged. It's difficult to understand how this scandal at the Shrewsbury and Telford NHS Trust went on so long.

SANDRA QUEEN Harlow, Essex IT'S really embarrassing to see how few ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have actually made it to the UK. We must have the worst Home Office ever for its incompetence in not treating this matter with the utmost urgency.

IAN THORPE Reading THE total failure by the Home Office in processing ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** is a disgrace. How can these people justify their failings when so many Ukrainian families have been contacted by people offering them homes?

KEITH ROBINSON Gosport, Hants TALK about a "Whitehall Farce" with the ineptitude of the Home Office regarding ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. The time has come for change. Get rid of the red tape.

People are dying in Ukraine while civil servants tick boxes. We need to act now.

THIEPVAL YOUNG Carrickfergus, Co Antrim THAT MPs have voted to make "pills-by-post abortion" permanent is an absolute disgrace.

The Government promised that DIY abortions were temporary to cope with Covid restrictions.

Is there no moral character in Parliament?

JONATHON LONGSTAFF Buxted, East Sussex THIS is what happens when a dictator assumes total power: Russia's President Putin is being misled by advisers too scared to tell him how badly the war in Ukraine is going.

When Putin does find out, it could become dangerous for the whole world.

PADDY MAXWELL Lordshill, Southampton

TXT US ON 07537 410199 Don't forget to include your name. Standard text rates from your provider apply JOCKEY Robbie Dunne deserved the full suspension he originally got. Man up, you bully.

W JONES, Cumbria THERE will be loads of talk at the disgraced Shrewsbury and Telford NHS Trust, then thousands of pounds wasted on consultants telling management what they already know.

JOHN-JO, Cambs IT was up to the Queen who walked with her at Westminster Abbey. Charles should keep his comments to himself. He has skeletons in the cupboard too, Camilla being one of them.

LESLEY, West Yorks

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[*TOURIST BED STOCK USED FOR REFUGEES; FEARS FOR INDUSTRY (EURO)750m revenue at risk*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:69WC-Y7Y1-JCBW-N0CS-00000-00&context=1519360)

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ALMOST one in eight of all tourist beds are being used by the Government to house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** and asylum seekers.

Failte Ireland estimated the tourism revenue at risk from accommodation being under contract to the Government could be as high as (EURO)1.1billion.

And it calculated that the minimum impact for the tourism sector is (EURO)750million.

A Failte Ireland report shows that more than one in five of all tourist beds in three counties - Clare, Meath and Mayo - are being used by the State to put up refugees and asylum seekers.

The proportion is highest in Clare where one third of all accommodation is being used.

It is followed by Meath (26%), Mayo (20%), Wicklow (19%) and Offaly (18%).

Nationally, an average of 12 per cent of hotel and B&B beds are unavailable for tourists - down one per cent since the summer.

However, Failte Ireland said that may understate the "on-the-ground impact", adding: "For every Failte Ireland registered bed under contract, there is up to one more contracted bed in unregistered tourism relevant sites." The latest figures show that one in ten of all tourist beds in Dublin are under contract to the Government.

But the availability of tourist accommodation is least impacted in Kildare where only two per cent of tourist beds are used to house refugees and asylum seekers.

Meanwhile, Ukraine ambassador to Ireland Larysa Gerasko has said she understands the Government's decision to cut support for people fleeing Russia's invasion.

The State has provided unlimited accommodation and (EURO)220 a week to Ukrainians.

But new arrivals will be put up for just 90 days from January - and get just (EURO)38.80 while being housed.

Ms Gerasko told RTE: "I'm fully aware about the housing crisis and the shortage of accommodation for Ukrainians, and not only Ukrainians. I understand this decision. I have, of course, my concerns as well."

Asked if it'll deter people from coming here she replied: "I think so, yes."

**Graphic**

Gets cut ... GeraskoHelped ... Ukrainian refugee

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[*REFUGEE CRISIS AS STATE OUT OF BEDS; MIGRANTS SLEEP IN TENTS Asylum seeker fears*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:69T2-8521-JCBW-N142-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** DAVID YOUNG

**Body**

IRELAND has run out of new State accommodation for asylum seekers, it was confirmed yesterday.

The announcement came as Integration Minister Roderic O'Gorman admitted the system "is not meeting the challenge before it".

Women and child applicants will continue to be accommodated. And male applicants with nowhere to live can still access services at drop-in centres, including showers, hot food and laundry. They will also be provided tents and sleeping bags, if required.

But officials say the State is facing a "severe shortage'' due to the number of applicants.

Latest figures show Ireland is accommodating more than 100,000 people between ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** and international protection applicants.

Mr Roderic O'Gorman said: "It is a consequence of the extraordinary challenge that the State and, in particular, my department has faced over the last 20 months."

He added that there was widespread recognition Direct Provision was not an appropriate or sufficient way to accommodate people.

He said: "That was the case when we were trying to provide accommodation to 8,000 people in late 2021.

"It's even more so the case now when we're trying to accommodate 26,000 people and that number growing.'' Tanaiste Micheal Martin said the Government was "very concerned" about the prospect of asylum seekers sleeping in tents and said it is working to resolve the issue.

Enda O'Neill of UNHCR Ireland said the news was "extremely concerning" and "disheartening," given the falling temperatures. A Department for Integration spokesman said: "Despite efforts to source emergency accommodation, the department is currently not in a position to provide accommodation to all IP applicants due to the severe shortage.

"Various issues beyond the control of the department resulted in offers not being progressed, and accommodation not contracted, swiftly enough to meet the demand."

The spokesman added: "Drop-in day services will be available to unaccommodated IP applicants. In such centres, IP applicants can access facilities including hot showers, meals and laundry services seven days a week.

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**Graphic**

Nowhere to stay ... O'Gorman

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Wetherspoon pub chain boss Tim Martin joked yesterday: "There is ample room for a similar party in the UK."

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Pledge ... free pints

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**Body**

KING Charles has named Prince Edward the new Duke of Edinburgh.

He gave the title to his youngest brother on his 59th birthday yesterday.

Edward's 15-year-old son James takes on his father's former title as Earl of Wessex.

And Edward's wife Sophie, 58, is promoted from Countess of Wessex to Duchess of Edinburgh.

But there is no change in titles for their daughter Lady Louise, 19, who is studying at St Andrews University.

Edward, who is 13th in line to the throne, takes on the dukedom almost two years after the death of his father Prince Philip, who was given the title in 1947. However, it is not hereditary so when Edward dies it could go to another senior royal.

It is a prestigious title but does not come with land or income. Edward will, however, take over the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme.

Buckingham Palace said yesterday: "The new Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh are proud to continue Prince Philip's legacy of promoting opportunities for young people of all backgrounds to reach their full potential."

The new Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh were in the Scottish capital, nicknamed Auld Reekie, yesterday, top.

They celebrated the city's efforts supporting ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** a year after the invasion.

**Graphic**

Legacy ... Philip

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[*OPEN UP THE HE HOME FRONT; UKRAINIANS SEEK SHELTER AS GOVT RUNS UP £20M BILL told: Ease red tape for refugees lAid appeal as 405 hotel rooms unused*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6764-72G1-DYTY-C4S4-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

NATS chiefs were last night urged to relax red tape and open more homes to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** - amid claims the party is wasting millions on hotels.

Scots Lib Dem chief Alex Cole-Hamilton demanded asylum seekers fleeing miseries including the Russian invasion be settled here faster.

And he insisted the process of matching hosts with guests should be simplified as it emerged the SNP Government's annual bill to reserve rooms at inns - which may end up lying vacant - could run to an astonishing £20million.

Mr Cole-Hamilton said: "People want to open up their homes in a collective gesture of generosity.

"It's time the Scottish Government supported local authorities properly so they can conduct the necessary checks, match guests quickly and help people settle into new lives in Scotland."

Figures released under freedom of information laws show that, from October 5 to November 9, the government paid for an average of 405 vacant rooms daily for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, at a cost of £134 a night - totalling £54,270.

Estimates put the prospective bill for the five-week spell at £1.9million, or £19.8million for the year.

It comes as data revealed 20,591 Ukrainians had arrived in Scotland under the UK sponsor scheme - 16,868 backed by the Scottish Government and 3,723 by individuals.

To become a sponsor, hosts must have leave to be in the UK for at least six months, pass criminal record and council checks and have their home inspected.

Those looking to move to the UK under the scheme must also pass checks on their identity and criminal record. Officials warn the process can take months.

Number crunchers say the empty rooms data is a snapshot of 24 hours and total vacancies change daily, with stats logged weekly.

Officials recorded 311 unused rooms as of October 5, but the tally rocketed to 592 by November 9.

The figures can be revealed just a week after Westminster criticised Scotland's response to the Channel migrant crisis.

Immigration Minister Robert Jenrick claimed the country was housing fewer asylum seekers in hotels than it should.

And the Tory MP told the Commons: "Today in Scotland, in contrast with the rest of the United

Kingdom, only one city - Glasgow - is doing its fair share and taking asylum seekers. In Scotland, only a dozen hotels outside Glasgow are taking asylum seekers, which isn't fair and equitable."

He added: "The Scottish Government are refusing to take any of the asylum seekers who are arriving in the UK on small boats, which is not right."

The Scottish Government dismissed the claims as "clearly nonsense", adding: "Scotland has a strong track record in supporting people seeking asylum, despite theUK Government and Home Office's ridiculous approach." A £100million scheme to house refugees in cabins on board two cruise ships - MS Victoria in Leith, Edinburgh, and MS Ambition in Glasgow - has been extended to next June.

But figures show that there were an average of 232 vacant cabins on the vessels between October and November. Officials recorded 364 empty on October 5, in contrast to 162 on November 9.

Stats also reveal there were some 4,741 people in 2,495 hotel rooms and 2,247 in 1,172 cabins on the passenger liners as of October 12. But it's understood not every arrival needs accommodation, with some refugees finding their own digs or being placed without the help of a government agency.

A Scottish Government spokeswoman said of its efforts to aid refugees fleeing the war: "We are still seeing displaced people arriving in Scotland from Ukraine.

"And we need to ensure we have accommodation available for those who need it until they are matched to volunteer hosts or find suitable longer-term accommodation. ScotlNats land is providing sanctuary to more displaced people from Ukraine per head of population than any other part of the UK, with more than 22,000 people with a Scottish sponsor having arrived.

"We don't want anybody to spend any longer than necessary in temporary accommodation."

We told yesterday how Scottish prosecutors are set to help nail Russian war criminals.

Law chiefs have agreed to take testimony from tragic ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** now based here. SNP Justice Secretary Keith Brown insisted Scottish authorities will do their bit to make sure Putin's sickening war criminals are brought to justice.

Statements from refugees who have fled Ukraine could be passed abroad to form part of any tribunal into the invasion, which began in February.

SNP minister Mr Brown, a former Royal Marine and Falklands War veteran, said: "Atrocities have been committed in Ukraine and the perpetrators of war crimes must be brought to trial.

"We will always stand with Ukraine and we support the work of our independent justice system as part of international efforts against crimes in that country."

Tory MSP Jamie Greene said: "It's right and important that Scottish prosecutors should fulfil their legal obligations and attempt to obtain justice for the victims of Putin's brutal and illegal war."

The Crown Office added: "Prosecutors will assist the Ukrainians in any way possible within the legal framework and mechanisms for support which exist in our legal obligations and conventions."

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**Graphic**

ESCAPE ROUTE Families fleeing Ukraine, above have been allocated space in Scots hotels and cruise ships, left, but only 20,000 are here so farDESTRUCTION Civilians have seen homes flattened by Russian attacks

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[*WINNING ...WITH STYLES; TICKET JOY Harry gig offer to Elina*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:68NP-CR01-DYTY-C3PS-00000-00&context=1519360)

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Ace gesture ... Svitolina and Harry

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[*OFFICIALS: USE BOATS TO HOUSE UKRAINIANS*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:679Y-PHY1-DYTY-C44P-00000-00&context=1519360)

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BOATS and disused buses could be used to house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, senior Government officials claim.

And civil servants tasked with solving the accommodation shortage warned of "opportunism" in the crisis.

In internal emails, civil servants said they needed to watch out carefully for people who would look to financially benefit from the emergency.

Brainstorming emails said the focus should be on "speed rather than perfection".

They said everything should be on the table, including the use of seminaries, boarding schools, the Army camps at the Curragh and Gormanstown, major stadiums and churches. One email said: "There is an unused ferry terminal in Dun Laoghaire - the terminal could be used, and a ferry-size boat could be used to house people in that dock.

"Cruise ships are also an option. Ask all marinas to house three families - old boats are not expensive."

It said even disused buses could be converted into accom- modation while help could be sought from apprentices in fitting out emergency lodgings.

An email between two senior officials said the State needed to immediately look at building sheds as well as the purchase of tents, mobile homes and prefabricated steel Nissen huts.

It added: "Longer term, should we be building two new cities - fifteen-minute ones, not just for Ukrainians?"

**Graphic**

Terminal ... Dun Laoghaire

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[*REFUGEES GETTING MOVED*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6746-GBS1-JCBW-N3G7-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** BARRY GALLAGHER

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A GROUP of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** here that were given just over 48 hours' notice that they will be shipped out of their home are set to hit the road this morning.

Ukrainian residents of the Crowne Plaza hotel in Dundalk, Co Louth, received a letter on Friday telling them they will be moved to alternative accommodation in Limerick and Kerry at 11am.

It's understood most of the refugees at the hotel have been living there since March, while 19 children in the group attend local schools.

In the Department of Children, Equality, "Disability, Integration and Youth letter to some of the Crowne Plaza's Ukrainian residents, they were told they would be transported to The Ashe " Hotel in Tralee and any requests for accommodation of a certain type or at a particular location, unless under medical grounds, will be refused.

They were also informed further moves may be required in the future. The letter added: "Should you refuse an offer of re-location to alternative suitable accommodation you will not receive further offers of accommodation from the DCEDIY."

Helping Irish Hosts called on locals to open their doors to the refugees, tweeting: "Anyone who can offer accommodation in or near Dundalk please pledge and we'll be in touch."

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[*FINAL HURRAH; ALL EYES ON HQ FOR SHOWDOWN Ukrainian kids to carry out big trophy in Croker*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65Y4-VDJ1-JCBW-N212-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

UKRAINIAN kids will get a taste of GAA history today when they carry the Liam MacCarthy Cup onto the pitch at Croke Park.

All Hawk-Eyes will be on GAA HQ as over 82,000 fans pack out the stadium to watch Limerick take on Kilkenny in the All-Ireland Hurling Final.

Teams will face 28°C heat in the capital for the decider - being played in July for the first time rather than August or September - after an overhaul to introduce a split county and club season.

Limerick are gunning for the three-in-a-row and haven't lost a championship match this decade.

But the Cats will be hoping to have the edge, as they did in their last meeting in the Championship semi-final back in July 2019.

Hawk-Eye technology will be back in operation for the final - after being stood down during the football semi-finals last weekend.

And GAA chiefs told how a special tribute will be paid to Irish communities working to integrate ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who have fled here in their thousands since Russia's invasion in February.

They confirmed: "As the country is again mindful of the plight of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who have fled to Ireland, there will be an acknowledgment of the work being done to support these refugees by clubs and communities.

"The Liam MacCarthy Cup will be brought on to the field and placed on its plinth by Ukrainian children."

Both teams will travel to the capital today, but Kilkenny will head home afterwards due to a shortage of hotels, while Limerick will stay at the Clayton Burlington Hotel in Ballsbridge.

Gardai have warned fans hitting the road to avail of Dublin parkand-ride facilities and use public transport where possible as Clonliffe

College is no longer available for parking.

Supporters can avail of earlier entry to the stadium, with turnstiles open from 1pm ahead of the 3.30pm throw-in.

Cops said: "All patrons travelling to Croke Park are strongly advised by all agencies involved in the management of these events to utilise public transport and the park-and-ride facilities.

"DCC Parking Enforcement will be in operation for all match days until the end of the season overseeing clamping, towing and the issuing of fixed-charge penalty notices where required.

"Please be mindful of local residents and avoid parking in residential areas - illegal parking will not be tolerated."

With a Status Yellow temperatures warning kicking in nationwide, teams will have an additional water carrier in operation.

And supporters have likewise been urged to stay hydrated in the heat. Met Eireann meteorologist Paul Downes told The Irish Sun on Sunday: "These temperatures are significant for Ireland and we don't drink enough water, generally speaking, for those sort of temperatures.

"So you'll have to drink a lot more water than usual.

"Especially anybody who is out enjoying the hurling, just a reminder that you really need to hydrate as much as possible.

"And watch out, the UV is going to be quite high, so sunburn and sunstroke are definite risks."

**Graphic**

Dressed to Kil ... Cats' supportersTHREE CHEERS Limerick fan Pa Buckley praying for a holy trinity of victories

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[*WELFARE CUTS TO STEM REFUGEE TIDE; UKRAINIANS WELCOME, BUT.. Leo: We're struggling*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:69JW-4211-DYTY-C0N2-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** DANIELLE MASTERSON

**Body**

***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** may face social welfare cuts and have to pay for their housing under new Government plans.

Officials aim to bring in measures before the end of this year in a bid to slow the numbers of those arriving from the war-torn country.

Taoiseach Leo Varadkar explained to media during his visit to Seoul, South Korea, that details are yet to be agreed by Cabinet.

He said that almost a third of the 500 to 800 Ukrainians arriving each week previously had temporary protection in another EU country.

He insisted that Ukrainians are still "welcome here" but said measures are needed to cope with the large numbers.

He told reporters: "Any Ukrainian coming to Ireland is not going to be turned away, that's not going to happen. The situation that we have at the moment, though, is that the numbers have been very large.

"It's putting huge pressure on accommodation. [We're] really struggling to find accommodation now for Ukrainians who are coming to Ireland." The Fine Gael leader suggested we follow the practices of other western European countries.

Mr Varadkar said: "We need to take action that will slow the numbers coming in, so we've got more time to catch up on accommodation and other issues.

"It makes sense in that context for us to look at what other western European countries do and see that our offering is something similar to that.

"So other countries don't offer, for example, unlimited state-provided accommodation at no cost." Mr Varadkar said social welfare changes will depend on refugees' personal circumstances.

But the Taoiseach stressed we "can't turn a blind eye" to our accommodation crisis.

And he said social welfare changes and accommodation fees will happen "around the same time", adding tents and containers aren't a fix.

Mr Varadkar added: "We've accommodated 100,000 people, more than 100,000 people in the past two years. We don't have the accommodation, we're using tents, we're using containers.

"That's not a situation we want to be in. But if we can slow down the numbers entering, then we have a chance of getting on top of that."

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**Graphic**

'Action needed' ... Varadkar

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[*Owner of B&B tells refugees to pay up*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:68S2-2V01-DYTY-C444-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

A B&B owner in Louth was recorded demanding extra cash from ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** on top of money she was receiving from the State.

The female part-owner could be heard telling them to go back to Kyiv, and that their holiday in Ireland was over.

She demanded (EURO)140 for each of the ten adults and (EURO)70 for each of the eight children.

Gardai were asked to investigate the alleged abuse under the hate crime law after the secret recording was aired publicly on local radio.

Local TD Fergus Dowd fumed: "The abuse these people suffered from the owners of the premises was horrendous.

"It was like a throwback to the 1930s and reminded me of how the Nazis treated the Jews.

"They had no right to charge them extra money when the State was already paying for their accommodation.

"These people have lost loved ones, had their homes bombed and had no choice but to leave their country. We in Ireland offered them shelter from a war and the least we can do is treat them with respect and dignity."

The families have been ordered to leave the Drogheda residence under health and safety regulations and move to Drumcar, 30km away.

However they don't want to leave because their children are at school in Drogheda.

Local politicians are in negotiations with the council to see if alternative accommodation can be found for them.

The B&B owner apologised in a statement on LMFM's Michael Reade Show which aired the abusive tapes, claiming things were said in the heat of the moment.

Last night the Department of Equality, Integration and Children said; "The contract with this provider was terminated after it was brought to our attention the owner had amended documentation incorrectly to impose charges on the residents."

**Graphic**

Aired tapes ... ReadeFurious ... O'Dowd

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[*REFUGEES' FEARS OVER STAY LIMIT; UKRAINE CRISIS LATEST Accommodation plans*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:69HC-9C21-DYTY-C0SG-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** living here are fearful over the Government's proposal to limit State accommodation to just three months.

And they have urged ministers to think of the impact on the children.

A final decision has not been made on the proposal that is expected to return to Cabinet in the coming weeks.

But one woman who came to Ireland to escape the Russian invasion told The Irish Sun that Ukrainian people are worried about how the plans will hurt their families if they go through.

Victoria Aslan, who volunteers as a translator for Ukrainians in Ireland, said: "Everybody is worried because they don't know what is going to happen in three months. We escape from being unstable and we came here and we are becoming again unstable.

"I have a kid. She gets used to school here. She gets new friends. And now if anything happens we will have to leave this place and get acclimated in another place.

"It is difficult for adults but it is even more difficult for the kids.

"We need stability but we could not find it in these proposed changes."

Victoria told us that the Ukrainian community is hugely thankful for Ireland's support since the war began in February 2022.

She said: "We will never forget this help."

Victoria said the proposals will result in some families being forced to return to war-torn Ukraine.

And there are reports about the accommodation changes already deterring families from coming to Ireland. She said: "Recently I got a couple of calls from the Donetsk region. It was bombed again and some families they were asking me about the opportunity to come here.

"They heard about this three months limitation and feel that would be so difficult.

"Three months is not enough to get acclimated, to learn the language, to do all the paper work."

Victoria is living in pledged accommodation with her daughter she sourced through the local council in her area.

She added: "People are getting ready for changes but it is scary. I believe not all of them will be able to handle these changes and some will go back to Ukraine."

**Graphic**

Anguish ... Ukrainian woman and her child

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IRISH people will be asked to open up their homes to Ukrainians as up to 20,000 refugees could arrive in Ireland in the coming months, Foreign Affairs Minister Simon Coveney claimed.

Minister Coveney yesterday briefed Cabinet ministers on the latest developments on the war in Ukraine and what Ireland will do to help the humanitarian crisis caused by the Russian invasion.

Tens of thousands of people are crossing the borders from Ukraine into neighbouring EU countries every hour.

Ireland has waived visa requirements for people fleeing the conflict ? with 250 Ukranians arriving in Ireland already.

Ukrainian people arriving here have been given special refugee status that will allow them to work and live here for three years ? effectively as EU citizens.

The Irish Sun understands that Cabinet ministers were told that Ireland expects to bring in 6,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** initially ? but this could rise to 20,000.

Speaking after the Cabinet meeting yesterday, Minister Coveney said Irish people could be asked to take Ukrainian families into their home as the State's refugee facilities will not be enough to deal with the influx of people.

He told The Irish Sun: "I think, in truth, if we're going to be able to accommodate the numbers that I expect to come here, we are going to have to go beyond providing

State-provided accommodation.

"It will probably have to involve families as well who are willing to open up their homes to Ukrainian families for a temporary period of Solidarity time. This is a war effort so the norms need to get set aside.

"The extent of the sanctions that are now in place or being put in place are extraordinary measures that mean the EU is going to suffer as a result of them as well as Russia ? but I think that's a sacrifice the EU is willing to make.

"I think the humanitarian response that Ireland will need to be central to and part of will also demand a level of solidarity, support and generosity and emotional connection with a country that is being torn apart at the moment by Russian aggression."

Housing Minister Darragh O'Brien said that he has started working on accommodation measures for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** along with Equality Minister Roderic O'Gorman and Justice Minister Helen McEntee.

Meanwhile, the Irish Red Cross are continuing their appeal to raise funds to support people affected by the conflict, after collecting a massive (EURO)1.25m in just two days.

The cash will be used to repair vital infrastructure, support health facilities with medicines and equipment, and support families with food and hygiene items.

In the last week, the Red Cross have tried to help more than three million people access clean water and improve the living conditions of more than 66,000 whose homes have been damaged recently.

Meanwhile, An Post said donations for the Unicef and Red Cross Ukrainian crisis appeals may be made at any post office, with waived fees on transactions.

Coveney

**Graphic**

Solidarity ... CoveneyDire need . . Ukrainians fleeing from horror of tyrant Putin's invasion

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IRELAND has been rightly lauded for rolling out the green carpet to refugees fleeing Ukraine.

Tens of thousands of people made the extremely difficult decision to escape their war-torn homeland and settle here until calm is restored.

But on Tuesday, some 80 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** were given the disappointing news that they would be moved from what they thought were their new homes in Laois to a site in Kilkenny.

It's a blow to this hardy community who have already been through so much and now face further upset and disruption to their lives.

Many had just started jobs in the local community, while their children had also made friends nearby.

These families were given just 48 hours of the decision to move them to a new area. While no doubt the decision wasn't taken lightly, it simply isn't good enough.

The Department of Children is understandably under huge pressure to accommodate huge numbers but displacing people who had already begun to build their lives in an area is not acceptable.

Having already been through so much, what refugees now need is stability and to feel welcomed.

This decision will have ensured that they feel the exact opposite.

As a country, we must do better by those who are in a time of need.

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IT has been nearly a year since Russia invaded Ukraine.

In that time thousands have died and nearly three million people - including young children - have been forced to flee their homes.

Of these, over 20,000 have arrived in Scotland after being sponsored through the UK's Homes for Ukraine Scheme.

To its credit, the Scottish Government jumped to help those fleeing the war with its Super Sponsor initiative supporting nearly 17,000 refugees.

But, while the scheme was admirable, the lack of planning left the feeling that the SNP government was merely desperate to make out it was more generous than the rest of the UK.

Ministers were forced to put people on two cruise ships berthed in Edinburgh and Glasgow. These are still in use.

And as we reveal today, the Scottish Government is spending millions of pounds on empty hotel rooms meant to house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Figures show there were an average of 405 empty rooms between October 5 and November 9 at an average cost of £134. This means the government has likely paid out £1.9million over a five week period - and could cost the taxpayer £19million over a year.

There are hundreds of people willing to open their homes in Scotland. It is time the Scottish Government supported those eager to help and vetted homes quickly to ensure that those fleeing Ukraine can get the help they need.

And that the taxpayer isn't left with a spiralling bill for inadequate housing.

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***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** may be housed in student accommodation over the summer, it's emerged.

Plans are being drawn up by the Government in case hotels boot them out over the prime tourism season.

Integration Minister Roderic O'Gorman said he hopes to exhaust all other options - including vacant homes - before moving refugees elsewhere.

But ahead of an influx of tourists, the TD admits there is a risk these options will fall through.

Mr O'Gorman said: "In that case, we will have to work with local authorities on the standing up of rest centres, which have been hugely beneficial in terms of our response. We will also engage with the third-level sector in terms of university accommodation.

"That was extremely beneficial last year. We will look at all options to make sure we can continue to accommodate all those who we are providing accommodation with at present."

The Minister said no hotels have indicated that they plan to stop housing refugees.

But he told Cork and Kerry TDs Michael Collins and Danny Healy-Rae that "it is accepted that some providers will choose to revert to tourism offering shortly".

The TDs highlighted the Kerry area, which experiences around 1.5m tourists annually - peaking during the summer months.

Deputy Collins said the situation is "very worrying" and added: "They cannot be left on the streets. If this accommodation ends, which is quite likely, we will have a two-tier situation here.

"If it does not, it will be detrimental to the tourism sector."

**Graphic**

Hotel concerns ... O'Gorman

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COUNTDOWN star Rachel Riley says hosting ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** is "so rewarding" and the four living with her are "like family".

The maths whizz, 37, added that her young daughters "absolutely love" a little boy they treat as their brother.

She was speaking just over a year after Russia's invasion of Ukraine forced millions to flee country to safety.

Rachel, married to Russian dancer Pasha Kovalev, 43, BBC Breakfast: "It is so rewarding and it's working for us.

"Our girls absolutely having this little boy. It's like they've got an extra brother and he's got sisters to look after.

"He's just turned eight years old. He's really a young man who has had to grow up before his years. We're getting on like one big family. It's a brilliant thing to be able to do." Rachel has three-year-old Maven and one-year-old Noa with Pasha, who she met on Strictly in 2013 and married six years later.

She said of the Ukrainians living with them: "They do so much to help out. Whether it's making borscht [a traditional soup] or looking after the kids ? and they don't need to, they've got a lot on their plate.

"They're working as cleaners, getting three buses across London for two hours to do a cleaning job.

"Last week, one of their clients bought them a bouquet of flowers and our lady, she got home and burst into tears because it meant so much to have that gratitude."

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Rewarding ... TV's Rachel

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[*Refugee housing a 'grave crisis'; 'PINCH POINT' AS STUDENTS RETURN*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6648-4V11-DYTY-C1H7-00000-00&context=1519360)

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THE refugee accommodation crisis is set to hit a pinch point in the coming weeks as students look to return to college digs for the coming academic year.

More than 4,200 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** were placed in college campuses over the summer holidays as the Government struggled to keep up with the demand for accommodation. Some 3,000 Ukrainians were told this week they must leave their college housing before the end of the month with officials now scrambling to find new solutions.

The Red Cross has been called in to help at Maynooth University and another Dublin college to try and find homes for 1,100 Ukrainians who must be moved in the next three weeks.

But Red Cross Secretary General Liam O'Dwyer, left, yesterday warned the housing situation is in a "grave crisis".

Here, our political correspondent ADAM HIGGINS runs the rule over the Government's proposed housing solutions for refugees.

PLEDGED ACCOMMODATION Just weeks after the Russian invasion of Ukraine began on February 24, thousands of people had already signed up to open their homes to refugees fleeing here from the war.

Over time, this number has reduced, with 30 per cent of people who offered to take in ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** changing their minds and withdrawing their pledge.

Some 3,000 vacant houses have been offered for use along with 6,800 shared accommodation options, 3,000 Ukrainian which the Red Cross believe will be used up in the coming weeks.

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However, vetting people who are offering up the accommodation has a proved time-consuming, with officials requiring every person over the age of 16 living in the home to be Garda vetted.

HOTELS AND B&BS Leasing hotel rooms on a large scale has been the Government's main tactic when dealing with the accommodation crisis for refugees.

Almost 25,000 hotel beds across the country are currently being rented by the State for people who have come to Ireland to escape the war in Ukraine.

Earlier this year, the Government felt they had exhausted the available hotel capacity as hotels booked up during the busy summer tourism season.

However, as the tourism season comes to a close soon, it's likely more hotels will offer their services to the

State for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** during the winter months. LOCAL AUTHORITY REVAMPS Housing Minister Darragh O'Brien ordered every local authority in the country to identify a building in their area which could be repurposed for housing refugees.

This trawl brought up many options that the Department of Housing has already actioned - with some buildings being renovated to be turned into housing units.

The first batch of these buildings who leave have been handed over to the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth that is leading the Ukrainian housing drive. This batch of buildings will house up to 500 people and are already in use.

The success of the first round has resulted in the Housing Minister going back to local authorities and asking them to search for more buildings. POP-UP HOUSING The Government has ordered 500 units of modular housing that can be built on any State site in a matter of weeks.

320 How people live in Gormanston

These rapid-build homes are created in factories and delivered to a site ready to be assembled quickly.

The Office of Public Works is leading this solution and have already earmarked 20 sites where 500 units of housing can be placed that will accommodate 2,000 people. However, the units take eight weeks to create in the factory and the Government only put in their order last month.

This could be a great solution but it is expected the first units won't be available until November and the full order won't be delivered until early next year - so they won't be ready to deal with the pinch point in the coming weeks.

TENTED ACCOMMODATION A tent town was 43,970

The of refugees. Ireland built a Gormanston Military Barracks earlier this year to be used as a last resort for Ukrainian families coming to Ireland.

The facility can hold up to 320 people but is currently empty.

The site was needed temporarily in recent weeks to house some 150 refugees before they were moved on to more permanent accommodation.

Families that have escaped the invasion in Ukraine will share tents that accommodate 16 people each.

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The makeshift tent town also includes a canteen and large children's play tents which are filled with toys and games.

The Defence Forces are involved in building four more tent sites that will be built on State-owned International Protection Accommodation Service centres.

CIYTWEST, DUBLIN Some 710 people stayed at the Citywest facility in Dublin on Sunday night.

This enormous hotel and reception facility has been taken over by the Government since the Covid-19 pandemic, when it was used as a vaccine centre, testing centre and quarantine facility.

The State has again taken over the facility for the Ukrainian accommodation crisis. Every person who arrives into Ireland from Ukraine is taken there to register.

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The site has previously filled up, with people then taken to other tents in Gormanston barracks.

OTHERS The State has reached out to several other sectors in a bid to find accommodation solutions for Ukrainian people.

The Department of Children is in talks with the Department of Sport and some of the country's biggest sporting organisations to see if there are any buildings that could be used.

The State has asked the GAA, FAI and IRFU to help shelter Ukrainian people who have come here to flee the Russian invasion.

Discussions between the Department and the sporting organisations are ongoing, but it is unlikely any major solutions will be found here.

The State has also reached out to various religious organisations to see if they own any buildings across the country that could be quickly repurposed for housing.

**Graphic**

HELP IS AT HAND Vladyslav and Ilona Dolia with little Yeva at MaynoothPLAY AREA . . kids toys at GormanstonEMERGENCY DIGS ... military camp

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MORE than 100,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** could arrive in Ireland within weeks or sooner, the Government has said.

Some 1.5million people have already fled the wartorn nation, with that number likely to rise to between four and five million in the coming days and weeks.

Minister of State Anne Rabbitte said Ireland will be ready to take two per cent of those who leave.

She said: "It is my understanding 671 people have arrived into Ireland from Ukraine but they have gone straight to family already living here.

"After that we are looking at finding accommodation for them. So that two per cent is likely to get very real, very quickly."

A new register for Irish people to offer accommodation is due to be ready in days, but this may not meet the level of need once higher numbers start to arrive and authorities will have to step in, the Minister warned.

She added: "The most important thing is to keep this all flowing. We don't want to see camps at the borders. We don't want another Calais or what happened in Greece.

"It is important to keep that flow of people moving and to keep families together. Then you don't have that pressure on services at the borders."

And Minister of State James Browne said that there will be no cap on the number of Ukraine refugees granted access to Ireland and that work is being done to ensure supports are in place for those who arrive here.

Speaking on RTE's The Week in Politics he said: "We've had about between 1,300 to 1,400 arrive already.

"Most of them do have family members and friends here already. But we are increasingly seeing people arrive who don't have those supports here in Ireland, and we are putting those supports in place." He continued: "We are now potentially looking at 80,000 plus. There is not going to be any cap on those numbers coming into this country.

"What's happening over the weekend is all the government departments, the secretary generals, the ministers, are looking at what actually now needs to be put in place to provide those supports."

The Fianna Fail TD said the last time Europe experienced anything similar to this level of movement of people was at the end of World War Two in 1945.

Ireland has supported the EU's Temporary Protection Directive which grants ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** the same rights as European citizens.

Minister Browne explained: "A Ukrainian family arriving here today have the same rights as an Irish citizen here in the country to access all the supports that are needed."

Independent TD Cathal Berry said: "I think what we need to do is actually have a state of presence in two airports in Poland; Krakow in particular, and Rzeszow.

"We need to have a state presence there, maybe from the Embassy in Poland, so when the Ryanair flights show up we can have an advanced warning of about three or four hours before the plane actually lands in

Dublin, to ascertain how many refugees were on that flight and plan accordingly thereafter."

**Graphic**

Ready to help ... RabbitteOrdeal ... youngsters given food after arriving in Poland

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WE should all be supremely grateful that, throughout this appalling Ukraine crisis, Boris Johnson has somehow managed not to make a complete and utter arse of himself.

In fact, the Prime Minister has performed rather well. Like, you know, Prime Ministers are meant to.

He got the mood of the country right. He was fairly quick to impose severe sanctions. And he has been striking just the right tone when dealing with Vladimir Putin's savage and illegal invasion.

There's always time, of course. At the next summit meeting he could start jabbering about Peppa Pig or something.

And plunge us all into doom. But so far he's done OK.

There's just one area where he has got it wrong. And also where he has misjudged the mood of the nation. And that's over refugees from Ukraine.

Other countries have been generous and magnanimous. The European Union moved quickly to say that ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** would be welcome for three years, after which they could formally apply for asylum.

Poland has already taken more than 450,000 refugees and it is a much poorer country than our own. Even little Moldova, one of the poorest countries in

Europe, has already taken in at least 79,000 people - and offered them jobs.

Boris has moved a little in the past couple of days. He is now saying the visa scheme will be broadened. But it still isn't enough.

He's got it wrong because he thinks we, the public, are "anti-immigrant".

It is true that the vast majority of British people want controlled numbers of immigration, year on year.

But this doesn't mean we are opposed to immigration, or to the immigrants.

There is enormous public support for Ukraine and I have heard nobody - except Government ministers - voicing objections to taking in large numbers of people.

This is an emergency, a real, present, emergency.

It is very different to boatloads of young male chancers from North Africa and the Middle East and beyond trying to circumvent our asylum system.

People's lives are being destroyed before our eyes The British people can, I think, tell the difference. And it may well be that we feel more welcoming because these would be people with a culture very similar to our own. People who have a liking for our way of life.

As a liberal Western democracy we should at all times act with decency and kindness.

The Ukraine border is less than 1,000 miles from our coast. These are people from our own continent. People who are having their lives destroyed right now, in front of our eyes.

For once we should say, unequivocally: "***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** welcome here."

It is not as if we have a shortage of jobs for them to do. In the engineering, transport and hospitality sectors we are seriously short of staff.

That's not anywhere near the main concern, of course.

The important point is that we should be magnanimous. And be seen, by the rest of the world, to be magnanimous.

Because when we finally tally up who helped the Ukrainians most, do we really want to be a footnote below tiny, impoverished, Moldova?

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THE UK has a proud history of welcoming those most in need ? with thousands opening their homes to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in the last year and providing help to those fleeing from persecution in Hong Kong.

But those arriving on small boats aren't directly fleeing a war-torn country or facing an imminent threat to life.

Instead, they have travelled through safe, European countries before crossing the Channel.

The fact that they can do so is unfair on those who come here legally and enough is enough.

In January, I made it one of my five promises to the country to stop the boats ? and today we are bringing forward new laws to do so.

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Migrants ... arriving in Dover

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**Byline:** RISHI SUNAK

**Body**

THE UK has a proud history of welcoming those most in need ? with thousands opening their homes to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in the last year and providing help to those fleeing from persecution in Hong Kong.

But those arriving on small boats aren't directly fleeing a war-torn country or facing an imminent threat to life.

Instead, they have travelled through safe, European countries before crossing the Channel.

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**Byline:** ANNE LUCEY

**Body**

FOUR men were left with stab injuries after clashes at a hotel housing asylum seekers.

Some staff are refusing to go back to work at Hotel Killarney, Co Kerry, over fears for their own safety.

Two men were in custody last night as gardai made four further arrests at the venue which is now houses 400 peo- ple in direct provision, half of them single males.

The clash is believed to have happened in a public area of the hotel and involved rivals from nations including Georgian, Albanian and Somalian. In addition Killarney is hosting 3,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

It comes amid fears the tourist town cannot cope with an enormous influx of refugees.

Killarney Asylum Seeker Initiative expressed concern about having so many in one hotel. A spokesperson said: "We don't have the services to deal with such numbers. It's putting enormous strain on the town."

The four victims were taken to hospital in Cork and Tralee with stab wounds.

Hotelier and councillor Niall O'Callaghan called on the Government to step in.

He said: "We in Killarney have spent hard years building our reputation as a leading tourist destination and we are watching it being dismantled."

And Cllr Donal Grady has called for those who committed the violence to be deported.

He said Killarney's good name was "in the gutter" thanks to Government policy in placing so many in the hotel.

One local said people were "living in fear" and there had been other clashes in the area.

**Graphic**

Attack ... gardai at hotel

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[*REFUGEES MOVING INTO CROKE PARK; UKRAINE WAR CRISIS 140 will stay at GAA HQ for 2 weeks*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6787-YD51-JCBW-N3XF-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** AOIFE BANNON

**Body**

***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** will sleep in the home of GAA as Croke Park sets up as emergency accommodation.

Up to 140 people forced to flee their war-torn country will be spending two weeks at the Dublin stadium, The Irish Sun can reveal.

The GAA HQ has offered its executive suites as sleeping areas while the Government struggles to tackle the refugee housing crisis.

Other areas of the stadium will be used for leisure and eating. Due to upcoming match fixtures, the offer will be short-term rather than an ongoing arrangement.

But it does give a short reprieve for the Department of Children as it faces pressure to find homes for the large influx of refugees as Mad Vlad bombards Ukraine.

Last night, the Department of Children said it "wishes to express its gratitude to the GAA for making Croke Park available to it".

A spokesman added: "The facilities will come on-stream this weekend and will be available to the Department until 18 January. Full catering, 24/7 security and other facilities will be provided to those staying in Croke Park."

The Department revealed that as of Thursday the country was "accommodating over 73,490 people, including those fleeing the war in Ukraine and International Protection applicants. This compares with 7,250 at the same time last year. This figure includes over 54,390 Ukrainian people."

Minister Roderic O'Gorman has been slammed by campaigners over more than 80 international protection applicants left sleeping in tents in Knockalisheen, Co Clare.

**Graphic**

Slammed ... O'GormanHome match ... Croker to house refugees

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By the same token, the public has also taken the "Homes for Ukraine" scheme to their hearts.

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Most Brits want to support Ukrainians heart and soul in their hour of need - here and in their devastated home country.

That means putting our money where our mouth is. Not just with weapons but also with the welcome mat.

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[*We're in danger of being one nation that failed refugees; Thursday, April Rod Liddle*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6573-K4K1-JCBW-N230-00000-00&context=1519360) [*rod.liddle@the-sun.co.uk*](mailto:rod.liddle@the-sun.co.uk)

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**Byline:** Rod Liddle

**Body**

ALMOST exactly one month ago, our Government introduced a sponsor scheme to allow ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** into the UK.

The war had already been raging for three weeks. Our European allies had opened their doors to the refugees.

Time was of the essence. These were largely women and children fleeing a lethally dangerous conflict zone.

Since then, how many Ukrainians have been let into the country? Go on, take a guess.

Bear in mind Germany has welcomed 316,000 refugees. Some 35,000 Ukrainians have gone to live in tiny Belgium.

Poland has opened its doors to more than 2.6million.

Even inhospitable France has let in close to 40,000. Cash-strapped and distant Spain? More than 110,000.

And our figure? A magnificent 12,000. It's a bit shameful, don't you think?

Is this because Ukrainians don't want to come here? Nope, there are at least 40,000 visas pending. But still the refugees fail to arrive.

In all other respects, the UK's support for Ukraine has been steadfast, generous and admirable.

We have been at the forefront of sending military equipment - along with experts to train the Ukrainian soldiers in how to use the new hi-tech weaponry we've bunged them.

For this, the Ukrainians have been very grateful. Our Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, has been singled out by Putin's gangster henchmen in the Kremlin as being the most "hostile" of European leaders.

That's a badge Johnson wear with pride, of All the while France's President Emmanuel Macron was making increasingly useless phone calls to the Russki dictator.

DESPERATE

And Germany was getting cold feet over allowing so much as a spud gun across borders into Ukraine. But this is one area where we have utterly failed the people of Ukraine.

These are not, in the main, long-term refugees. They are not the economic migrants who turn up in boats on our shores.

They are largely women and children who have left their men to do the fighting home - to where they will return when Putin is finally defeated.

They should be welcomed here. But the problem here is that we are still demanding that each refugee should have a visa.

That means whole families cannot come the UK until every member has separately filled in a horrendously complicated visa form. And these visas are taking three weeks to process. In some cases that is the difference between life and death.

Other European countries have scrapped the need for visas. Surely now, we should do the same.

There's also the usual red tape from the council over where these refugees should be housed. The usual pencil-necked jobsworths with their clipboards.

Don't they realise this is an emergency?

fleeing Mariupol

There is no real excuse for this shambles.

We have to waive the restrictions and let more people in, quickly.

Or we will become known as the country which, alone in Europe, failed to open its doors.

Oh - and while we're on the subject, what should we do about Ryanair?

The Irish airline charged a family of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** an extra 60 euros for a boarding pass because its computer kept crashing and the family couldn't print a pass before coming to the airport in Poland.

The family couldn't afford this extra money, so they lost their flight.

If you're going away for the summer, make sure it isn't with Ryanair. Hit them where it hurts.

**Graphic**

DESPERATE ... fleeing Mariupol

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[*PLANS TO HOUSE WAR REFUGEES IN BARRACKS*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:66PN-WYM1-DYTY-C39F-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** ADAM HIGGINS

**Body**

***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** are set to be temporarily housed at Army barracks.

The Defence Forces have identified five that can put up people fleeing the war.

The Government asked military chiefs to help out as they battle an accommodation crisis.

More than 40 Ukrainians were forced to sleep rough at Dublin Airport in recent days due to a severe lack of housing.

Coalition chiefs have agreed to double the (EURO)400 recognition payment that families receive for opening their homes to refugees.

And councils must find more vacant buildings to be turned into housing for Ukrainians - with more than 400 already earmarked across the country.

Around 25 per cent of hotel rooms in Ireland are currently booked up by the Government to house people who came here to escape Mad Vlad's invasion.

The Government is due to renew many of these contracts with hotels in the coming weeks however, a decision has been made to stop providing free food to refugees as part of the deal.

Tanaiste Leo Varadkar admits the Government is struggling with the volume of people coming to Ireland from Ukraine, with 54,000 arriving here since the war began in February.

The Fine Gael leader said: "We're going to do our very best to find as much additional accommodation as we can.

"We're not going to turn anyone away but it is a very difficult situation and we need to be honest with people about that.

"I think this is likely to get worse before it gets better. The war in Ukraine is escalating."

**Graphic**

'Difficult situation' ... Leo

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[*Home wreckers*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:655C-TT21-DYTY-C21D-00000-00&context=1519360)

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ARROGANT, complacent, lazy, useless. The Home Office shames Britain before the eyes of the world.

Its shambolic failure to provide sanctuary for more ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** is a betrayal not just of those poor, terrified people but of the generous families who have offered them a home ... and of Europe's combined war [*www.effort.No*](http://www.effort.No) one can fault our Government's commitment to Ukraine's forces. But Priti Patel's department lags woefully behind on refugees.

Visa applications take an age to process if they are processed at all.

A supposed 24/7 helpline is swamped because just 15 staff are allegedly tasked with handling thousands of calls a day.

Distressed men and women still in the war zone are, we are told, fobbed off and just told to wait.

It is a disgraceful way to handle this emergency - matched for sheer ineptitude only by the Home Office's failure to prevent hundreds of illegal migrants arriving daily across the Channel.

One of Whitehall's key departments is broken. Home Office civil servants were already disinclined to knuckle down.

Covid gave them an excuse to work even less.

This toxic combination of indolence, intransigence and hapless political leadership is blighting lives and letting Britain down.

It must be fixed.

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[*Rachel's war +4 =family; STAR HAILS REFUGEES*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:67SR-YJC1-DYTY-C4NT-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** ELEANOR SHARPLES

**Body**

COUNTDOWN star Rachel Riley says hosting ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** is "so rewarding" and the four living with her are "like family".

The maths whizz, 37, added that her young daughters "absolutely love" a little boy they treat as their brother.

She was speaking just over a year after Russia's invasion of Ukraine forced millions to flee the country to safety.

Rachel, married to Russian dancer Pasha Kovalev, 43, told BBC Breakfast: "It is so rewarding and it's working for us.

"Our girls absolutely love having this little boy. It's like they've got an extra brother and he's got sisters to look after.

"He's just turned eight years old.

"He's really a young man who has had to grow up before his years.

"We're getting on like one big family. It's a brilliant thing to be able to do." Rachel has threeyear-old Maven and Noa, one, with Pasha, who she met on Strictly in 2013 and married six years later.

She said of the Ukrainians living with them: "They do so much to help out.

"Whether it's making borscht [a traditional soup] or looking after the kids ? and they don't need too, they've got a lot on their plate.

"They're working as cleaners, getting three buses across London for two hours to do a cleaning job. Last week, one of their clients bought them a bouquet of flowers.

"Our lady, she got home and burst into tears because it meant so much to have that gratitude and to have someone acknowledge the hard work and effort that she puts into making her life a little bit nicer.

"It can just be really simple things.

"It costs you nothing and it makes someone's day."

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**Graphic**

Countdown ... Riley

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[*Refugee plan is a shambles; @the-sun.co.uk letters The page where you tell Britain what you think*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:650G-N341-JCBW-N10T-00000-00&context=1519360)

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£50 LETTER

WHILE it would be nice to accommodate ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, many families would not be able to because of the growing cost of living.

Many pensioners like me have a spare room. But has the Government considered everything that would go with this, from the healthcare to all the emotional problems?

The Government's offer of £350 a month to those offering a room is nothing compared with what the Home Office pays for just one asylum seeker who crosses the Channel to live in a hotel - around £120 a day, according to Migration Watch.

MICHAEL MORGAN Cosham, Hants THE economy has taken an almighty battering in the pandemic - and now suddenly families are being offered financial grants to open their homes to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. Where is this cash coming from? Only politicians seem to know.

TRAGIC

Britain must do all we possibly can to help the desperate refugees fleeing from their war-torn country.

But with household costs going through the roof, and so many on the breadline, how is it possible to accommodate these Ukrainians?

ROCKY WEBSTER, Taunton, Somerset THE Government's plans to house Ukrainians are pathetic. If a family of five could live on the handout to homeowners of £350 per month, we would all be doing it.

The Tories never have a plan or strategy. They jumble things together in and hope they will work, then chuck taxpayers' money at it.

BARRY JOHNSON Hornchurch, Essex I'M impressed by the British people's support for Ukraine - with the country's national flag and colours everywhere.

This shows, even in a small way, that we are behind the Ukrainians.

They certainly need our love.

LES HOLT Prestwich, Manchester WILL someone please organise a comprehensive list of people who are able and willing to help with accommodation?

I have a two-bedroom home with a spare room. Please put us top of your list and let's get those brave people integrated as soon as possible.

refugees

HARRY HODGE Aldershot, Hants AS a football fan, I have a degree of empathy with Chelsea fans affected by the sanctions applied to club owner Roman Abramovich.

But in comparison with the suffering inflicted on the Ukrainian people by Vladimir Putin, football pales into insignificance.

I was dismayed to hear Chelsea fans chanting Abramovich's name in the game against Norwich City.

All I can say, Chelsea, is that all good things must come to an end.

DENISE ALLMARK Birmingham

SHAME on Prince Harry for snubbing his late grandpa Prince Philip's memorial service over security fears. It will very much upset the Queen, not seeing Harry's two young children.

MARTIN ELDRIDGE Weymouth, Dorset AS an example of throwing toys out of the pram, Prince Harry's decision to snub Prince Philip's memorial is in a league of its own. What a gross insult.

TONY ARMSTRONG Newcastle upon Tyne WHAT a brat Prince Harry is, refusing to attend Prince Philip's service. He should go into the acting world his wife Meghan was in, as it's all drama, drama, drama with him.

EMMA PORTER Killyleagh, Co Down THE Queen misses today's Commonwealth Day Service at Westminster Abbey for good reason, after she had Covid. She deserves a rest.

S T VAUGHAN Birmingham THE England cricket team must recall bowlers Stuart Broad and Jimmy Anderson. The First Test v West Indies drifted from us due to inept bowling.

PAUL NEEVES Bournemouth I AM so looking forward to seeing Piers Morgan on TalkTV - a man not afraid to say the truth.

CHRIS GRYGOLEC Middleton-on-Sea, West Sussex

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[*Harsh reality*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65YB-TDH1-JCBW-N157-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

ON matters like immigration and refugees, the SNP government has long sought to stand out from Westminster.

In every statement, interview or press release where these issues come up, you can be assured of the same barrage of buzzwords.

Inclusive. Welcoming. Humane. Tolerant. Progressive. It's become a key part of Nats' messaging - drawing a contrast with the perceived harshness of Tory migration policies, and supposedly showing how an independent Scotland would be so much fairer to new arrivals.

But yet again with this Holyrood government, we learn that words are cheap and actions harder to come by.

For instance, on the SNP's key 2021 manifesto pledge to launch "cities of refuge" for writers and artists fleeing violence and persecution in oppressive countries. It turns out that far from being delivered, ministerial outreach to councils on this plan - which was supposed to start in Glasgow - hasn't even begun yet.

When will it start? "Later in this parliamentary term," Shona Robison, the minister in charge of this brief, says vaguely. This, coming in the same week SNP ministers halted their super sponsor scheme for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, reflects poorly on Nicola Sturgeon's government.

And reinforces a view that has been expressed many times about her administration.

That they're quick to talk a good game, and generate good PR and headlines.

But less inclined to do the hard graft needed to make their policies work in the real world.

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[*I AM a staunch royalist [...]; @the-sun.co.uk letters The page where you tell Britain what you think*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6555-VDS1-JCBW-N37B-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

I AM a staunch royalist but I will not be following the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations if Prince Andrew, pictured, accompanies her to the Epsom Derby. Has he no shame?

CYNTHIA GREEN Mayland, Essex HOW many more skeletons are in Prince Andrew's cupboards? He repaid £750,000 given to him by a millionaire - but what sort of person keeps money in their bank account that isn't theirs?

MICHAEL TOVEY Treharris, Merthyr Tydfil

I APPLAUD Welsh Secretary Simon Hart for wanting Wales to offer a haven for all ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, but I do not know how the Assembly would fund it.

JOHN HACKETT Tenby, Pembrokeshire WHAT is all the fuss about Dame Cressida Dick stepping down as the Met police commissioner? Just like her predecessors Paul Condon and John Stevens, she contributed little, if anything, positive to the force.

IAN OWEN, Wallington, Surrey

I WAS devastated to hear that The Wanted singer Tom Parker, pictured, had succumbed to his brain tumour last week.

He shone above everyone else with his kindness. Such a sad loss.

NIGEL DOUGHTY Reydon, Suffolk HOW can any of us have any respect for a law that even considers releasing Tracey Connelly, the mother of Baby P? The poor boy died in misery.

DEAN BUCHANAN Gedling, Notts

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[*Best of them Ol; WARREN EXPECTS A MAJOR SHOCK*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:690W-4GS1-JCBW-N0PB-00000-00&context=1519360)

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DANIEL DUBOIS defeating Oleksandr Usyk will be British boxing's greatest win abroad - to all bar Frank Warren. The Hall of Fame promoter has been around long enough to remember iconic longshot foreign victories for fighters such as Lloyd Honeyghan, John H Stracey and Ken Buchanan. And if Dubois stuns Ukraine's WBA, IBF and WBO heavyweight king, who also has Olympic gold and was undisputed cruiserweight champion, he will take his place among that pantheon of legends. With around 40,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** expected to pack Poland's Tarczynski Arena in Wroclaw on Saturday, Dubois goes into the lion's den as the 7-1 underdog. And Warren reckons everyone - except him - has written Dynamite Dan off. He said: "From what I keep reading, Daniel is a huge underdog and has no chance. "So if he wins it will top all of the big British wins abroad. To a lot of people it will be a massive upset - but not to me." " Warren has worked with the likes of Nigel Benn, Prince Naseem Hamed, Joe Calzaghe and Tyson Fury, who all pulled off spectacular shocks abroad. So he knows what it takes to go into enemy territory and win. Warren said: "This is all about Daniel's temperament. "He is going into the lion's den where 95 per cent of fans will be Ukraine refugees supporting Usyk, their hero. "But Daniel fancies it. He could have stepped aside but he said he wanted the fight. "He has speed, power and an excellent jab. "Daniel needs to take the centre of the ring and be the boss." " Anthony Joshua won a handful of the 24 rounds in his two Usyk defeats. But Warren reckons Dubois has what it takes to beat the southpaw legend. He said: "If Dan fights Usyk like AJ fought him, he will get beat. "Joshua doesn't commit himself now, he stands off the guy, even smaller guys, he doesn't show any confidence in the ring. "If you lose confidence as a fighter, that's self-doubt and, once that goes, you never get that back. "Daniel has to go in there and completely believe in his speed, strength, agility, youthfulness and desire to get the win, in a way Joshua never did."

**Graphic**

HE'S DYNAMITE ... Dubois has what it takes to upset Usyk, says promoter Warren (inset)

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**Byline:** WALLY DOWNES Jr

**Body**

DANIEL DUBOIS defeating Oleksandr Usyk will be British boxing's greatest win abroad - to all bar Frank Warren.

The hall-of-fame promoter has been around long enough to remember iconic longshot foreign victories for heroes like Lloyd Honeyghan, John H Stracey and Ken Buchanan.

And if Dubois stuns Ukraine's WBA, IBF and WBO heavyweight king, who also has Olympic gold and was undisputed cruiserweight champion, he will take his place among that pantheon of legends.

With around 40,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** expected to pack Poland's Tarczynski Arena in Wroclaw on Saturday, Dubois goes into the lion's den as the 7-1 underdog.

And Warren (right) reckons everyone - except him - has written Dynamite Dan off.

He said: "From what I keep reading, Daniel is a huge underdog and has no chance.

"So if he wins it will top all of the big British wins abroad. To a lot of people it will be a massive upset - but not to me."

Warren has worked with the likes of Nigel Benn, Prince Naseem Hamed, Joe Calzaghe and Tyson Fury, who all pulled off spectacular shocks abroad.

So he knows what it takes to go into enemy territory and win.

Warren said: "This is all about Daniel's temperament. He has everything else physically, so now we see his temperament.

"He is going into the lion's den where 95 per cent of fans will be Ukraine refugees supporting Usyk, their hero.

"But Daniel fancies it, he could have stepped aside but he said he wanted the fight.

"He has speed, power and an excellent jab. Daniel needs to take the centre of the ring and be the boss."

Anthony Joshua won a handful of the 24 rounds in his two Usyk defeats. But Warren reckons Brit Dubois has what it takes to beat the southpaw legend. He said: "If Dan fights Usyk like AJ fought him, he will get beat. Joshua doesn't commit himself now, he stands off the guy, even smaller guys, he doesn't show any confidence in the ring.

"If you lose confidence as a fighter, that's self-doubt and, once that goes, you never truly get that back.

"Daniel has to go in there and completely believe in his speed, strength, agility, youthfulness and desire to get the win, in a way Joshua never did."

**Graphic**

HE'S DYNAMITE ... Dubois faces world champion Usyk in Poland on Saturday night

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[*3,000 REFUGEES TOLD TO GET OUT OF STUDENT DIGS*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:663V-6BN1-DYTY-C0HJ-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** ADAM HIGGINS

**Body**

MORE than 3,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** living in student housing have been told they'll have to leave by the month's end.

And many of them have not yet been told where they will be moved to.

Thousands who came to Ireland to escape the Russian invasion were placed in student accommodation when colleges closed.

But colleges are due to reopen in September and there will be no room for the refugees.

The Government has struggled to find enough housing for the surge of people from Ukraine, with more than 40,000 arriving in Ireland since February.

The Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth has not yet informed all residents where they will go.

It said that "3,000 Ukrainian beneficiaries of temporary protection must leave student accommodation by the end of August".

It added: "The Department continues to work with accommodation providers to secure additional accommodation, taking into account provision that may expire at the end of the summer."

The Government is currently building temporary housing and renovating other buildings across the country. Minister Roderic O'Gorman has told how the State is at a "pinch point" over the use of college accommodation.

He has now called for sporting organisations to assist in finding temporary accommodation for the refugee population.

Pregnant Polina Grishenko, who is living with her sister and two kids at student accommodation in Cork, told how she fears she may have to return to Dublin's Citywest centre and "sleep on the floor".

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**Graphic**

'Pinch point' . . O'Gorman

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[*Dad dies fighting until 'last breath'; WE UKRAINE REFUGEE FAMILY Y FLY TO WARZONE FOR FUNERAL lKILLED ON FRONTLINE l1,700 MILE TRIP HOME*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65MT-YW71-DYTY-C12P-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

THE family of a Ukrainian freedom fighter killed on the frontline travelled 1,700 miles home from Scotland to say their agonising last goodbyes.

Relatives of tragic Ihor Melnyk, 47, returned to the wartorn country to lay him to rest after seeking refuge here from Vladimir Putin's invasion.

The brave dad died in an attack by Russian troops in the eastern

Donbas region less than three months after his family fled.

His daughter, Katia, six, her teenage sister and their grandmothers were believed to be among the first ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** welcomed to Scotland in March.

The Melnyks were planning a holiday together this summer but instead made their heartbreak pilgrimage to the western city of Ternopil to attend Ihor's funeral. Last night, a grieving relative said: "We are all heartbroken. It is a terrible tragedy. Ihor was working on the frontline and was killed.

"The girls went back to their home for his funeral.

"The entire family is shocked and saddened by his death."

Ihor was working as a senior intelligence officer for the Ukrainian military as a drone pilot when he was killed. He signed up days after the Russian invasion.

A military source said: "The brave fighter died defending Ukraine. The military defended Ukraine from the Russian occupiers until its last breath." Friends and family gathered on Friday at the Mykulynetske Cemetery to remember Ihor.

Ukrainian news footage showed a long funeral procession - led by uniformed fighters bearing his coffin and carrying his portrait - following a crucifix.

In emotional scenes, his family, dressed in black, could be seen gathered around his open casket.

The relative added: "Ihor was such a lovely man and we had made plans to go on holiday this summer. We are all devastated by this loss. All of us will miss him so much." When Ihor's daughters arrived in Scotland, his wife, who had also signed up for the military, watched via video messenger as they were reunited with relatives.

Katia arrived with her older sister and two grannies, Luba Fitryk, 62, and Olha Starko, 70, who wanted to get them to safety.

It is believed the four were the first refugees to arrive in Scotland from Ukraine after the conflict began in February.

After leaving their home in Chernivtsi - about 330 miles west of Kyiv - they had to make the 500- mile journey to Warsaw to apply for visas. On their travels they slept in flats with strangers and one night had to share a room with seven other people.

They were forced to queue for 11 hours at the visa office before they could submit their applications.

Days later, they were told they'd been successful.

Touching down at Edinburgh Airport, one of the grandmothers, Luba, who left behind her husband and 86-year-old mother, branded Putin "worse than Hitler".

She added: "I'm very grateful that

I can come to Scotland. It has been very scary in Ukraine since the invasion.

"It's really scary - really, really scary. Putin is worse than Hitler for doing this.

"I want to go back but I will stay here until things settle down."

The family have settled in Scotland with relatives and Katia has adapted to her new school - even winning a pupil of the week award.

Last night, Lord Harrington of Watford told the House of Lords that 65,700 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have arrived in the UK since the start of the war. He said that at present there are a further 19,000 Ukrainians waiting for a UK visa application to be completed.

It came as Defence Secretary Ben Wallace said Britain would send an unspecified number of M270 launchers, which can fire precisionguided rockets up to 50 miles.

That's a longer range than any missile technology currently in use in the war.

And he pledged that Ukrainian troops would be trained in the UK to use the equipment.

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**Graphic**

Devastated ... Katia at funeral as family gather around Ihor's open coffin

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**Byline:** GARY CARTER

**Body**

Catalans..........40 Warrington........8

SAM TOMKINS showed why he should be England's full-back at the World Cup.

And Catalans' Sam Kasiano showed just why Warrington want him, as the Wire snapped too easily.

Mitchell Pearce grabbed Catalans' game-breaking try but Tomkins, who cracked a bone in his leg five weeks ago, was key before prop Kasiano took over.

Dragons boss Steve McNamara believes six goals and two superb bits of defensive play highlighted why Tomkins should be national boss Shaun Wane's number one.

He said: "Sam Tomkins made a couple of really big plays.

"They were sensational, game-changing moments.

"He gets lots of credit for attack but he showed patience on those breaks - and Sam Kasiano has been doing that for us for a long time, he's a game-changer."

***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** being housed in Perpignan attended this Super League clash.

Within ten minutes, they learned about Tomkins' brilliance.

First he herded Matty Ashton down a blind alley as he broke, then opened the scoring with a penalty before a Connor Wrench try had the visitors in front - albeit briefly.

Tomkins later sent Gil Dudson over then set up Fouad Yaha to become Catalans' highestever try scorer.

Arthur Mourgue landed two goals and a try as the Wire leaked 26 points in the last 15 minutes.

Wolves boss Daryl Powell said: "There are mentality things we need to fix, especially when we're are behind."

**Graphic**

FIRING ... Dragons' Ben Garcia in action

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[*NATS: NO PROGRESS ON REFUGEE PLEDGE; RIVALS SLAM LACK OF ACTION*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65YB-TDH1-JCBW-N131-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

SNP ministers were last night accused of kicking a refugees pledge "into the long grass".

Nats admitted no progress has been made on their 2021 manifesto vow to set up "cities of refuge" for "writers and artists fleeing violence and persecution".

It comes after the Scottish Government faced flak for halting its Ukrainian "super sponsor" scheme and housing hundreds of refugees from the war-torn country on a cruise ship.

Labour MSP Sarah Boyack said: "The SNP's decision to kick this policy into the long grass is another blow to their claims to be standing up for refugees.

"They are posturing but not delivering.

We need to lead the way in actions as well as words. The SNP must stop dragging their heels and deliver this pledge with urgency and ambition."

Ministers announced last week they were pausing the sponsorship scheme for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** due to "capacity" problems.

They have chartered a cruise liner for three months to be docked in Leith, Edinburgh, with 739 rooms for people fleeing Vladimir

Putin's war. SNP Social Justice Secretary Shona Robison admitted work on the manifesto pledge won't start until "later in this parliamentary term" in response to a question from Ms Boyack.

Ms Robison told The Scottish Sun: "Cities of Refuge will align with our New Scots refugee integration strategy, which sets out the vision of a welcoming Scotland."

More than 7,000 Ukrainians have arrived here, with over 21,000 visas issued.

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**Graphic**

Criticism ... BoyackVow ... Robison

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**Body**

IRELAND is known for its warm welcome.

However, there is no céad míle fáilte for the ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** arriving here at the moment.

It is clear the Government is struggling to get to grips with the influx of people from the war-torn region.

It is not a surprise given that more than 42,000 people have come here since the bloody Russian invasion of Ukraine started in February.

Not only that, but the number of asylum seekers arriving from other parts of the world has also dramatically increased in recent months.

But regardless of where the uptake is coming from, the current situation cannot continue.

Shocking photos emerged online yesterday of refugees appearing to sleep on the floor of the CityWest refugee reception centre in Dublin over the weekend where 780 people were waiting for accommodation on Sunday night.

It follows a similar accommodation crisis last week when refugees had to sleep on the ground at Dublin Airport while asylum seekers also slept on the floor at the Red Cow Hotel last month.

Today, a tent town will open at Gormanstown Army Barracks in Co Meath, with refugees housed 16 to a tent.

Ireland's housing crisis is well known. And many will argue that more also needs to be done to look after the thousands of Irish people on housing lists or stuck in temporary accommodation.

The Government has many challenges addressing our housing needs. Across the board, they must do better.

We have had decades of sub-standard direct provision accommodation. Refugee tents can't now become the new norm.

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[*RUSSIANS SHELL FLOOD REFUGEES; AS 42,000 UKRAINIANS HIT BY DELUGE..*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:68DW-9P71-JCBW-N2TD-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** ISAAC CROWSON

**Body**

RUSSIAN forces shelled ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** fleeing flood-hit homes yesterday.

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They targeted distraught civilians from artillery positions several miles behind the huge dam destroyed on Tuesday.

It came as Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelensky embarked on a morale-boosting visit, embracing locals and assuring them that a huge support operation was under way.

He said officials discussed evacuating people from potential flood zones and providing vital support for those with homes already engulfed.

Up to 42,000 people in the Kherson region are at risk following the destruction of the Nova Kakhovka dam on the Dnipro river in Russian-held territory.

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A spokesman for Kherson's prosecutor's office said: "Due to targeted strikes by the occupiers during evacuations in the city, a civilian died. Two more people were wounded." He said four others had been injured in a nearby village.

Ukraine's Interior Ministry said: "The shelling began precisely during the evacuation of citizens whose homes were flooded."

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Slava, a resident of Ostriv, the city's worst-affected area, said the same room in his neighbour's flat was hit twice by Russian shells overnight. The shelling resumed in the morning, complicating rescue efforts.

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He said: "There were five blasts in the block where we are staying."

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A woman living in the flood-hit city is urging the world to intervene, as she claims Russians are shooting people as they are being evacuated.

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Olga said she is unable to reach her family, who live on the Russianoccupied east bank of the Dnipro river. She said: "I just hope we will be helped, not only by our authorities and local volunteers but by foreign countries too."

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Olga added: "They [Russian troops] are killing us even while we are being rescued from flooded areas.

to enter on books!org to enter "They shoot at us. We have no safe nights, no safe days."

**Graphic**

Hit ... strike throws up column of water in Kherson

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[*DOCTORS IN THE HOUSE; WE UKRAINE REFUGEE MEDICS S WHO WANT TO WORK HERE lSurgeons, nurses and dentists all offer to help lThey vow to send cash home to aid the war effort*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:652M-BMG1-JCBW-N480-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** NIAMH ANDERSON

**Body**

A GROUP of Ukrainian healthcare workers are pleading with the Irish Government to fast-track the process so they can work in Irish hospitals.

Around 10,147 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have arrived into the State so far, according to the latest figures from the Department of Justice.

Hundreds of those who have arrived are healthcare workers, including surgeons, nurses, psychologists, dentists, dermatologists and GPs.

And they are preparing to write to Health Minister Stephen Donnelly, asking for urgent action so they can work for the Irish healthcare system, which is suffering a severe staffing crisis.

Ukrainian couple Nikita Skakun, 34, and Mariia Peschanska, 25, are both qualified doctors who arrived in Ireland on March 14.

They are just two of over 100 health workers who are desperate to start work, so that they can send wages home to fund their families and the Ukrainian army.

The couple, who are currently living in the Imperial Hotel in Lisdoonvarna, Co Clare, are originally from Odessa, Ukraine.

Mariia told The Irish Sun: "We have a WhatsApp group chat for all of the Ukrainians who have arrived here, who used to work in the medical field. A guy in our hotel is a child surgeon, and there are dentists, psychiatrists, anaesthetists, orthodontists, nurses. It is a group of highly skilled people.

"We will be writing a letter to the Health Minister Stephen Donnelly, to make some sort of unified procedure for Ukrainian doctors because from what we have heard, doctors are very much needed in Ireland so we're hoping something will be done on the matter.

"For medics to work here, you need your medical diploma verified and you have to pass an exam.

"It's different to Ukraine, it won't be easy, unless the Government make a fast-tracking system."

Currently, most non-EU doctors need to take a test, known as the PRES exams, that would allow them to practise in Ireland.

However, the exams only recently resumed after being put on hold due to the pandemic - and there are already hundreds of eligible medical graduates waiting to sit them.

At home, Nikita and Mariia work at a private clinic in Odessa, where they specialise in dermatology. But now, their lives "have been erased" as Russian forces continue to wage war on their beloved country.

The couple were on holiday in Sri Lanka when Ukraine was invaded by Putin's troops on February 24. Their flight home was cancelled so they were forced to fly to Germany, and then Ireland, where they are now living in Co Clare alongside hundreds of other ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Mariia said: "When the war started, we were on holiday so we didn't know where to go.

"I feel that my whole life in Ukraine does not exist any more, every little ritual that we had, the work we have, the social network, our friends have all left, so we feel we have nothing left there. Our lives were completely erased. We flew to Germany for a week but we don't know German, so it would be very hard for us to integrate there and get jobs, so we decided to come to here. Ireland was one of the first countries to open its borders for Ukrainians, which really surprised us."

Nikita added: "We didn't know much about it but it's so beautiful and we feel very lucky and welcome here."

Ireland is expected to take in around 200,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** according to Ministers.

And the couple said they have been blown away by the Irish hospitality they've experienced and the Government's handling of the humanitarian crisis so far.

Mariia said: "Everything is so organised, everyone here is so nice.

"We are very surprised how nice Irish people are, everyone is so welcoming, and pleasant to talk to.

"They are compassionate about the Ukraine situation. We were intimidated when we arrived, but they have supplied us with accommodation and food and we feel very grateful for that.

"It is amazing to see that people are so united to help Ukrainians and that they are so compassionate and determined. We really feel the support of the world right now."

Back home, Mariia's mother remains in the historic city of Odessa, in southern Ukraine, which is currently stable. Many of their friends and families are also still trapped in the war-torn country. Mariia said: "My mum is in Odessa, she does not want to leave, because everything is relatively OK for now. She wants to stay there for as long as it will be safe for her.

"The first couple of weeks, we were so worried. It was very hard for me to talk to her, we would hear sirens in the background, and she was hiding in the bathroom, it was very scary."

The couple also have family living near the separatist-controlled city of Donetsk, where dozens of people have died as result of Russian shelling attacks.

Nikita said: " am trying to get them to escape to Odessa. They can live in our flat 'cos it will be safe there. But they are old and they don't want to leave.

"They are saying they are being bombed constantly, it is hard for them to leave the city, even if they want to do so."

Mariia said the couple have been racked with feelings of "guilt" for not being able to return to their country and help defend their homeland against the Russians.

At the moment, most men aged 18 to 60 can't leave Ukraine as they must stay and join the resistance.

Because they were on holiday when the war broke, however, Nikita was unable to return. But the couple vowed to do everything they can to help their country from afar.

Nikita said: "At first I thought I should go back to Ukraine, but we decided I should stay and work so that we can send money back to our parents and the military."

In a statement the Irish Medical Council said the organisation is seeking ways to "support doctors arriving from Ukraine into Ireland."

It said it had a "statutory responsibility to ensure that doctors who register with the Council in order to work in Ireland meet the required standards in the interest of patient safety". The IMC added: "The Council will have a further update for Ukrainian doctors arriving in Ireland in the near future."

**Graphic**

Determined . . Mariia and NikitaHope ... DonnellyPEACE PLEA Refugees in Lisdoonvarna call for a stop to brutal invasion of Ukraine

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**Body**

RTE broadcaster Joe Duffy told of his fury yesterday after it emerged ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** staying in an Irish hotel were being charged (EURO)5 a go to use its swimming and leisure facilities.

It is understood the State is already paying the bill for refugees fleeing Russian despot Vladimir Putin's invasion of their homeland to stay at the hotel.

But a caller went on Duffy's RTE Liveline programme to reveal the Ukrainian residents, who are primarily women and children, have to pay extra to access the hotel's pool.

The female caller, who is a member of the hotel's leisure centre, said she was quitting due to the decision to charge the refugees staying there for use of the leisure facilities.

However, another caller named Brian told how he also pays a membership for a leisure centre and insisted refugees staying in hotels should pay extra for access to leisure facilities.

Brian said he would feel "hard done by" if refugees staying in the hotel were also allowed to use the pool and other facilities free of charge.

Host Duffy, below, slammed the caller and rapped: "Shame on you if that's the extent of your thinking about people from the Ukraine using the pool.

What's it to you?"

But Brian said he would complain about people staying in the hotel "at my expense".

The hotel refused to respond to queries from The Irish Sun.

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[*Ban delay will drive change; Scottish Sun The page where you tell Scotland what you think letters*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6978-8101-DYTY-C1BM-00000-00&context=1519360)

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STAR LETTER

IT'S a massive boost to hard-up motorists that the petrol and diesel ban has been pushed back.

At a time when people are struggling, the worry over having to buy pricey electric cars and how to run them is just too much. And the gas boiler scheme was another concern.

I'm keen to see what the Scottish Government does next. On one hand they seem desperate to plough on with green measures.

But they will lose support if they don't help cash-strapped Scots by following suit.

JAMES WATSON Glasgow I AM an environmentalist and I applaud the decision of the Government to row back on targets for electric cars, whose mineral extraction is very degrading to the environment.

There are far superior ways to help the planet ? more public transport and more planting of trees to absorb carbon.

JOHN BARSTOW By email THE Greens have decided we're still not doing enough to help the planet despite using four large bins, one black box and one food caddy.

They are now planning to take that big bin number up to seven.

The bins we have already take up most of our small back garden, making it almost impossible to enjoy it when we get some good weather.

It is high time the SNP told the Greens to sling their hook.

TOM BAXTER Denny WELL done Mr Sunak, pictured, for not banning petrol and diesel cars for another five years.

When we voted to leave the EU all those idiotic ideas should have been scrapped. I still don't think electric cars are practical.

JD BLACK Dundee A TOTAL of 650 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who came to Scotland under the 'supersponsor' scheme have disappeared or left the country.

A Scottish Government spokesperson said "the refugees are not obliged to say where they are moving to" ? surely it is now time to introduce a National ID system.

TESH SHIRRON Aberdeen JANE MOORE is spot on when she says that the sexual harassment of women and girls is rife in society.

It sickens me as a man who was brought up to respect women. There needs to be a campaign of education but I would argue it needs to go across society from the young to the old.

LUKE RUSSELL By email

IT was brilliant to take a trip down memory lane with Taggart celebrating its 40th birthday. It was such a groundbreaking programme. I'd love to see it come back on the screens for a revival ? it would be better than a lot of the reality nonsense on the box.

L STEVENSON By email

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**Body**

IRELAND has lived up to its name of the land of a thousand welcomes when it comes to making a home for fleeing ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** - and rightly so.

We've led the way since evil Vladimir Putin's forces invaded Ukraine back in February, with over 40,000 landing here in the weeks and months that followed.

But with thousands of refugees currently housed in student accommodation during the summer break, the Government faces a major problem once term resumes.

Many have been told they'll have to be out at the end of the month, and have no clue of where they'll be headed next.

It was an extraordinary response to an extraordinary situation and our leaders reacted swiftly and decisively to it.

There's not a town or a village in Ireland that hasn't welcomed those who have escaped the war with open arms - not least Lisdoonvarna in Co Clare, where Ukrainians now outnumber the local population tally.

Minister Roderic O'Gorman warned we were hitting a "pinch point" as the State pleaded with sporting organisations to donate space to the cause.

But that's not a permanent or viable solution. Concrete plans must be now put in place for the next phase of rehousing once college students return.

If we are welcoming those still evacuating Ukraine as war rages on, they deserve to be landing into some sort of a decent quality of life - and not facing the harsh reality of sleeping on the floor of the Citywest hub.

Their children need stability after all they've been through.

It's time for this emergency response to leave the emergency phase. We need more large-scale planning and investment, fast.

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UKRAINIAN families have been living in cruise ship cabins for more than 25 weeks, stats show.

The City of Edinburgh Council said one family embarked on July 26 last year and were still on board on January 20 when the figures were collated.

Overall, council chiefs said 691 people, or 313 households, had stayed on the boat for more than six months.

The average stay on the vessels for "guests" who eventually disembarked was 118 days.

But in a recent report by the British Red Cross, it branded the accommodation for the refugees on the MS Victoria in Leith "inappropriate".

The charity said that many of those staying in cabins had been given no timescale of when they could expect to be moved into more permanent housing.

**Graphic**

Long stay ... MS Victoria

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**Body**

THE number of Ukrainians arriving in Ireland has jumped by 3,300 in the last three weeks.

Figures released by the Central Statistics Office yesterday show a total of 47,962 people from Ukraine have sought refuge in Ireland since the outbreak of the war.

All Ukrainians have been issued with personal public service numbers under the Temporary Protection Directive.

Women aged 20 and over account for 47 per cent of arrivals to date, while individuals aged 0-19, male and female, account for 36 per cent.

The highest percentage of those arriving, a total of 18,079 people, were categorised as "one parent with children" under the broad relationship classification headings used.

**Graphic**

Fleeing war . . refugees

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UKRAINIAN orphans were last night settling into their new surroundings after being flown from the war-torn country to Scotland.

The 54 children from homes in Dnipro have been given sanctuary in Callander, Stirlingshire, before they move to more permanent accommodation in Edinburgh.

The town made them feel welcome by hanging bunting in their national colours around the main square.

The children and their guardians were meant to fly from Poland on Monday, but a vital document from the Ukrainian government was not ready in time.

They eventually arrived via London in the early hours of yesterday morning.

Edinburgh charity Dnipro Kids, which was set up by Hibs fans and has supported the orphanages for years, arranged the evacuation.

Steven Carr, from the charity, said he was "ecstatic" to get them to safety.

He said: "It's just great to finally get over the line.

"We just take care of them, we make sure everything is in place. It's very traumatic for them - I wouldn't say they are excited to be here, hopefully that will happen over the next few days."

Nicola Sturgeon tweeted a welcome, and wrote: "I know you'd all rather be at home in Ukraine, but you'll find love, care and support here for as long as you need it."

Three welcome hubs have also been set up around Scotland for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** arriving in the country.

**Graphic**

Here at last ... youngsters look relieved as they step off planeEn route ... the children board plane for flight from Poland

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IT'S all very well Labour's Climate Change Secretary, Ed Miliband, pictured, extolling the virtue of wind farms, but they have flaws.

In strong winds they are switched off to prevent them overheating and if the wind doesn't blow they can't generate power.

JIM SOKOL Minehead, Somerset MULTI-millionaire David Cameron says the Government needs to cut tax to beat the squeeze. When he was PM he didn't care about the squeeze on families, when he plunged the country into austerity.

Crawl back under your rock dodgy Dave, you have done enough damage to the country already.

IAN NICHOLSON Workington, Cumbria TOTALLY agree with Alan Watts (Sun Letters, Tuesday) regarding Emmerdale's Meena Jutla story. It has been going for more than a year now, it's getting so boring I've started turning it off.

KEVAN RODWELL Lowestoft, Suffolk IT'S easy to knock someone when they're down but in the case of Home Secretary Priti Patel, pictured, it is well deserved. Her three years as Home Secretary have been blighted with fundamental errors and bad judgment and her latest debacle when the ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** desperately need help, is simply farcical.

SEAN SPILLANE Folkestone, Kent WHY is there hardly any coverage of the Paralympics?

Channel 4 show it early in the morning, but the evening highlights show keeps being cancelled in favour of extended news.

Once again disabled athletes are treated as second-class citizens.

PAT SUTTMANN Cowes, Isle of Wight

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TRIMMING some of the red tape holding up ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** from reaching sanctuary in the UK was clearly the right thing to do in a humanitarian emergency.

So why did it take Priti Patel's Home Office so long to make the changes?

Russia's march into Ukraine was the most heavily telegraphed invasion in history, so ministers can hardly claim to have been caught on the hop by the inevitable civilian exodus.

The relatively minor concessions finally wrung from the Government - allowing online applications for Ukrainians with a passport or ID card who have family members already in the UK - are approved by Britain's security services, again raising the question of why they were not implemented at the outset.

And while security checks remain vital, the bureaucratic shambles still faced by other Ukrainians - with tales of visa offices shut for holidays, and elderly women and children made to wait outside in the cold - are simply inexcusable.

It is hard to escape the conclusion that the Home Office - as with the Foreign Office in its lamentable response to the fall of Afghanistan last year - is mired in a glue-thick tendency towards inaction and hamstrung by Whitehall's indulgence of working-from-home culture.

These twin afflictions run through the veins of almost everything the Government does. Time and again, ministers dig their heels in stubbornly while standing in the wrong spot, only to end up being humiliatingly dragged towards common sense by the tide of public opinion.

That's no substitute for real leadership.

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TRAGIC stab victim Thomas O'Halloran was repeatedly knifed in the neck, chest and stomach, it emerged yesterday.

The Clare accordion player was killed while riding his mobility scooter in London.

The 87-year-old was heading off to raise money for Ukraine when the alleged attack happened in Greenford, West London, at 4pm last Tuesday.

Horrified passersby desperately tried to save Thomas but despite their efforts he was pronounced dead at the scene.

Suspect Lee Byer, 44, who has been charged with murder and possessing a large knife, yesterday appeared at the Old Bailey before the Recorder of London, Judge Mark Lucraft.

The defendant appeared by video link from custody at Belmarsh prison.

Prosecutors say Thomas fell victim to the "vicious attack" of "unprovoked violence".

It was revealed a post-mortem examination found the grandad, who was known "throughout the local community", sustained multiple stab wounds to the neck, chest and abdomen.

Judge Lucraft set a plea hearing for November 8, with a provisional trial of up to three weeks from May 2, next year. Byer was remanded into custody.

During a pre-trial hearing yesterday, the court heard cops received a 999 call from a member of the public who found Thomas injured at 4pm on August 16. He was pronounced dead at the scene at 4.54pm.

Byer, of no fixed address, was charged on August 19 with Mr O'Halloran's murder and possessing a large knife.

Thomas was well-known in the area and often busked with his accordion outside a nearby Tesco and the train station.

The stab victim, originally from Co Clare, had lived in Greenford since the 1970s.

Locals say he played to raise money for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Neighbour Anushka Burnett, 37, said: "He's absolutely lovely, he is one of the best neighbours.

"He's so helpful, lovely, always has conversations with everyone."

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Victim ... grandad Thomas

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PEOPLE who volunteer to take in ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will have to go through background checks overseen by the Government.

The suitability screening will be mandatory - but tens of thousands of Brits are still expected to join the Homes for Ukraine scheme to put up families and individuals fleeing the terrifying conflict.

Ministers will launch officially the policy today, with those offering sanctuary for the displaced people being paid £350 a month as a thank-you.

The move follows an outcry at Britain's tardy response to Europe's worst refugee crisis since the Second World War Two.

The first Ukrainians benefiting from the new policy are expected to arrive next week.

Minister Michael Gove, who said he was looking at providing a room, said: "We want to make sure that every available bed can be made available to those fleeing persecution.

"We know there are a large number of people in this country generoushearted and in a position to provide homes - plus businesses and charities."

He said "tens of thousands" of refugees are expected to be helped and there is no limit to the number people take. Volunteers can apply online today and you must commit to providing a room rent-free for six months.

Once here, refugees can work and access benefits.

Government sources say they plan to leave it to people to be buddied up with refugees via charities, community groups and social media because it will be less bureaucratic.

But Labour leader Sir Keir Starmer, who backs Homes for Ukraine and may also provide a room, criticised the Government.

He claimed: "The scheme in place so far has been too slow, too narrow, too mean."

Councils will get £10,000 per refugee housed in the area to help meet costs.

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MICHEAL Martin and Boris Johnson praised the close work between the EU and the UK over Russia's invasion.

But the Taoiseach - who attended the Irish Six Nations rugby clash against England at Twickenham with the British PM yesterday - said he wasn't in the UK to tell Mr Johnson what to do in relation to refugees.

French President Emmanuel Macron lashed the UK for failing to live up to its "grand statements" on helping fleeing Ukrainians.

At the end of an EU summit in Versailles on Friday, Mr Macron criticised Britain's visa policy which required applicants to go in person to Brussels or Paris.

However, the UK hit back, and pointed to comments by British Home Secretary Priti Patel, who stated they "are now making the process quicker and simpler".

And asked if he would encourage Mr Johnson and the British Government to take in more ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, Mr Martin said: "Well, to be fair, I'm not here to tell Boris Johnson what to do.

"I have to acknowledge the leadership of the UK Government in terms of the sanctions it has imposed on Russia.

"And also the support it has given to Ukraine and indeed to many of the eastern European countries of the European Union who value the support that they've received from the UK and who have said this."

A Government statement said: "The Taoiseach and the PM welcomed the close collaboration between the EU, UK and other partners to hold Russia to account, to provide support to Ukraine and to address the humanitarian needs of its people."

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Chats ... Martin and Boris at Twickenham

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JUST what do Putin's troops have in place of a conscience after shelling pregnant women and babies in a maternity hospital?

Many of them are parents themselves so how long will it take Russian soldiers to realise their leader is no hero? He is a dangerous and deluded megalomaniac, who must be stopped.

SUSAN CAVE Newcastle THE bombing and destruction of a hospital, especially a maternity unit, is horrendous and without doubt a war crime.

Someone has to stop Putin, by using economic measures, pressure, isolation, condemnation, but not with more violence.

Support and pray for Ukraine but don't fight, let peace win.

DENNIS FITZGERALD Melbourne, Australia THE world is now witnessing the true colours of Vladimir Putin.

This heinous man, who even now is claiming Russia is only attacking military targets, has been exposed as a liar and coldblooded sadistic killer.

The most frightening aspect is that he is getting away with these atrocities while holding the world to ransom with talk of using nuclear weapons.

CLINT WEBSTER Taunton, Somerset AFTER seeing the Russian army's annihilation of a maternity hospital and mass murder of Ukrainian citizens, how long can the world let this go on?

Sending ammunition is obviously helping, but it is not enough. If that useless talking shop called the United Nations really means anything then how about sending an army of multiple nations, armed to the teeth with a warning to Putin that it will not engage in hostilities unless fired upon and for him to return all troops to Russian soil.

NICK HAMMOND Brighton IT is beyond belief that Russia could be planning a chemical or biological weapon attack in Ukraine. To bomb a maternity and children's hospital is evil enough, but to even contemplate biological weapons shows Putin is totally unhinged.

I hope someone in Russia has the courage to depose this wannabe despot before his madness engulfs the whole world.

PADDY MAXWELL Lordshill, Southampton FLEEING Ukrainians want permission to enter Britain today not in a week or even more, while they wait for a visa. These are mostly women and children, and not potential terrorists.

It is no good Boris Johnson promising to "do more" when deep down he must know there isn't the manpower to cope quickly enough with the numbers. What he needs to do is "do less" and scrap the visa requirement temporarily.

Ukrainians with biometric passports should be allowed in on these alone, and so should the people who accompany them without documentation.

Verification checks can be done later once they are safe in the UK.

JIM WARREN Bath THE administrative obstacles being faced by ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** trying to enter this country legally are unbelievably harsh.

Perhaps these poor souls would have received a warmer welcome if they had boarded a dinghy in France and landed clandestinely on the south coast of England.

SYLVIA KNOWLES Burgess Hill, West Sussex I WAS very disappointed to read that Burger King, KFC and Danone are still operating in Russia.

Money may talk, but there is no possible way it can drown out the screams of the innocent lives still being lost on a daily basis.

I hope they come to their senses and follow in the footsteps of the majority of companies by ceasing to do business in the country as soon as possible.

LUKE CHARLTON Northolt, Middlesex HOME Office civil servants, who are still working from home, should either be fired or sent to the Ukraine border where refugees are in desperate need of a UK visa.

Priti Patel may talk tough, but it is time she started acting like a person in charge.

HOWARD MURTY Bransgore, Hants

TXT US ON 07537 410199 Don't forget to include your name. Standard text rates from your provider apply WILL Rishi Sunak cut taxes to help the public? Or is he a liberal socialist at heart?

PHIL, Swansea PRITI PATEL may not be a good Home Secretary, but it's her civil servants who are useless.

VICTOR, Kent JOHNNY MERCER MP said the handling of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** is "not our finest hour", but doesn't know if it is due to Priti Patel's incompetence. It is.

ADS, Lincoln I'M proud to see British fighters in Ukraine - but our Army has a small number of soldiers as it is.

BOB DIXON

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THE sale of Chelsea football club should be stopped. Owner Roman Abramovich should not be doing any business in this country until the Russians leave Ukraine.

All the oligarchs' assets should be used to house the ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. Some should be housed in the many properties and yachts owned by these Russians close to Putin.

Pressure needs to be put on the money men. All these oligarchs would not be here if it was not for the deals they have done with Putin.

TOMMY HAZLE HURST Goole, Yorks

OH how the other half live, having a spare £2billion lying around.

Woody Johnson, former US ambassador to the UK, is offering to buy Chelsea FC off Abramovich for the bargain amount.

If you are filthy rich, how on earth is football a priority when thousands of Ukrainians are dying and fleeing their homes?

That £2billion could go towards helping these people in their time of need. But that's billionaires for you ? it's all me, me, me.

FIONA MCGRADY Banbridge, N Ireland

OF the many suitors wishing to buy Chelsea, Woody Johnson seems the most suitable.

The Saudi Media Group is not ideal as it is money from a country with an appalling human rights record.

A businessman from a democratic nation will hopefully allow Chelsea to get past this awful period of ownership that has damaged the club.

LUKE RUSSELL Tingley, Wakefield

HOW could Chelsea have the audacity to ask that their FA Cup tie at Middlesbrough be played behind closed doors? It is not Middlesbrough's fault Chelsea was owned by one of Putin's buddies.

I also believe Blues manager Thomas Tuchel is whingeing about their travel arrangements.

Dear dear, they have to get on a bus. I don't know why they can't get the train.

Alternatively, they could just forfeit the match and get back in their ivory towers.

STANLEY HEWARD Saltburn-by-the-Sea, North Yorks

CHELSEA should show a little more respect than asking for special treatment, because of the Ukraine/Abramovich situation.

What an attitude, especially with what is happening in the world.

PATRICIA GOODWIN Derby, Derbys

I'M sure those suffering the relentless bombardment of Vladimir Putin, and his crazed Z-troopers will be devastated at the plight of Chelsea FC.

With his history, I believe Roman Abramovich was never a fit and proper person, but the authorities turned a blind eye.

ASHLEY SMITH March, Cambs

SADLY Boris Johnson chooses to ignore the massive gas reserves beneath us, which would not only supply our needs but mean we could sell shale to other nations.

He must take immediate action to retain fracking sites, then fast track the development and opening of many more.

As suggested by former Energy Secretary Andrea Leadsom, those living adjacent to the sites could even have free gas.

KEN POWELL Tickhill, Doncaster

I AM intrigued by the idea children could have to stay home from school because of the cost of fuel. Most schools are within walking distance of homes and walking is a great way to keep levels of obesity and pollution down.

Use what God gave you to travel around on ? legs.

BILL GALLUP Hounslow, West London

WHAT was the BBC production team of EastEnders thinking showing a "schoolboy" putting a kitchen knife in his bag to take to school to deal with his problem?

Doesn't enough of this happen for real without promoting it?

MICK MAY Basildon, Essex

RUSSIAN journalist Marina Ovsyannikova's protest against Putin's invasion of Ukraine was one of the bravest things I've ever seen. We can but hope that the fine imposed on her will be the end of the matter.

TERENCE ARMSTRONG Kingston Park, Newcastle upon Tyne

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HOW about getting the National Trust to open some of its empty halls and mansions to accommodate ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***?

DAVE, Staffs

CHRIS Bryant, stop hiding behind parliamentary privilege on your Nigel Farage remarks.

PHIL, Swansea

WHY are we still giving India handouts? The country has not condemned the war in Ukraine and it is now thinking of buying discounted oil from Russia.

MARION, Berks

THE PM is more frightened of the anti-fracking lobby than letting the rest of us freeze.

E VICKERS, Goole

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ONLY 50 visas granted out of 5,000 applications from ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***? Disgusting. Our Home Office is a disgrace. It is Windrush all over again. People who work in the Home Office are overpaid and incompetent, a law unto themselves.

I bet they enjoyed their parties while everyone was in lockdown.

It's time to wake them up ? dragging their feet is costing the lives of women and children.

Most applicants have relatives here, so what's the problem?

KEITH ROBINSON Gosport, Hants WE must do more for the refugees from Ukraine.

They are not economic migrants looking to exploit our welfare system, but the victims of war. We can find room for thousands crossing the Channel in boats but we can't find compassion for children carrying pets, pregnant women and the old who have lost everything.

S VAUGHAN Yardley Wood, Birmingham THE PM is right not to throw open our borders without checks. Yes, we want to help Ukraine but surely we need to make sure the people are who they say they are. DAVE MOSS Markfield, Leics WELL done Ukrainian MP Kira Rudik, who has taken up arms to defend her country. She is showing Vladimir Putin that he has seriously underestimated her nation's women.

AMELIE BARNES St Asaph, Denbigs UKRAINIAN women fighting alongside their menfolk reminds us of the great contribution our own women made during World War Two, working in factories and on the land, while many in the services did important jobs.

Even our Queen drove vans and knew how to repair them.

LES HOLT Prestwich, Gtr Manchester THE Sun's haunting image of a mother and child fleeing Russian bullets will have a lasting effect. The atrocities we are now regularly reading of seem to be getting worse by the day.

The perpetrators must surely face a war crimes courtroom in the same manner as many Nazis did at the Nuremberg trials.

TROY WEBSTER Taunton, Somerset I AM glad US Secretary of State Antony Blinken has given Nato allies the green light to supply fighter jets to Ukraine.

Putin may well issue warnings that Nato allies helping Ukraine would be seen as a "declaration of war", but the world is not prepared to stand by and watch him annihilate Ukraine.

DAVID EVANS Pelsall, West Mids I TOTALLY agree with columnist Trevor Kavanagh ? we have enough gas and coal underneath us to keep the lights on and old people warm. Boris must reverse his ideas and get fracking started straight away.

PETE LAMBELL Daventry, Northants SURELY the Government needs to lift the ban on fracking during this latest fuel crisis.

News that energy giant Cuadrilla is to concrete over its two wells in Lancashire on the orders of the Oil and Gas Authority is crazy.

We are in the midst of a massive emergency crisis and many old people are shivering in their homes. Surely at least a trial period of fracking is justified in the current circumstances PAUL MARSTON Walsall THE need to put fracking into operation has never been more important. And the decision to seal two shale gas wells has never seemed so stupid.

The Government is giving in to the greenies before fracking has even been given a fair crack of the whip. Those who oppose it might change their minds when eye-watering energy bills drop through their door.

DAVE SWANN Lemington, Newcastle upon Tyne WE all knew that our energy bills were going up as the cost per unit rises dramatically. But instances of daily standing charges ? which are not controlled by regulator Ofgem ? more than doubling have come to light, too. This must become a matter for Ofgem.

KEN POWELL Doncaster

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ALAN, Cambridge HOW much longer do we have to put up with ITV's Saturday Night Takeaway? It's a load of garbage.

KEVIN, South Wales AT the present rate it will take over ten years to issue ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** with visas if we are to take up to 200,000 as promised.

CLIVE, Coventry THE new EastEnders set cost £87million. As viewing figures plummet, that will soon work out at a million quid per viewer.

TONY, Tewkesbury, Gloucs

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Chris - who recently took in a family of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** - stood down as Millionaire host in 2014 and the show returned four years later with JEREMY CLARKSON in the hotseat. But he still remembers his time on the show fondly and revealed the Ukrainian family have begun to watch old episodes. Chris said: "I didn't want them to, but suddenly this strange man in their house pops up on telly. They've watched repeats of Millionaire. There's four of those on a night, you know."

Chris has continued to support victims of the war in Ukraine by helping The National Lottery celebrate others who have shown huge kindness during the conflict.

At Liverpool's Royal Albert

Dock on Tuesday, he unveiled a projection depicting the story of Ukrainian caseworker Vladyslava Zhmuro, who has helped rehome more than 300 people.

Chris added: "The National Lottery is giving £30million a week to good causes. One of the things they're concentrating on is exceptional people that are doing amazing things.

"Vladyslava is an amazing girl and deserves this tribute."

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LEO Varadkar said it is "essential" for countries to not "lose focus" on the Ukraine war as global attention shifts to the Israel-Hamas conflict.

The Taoiseach was speaking during a two-day meeting of the 27 European Union leaders in Brussels yesterday.

Mr Varadkar said some countries wanted attention to be drawn away from the Russian invasion of Ukraine and towards the escalating conflict in the Middle East.

He said: "Because of all the other things that are happening in the world, not least in the Middle East, it'd be very easy to lose focus on the war in Ukraine, and it is essential that we don't do that.

"We need to continue, if not continue, double down on, our support for Ukraine, in terms of political, military, financial and other support."

On the question of supporting Volodymyr Zelensky's country against Russian madman Vladimir Putin, he added: "We have a very strong view that Ukraine has a right to defend its sovereignty, its independence, its democracy.

"If we don't stop Putin in Ukraine, he won't stop there.

"So it is a threat to all of us and Ireland will continue with support for Ukraine until victory." His comments come as the Government debates how to change their offering to the thousands of Ukrainians fleeing the war and arriving in Ireland.

So far 96,338 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have arrived in Ireland since the start of the war in February 2022.

The Government has said that as 30-50,000 more are expected in the next year, it must change its current offer of open-ended accommodation and potentially reduce entitlements to social welfare supports.

There were disagreements at a Cabinet meeting this week after it was proposed a three-month limit be placed on the period the State would be obliged to provide housing to Ukrainians.

Minister for Public Expenditure Paschal Donohoe said any change to provisions for Ukrainians must be "sustainable", while cautioning that no decision had yet been taken.

Mr Donohoe, who is at the EU summit in Brussels in his capacity as president of the Eurogroup of Eurozone finance ministers, said Cabinet would come to a decision "soon". He added: "The discussion that happened in Cabinet earlier in the week is just part of the deliberative process. So I'd expect that it will conclude soon.

"The Irish people, the Irish State, have shown a remarkable ability to support nearly 100,000 people that have come to our country in the last two years. We just need to consider how we can continue to do this in the future and do so in a way that is sustainable.

"Government hasn't made the decision on the matter. We're aware of the many consequences of any decision that we make. and I'd expect that in the next few weeks the matter will be considered again."

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Rivals . . Prez Zelensky, left, and Vladimir PutinChat . . Leo & Danish PM Mette FrederiksenSupport can't flag ... Leo speaks to Europe's media in Brussels yesterday

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TENSIONS on a cruise ship housing ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** are rising over Russian-speaking passengers and crew.

People housed on the MS Victoria docked in Leith, Edinburgh, after fleeing the war with Russia have raised "concerns" with Scottish authorities.

Hannah Beaton-Hawryluk, of the Association of Ukrainians in Great Britain, said: "Ukrainians get upset when they hear

Russian. Not just crew, it's people from the east. They're trying to speak Ukrainian, but it's not their first language."

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Freedom of Information details show other complaints over living space, medical care

MANCHESTER OFFICE: 0161 9355351 and domestic disputes. But Ms Beaton-Hawryluk added: "People on board have a better deal than the rest of the community. Conditions are good."

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Edinburgh City Council, the Scottish Government and NHS Lothian staff are helping the refugees with life here. The SNP Government said: "More than a quarter of the Ukrainian population speak Russian."

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HOME Secretary Priti Patel has achieved nothing of significance in three years.

Her amateurish attempts to curb the increasing crossings of illegal immigrants can only be matched by her failure to bring about a reform of the asylum system, which she keeps on promising will stop the daily crossings.

After staying put in recent reshuffles, it looked like Ms Patel was untouchable but now she seems set to be dethroned.

Sooner or later everyone is promoted to their own level of incompetence. It seems Ms Patel has reached hers.

SEAN SPILLANE Folkestone, Kent PRITI PATEL has done absolutely nothing to put an end to the constant flow of migrants across the Channel.

Of course she ought to lose this post. ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** are being held up from entering the UK by bureaucratic red tape, while hundreds cross the Channel illegally in dinghies.

That thousands of pounds were reportedly spent on Domino's pizzas alone for such migrants simply riles the British public even more. It's time for Priti to be axed.

DAVID WEBSTER Taunton, Somerset BORIS JOHNSON might replace Priti Patel over the migrant crisis. Every time she comes up with an idea on how to stop it, she is scuppered by some of her own MPs or that old boys' club, the House of Lords. The sooner we get rid of the Human Rights Act and replace it with a British Bill of Rights, the better.

Then we'll be able to point all of these boats back towards France.

It's like they do in Australia.

PETE LAMBELL Daventry, Northants WHILE I'm no big fan of Priti Patel, would someone care to clarify how much government money is spent on patrolling the Channel for illegal migrants?No one person in the Government is perfect, and they can only do their job as best they can with the resources with which they're provided.

If the powers-that-be are dissatisfied with Channel patrols, then it is their responsibility to increase the resources accordingly. Stop whingeing and do what is necessary.

MICHAEL FROST Romford, Essex

IT'S unbelievable that there are people out there waiting to exploit the suffering of the ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. I was horrified that children and young women are being kidnapped and forced into the sex trade.

These people, in a matter of weeks, have lost their homes, jobs and families. Haven't they suffered enough?

Man's inhumanity to man seems to have no bounds. For God's sake, stop this cruelty.

S T VAUGHAN Birmingham NO one wants the war against Ukraine to carry on, and we all want a peace settlement.

Leaders of all countries must be very careful about what they are saying. Biden needs to choose his words more carefully, as does the Ukrainian President.

It is vital that other countries do not get involved in the fighting because it would probably cause another world war, which no one wants.

Peace negotiators must get back to the table and somehow find a way to achieve peace while they still can. And leaders of countries need to be careful before opening their traps.

CHRISTINA BROOKS Shanklin, Isle of Wight SHARRON DAVIES and other sportspeople are right on the money when they complain about people born male who become female, then compete as a woman in a sport they had little success at as a man.

It's not just in swimming. I read about and saw the pictures of an MMA fighter who had a gender reassignment operation and was allowed to compete as a female boxer, and beat her opponent to a pulp.

What's OK about that?

MICK MAY Basildon, Essex

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JUNE, Liverpool I CAN'T see what all the fuss is about. US President Joe Biden is only saying what most people are thinking about Putin.

BRIAN, Wiltshire GOLF buggy? Why can't the Queen have a mobility scooter like most older people?

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THE EU may have to take in 15million ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** if Vladimir Putin keeps up his bloody campaign of terror.

The United Nations fears the number of people displaced by the increasingly brutal invasion will be three times higher than expected.

That would mean the country - with a pre-invasion population of 44million - would be virtually emptied of women and children.

Swiss justice minister Karin Keller-Sutter talked of UN predictions a million people a week could leave, almost all headed West.

More than two million have already fled, including half the citizens of capital Kyiv.

In harrowing scenes yesterday a mum was pictured comforting her daughter wrapped in a coat and blanket while waiting after crossing the border to Poland.

A young boy was carried on a man's back, while another woman held her baby inside a makeshift camp for women and children in Lviv before their transfer onwards.

Ireland has already taken in close to 3,000 people fleeing the violence, with Government ministers warning the final figure could be closer to 80,000.

Yesterday, French President Emmanuel Macron told Britain to pull its weight by taking in more Ukrainians, slamming the UK's border policies and saying refugees must "be better treated".

And he tore into the lack of visa centres to get to the UK which has left exhausted people "travelling hundreds of kilometres to apply". He insisted "much remains to be done".

EU countries, including Ireland and France, have waived all visa rules for Ukrainians for three years, meaning they can get jobs and housing.

Ireland has also donated millions of euro towards relief efforts as well as four thousand blood bags, 50,000 medical-grade masks and 10,000 bio-protection suits to the war-torn country.

**Graphic**

Packed in ... mums and kids camp in Lviv, UkraineLift ... child hitches ride at the border in Kroscienko, in PolandSo cold ... refugee mum wraps up her child at Polish border in Medyka yesterday

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He added that the Russian President is violating the fundamental principles established after two world wars.

Deputy PM Dominic Raab said it was reprehensible the Russians kept shelling the plant after the fire broke out, while emergency rescue teams were trying to get to it. Defence Sec- retary Ben Wallace said Kremlin tyrant Putin was "playing with fire" by attacking the Zaporizhzhia nuclear site in south-east Ukraine.

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I applaud Lib Dem chief Alex Cole-Hamilton, pictured, who is quite rightly putting the pressure on the government to sort this mess out quickly.

ANNE MALCOLM Edinburgh THE government has blown up to £20million on empty hotel rooms and cruise ship cabins.

During the Ukraine conflict with Russia, the SNP government was desperate to appear more generous than the rest of the UK, and now the taxpayer has been left with another massive bill through their incompetence.

GEORGE SUTHERLAND Buckie SO Amanda Holden is off to renovate a crumbling home in Sicily.

buildings in Scotland or elsewhere in the UK for that matter that would benefit from some TLC, and the income it would generate. Nice work if you can get it.

STEWART MABON By Email KIM Kardashian is finding being a co-parent hard work - aw diddems. She needs to stop greeting and get over herself. It makes me sick when seriously rich people moan 'woe is me'.

AGNES MARTIN Glasgow THE EastEnders Boxing Day car crash was totally unrealistic.

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Danny Dyer really didn't deserve to end his time as Mick Carter so unrealistically.

DEBORAH ANN LEA By Email NOW that the UK has dropped one place to sixth on the list of the world's biggest economies, will we stop sending aid to China, who are second? They should be sending us aid.

NORMAN WATSON By Email SEEING the Royal Family attend both the Westminster Abbey carol concert dedicated to the Queen, and Sandringham over Christmas was just wonderful.

VALERIE RITCH By Email

VERY few cities anywhere in the world look as stunning as Edinburgh at Hogmanay. But with forecasters predicting a big chill this weekend, I really hope all the young revellers heed the sub-zero warnings and wrap up warm for the Bells. Stay safe, all.

MARY SMITH Dundee

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MORE than 80 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** are upset after they were given less than two days' notice to move to new accommodation 50kms away. They settled in the Laois area after escaping the Russian invasion last March.

Many had found jobs and put their children in local schools. But on Tuesday they were told they had to leave their 15-house development by lunchtime today and move to a new site in Kilkenny.

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Yulia Kupets - who fled capital Kyiv with husband Dmytro and children Andrii, nine, who suffers from Down Syndrome, and five-year-old Martin - said they had just begun to feel a part of the local community and were now being". told to move.

She told The Irish Sun: "Because Andrii needs special care it has taken us a while to settle but he gets such great care and we are very settled now. We don't want to move anywhere.

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Her father has just had an operation and suffers from mobility - issues and dementia.

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Firstly, we witnessed the favourite to be the next First Minister making a spectacular bungle at a campaign photo call.

Humza Yousaf was meeting with ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** ? women forced to flee the war-torn country, where men have remained to fight for freedom.

The First Minister-in-waiting ? if bookies are right ? put his foot in it by jovially asking the group women: "Where are all the men?" Er, at home defending their country, Humza.

The stunned looks on the faces of the women and the awkward laughter said it all. The women there were unfailingly polite. Good on them.

But when questioned about his remarks, Mr Yousaf refused to admit what he said was daft at best ? crass, insensitive and idiotic at worst.

He also behaved in a thin-skinned manner when asked by media if his comments were a sure-footed thing for a wannabe leader to have said, snapping back: "Look, if that's the best you can do to pick out in terms of a challenge to my campaign."

Judgement This may seem like a blip in the grand scheme of things, but it raises questions about the tact and indeed judgement of the man who could be leading the country in little more than a week.

If he won't say sorry about a blunder like this, how can he be trusted to do the right thing if he messes up in government? Or will he always double-down ? his pride being the priority?

Similarly troubling yesterday was the SNP's confirmation that its membership has sunk from around 104,000 to 72,186 in just over a year.

Not that we care about how well the party is doing in terms of members. But the number matters now because these are the people who ? like the Tory grassroots who elected Liz Truss last year ? will decide on the next First Minister.

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It is a sorry state of affairs if we cannot trust the party of government to tell basic truths on routine matters.

When this shambolic contest is over, the SNP, needs to take a good look at itself under its new leader.

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DIY SOS: THE BIGGER BUILD IRELAND Friday 6.30pm RTE1 Brace yourself for tears before New Year's as Baz Ashmawy (above) hosts this two-part special focusing on re-housing ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. Six houses, six gardens and a communal outdoor space make this the team's biggest build so far and by turning it all around in such a short time, they hope to provide housing for six families from Ukraine. Concludes next Saturday.

CHRISTMAS EVE

NEW

MORTIMER & WHITEHOUSE: GONE CHRISTMAS FISHING 2022 8.40pm BBC2 Paul and Bob are of f to Norway for a festive fishing extravaganza as they attempt to catch cod, coalfish and halibut, brave a tidal whirlpool, and meet up with Ulrika Jonsson.

CHRISTMAS DAY

NEW

THE KING 3pm BBC1 & UTV The British monarch, King Charles III, delivers his debut Christmas Day speech, where he'll reflect on the events of the past 12 months and pay a warm tribute to his mother, the late Queen Elizabeth II.

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TUESDAY

NEW

RIPTIDE 9pm C5 This psychological thriller sees ex-EastEnders star Jo Joyner play pregnant Australia-based newlywed Alison, whose life is flipped upside down when her wealthy husband Sean (Peter O'Brien) fails to return home from his morning surf.

WEDNESDAY

NEW

DANCING IN THE MOONLIGHT: THE RTE CONCERT ORCHESTRA PLAYS THE MUSIC OF THIN LIZZY 9.25pm RTE1 This tribute concert comes from Collins Barracks in Dublin, and also features Tom Dunne, Mundy, Jack O'Rourke and Wallis Bird.

THURSDAY

DONAL'S FESTIVE PARTY 8pm RTE1 Join chef Donal Skehan for this sophisticated evening of party food, including tantalising canapés, crowd-pleasing mains and delicious desserts, which will all be washed down with a variety of sparkling cocktails. This half-hour special is full of Christmas cheer as Donal celebrates 2022.

FRIDAY

NEW

JASON MANFORD: RECENT NOSTALGIA 11.30pm BBC1 Recorded in front of a sold-out crowd at Sheffield's City Hall, this stand-up special sees Jason hilariously deep-dive into lockdown, his early days in comedy and why men really aren't that clever. Brilliant.

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Brandon Duarte (centre) leads the team on site at Kingston College in Mitchelstown, north Cork

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THE Government is set to create a special ministry for Ukraine as talks over a Cabinet reshuffle continue through the week.

The three party leaders will meet today to discuss new front bench positions with just five days to go to the switch.

Taoiseach Micheal Martin is due to swap places with Tanaiste Leo Varadkar as part of the deal agreed during the formation of the Coalition.

Tensions are growing with the rotation sparking a reshuffle of the top jobs. The

Irish Sun understands Fianna Fail are angling for the Department of Rural and Community Development to be swapped to their side.

And it is believed the Coalition is poised to create a new junior ministry with responsibility for the 70,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who have fled to Ireland to escape Russian despot Vladimir Putin's invasion of their homeland.

The Irish response to the Ukrainian refugee crisis is currently spread across several government departments.

But Government sources have indicated it would soon be coordinated by a single ministry - most likely

Roderic O'Gorman's Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth.

Fianna Fail TD Anne Rabbitte - currently Minister of State for Disabilities - has reportedly lobbied to be given a new role of supporting those fleeing the war in Ukraine.

Under the Constitution, the Government cannot have more than 15 senior Cabinet ministers.

A second junior ministry could also be created as part of a deal to ease reshuffle tensions between the two Coalition top dogs, Fianna Fail and Fine Gael.

Ahead of the reshuffle, Frankie Feighan, the junior health minister, has said he expects to lose his post.

And Taoiseach Martin is expected to take on the foreign affairs portfolio.

As ministers sweat over their futures, Housing Minister Darragh O'Brien is one of the few who has been told he will be remaining in position after Saturday's reshuffle.

And as Mr Varadkar thrashes out arrangements as he prepares to become Taoiseach again, disquiet within Fine Gael is growing.

Concern has raged at his decision to leak a confidential GP contract to a friend. And a recent video that went viral on social media of the Tanaiste socialising in a Dublin nightclub has increased worries about his political judgment.

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Refugee role ... Rabbitte

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ROLLING off car ferries at Rosslare Harbour, travellers pass a sign bearing Ireland's traditional greeting of "a hundred thousand welcomes".

Yet as the Republic struggles to cope with an unprecedented influx of migrants, this genial nation's south east coast gateway has had its famous hospitality severely tested.

Driving past the Great Southern Hotel, being renovated close to the harbour, unofficial placards tell of the village being "at saturation".

Residents in this tiny community of just 2,000 have already welcomed three hotels full of asylum seekers, and claim the number of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** living here is close to 400.

But when the Irish government revealed plans to house migrants in a fourth venue earmarked for a nursing home, locals dug their heels in. Master mariner Sean Boyce, 40, told me: "We are a hugely welcoming community, but our nearest doctors is in Tagoat, over three miles away, and it's full.

"Our school is at capacity, plus we would rather the hotel became a nursing home because that would provide the jobs this community really needs."

Dad-of-two Sean is no racist of the sort who made global headlines in an anti-immigration riot in Dublin last month.

He founded Rosslare Harbour Friends of Ukraine and helped raise more than £100,000 for around 5,000 refugees who arrived in the port after Russia invaded their homeland.

"We don't want to be attached to a far-right, anti-immigration narrative," Sean added. "We aren't that."

'We can't take any more' Locals have mounted a 24/7 picket outside the Great Southern since

November and organised dozensstrong protest marches.

Huddled around braziers against the Atlantic chill, a group of locals brandished placards reading, "We can not take any more" and "3 centers is enough in our village".

Mum-of-three Niamh Dennis, 39, points out there is "no community centre, no medical centre, no community creche and no youth club" to cater for more refugees.

Payroll clerk Jelena Stefanova, 45, originally from Riga, Latvia, is worried locals will soon be outnumbered by migrants.

From the picket line, the mum-ofone said: "I came here almost 20 years ago and the place was lovely.

"If so many more asylum seekers come here, I won't let my child go crab fishing miles away on his own. It wouldn't feel safe."

Rocketing immigration, on top of a housing crisis, has created a perfect political storm in Ireland. It received a record number of asylum claims - 13,651 - in 2022, up 186 per cent on 2019. Almost half came from Georgia, Algeria or Somalia.

This week, Ireland's Deputy Prime

Minister Micheal Martin blamed Britain's Rwanda policy for driving more asylum seekers to Ireland.

Some 100,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have also been taken in - six times more per head of population than in Britain. And with unemployment hovering just below five per cent, the Republic also handed out almost 40,000 work permits last year - more than double the previous peak in 2019. Most went to Indian, Brazilian and Filipino workers in health and social work.

Figures from its 2021 census show 20 per cent of Irish residents were born abroad, compared to 14 per cent in the UK. It means more than a million of Ireland's 5.1million people are immigrants.

The soaring population - up by 98,000 in the year to April - comes as the Irish government admits there is a PUSHBACK shortage of 250,000 homes across the Republic. This land of a thousand welcomes now has a new slogan, controversially used by some - #IrelandIsFull.

Protests have erupted outside asylum accommodation, with some people taking matters into their own hands. Last Saturday, the disused Ross Lake House Hotel in Rosscahill, County Galway - due to take in 70 asylum seekers in a remote community of 300 - was set on fire.

As a land that has sent millions to start new lives in the UK, the US and Australia, talk of curbing immigration has often been taboo.

That notion is now shattered.

Local councillor Noel Thomas said that while he did not condone the Galway blaze, he believes Ireland should stop accepting asylum seekers because "the inn is full".

Meanwhile, Peter Casey - who finished second in the 2018 Irish presidential election Sean - insisted tighter immigration controls were needed as "open borders" were "totally destroying Irish culture". The former Dragons' Den panellist said of freedom of movement this week: "I'd put a ban on everyone coming in from the EU for a period of time."

Prime Minister Leo Varadkar called it a myth that Ireland had an "open borders" policy for refugees.

He insisted migration had been good for the country and that the "vast, vast majority" of migrants fill "huge skills gaps".

The Galway blaze follows a string of other suspected arson attacks on migrant accommodation. In County Cork in July, thugs in balaclavas reportedly torched a building due to house refugees in Ballincollig.

And in May, a makeshift migrant camp in Dublin went on fire, with tents and belongings destroyed.

On November 23, rioting broke out in Dublin after an Algerianborn Irish citizen allegedly stabbed three children and a care assistant who tried to shield them. False rumours online claimed the attacker was an illegal immigrant who had targeted the kids in an Islamist terror attack.

Carnage ensued as a mob - some with banners proclaiming Irish Lives Matter - looted shops, torched buses and trams and attacked asylum accommodation.

Tensions were already high after a Slovakian immigrant was sentenced for the murder of primary school teacher Ashling Murphy, 23, who was stabbed 11 times in January 2022 while jogging in her home town of Tullamore.

On November 30, a suspected molotov cocktail was lobbed at the Great Southern Hotel site and a forklift teleporter was burnt out.

There is no suggestion that the protesters were responsible and organisers said they were "aghast".

Over the past two years, immigration has surged to become the third most important issue among Irish voters. Some 28 per cent of respondents in an Ireland Thinks poll said they would consider backing a candidate or party with "strong anti-immigration views" - double the 2021 level.

Among those hoping to capitalise on Dublin's migrant crisis is the fringe, far-Right Irish Freedom Party, which campaigns under the "Ireland is full" slogan and wants to quit the EU. I met its burly leader Hermann Kelly in Drogheda, north of Dublin. He once doubled as a press officer and security guard for Nigel Farage.

Critics of the "Ireland is full" mantra point out the island had a million more people in 1841, at its population peak. But Kelly said: "Are people suggesting we go back to eating potatoes, with 20 people per cabin? The hospitals are full, the schools are full and there's a massive housing crisis."

The party, which has 950 members, according to Kelly, will field three SAFETY FEAR candidates at next year's European polls, when it hopes to harness anti-immigration sentiment.

Kelly denies suggestions his party, founded in 2018, is far right - calling it "socially conservative and economically liberal".

I ask him if its rhetoric has contributed to the recent riot and arson attacks. "Not at all," says the Louth dad-of-two. "I grew up in the North during the Troubles, I'm very against political violence."

An hour south of Drogheda, PM Varadkar welcomed 6,000 new Irish citizens at Dublin's Convention Centre this week. Just over 13,500 people from 131 countries, living in every Irish county, got citizenship this year.

Software engineer Bhumika Singh, 33, was delighted to become an Irishwoman after nine years living there. From Lucknow, India, she was dismayed by November's riot.

The pregnant mum of Jelena one, 33, said: "I was terrified. I didn't think something like that could happen in Ireland." Asked if she had experienced racism, Bhumika revealed: "Someone in the street called me a 'bloody P\*\*\*'."

However, she still thinks Ireland is "a very welcoming country", where she wants to raise her kids.

Razan Faisal, 30, originally from Sudan and now a doctor in Waterford, said: "I came to Ireland to work. It's a great country with nice people." As for the rioting thugs, she added: "They represent themselves, not Ireland."

Nurse Abbie Lebranchu, 32, originally from the Philippines and now living in a Dublin suburb, says the only real difficulty she faced was finding a home to buy.

At the Rosslare Harbour picket line, Sean said: "The rate of change is so quick people find that very hard to absorb."

These are the sort of folk politicians will be wary of ignoring as Ireland grapples with mass migration to its shores.

ASYLUM CLAIMS UP BY 196% 'EUROPE GATEWAY' TOWN IN UPROAR REFUGEE 'HOMES' ARSON ATTACKS

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FRANK WARREN - ever the optimist - has always maintained that faith sees the invisible, believes the unbelievable and receives the impossible.

One of the world's top promoters for more than 40 years, what he has to say demands respect.

Warren has always wholeheartedly supported his fighters through thick and thin.

Those who have benefited from his unwavering loyalty make an impressive list.

Among the stars he steered from humble beginnings to world titles are Joe Calzaghe, Ricky Hatton, Naseem Hamed, Nigel Benn, Frank Bruno and Tyson Fury.

From the moment Daniel Dubois signed to challenge Oleksandr Usyk, Warren (below) has resolutely beaten the drum on Dangerous Dan's behalf.

He has been a lone voice in his conviction that Dubois will KO the unbeaten Ukrainian and leave Poland wearing the WBA, IBF and WBO world heavyweight belts.

But analysing tomorrow night's fight, Dubois appears to have as much chance of winning as Sadiq Khan, London's car-hating Mayor, has of being invited to be president of the Automobile Association.

Despite knocking out 19 of his 20 victims, compared to the vastly experienced Usyk he is still very much a novice.

Joe Joyce is the only top-ten fighter Dubois has met in a six-year pro career. That ended with him being counted out after Joe had fractured his eye socket.

Usyk, 36, is 11 years older than the powerful Londoner and started his incredible career as an amateur middleweight 17 years ago. His record would be classified as remarkable in any era.

As an amateur he had more than 100 contests, losing just 12, and won Olympic, world and European gold medals at light-heavyweight and heavyweight.

Turning pro, he unified the cruiserweight division before joining the big boys.

Usyk is a master craftsman, as Anthony Joshua found out when he lost his three world titles to him in London and again in their return in Jeddah 12 months ago.

He is a brilliant tactician and technician - while being a southpaw makes him even more difficult to fathom out.

In 24 rounds, Joshua couldn't get close enough to nail him with one of his power punches.

Dubois certainly isn't going to outbox Usyk.

There's only one way he can win - jump out at the opening bell and attempt to smash his way to glory in three or four rounds.

Dubois is as strong and hits just as hard as Joshua.

But I can't see him succeeding where AJ failed. There's no doubt Usyk, a 1-9 favourite who has been out of action for a year, will still be under considerable pressure.

He will be expected to put on an outstanding performance in front of more than 40,000 fanatical ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in Wroclaw.

Usyk is aware what defeat would mean to the morale of his warravaged country.

As I was the first to recognise Dubois' potential in this column before he turned pro, I would love to see him join men like Cassius Clay, Leon Spinks, James J Braddock and Buster Douglas - the no-hope underdogs who beat Sonny Liston, Muhammad Ali, Max Baer and Mike Tyson.

But I fear Usyk will be far too clever for him and it wouldn't surprise me if he stops Dubois in one of the later rounds.

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FACE OFF ... Usyk and Dubois

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THIS week, the Government said it would not oppose legislation that would make it illegal for landlords to demand sex for rent.

Hard as it is to believe, the disturbing practice is currently not against the law here. A bill proposed by Social Democrats housing rep Cian O'Callaghan seeks to create an offence of requiring or accepting sex as a condition of accommodation.

Sleazy landlords found guilty could be jailed for seven years.

It also proposes an offence of arranging a sex-for-rent deal, with a penalty of (EURO)50,000.

As the housing crisis deepens, there have been reports of some landlords demanding sex from potential tenants in lieu of rent.

And the problem has been exasperated by the Ukraine war.

Writing today, CIAN O'CALLAGHAN, left, tells how some people here are exploiting the chaos in Ukraine for their own sick ends.

AS the rental crisis deepens, there have been growing reports of predatory landlords demanding sex from tenants instead of rent.

This shows the depraved depths of the housing crisis, where grossly exploitative landlords expect sexual favours in return for putting a roof over people's heads.

A chronic shortage of rental properties, and sky-high rents for the limited supply that does exist, means manipulative people are stepping in to take advantage of desperate people.

Some of these predators are so depraved that they have even begun to target ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who are fleeing to Ireland for safety.

Last week, it was reported that a landlord in Co Clare had advertised a property which would be available to a "slim Ukrainian woman" with the expectation of sex.

'Revolting and immoral practice' It is difficult to understand how anyone could watch Ukrainian hospitals being bombed, people in Mariupol being starved and slaughtered and millions flee across EU borders and see only one thing ? an opportunity to sexually exploit vulnerable women.

But it is happening. It is happening in Ireland, it is happening across Europe, and it has always happened. There have always been twisted individuals who will use a crisis to take advantage of marginalised people.

The overwhelming majority of Irish people are repulsed by this kind of disgusting behaviour.

It takes a particularly revolting and immoral person to even consider demanding sex instead of rent. We must therefore do everything in our power to stop it.

Justice Minister Helen

McEntee has confirmed there is no specific criminal offence for abusers who prey on vulnerable people by demanding sex instead of rent.

This has always been hugely problematic. The lack of a specific criminal offence means it is harder to gather data on the extent of the problem, because there is no way for Gardai to document it on the Pulse system ? and it means victims are less likely to come forward and report the abuse.

This is why I've introduced legislation to the Dail which would heavily punish anyone who engages in, or facilitates, this gross behaviour.

Anyone who demands sex instead of rent, and publishers who host ads that make those demands, would be guilty of offences ? and face penalties of up to seven year years in prison or a (EURO)50,000 fine.

This week, when the Dail debated the legislation, the Government said it would not oppose it. However, it failed to give any commitment to enact it as swiftly as possible. This is not good enough.

This legislation urgently needs to be fast-tracked through the Dail to ensure that anyone who chooses to sexually exploit vulnerable people can be dealt with before the courts. It is also important to acknowledge that this legislation is not a panacea.

It targets people who engage in this abuse ? but not the underlying causes that allow it to fester and grow.

Those causes are a chronic shortage of affordable and cost-rental homes and rack rents for what little rental accommodation actually exists.

Whole cohorts of renters are being exploited in the Irish housing system by landlords and companies more interested in profit than providing decent accommodation.

Sex for rent is the most disgusting manifestation of this exploitation. But there are many other practices that also prey on vulnerabilities.

'More and more left open to abuse' Landlords who cram as many people as possible into overcrowded properties, landlords charging extortionate rent for dilapidated properties, and landlords who evict tenants for spurious reasons so they can jack up the rent.

The Government's continued opposition to banning rent increases, improving security for tenants, prioritising families, tackling vacancy and dereliction, and building affordable and cost-rental housing is deepening the housing crisis ? and leaving more and more people open to abuse. Banning the practice of demanding sex instead of rent is long overdue and must be done as quickly as possible.

However, unless the Government addresses the underlying factors that are feeding a worsening housing catastrophe, the conditions that enable these abuses to flourish will remain.

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OFFICIALS must be "very careful" matching up ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** with Irish people who have offered their homes, a TD has said.

The Irish Red Cross said it's "blown away" after getting almost 14,500 accommodation pledges in the week since its portal opened.

Another 5,000 pledges have been made through various other pipelines, including other charities.

Green Party Deputy Joe O'Brien has outlined that there is a risk level associated this and said Garda vetting may be required in terms of child protection.

He said: "The Red Cross are prioritising vacant properties first and they are calling people to assess suitability.

"The risk level there would be much, much less because a person would have their own distinct building.

"When it gets to the stage of sharing homes, I do think we have to be very, very careful with how we are matching people up. There is a risk level that I think we should be very careful about in terms of child protection."

Early statistics suggest about 30 per cent of the pledged accommodation is 'standalone' - homes and apartments that won't be shared with other people.

The rest is shared accommodation, which ranges from one room to several rooms in a house.

But Deputy O'Brien admitted there are many questions "we cannot 100 per cent answer right now" about where people will live later on.

Speaking on RTE, he said: "We're 17 days into a war and our initial priority is to get people shelter. The quickest way to do that is to book places in hotels.

"We're planning for the medium term as well, and a lot of the integration supports that need to happen in the medium to long term will follow where the accommodation is.

"We're looking at everything accommodation-wise temporary, medium and long term.

"In terms of where we land on that, the integration supports will follow, particularly at community level. There are a lot of questions we can't fully answer right now."

**Graphic**

Risk worries . . O'Brien

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Can you imagine finding out that the man you'd fallen for - after months of chatting online - was nothing more than a scammer who had been grooming you to steal your life savings? While we all might believe this will never happen to us, an increasing number of women are falling victim, as these "romance scams" become more and more sophisticated. Turn to p14, where we speak to the victims, as well as police officers and banks, who are trying to combat this heartbreaking crime that not only shatters women's confidence, but also robs them of their savings - and, for a few, their lives.

Meanwhile, we all know Countdown star Rachel Riley is no shrinking violet. She has run the wrath of fiery presenter Anne Robinson, as well as taken on Twitter trolls and won. However, she is also a doting mum of two daughters and happily married to former Strictly star, Russian Pasha Kovalev. On p10, she opens up on how they welcomed four ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** into their home for a year, and also reveals how Pasha was adamant he didn't want children when she first met him.

Finally, if you are struggling to locate your mojo in the bedroom, turn to p34, where we have expert tips on how to boost your libido - whether you are in your 20s or your 70s. Enjoy! EDITOR IN CHIEF SINEAD MCINTYRE @MCINTYRE2 4 LUST LIST Our fave things online and in-store 5 FABOMETER What's fabulous and fabuless, plus 5 Mins With actress Louisa Lytton 6 FABULIST Your week of entertainment sorted 8 COLUMN Kate Wills on why snooping on a partner's phone never ends well (and she should know!) 9 WHEEL OF (NOT A) FORTUNE Fashion, beauty and home products you'll love, whatever your budget 10 COVER STORY Rachel Riley talks taking on the trolls and celebrating 10 years with Strictly's Pasha 14 REPORT As more online fraudsters than ever lure women into false relationships then steal their money, two victims share their stories 18 CELEBRITY Former TOWIE star Georgia Kousoulou reveals the heartbreaking truth about losing her baby 21 ON TREND Make waves in these desert-island-inspired buys 23 THE EDIT Bring the bling with a pair of stunning earrings 24 THE BIG TREND Fall hook, line and sinker for the crochet trend 28 GET DRESSED WITH- Fashion Editor Clemmie Fieldsend shows how to style broderie anglaise for summer 31 BEAUTY Beauty Editor Tara Ledden on the dos and don'ts of caring for teenage skin 32 THE LOOK Brush up on your make-up toolkit knowledge 34 HEALTH Tips to supercharge your sex drive whatever your age 36 ADVICE Karren Brady solves your work dilemmas, plus our tips on how to save cash on phone bills 37 TRAVEL A bit of Mickey magic is just the ticket at Disneyland Paris 38 HOMES Big-cat buys to give your pad serious lynx effect 40 FOOD Nice jugs! Try these cooling cocktail pitchers 42 STARS & PUZZLES Mystic Meg's stars with Maggie Innes, plus tricky puzzles 44 SELF-ESTEEM -AND ME Singer Sharleen Spiteri's experience

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**Body**

A MAN has pleaded not guilty to the murder of stab victim Thomas O'Halloran.

Clare-born accordion player Thomas, who often busked for charity, was killed while riding his mobility scooter in London in August.

At a hearing at the Old Bailey yesterday, suspect Lee Byer pleaded not guilty to the murder of the 87-year-old Irish man in Greenford, west

London, on August 16, 2022.

The 44-year-old, of no fixed address, also pleaded not guilty to possessing a large knife.

Byer, who is in custody, now faces a trial of up to three weeks from May 2.

Tragic Thomas, originally from Ennistymon in Co Clare, was a passionate musician and was described as "very popular" in Greenford where he was often seen busking for charity.

The well-known grandad collapsed from his mobility scooter outside Runnymede Gardens, having been stabbed repeatedly.

Horrified passers-by desperately tried to save Thomas along with cops alerted by a 999 call from a member of the public who found the OAP injured.

Mr O'Halloran was able to tell the passer-by he had been stabbed.

By the time officers arrived minutes later, he had collapsed and was being helped by members of he public. Cops and medics took over first aid but he was pronounced dead at the scene at 4.54pm. A post-mortem examination found the grandad sustained multiple stab wounds to the neck, chest and abdomen.

Byer was charged on August 19 with Mr O'Halloran's murder and possessing a large knife.

Prosecutors say Thomas fell victim to the "vicious attack" of "unprovoked violence".

The Clare man had lived in Greenford since the 1970s.

He often busked with his accordion outside a Tesco and the train station. Locals say he played to raise money for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

In October, mourners packed the Visitation Church in Greenford as Thomas was laid to rest in a coffin draped with his beloved Clare's flag and GAA jersey.

His accordion, white roses and a photo of the tragic OAP were placed on top of the casket.

A close friend said Tom's death provoked "understandable devastation" across London and Ireland.

Addressing mourners, he said: "It was the level of outrage that accompanied this grief that will hopefully prove to be a turning point and provide another legacy of the life of an old man.

"His music, playing his accordion, his favourite tunes, busking around Tesco and Greenford station.

"Tom happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time.

"He'd travel around with his mobile scooter collecting a few pounds for his favourite charities, including Ukraine."

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**Graphic**

Killed ... Tom

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PEOPLE who rent out their home to holidaymakers to earn extra cash could be fined (EURO)300 if they don't register with Failte Ireland under new laws.

And online short-term letting websites such as Airbnb face (EURO)5,000 penalties for advertising accommodation that hasn't got the proper licence, as part of a move to ease the housing crisis.

The Government yesterday published new laws which will require anyone who wants to rent out a property to tourists to sign up to a new Failte Ireland register.

Failte Ireland claims there are more than 30,000 properties up for rent on short-term letting sites, with up to 70 per cent of the posts leasing out full apartments or houses.

Housing Minister Darragh O'Brien hopes the new register will bring 12,000 of these homes back into the long-term rental market to help ease the critical housing shortage.

He said: "There is no question a significant number of properties over the last number of years have withdrawn from the long-term rental market and diverted the use to short-term lettings. This has, in some areas, negatively impacted on supply and availability in the private residential rental accommodation, and the associated knock-on impacts that will have on the rental crisis and rent being sought in some areas."

People who want to rent out their property for short periods to tourists for more than 21 days per year must register with Failte Ireland and must have the appropriate permission from their local council.

Every property will be given an individual property index number which Failte Ireland will be able to check to make sure each letting advertised online has the appropriate permissions. Failte Ireland CEO Paul

Kelly yesterday welcomed the introduction of the register but warned that he is very concerned about the Irish tourism sector next summer due to a lack of accommodation.

The new measures will remove 12,000 rentals from the short-term letting sector while the Government are renting out one in four hotel rooms in Ireland to house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who have come here to escape the Russian invasion.

Mr Kelly told The Irish Sun: "We have seen a drop in this non-registered stock across Covid.

"We are looking at more of this stock coming out of the system - and that is the right thing to do because we are facing a housing crisis and it is the right thing to do for long-term tourism development.

"But the availability of accommodation stock is probably the biggest challenge to the tourism sector next year. We're very concerned about it."

**Graphic**

Tourism chief ... Kelly

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"I'm so grateful for everyone who supports us and can give us some place to live."

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**Body**

IT WAS a bittersweet moment for Joe Biden yesterday as he paid an emotional tribute to his late mother Jean in his speech to the Dail, declaring: "This is the greatest moment of my career."

The proud Irish-American said it was also his greatest regret that his "mom" was not there to see him address Ireland as US President ? and he even tried a cupla focal in the Irish language, stating "tá mé seo abhaile" (I'm at home).

And in a rousing speech, the American leader heaped praise on Ireland for its support of Ukraine while he also called on the UK Government to work more closely with the Republic to solve the stalemate in the North.

The roads around Dublin city centre were locked down yesterday afternoon while the President's motorcade made its way to Leinster House with a large Garda escort. Crowds lined the streets with people waving American flags and holding up signs that read, "We love you, Joe."

When he arrived, the President was presented with a signed book of Seamus Heaney's poetry ? especially appropriate with the late poet's wife in the Dail to listen to the speech.

The President addressed a Dail Chamber packed full with former Taoisigh, Presidents and even some stars from showbiz, including Ryan Tubridy, in the public gallery.

Former Taoiseach Enda Kenny, a close friend of President Biden, was popular among Fine Gael TDs who queued up to chat to him while they waited for the speech to begin. Former President Mary McAleese sat in the VIP section at the Dail, while soon-to-depart Late Late Show host Tubridy sat in the public gallery with Tanaiste Micheal Martin's family.

'I must say, you sure can draw a crowd!'

Labour Senator Rebecca Moynihan even brought her new born baby Margo into the Dail Chamber and she would later get a photo of President Biden kissing her baby's head as he left as a momento.

Ex-Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams chatted to former Taoiseach Bertie Ahern, an apposite moment with the two founders of the Good Friday Agreement recognised in the Ceann Comhairle's opening remarks.

Noticing how many political heavy hitters were packed into the

Chamber, Channel Comhairle Sean O'Fearghaill commented to President Biden: "I must say, you sure can draw a crowd!

"Perhaps afterwards you might give me some hints on how to ensure such a good attendance on Thursday afternoons."

As he stood to address a full Dail Eireann, President Biden looked to the heavens and said: "Well mom, I said it would happen."

The US leader made several mentions of his mother Catherine Eugenia (Jean) Finnegen Biden, who passed away in 2010.

The President became emotional as he closed out his historic speech and said addressing the Dail was the greatest moment of his career.

He said: "This is one of the great honours of my career to be here today and I mean it from the bottom of my heart.

"You have no idea what this ... my greatest regret ? and I'm going to sound like a kid ? it's that my mom is not here."

President Biden spoke of his family roots in Co Louth and Co Mayo and at one point tried his hand at speaking as Gaeilge.

He said: "If you forgive the poor attempt at Irish, 'Tá mé seo abhaile', I'm at home. I'm at home.

I only wish I could stay longer." In a wide-ranging speech, the President heaped praise on Ireland and thumped the podium as he declared "the world needs Ireland".

He thanked the Irish people for helping to stand against Russia's invasion of Ukraine by donating (EURO)170million of non-lethal aid and helping to house 80,000 refugees.

Biden blasted Russian chief Vladimir Putin for trying to break the EU and US alliance with his invasion, and declared: "We are now more united than ever."

He said: "I've known Putin for over 25 years. Putin thought the world would look the other way.

"He was confident he would break Nato and the EU, that the unity of western nations would fracture and fall at the moment of testing ? that's what he thought. But he was wrong. He was wrong on every point and every front. Today we're more united and more determined than ever to defend the values that make us strong."

The President praised the Irish people for taking in ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** as he claimed that other countries should do more to help. He said: "Ireland remembers what it means to have to flee home and leave everything behind and begin again on foreign shores.

"The Irish people have generously opened their hearts, their homes and you've welcomed nearly 80,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. I'd argue the rest of the world has an obligation to help you maintain that as well." Speaking about the 25th anniversary of the Good Friday Agreement, President Biden heaped pressure on all parties to get the Northern Ireland Assembly and Executive back up and running.

He claimed that there are hundreds of American corporations who are ready to invest in the North but are cautious because the institutions are not in place.

The President then took aim at the UK as he claimed that our neighbours should be doing more to help Ireland address the issue.

He said: "I think that the United

Kingdom should be working closer with Ireland on this endeavour.

"Political violence must never again be allowed to take hold on this island."

The President praised Ireland for developing new green energies and policies to help tackle climate action, which he said was the single biggest issue facing the planet.

Speaking about Ireland's relationship with the US, he said: "Nothing's beyond our capacity if we do it together."

And he drew a great laugh from the Dail crowd when he paid lip service to his "Black and Tans" gaffe from the previous evening. On

Wednesday, in a reference to the Ireland rugby team's historic win over the New Zealand All Blacks in Chicago in 2016, the President blundered when he congratulated his cousin Rob Kearney on beating "the hell out of the Black and Tans".

Making sure to emphasise the name 'All Blacks', Biden said: "In the Oval Office I have a rugby ball signed by the Irish rugby team. The ball the team played with when they beat the All Blacks in Dublin."

Afterwards, the joint sitting of the Dail and Seanad gave President Biden a long standing ovation as he shook hands with politicians on his way out of the Chamber. Cathaoirleach of the Seanad Jerry Buttimer finished the Dail proceedings with a speech in which he thanked President Biden for his early support of gay marriage.

Senator Buttimer said: "Mr President, your intervention was a truly transformative moment that changed the political narrative around marriage equality.

"And like the architects of the Good Friday Agreements who took a risk, you took a risk and I thank you. Because of you and the generosity of the Irish people, I can wear this wedding ring as a symbol of my love for my husband."

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**Graphic**

Appreciation ... politicians on both sides of the Chamber applaud Biden after speech

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**Body**

A CONVICTED sex offender is raising public cash to fund a solo 'humanitarian' trip to the war-hit Ukraine- Poland border.

Peter Reid, 27, has been handed over £1,000 by well-wishers and plans to fly out on Saturday with supplies to "help the crisis".

He says he has gathered essential items such as sanitary towels and toothpaste to take with him and insists he'll use donations to buy "what's needed" when he arrives. On website Just- Giving he described his aim "to assist ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** at the border in Poland".

But just six years ago he was blasted in court for his "arrogant and domineering" attitude towards women. Reid, of Aberdeen, was put on the sex offenders register for three years in 2016 after he bedded a girl of 15 despite knowing her age.

He was also nailed for threatening and abusive behaviour against two other youngsters. On his fundraising page he has been inundated with messages of support for his trip. He says he wants to buy 'basic food and drinks, sleeping bags, and basic medication'.

Reid told donors: "I want to go there, offer my English to help break the language barrier and if I can take a couple of cases of hats and gloves over because temperatures have been down.

"People are coming over the border with nothing ... if people donate I could buy and give out basic food, water and things like that."

His fundraising is not connected with any registered charity or rescue operation based in Scotland that would normally requires a Protecting Vulnerable Groups background check. The majority of refugees at the Polish border are women and children as Ukrainian males aged 16-60 have been conscripted to fight Russia.

During his trial it emerged Reid locked one victim outside in his garden while she was in only her underwear.

The then 21-year-old refused to let her back in and slammed her fingers in the door as she tried to open it. He also dragged her by her hair and kicked her.

Reid was further convicted of banging the head of another teen he was dating against the floor. He told Aberdeen Sheriff Court he didn't believe she was 15 and thought it was "just banter".

Reid said last night: "My conviction is spent."

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Refugees . . at border & sheriff court, right

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£50 LETTER moment captured on camera when a little girl sang Let It Go from an underground bunker Ukraine.

Like Holly Willoughby, pictured, on This Morning, I cried when saw her little face, full of hope the face of such horrendous atrocities.

It's easy to miss these little moments of humanity among the massive ramifications of the crisis but it's these real, every day people and their lives that matter in all of this.

LORRAINE BROWN Dundee UKRAINIAN women fighting alongside their menfolk reminds us of the great contribution our own women made during World War Two, working in factories and on the land, while many in the services did important jobs.

Even our Queen drove vans and knew how to repair them.

LES HOLT By email THE little grey cells of Home Secretary Priti Patel are obviously not working.

On the one hand she has assured that all of the unfortunate ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** would allowed into Britain but, instead of this, thousands of them are stranded in Calais, because of and inhuman ? perhaps a trip to the French port would open her eyes.

FRANCIS QUITHER Bellshill WE must do more for the refugees from Ukraine. They are not economic migrants looking to exploit our welfare system, but the victims of war.

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We can find room for thousands crossing the Channel in boats but we can't find compassion for children carrying pets, pregnant women and the old who have lost everything.

S VAUGHAN By email WHILE it is never nice to see families at war, I applaud Samantha Markle for taking a stand against half-sister Meghan.

Meghan thinks she is untouchable and can say what she likes about anyone.

Now Samantha is accusing her of lies and taking her to court. Let's see how she likes being on the receiving end of justice.

CHRIS GRYGOLEC By email WHAT an incredible young genius Benyamin Ahmed is, selling his whale-themed NFTs for £290,000 at the age of 12.

Being able to find his own talent and enjoy himself while making money at such a young age deserves praise.

SYLVIA MONK By email a

I WAS appalled to hear Afua Adom was told her hair wasn't serious enough for TV when speaking out for International Women's Day. A lesser person would have crumbled but she stood up for herself and proved everyone wrong. What a woman!

ELAINE MILLER Edinburgh

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[*We will make sure Ukraine wins this war; TAOISEACH MEETS ZELENSKY LEO'S PLEDGE ON VISIT TO KYIV*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:68RM-4C61-DYTY-C351-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

THE Taoiseach has vowed to stand with Ukraine "for as long as it takes" after holding talks with President Volodymyr Zelensky on a visit to Kyiv.

Leo Varadkar visited the sites of several atrocities committed in the early weeks of the Russian invasion before meeting the Ukrainian leader in the capital.

At a press conference after an hourlong meeting, Mr Varadkar insisted Ukraine would win the war.

He told Mr Zelensky: "Perhaps, Russia believes that it can break the resolve of the Ukrainian people.

"But I know from the way you fought for the past few years, and from my visit here, that it cannot.

"My visits to the sites of these atrocities this morning, and my meeting here in Kyiv, has confirmed to me that Russia will not succeed, and Russia cannot be allowed to succeed.

"This is the 21st century and the idea that national boundaries can be changed by violence, or democratically elected governments can be overthrown by foreign invasion must perish.

"If Russia thinks that targeting civilians and essential infrastructure will discourage Ukraine's friends, including Ireland, well, it's wrong.

"Volodymyr Zelensky, we will stand with Ukraine for as long as it takes. Ukraine will prevail and Ukraine will be rebuilt."

Mr Varadkar also said he is aware of a social media image of a downed Russian drone that has a 'Made In Ireland' stamp on a particular part.

"We are aware of that, and we are investigating it at the moment," the Taoiseach said.

President Zelensky thanked "the whole people of Ireland" for taking in thousands of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** since the invasion. He said that, although Ireland was a neutral country, it did not mean they were not helping Ukraine, and that he was "very grateful".

He said: "You have seen with your own eyes the consequences of the war, the consequences of Russia's aggression.

"I, first of all, would like to extend words of gratitude to you and to the whole people of Ireland for hosting our nationals in Ireland, this is a significant moral support to our nation."

He also informed the Fine Gael leader about the recent Russian attacks on its ports, including Odesa. He said Russia was targeting residential areas and food infrastructure, which he said were attacks on Ukraine and "global stability".

He also thanked Ireland for donating (EURO)180m worth of non-lethal support and for supporting its de-mining process.

Mr Varadkar's schedule began with a visit to the Kyiv Oblast region where he visited the cities of Bucha and Irpin.

In Bucha, he visited the Church of St Andrew where a mass grave was discovered after Russian soldiers retreated from the area. Ukraine's prosecutor general, Andrei Kostin, accompanied him and explained the work done to collect evidence for war crimes investigations.

The Taoiseach's tour also took him to Horenka, where he was taken to an apartment block that was heavily bombarded. Horenka is where Irish-born cameraman Pierre Zakrzewski was killed in a Russian attack in March 2022.

Later in the morning, Mr Varadkar visited St Michael's Square in Kyiv, where he watched as two Ukrainian soldiers laid a wreath on behalf of the Irish Government at the Wall of Remembrance of the Fallen for Ukraine.

We'll stand with you for as long as it takes

**Graphic**

Talks . . Varadkar arrives for meeting with President Zelensky in KyivBUSY SCHEDULE The Taoiseach saw the effect of the war in Ukraine first hand

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[*WE'LL HELP PUT WAR CRIMINALS IN THE DOCK; REFUGEES WILL RELIVE HORRORS Minister's atrocities vow Prosecutor plans agreed*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:675X-7V01-DYTY-C2FW-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

JUSTICE Secretary Keith Brown has vowed to help ensure Vladimir Putin's monsters pay for their war crimes.

He issued the pledge after it emerged that ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** based here will give harrowing testimony about their ordeals to prosecutors.

Crown Office bosses and Police Scotland have agreed a process to interview victims of the Russian forces since their barbaric invasion began in February.

Statements will be passed to their counterparts in Ukraine and could form part of a tribunal examining the conflict's horrors.

It comes after children's charity Barnardo's revealed it has helped hundreds of traumatised families who fled to Scotland.

SNP minister Mr Brown, a former Royal Marine and Falklands War veteran, said: "Atrocities have been committed in Ukraine and the perpetrators of war crimes must be brought to trial.

"We will always stand with Ukraine and we support the work of our independent justice system as part of international efforts against crimes in that country."

Tory MSP Jamie Greene said: "It's right and important that Scottish prosecutors should fulfil their legal obligations and attempt to obtain justice for the victims of Putin's brutal and illegal war.

"The Scottish Government must ensure our justice system, struggling with savage SNP cuts, gets the resources to deliver on the commitments we have rightly made to the Ukrainian people."

The Crown Office vowed they are "committed to upholding the rule of law internationally".

They added: "Scotland's prosecutors will assist the Ukrainians in any way possible within the legal framework and mechanisms for support which exist in our legal obligations and conventions.

"Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service and Police Scotland have agreed a process for evidence-gathering in Scotland.

"This may include evidence from witnesses or victims who are now in this country, in support of the international efforts against crimes in Ukraine."

Certain actions are against the law during any war.

Military forces cannot deliberately attack civilians, some weapons are banned due to the appalling suffering they cause and the sick and wounded must be cared for - including soldiers.

More than 21,500 people have come here from Ukraine, around 20 per cent of all UK arrivals.

Barnardo's Scotland are part of a multi-agency drive to support the emotional wellbeing of kids, young people and parents.

The charity's bosses told how the service understands families fleeing the war are likely to have faced significant trauma.

Using an emergency fund, they have ensured essentials like clothes, baby strollers, and wheelchairs have gone to refugees.

Martin Crewe, of Barnardo's Scotland, said: "We helped more than 300 families from Ukraine through our own funding. We'd welcome further public support."

One parent from Ukraine, who has received aid from Barnardo's Scotland, said: "They gave us moral support and hope."

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**Graphic**

Barbaric ... bodies found in Ukraine

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[*Spot-on Piers is TalkTV gold; Scottish Sun The page where you tell Scotland what you think letters*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65B3-5XJ1-JCBW-N3GY-00000-00&context=1519360)

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IT'S great to have Piers Morgan back on our TV screens.

£50 LETTER

I used to wake up to Piers every morning when he made Good Morning Britain unmissable.

Now I'll be tuning in to Uncensored every night as he sorts out the wokies.

He made mincemeat of Donald Trump, let's hope he sorts out that other buffoon Boris Johnson some time soon.

LAURA MCGREGOR Dundee TELEVISION just got a whole lot better with the new kid of the airways - TalkTV.

Smooth newscaster Tom Newton Dunn is the perfect fit with his relaxed style and good looks.

The large black-onwhite captions at the base are easy to read.

Overall, it was a fastmoving debut delivered in snap, crackle and pop gusto.

It can only get better with Sharon Osbourne and Jeremy Kyle signed up.

Piers Morgan's confrontation with Donald Trump was as irresistible as you would expect.

ITV must be kicking itself for not wooing back the uncensored one. Piers is simply formidable.

LES HOLT By email PIERS Morgan is not a fan of the cancel culture but he's got a lot to answer for himself - I've just cancelled every other telly show at 8pm to make sure I don't miss Uncensored. His Trump interview was brilliant and his no-holds barred approach to the keyboard warriors mean he is now compulsory viewing in my house.

JILL GRAY Livingston I HAVE just watched Piers Morgan Uncensored.

He said everything that I have been thinking over the last three years.

This will be the beginning of getting back freedom of speech.

It will encourage people to stop hiding their opinions for fear of offending snowflakes. Go Piers.

LINDSAY GRICE By email WHAT a pathetic lot P&O Ferries are.

Just weeks after sacking hundreds of loyal workers their ship had to be rescued after breaking down in the sea. P&O? More P&Opeless.

JACK STEVENSON Fenwick, Ayrshire AT last, Boris Johnson has woken up to the fact millions are struggling to make ends meet and is gathering his team to slash the cost of food and other essentials.

But why has it taken him so long?

It's a step in the right direction but only as long as they can come up with worthwhile reductions that actually work.

DAVID EVANS By email

HOW kind of Hollywood actor Benedict Cumberbatch, former Who Wants To Be A Millionaire host Chris Tarrant and our very own snooker champ Anthony McGill, pictured, to agree to house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. It is great to see our movie, telly and sporting heroes play their part. Well played all of them.

BRIAN WILLIAMSON Hamilton

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[*ZELENSKY 'THANKS' IRISH AID*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6532-9GX1-DYTY-C2D8-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

UKRAINE'S president offered only qualified thanks to Ireland for its support since the Russian invasion a month ago.

Addressing the European Council on Thursday, Volodymyr Zelensky name-checked EU member states - noting the level of support the country had given Ukraine. He said: "Ireland, well, almost."

The Ukrainian leader offered no further reasons for his comment. But Taoiseach Micheal Martin, speaking on the second day of the European Council meeting in Brussels yesterday, played down the comments.

He suggested he does believe that Ireland was being criticised by the Ukrainian leader.

While fully backing the Ukrainian push for EU membership, the State has not abandoned its position of military neutrality in the face of the Russian assault.

Martin stressed Ireland is not politically neutral and has committed millions of euros in non-lethal aid to Ukraine.

The State has also taken in more than 10,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, with thousands more expected to arrive after the Government removed any requirement for visas.

Mr Martin insisted Mr Zelensky "was actually talking in terms of the European perspective".

He added: "I wouldn't have taken the same slant as some may be taking from it.

"I can't surmise in terms of what implication there is, except I spoke to him last week.

"And he was very strongly in praise of the Irish contribution, both from a humanitarian perspective, in terms of our clear support for Ukraine's application to join the EU, and he thanked me personally for my own personal commitment to that.

"I am not going to surmise in terms of whatever particular take you would take from the use 'almost'

or 'practically'." And the Fianna Fail leader said people should not read too much into Mr Zelensky's comments.

He added: "We are a militarily-neutral country, but again we facilitated the EU Peace Facility, which has been of enormous support to the Ukrainian people.

"I wouldn't overstate it, quite frankly."

Speaking to European leaders, Mr Zelensky said he was grateful for sanctions imposed so far.

But he told them: "These are powerful steps. But it was a little late. Because if it had been preventative, Russia would not have gone to war. At least, no one knows for sure. There was a chance."

He also asked European leaders not to delay accepting Ukraine's bid to join the EU, saying: "Do not be late. Please."

Pointing to the events of the last month, he said: "You saw that Ukraine should be in the EU in the near future."

**Graphic**

Support ... MartinWants to get into the EU now ... Zelensky

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[*Dynamite can explode; BOXING WBA, IBF & WBO BELTS UP FOR GRABS DANIEL READY TO TAKE THE CROWN AS BEST OF BRITISH*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:691H-38M1-JCBW-N0M0-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

DANIEL DUBOIS is ready to kick out the red carpet and become British boxing's new golden boy.

If all goes to plan, the Londoner will wake up here tomorrow in the Polish city of Wroclaw as WBA, IBF and WBO heavyweight world champion.

They are the same belts that Ukraine's 36-year-old southpaw Oleksandr Usyk removed from Anthony Joshua.

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Dubois, 25, said: "I was never desperate to be famous but I know that goes along with it.

"That's part of growing up. That's all part of the show.

"I'm a fighter and a gladiator so I will take what comes along with it. Even if it's fame, chat shows and my face everywhere, I'll take it all on. I will enjoy it. You have to, you grow into it. You understand why you have to do it as you get older and you let it take care of itself."

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"Sign me up for it now!" he laughed.

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"That's the ultimate. That's what we are here for, why else would I do this?

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Dubois' little sister Caroline, 22, is an Olympian and guaranteed future world lightweight champ.

And their super-dad Stan - the father of 11 talented children - has been breeding them for success from an early age.

Daniel said: "I remember my dad watching the old videos of Frank Bruno.

"I watched Frank Bruno against Lennox Lewis and that fight really got my attention.

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**Graphic**

BELT UP ... Dubois and Usyk at the weigh-in as the Brit targets a huge upset Pic: RICHARD PELHAM

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[*MIGRANT TIDE'S TOO HIGH, RISHI; lOver half Brits in Sun poll want influx cut lBut 3 in 4 doubt politicians will fix problem*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:688K-X4P1-DYTY-C1K6-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

MORE than half of Brits think immigration has been too high over the past ten years, a Sun poll reveals.

Figures to be published next week are expected to show net migration last year reached an all-time high of 700,000.

Our findings will heap fresh pressure on the Tories and Labour to commit to making significant reductions in the numbers of people moving to the UK.

Yesterday, PM Rishi Sunak was unable to say when net migration will fall - while Labour said it is content for it to go up.

In The Sun's YouGov poll, 51 per cent say immigration has been too high for ten years - soaring to 77 per cent of those voters that gave the Tories their 2019 majority.

But more than three-quarters of voters say the Government will never hit its promise to reduce legal entry into the UK.

During the G7 summit in Japan, the PM declined to say when numbers will come down. He said: "I'm not going to put a precise figure on it but I do want to bring them down. The numbers are too high and we want to bring them down.

"The numbers last year were impacted by the fact that we welcomed ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** to the UK. Again, that's something I think we are proud of."

But Mr Sunak refused to set a target, saying only that he was "committed to bringing down the levels of migration that I inherited".

He also said he is "relentlessly focused on stopping the boats" and illegal immigration.

Up to and including Thursday, 7,217 people have crossed to the UK on small boats this year, according to the Home Office.

A Border Force vessel brought about 70 people, including some children, in to Dover, Kent, yesterday after a small boat incident in the Channel.

The PM will have another oneon-one chat about the crisis with France's President Emmanuel Macron today on the sidelines of the G7 summit in Hiroshima.

But the public are sceptical that anything meaningful will be done to reduce migration targets over all.

Just eight per cent think Mr Sunak will see any reduction, with 77 per cent giving up any hope of seeing the numbers fall.

Just over a third of voters say those who want to reduce immigration into the UK do so for racist reasons, although 51 per cent of voters say that is not the case.

But it soars to 61 per cent of Labour voters who believe reducing migration is for racist reasons.

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How would you feel about a Should EU citizens who live here get to vote in General Elections? Immigration to the UK over the last ten years has been: About right 24% Too low 8% Too high 51% 56% 17% NO 43% YES 39% Disappointed Pleased Tory majority Labour majority 36% 34% Disappointed Pleased What about for citizens from EU countries that let British expats vote in their elections? Will the Government meet its target to reduce migration? NO 77% YES 8% 40% 20% Disappointed Pleased NO 28% YES 49% Best Leader: Lab/Lib Dem coalition Lab/SNP coalition Should 16-yearolds have the vote? 51% 12% Disappointed Pleased Would giving the vote to EU citizens living here make rejoining the EU more likely? 47% 14% No 60% Yes 29% SUNAK 22% STARMER 22% DAVEY 4% YouGov polled 2,038 adults online May 16-17, 2023. 'Coalition of Chaos' of Lab/Lib/SNP Disappointed Pleased NO 35% YES 38% The figures have been weighted and are representative of all GB 18+ adults.

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[*PRIEST'S PRAYERS FOR STAB REFUGEE; KNIFE HORROR Ukrainian girl, 8, critical*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:66H4-N5C1-DYTY-C2WJ-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** GARY MENEELY

**Body**

REELING residents at an emergency refugee accommodation centre where a young Ukrainian girl suffered more than 70 stab wounds prayed for her miracle survival yesterday.

It comes as gardai wait to question the eight-year-old's mother over what unfolded at the property.

The young girl remains in a critical condition in hospital following the violent incident on Tuesday at a property at Clareabbey near Clarecastle, on the outskirts of Ennis, Co Clare.

A source last night told The Irish Sun how the child, who suffered wounds to her neck and body, remains stable but critically ill in a Dublin hospital after undergoing surgery.

Her mother, who was found lying unconscious beside her daughter in a room at the refugee centre, is also critically ill at University Hospital Limerick.

We understand cops will quiz the woman, aged in her 40s, when she is declared medically fit.

As the Garda probe continues, parish priest Fr Tom Ryan last night told The Irish Sun that locals were "united" with ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in yesterday praying for a miracle [*www.survival.Fr*](http://www.survival.Fr) Ryan told The Irish Sun: "It is a tragedy that has come to this community unexpectedly. It has brought great sadness, both to the community and the Ukrainian families concerned and to our whole parish.

"And we are all supporting people by our prayer and supports."

The Irish Sun has learned the remaining occupants of the property at Clareabbey have now returned to the centre after a Garda examination of the scene was carried out.

Detectives will speak to the occupants to establish a timeline leading up to the stabbing, with neighbours also assisting officers.

First responders faced "an unspeakable scene" after the alarm was raised by other residents at the refugee Community in centre who heard screams from the room shortly before 8am on Tuesday.

Sources told how medics who have treated the young girl have also been left "distressed" by the ordeal.

The Irish Sun understands cops have identified a suspect and are not looking for anyone else in relation to the shocking incident.

The young girl fighting for her life sustained a massive number of stab wounds to her neck and body in a room at the property.

The house where the incident occurred was being used to accommodate a group of Ukrainian nationals who have fled the war being waged in their homeland by Russian despot Vladimir Putin.

Detectives have launched a major investigation to establish exactly what happened at the property.

An incident room has been established at Ennis Garda Station. A senior investigating officer has been appointed to oversee the probe.

A Garda family liaison officer has also been appointed to support the girl's family. Clare Civil Defence have been supporting the other occupants of the property.

A Garda spokesperson said: "We urge anyone with any information on this incident to contact the investigation team at Ennis Garda Station on 065 684 8100."

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**Graphic**

Harrowing incident ... investigator at sceneCommunity in prayer [*www....Fr*](http://www....Fr) Ryan

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[*WALES EYE £10m PRIZE FOR QATAR*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65M0-3WK1-JCBW-N0N3-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** PHIL CADDEN

**Body**

WALES will bank almost £10million if they beat Ukraine in tomorrow's play-off final to reach the World Cup.

Gareth Bale & Co bid to make history in Cardiff by booking a first finals spot since 1958.

And Football Association of Wales chief Noel Mooney has revealed the Dragons will receive a major windfall if they get there.

It will be a painful reminder to the SFA of what could have been after the Ukrainians ended our qualifying hopes with Wednesday night's 3-1 semi-final win at Hampden.

Mooney said: "There is £8m on offer for teams that qualify for the World Cup, which is great.

"But on top of that, we do have some sponsorships that kick in, some that could be worth around £1m.

"There is a rule of thumb in Europe that a third goes on operations, a third would go to the players and a third will go back into the development of football in Wales.

Briefcase "So you are talking north of £3m going into grassroots facilities and improving the FAW as an organisation.

"There is a briefcase sitting on the halfway line on Sunday worth something like £10m to the winners."

***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will be given 100 tickets by the FAW for the sold-out final.

First Minister Mark Drakeford said: "I'd like to give a warm Welsh welcome to the Ukraine team and their supporters to Cardiff.

"This will be an opportunity for us to reaffirm our support for Ukraine as it fights Russia's unprovoked and brutal act of war.

"I am sure it will be a very competitive game between two skilful and passionate teams - there is a big prize to be won."

Connor Roberts says Bale is a Wales "hero" - and he deserves to go to the World Cup.

Bale, 32, who has just won a fifth Champions League with Real Madrid, was rested for Wednesday's 2-1 Nations League defeat in Poland but will lead Wales against Ukraine.

Roberts said: "The guy's a hero. He's won five Champions Leagues and done so much for club and country.

"Hopefully we can do him proud and the rest of Wales proud by winning on Sunday."

Burnley right-back Roberts, 26, could go from Prem relegation to the high of World Cup qualification within a fortnight.

He played at Euro 2020, scoring against Turkey, and wants another shot at the international big time.

Roberts added: "I've had ups and downs and it's just another bump in the road.

"It's disappointing to get relegated but now I've got probably the biggest game that I'll ever play in.

"All the boys are raring to go. It's such a long time, 64 years, since Wales did it - and this group of lads are all in it together."

**Graphic**

£10m BALE OUT ... Gareth & Co can win big

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[*Ukraine needs us more than ever if it's to defeat Russia;*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:69W5-YYM1-DYTY-C38K-00000-00&context=1519360) [*Damien.Lane@the-sun.ie*](mailto:Damien.Lane@the-sun.ie) [*@Damienlanesun Damien Lane*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:69W5-YYM1-DYTY-C38K-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** Damien Lane

**Body**

WE cannot allow Ukraine to lose the war with Russia. Such a prospect is now more real than at any time since hostilities began in February 2022.

Ukraine is staring into the abyss. Its counter-offensive, launched in June this year to recapture Russianheld territory in the south of the country - and split Russian forces in two - has failed.

Over the course of six grinding months on the battlefield, gains of a few hundred metres at a time went hand-in-hand with huge losses in personnel. Many thousands died, tens of thousand more were maimed for life. There isn't a family in Ukraine who hasn't experienced the loss of a loved one.

Russian defences across the south proved formidable, indeed impenetrable. Its army of prisoners, mercenaries and conscripts fought with a ferocity and disregard for life. And they held firm.

Both sides are now entrenched along a 1,300km front, north to south, that has barely shifted in a year. A stalemate.

Ukraine is paralysed. Russia is content to sit it out. And the West is losing patience.

The United States, especially, has grown cold to the idea of continuing to provide money and arms to Ukraine. Since February 2022, President Biden has given more than $111billion to Ukraine's President, Volodymyr Zelensky, to fight Russia. Without it, Ukraine would have been overrun.

However, the will in the US to provide more money to continue the battle against Putin has diminished. Many in the Republican party want to see a new Ukraine plan to defeat Russia before committing to providing more cash.

And therein lies the dilemma for Ukraine and its leaders. How to convince the West it has the wherewithal to not only continue to wage effective war, but to defeat Russia.

This week, a nervous Zelensky flew to Washington to attempt to shore up flagging US support.

Biden has been unwavering in his backing for Ukraine since the Russian invasion. On Monday, as Zelensky was about to arrive, President Biden reiterated: "We can't let Putin win. It's in our overwhelming national interest and international interest of all our friends.

Financial burden "Any disruption in our ability to supply Ukraine clearly strengthens Putin's position."

The stakes for Ukraine are enormous. Without additional US money and without a clearer strategy to defeat Putin, Ukraine risks losing the war.

Putin has consistently bet on American support drying up. Recently, he has said that if Ukraine runs out of Nato ammunition, Russia would prevail in a matter of days.

The consequences of that for Europe and the world are unconscionable. A victorious Putin would embolden hardliners everywhere.

Freedom and democracy, principles we take for granted, would be in peril, a peril not seen since the dark days of World War Two.

Here, in Ireland, Ukraine fatigue has also set in. Since February 2022, the Irish State has welcomed more than

SUPPORT ... Zelensky and Biden 100,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. Per head of population, we have taken in more Ukrainians than any other EU nation, with the exception of Poland, Ukraine's closest neighbour.

Providing homes, benefits and other services to these unfortunates fleeing war has placed an enormous financial burden on the State, so much so that the Government is on the verge of unveiling measures to stop any more Ukrainians from seeking refuge here.

Ireland is simply bursting at the seams. We cannot put up any more people. The houses don't exist, the coffers to dole out benefits (amounting to a generous (EURO)220 a week, more than any other EU nation) are drying up.

With that in mind, the Cabinet has decided to limit the time new Ukrainian arrivals can stay in Stateprovided accommodation to 90 days. Payments would drop to (EURO)38.80 a week during that period.

After that, Ukrainians would be on their own to find a job and a place to live. An impossibility really.

Amid all the pain for Ukraine, there are glimmers of hope.

Last night, the European Union shocked Putin by announcing it had decided to open accession talks with Ukraine. Earlier the Russian dictator had bloviated for more than four hours about how he would prevail.

He had banked on Hungary's Viktor Orban torpedoing Ukrainian hopes of becoming EU members.

Instead, Orban caved in and Ukraine ended the day with a moral victory, one that will help Zelensky as the fight against tyranny goes on.

Our gaze has been on Gaza, but the truth remains that Ukraine's fate is far more important to the future of the world than what transpires in the Middle East.

Until it is thoroughly defeated, Russia remains the No1 enemy.

**Graphic**

SUPPORT ... Zelensky and Biden

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[*Migrant riots are last straw; @the-sun.co.uk letters The page where you tell Britain what you think*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:66T7-PT31-JCBW-N0CW-00000-00&context=1519360)

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£50 LETTER

YOU just could not make it up. Illegal migrants, who should not be here, rioting because the lights went out.

Did they complain about crossing the Channel in freezing weather? No.

This situation wouldn't happen in any other country so why here? Because we are a soft touch. The rest of the world is laughing at us.

Simple answer is: If migrants are caught in the Channel, just send them back to France.

DAVID WEALL Stockport ILLEGAL migrant rioters causing violence and destruction at the Harmondsworth detention centre near Heathrow Airport should have their cases revoked and be deported immediately.

COPS

They cost the taxpayer enough already and these troubles just add to that expense.

ANDY STEADMAN Wareham, Dorset ILLEGALS at the Harmondsworth migrant detention centre in West London - and also the Manston one in Kent - have shown their gratitude by rioting.

Immigration Minister Robert Jenrick says that the perpetrators will be punished. Yeah, right.

BILL DORNAN Southwold, Suffolk WE are told Home Secretary Suella

Braverman is working day and night to solve the mounting problem of illegal migrants crossing the Channel to the UK.

Does that mean ten minutes a day and five at night, with this taking so long to deal with?

RAYMOND BOSTOCK Biddulph, Staffs PETULANT French President Emmanuel Macron has refused to allow our Border Force officials to tackle the people-smuggling gangs on his country's beaches, thus sabotaging a possible solution to the migrant crisis.

Which only now proves beyond doubt he is no friend of Britain.

STEVEN SMITH North Shields, Tyne and Wear WHY, when we all know the genuinely terrible reason the ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** are here, is the Government looking at ending the Homes for Ukraine grants to Brits who welcome migrants through their door?

migrant centre

These refugees were invited into our homes, yet the tide of illegal migrants arriving from France get everything paid for and should not be here.

PHILLIP HINDE Great Yarmouth, Norfolk PERHAPS the £40million a year the NHS has spent on more than 800 "diversity officers" could have been used to hire more nurses or give existing nurses better pay?

STEPHEN KEATING Arundel, West Sussex

IT'S that time of year when a bunch of has-beens get paid silly money to do very little.

Chuck 'em all on one of Bear Grylls's islands and only pay the last person standing.

JOHN SHAW Epping, Essex KING Charles thought it hilarious after greeting Stella McCartney with a kiss and she suddenly remembered she should curtsey! Our monarch will never be like Queen Victoria - one is not amused!

SYLVIA MONK Hayling Island, Hants IF TRUMP gets back in the White House he will copy Russia, China and North Korea and stay as president for life.

RICHARD FARRAR Chelsea, London THAT'S rich of Tony Blair to slam The Crown for being utter rubbish when he misled us with the WMD statement.

MICHAEL TAYLOR Sholing, Southampton WHAT a beautiful photo of Sarah Beeny, who's shaved her head after her cancer diagnosis.

She wants to challenge the "shame" associated with female baldness. What an inspiration!

ZARA SIMMS Belfast I CHUCKLED reading Saturday's I'm A Celeb article when it said Matt Hancock might be greedy with food rations. He's an MP - of course he's greedy!

KIM JONES Mayland, Essex

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[*Opinion split over Will's Oscars hit; Scottish Sun The page where you tell Scotland what you think letters*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:653X-1B51-JCBW-N0RS-00000-00&context=1519360)

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£50 LETTER from Will Smith is too little too late in my opinion. He claims to have acted emotionally and says sorry for the impact on others involved in his winning movie King Richard.

But those are just words, the fact is that slap is all anyone is talking about and will remember from the 2022 Oscars.

All the hard work of everyone involved in the winning films and triumphs, like the first deaf actor to win an Oscar, melted into the shadows. The only way Smith can make it up to Chris Rock, pictured, and everyone involved is give up his award and disappear from public view.

JAMES GRANT Dundee VIOLENCE should never be tolerated but for the world's news to be concentrated on a slap on the gob is taking politically correctness too far.

It may well have been wrong for Smith to slap Rock, in fact it was wrong, he should have been more manly and floored him with a decent punch.

Making jokes of other people's misfortunes is not being a comedian it is being a proper ass and Rock deserved what he got.

Until now there is no sign of any apology from him. Smith has at least made a sincere apology.

But now there are calls for his Oscar to be taken from him.

He did wrong, he knows he did wrong but under extreme provocation and for that he should not be deprived of his award.

TOM BAXTER Denny WHILE I don't agree with violence I think Will Smith was quite right in defending his wife who has suffered for a long time and had finally plucked up the courage to attend an event with crowds of people.

It's the likes of Chris Rock that should not be allowed to host another event if he thinks it funny to make light of someone's illness. MAUREEN BOYD Methil PRITI PATEL has done absolutely nothing to put an end to the constant flow of migrants across the Channel. Of course she ought to lose this post.

***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** are being held up from entering the UK by bureaucratic red tape, while hundreds cross the Channel illegally in dinghies.

That thousands of pounds were reportedly spent on Domino's pizzas alone for such migrants simply riles the British public even more.

It's time for Priti to be axed.

DAVID WEBSTER By email

IT was wonderful to see the Queen walk unaided to her seat at her beloved Prince Philip's memorial. There's been a lot of talk of her failing health and her mobility, but people forget she is just about to turn 96. She's doing amazingly for her age.

KAREN WILSON Glasgow

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[*Artem: We'll play Scots and we'll win*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6532-9GX1-DYTY-C2DF-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** MARK WALLER ; ROB MAUL

**Body**

ARTEM BESEDIN has insisted Ukraine will be able to play Scotland in June - and will "100 per cent" beat them.

Scotland are due to face the war-torn nation in a World Cup play-off semi-final, but there are major doubts about whether the game will go ahead.

Ukraine will have to prepare for the game with 16 players in their squad based domestically.

But Dynamo Kyiv star Besedin believes the spirit among their players will see them through to face Wales in Cardiff. He said: "We will 100 per cent qualify for the World Cup.

"Our manager, Oleksandr Petrakov, is constantly in touch with the players in the squad both at home and away.

"He has been great throughout the war.

"He wants to know what training we have been doing and whether we are in a position to keep ourselves fit.

"It's obviously not going to be a problem for the guys in the squad who are with clubs abroad.

"I know Ukrainian players and what kind of character we all have.

"Despite everything that has been put in our way, I know we will find a way of winning both the play-off matches.

"Not only that, we will do ourselves proud at the World Cup in Qatar."

Meanwhile, Scotland legend and pundit Ally McCoist says Ukraine should be given every opportunity to play their play-off - even if it takes place in September.

The former Rangers striker said: "I will tell you what can be done, should be done and must be done - Ukraine must be given absolutely every opportunity to play this game. Let's be honest about it, the rest of the world will want them to qualify for the World Cup.

"Of course, that is absolutely natural. There is part of me that wants it to happen, too.

"In that respect, they must be given every opportunity to field a side against Scotland even if it is in several months' time.

"All we can pray for is that this tragic war and circumstances in Ukraine will soon come to an end.

"We'll hope they can get a little bit of normality back.

"And some of that will be boosted by the fact their nation can play against Scotland in a World Cup qualifier.

"I don't have a problem when it is played, I would far rather they are given the opportunity to play it and I don't care when it is."

McCoist was yesterday helping out packing donations headed by minibus to the Polish border to help ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

He added: "What is happening there is horrendous.

"If any good can come of this situation, it's the fact all these communities are getting together to help other people."

**Graphic**

BESEDIN ... confidence

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[*LVIV RAT DAD IN EX BAN; UKRAINIAN ROMANCE MISERY Brit who ran off with refugee lands in court*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65XG-XY91-DYTY-C1TR-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** PAUL SIMS

**Body**

A LOVE-RAT who ran off with a Ukrainian refugee just ten days after she moved in with his family was yesterday barred from approaching his ex.

Antony Garnett, 29, was ordered not to contact Lorna, 28 - mum to their two daughters - after she took him to court over allegations he sent her abusive texts.

He was also warned not to go within 100 metres of the home the couple shared in Bradford before he fell for refugee Sofiia Karkadym, 22, from Lviv.

Tony agreed to the non-molestation restraining order without admissions.

It bars him phoning, texting or emailing Lorna and contacting her by social media. Later, he said: "If it helps her sleep at night then so be it.

"I know the truth. I've done nothing wrong. I didn't turn up with a solicitor because I don't have anything to defend. Sadly, this is turning into an episode of

Jeremy Kyle." The couple are not married but Lorna adopted Tony's surname by deed poll. She has now agreed not to make "derogatory" messages about him on social media and to remove previous posts. She fumed: "I want nothing to do with him. I just want him to leave me alone."

Tony arrived at Bradford county court in shades and a grey chequered suit without Sofiia, who fled Ukraine after Russia invaded in February. Lorna, sat at the back of the court as her solicitor, Sadia Ali, detailed the terms of the restraining order.

Tattooed Tony, who is launching a career as a rap artist, told the court: "I'm that busy now with media, TV and music that I don't need to go to the house."

We told how Tony fell for Sofiia after offering her a place to stay when she left her homeland. He collected her from Manchester Airport after Sofiia jetted in from Germany where she had waited for her visa to get government approval. She flew there from Poland.

Two weeks later, Lorna grew suspicious and ordered Sofiia to leave. Tony packed his bags and went with her.

He later apologised for the pain they had caused but insisted: "We're planning the rest of our lives together. I knew I couldn't give her up. We never set out to do this. It wasn't planned and we didn't mean to hurt anyone."

He added: "If the UK was invaded we'd hope the rest of the world would help.

"That's all I wanted to do, but things took a very unexpected twist."

Lorna accused Sofiia of planning to steal her man but the IT worker said: "I'm no homewrecker." Almost 54,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** are here under government schemes.

I just don't want anything to do with him This is turning into an episode of Jeremy Kyle

**Graphic**

I'm off ... our exclusive storyNew love ... Tony and Sofiia

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[*'Our will to defeat Russia is needed for rebuild'; EX UKRAINE PM ON WAR VICTORY*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6C39-5561-JCBW-N52F-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** YULIA TYMOSHENKO

**Body**

MORE than two years on, the battles in Ukraine rage as Russia continues its bloody onslaught.

Yesterday YULIA TYMOSHENKO, the former Ukrainian prime minister, was in Killarney, Co Kerry, to address the Global Economic Summit.

She delivered a strong speech to a group of global delegates, calling for financial support to rebuild the nation in the post-war period.

Ms Tymoshenko hailed Ireland's response to the conflict and estimated the amount needed to rebuild the country after the war is approaching one trillion dollars.

Here is her rallying call to Ireland and the EU to help rebuild the shattered nation

I WOULD like to thank you for your support, Irish people!

Thank you for taking in more than a hundred thousand ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** - our women and children!

Thank you for Ireland being with Ukraine in these difficult times! The last time I was in Ireland was ten years ago -

in March 2014. I didn't see any Ukrainian flags then.

When I arrived at my hotel at 3am yesterday after a twenty-two hour journey from Kyiv, I saw the Ukrainian flag in front of the entrance.

I had a very warm feeling - as if I were at home.

Only without war ... I have several Irish friends. Among them, I would like to mention former Taoiseach Enda Kenny and ex-President of the European Parliament Pat Cox - who helped me in difficult times, and are now helping the whole of Ukraine.

Ukrainians and the Irish have much in common.

'We will fight' Our nations have gone through the terrible tragedy of famine, defended the right to our own language and heroically fought for our own identity and independence.

That's why I say the resilience of nations cannot come out of nothing. The resilience of the Ukrainians and the Irish has its strong roots.

The war has been going on for two years and three months. For us, Ukrainians, it is to be or not be.

Ukrainians have chosen independence and freedom.

Putin's Russia wants to take it away and return it to what

I call the "International of Dictators". I want you to know we will not surrender! We will fight! We must remember that, in fact, the war against my country began almost a decade ago in 2014 with the annexation of Crimea and the occupation of part of Donbas in Eastern Ukraine.

Before the invasion on February 24, 2022, Russia had occupied seven per cent of Ukraine's territory. Today it has seized 26 per cent.

Since 2014, almost 157,000 sq km have been occupied. It's more than TWO Irelands! Some may say: yes, it's all terrible, but very far from us.

In fact, the distance from Killarney to the front line - to Kharkiv, Odesa and Mariupol - is almost 4,000km.

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The war is next door. And if all the countries of the free world would not do what is needed, the war will come here. War has many faces. Not only tanks, missiles and bombs. To win the war, we need weapons, strong sanctions against Russia and unity. And we also need courage.

The question arises: Is it possible to build resilience in the midst of this death and destruction? It is extremely difficult, but not impossible.

The Ukrainian people continue to fight, and, thanks to their courage and ingenuity, they are making progress. We have restored the maritime "grain corridor" and are finding new logistics routes.

Ukrainian businesses have been adapting to the situation since the first days of the war and many have been forced to move their operations online.

The IT sector expanded rapidly and became our second largest source of exports.

New businesses are also opening. In 2023, more than 300,000 new entrepreneurs and more than 37,000 new businesses were registered, more than in 2021. I'm proud more than half of these were started by women.

After Russia's invasion Ukraine's economy was in freefall, with GDP falling by a third.

But two years later, the picture has changed dramatically. Despite Putin's reckless war, senseless killing and destruction, the economy grew by five per cent last year. Inflation is under control. International businesses have demonstrated their resolve by continuing to operate in Ukraine despite the war. European Union member states began negotiations on Ukraine's accession to the EU.

The Ukrainian people have united to rebuild and reform. Ukraine has not fallen.

Putin miscalculated. Instead of capturing Kyiv in three days, the Kremlin received sanctions, lost European markets and access to modern technologies, while Ukraine has stabilized, received the support of the civilized world and is moving towards integration into the EU.

If this is possible with missiles falling on our cities, just imagine what Ukraine will be like when the war is over and reconstruction begins.

It is not enough to win the war, we also need to win the peace. As of today, the cost of restoring Ukraine's economy, according to World Bank estimates, is about $500billion.

In fact, this figure is already approaching $1trillion.

'Must prepare now' It is clear that the post-war recovery will require not only funds from other states and international institutions, but private foreign investment.

I would also like to remind you of more than $370billion in frozen assets of Russia. As of today, the total amount of aid intentions is a little over $80billion out of the required minimum of $500billion.

The reason is obvious, there is still a war going on.

General Douglas MacArthur said in 1940: "The history of failures in war can almost always be summarized in two words: It's too late."

In order to win this war and peace we need to act quickly.

We need to prepare now, before the war ends, for a major post-war reconstruction and modernisation of Ukraine, which will continue its movement towards the EU.

Ireland is a success story. Ukraine is interested in adding another success story.

Ukraine will benefit from this, Ireland will benefit, Europe will benefit.

Ukraine's resilience is an indispensable prerequisite for the post-war recovery, reconstruction and modernisation.

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BATTLE FRONTS ... Ukrainian soldier and drone strike damage in Kharkiv, inset belowSPEECH . . Yulia Tymoshenko

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**Body**

CONTRACTS struck by the Government to put Ukrainians up in Irish hotels don't include terms on refugees accessing swimming and leisure facilities, we can reveal.

A row erupted this week after it emerged Ukrainian residents of a Co Wicklow hotel are charged to go for a dip or exercise in the gym.

RTE broadcaster Joe Duffy spoke of his fury after a caller to his Liveline show revealed Ukrainians in the hotel were being charged (EURO)5 a go to use its swimming and leisure facilities.

The female caller, a member of the hotel's leisure centre, said she was quitting due to the decision to charge the refugees for use of the leisure facilities.

But another caller named Brian said he pays a membership for a leisure centre and insisted refugees should pay for access to leisure facilities.

The Irish Sun on Sunday can reveal the Government is leaving it up to hotels here whether refugees have to stump up to use facilities.

We understand almost 12,000 beds have been allocated in hotels, guest houses and B&Bs across the country to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. The refugees, mainly women and children, are put up on a full bed and board basis.

But the Government department in charge of providing accommodation confirmed the use of gym and pool facilities is a matter for individual hotels.

A spokesperson for the Department of Children, Equality, Disability Integration and Youth told The Irish Sun on Sunday: "Hotels are contracted on the basis of full bed and board. The use of any additional facilities beyond this is a matter for the individual hotel."

The Department refused to reveal how much has been paid out so far to provide accommodation for Ukrainian nationals. But Roderic O'Gorman, Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth, has pledged to continue to support refugees arriving in Ireland seeking safety and shelter.

The spokesperson for O'Gorman's department told us: "The Government's committed to delivering a humanitarian response to welcome people fleeing the war in Ukraine and seeking protection in Ireland.

"The department's contracting hotels across the country to accommodate people fleeing Ukraine as the need arises.

"At present, it is not possible to provide a breakdown on numbers as these are constantly changing depending on the number of arrivals from Ukraine arriving into the country on a daily basis.

"The International Protection Accommodation Service has contracted approximately 11,500 beds in hotels, guest houses and B&Bs, with additional capacity also being pursued through hostels, commercial self-catering accommodation, accommodation pledged by the general public, religious properties and local authority facilities. It isn't possible to provide a specific breakdown of accommodation types.

"The department's not in a position to comment on contractors or contractual matters due to the commercially sensitive nature of this information."

A woman caller to Liveline told host Duffy she cancelled her gym membership in protest. Duffy slammed caller Brian saying: "Shame on you." The hotel failed to respond to queries.

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**Graphic**

Fleeing war ... Ukrainian refugeesFee row ... Duffy

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**Body**

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The tree-lined route became world famous when it was featured in the HBO fantasy series and now attracts significant numbers of tourists.

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A spokesperson said: "Enquiries are ongoing."

The Dark Hedges - two lines of stately beech trees - were used as a filming location for the "King's Road" in season two of GoT. They are best known for the season premiere from the scene where Arya Stark is seen having escaped from King's Landing.

The trees have also been used in the 2017 Transformers film The Last Knight.

The incident comes as a number of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** fleeing the Russian invasion of their country started to arrive in Northern Ireland. DUP North Antrim Assembly candidate Mervyn Storey said: "This is a wanton act of vandalism at one of Northern Ireland's most iconic locations. It is completely at odds with the warm welcome our local community provides to tourists from all over the world who come to see what the Dark Hedges and the North Coast have to offer."

Mr Storey said he has recently been able to welcome refugees from Ukraine into his church community.

He said: "It is despicable that they should have to encounter this type of behaviour glorifying Russia's oppressive campaign of terror in their homeland. Our support must be with the people of Ukraine."

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One video shows a number of vehicles on a main road that then come together in a car park and it says "50 car convoy in Ireland today from Dublin to Cavan in Solidarity with Russia".

At the end of the video, a woman is seen holding what appears to be a handgun or a fake handgun.

After the display backing Russian leader Mad Vlad Putin's invasion the Ukrainian embassy later tweeted: "It's absolutely disgusting that these Russians living in Ireland demonstrate their complete disrespect for (the) country of residence & the Irish people who stand against Russia's war in Ukraine. Z, the symbol of killings & atrocities, must be prohibited by law in every democratic state."

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[*Dynamite can explode; BOXING WBA, IBF & WBO BELTS UP FOR GRABS DANIEL READY TO TAKE THE CROWN AS BEST OF BRITISH*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:691H-38M1-JCBW-N02J-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

DANIEL DUBOIS is ready to kick out the red carpet and bring back the old era of heavyweight glories.

If all goes to plan, the Londoner will wake up here tomorrow in the Polish city of Wroclaw as WBA, IBF and WBO world champion.

They are the same belts that Ukraine's 36-year-old southpaw Oleksandr Usyk removed from Anthony Joshua.

The bookies have it as a 9-1 longshot and promoter Frank Warren reckons it would top every British overseas world title win - trumping Lloyd Honeyghan, John H Stracey and Ken Buchanan. But Dynamite Dan is ready to explode on to the scene in the same way London 2012 gold medallist Joshua did.

Dubois, 25, said: "I was never desperate to be famous but I know that goes along with it.

"That's part of growing up. That's all part of the show.

"I'm a fighter and a gladiator so I will take what comes along with it. Even if it's fame, chat shows and my face everywhere, I'll take it all on. I will enjoy it. You have to, you grow into it. You understand why you have to do it as you get older and you let it take care of itself."

Surely not eating witchetty grubs on I'm A Celebrity?

"Sign me up for it now!" he laughed.

AJ, once the poster boy for rogue-to-riches boxing success, hides his humility away from prying eyes.

But Dubois seems happy to gobble up the global recognition.

He said: "The plan is to have all the belts that AJ did.

"That's the ultimate. That's what we are here for, why else would I do this?

"That's what all the suffering in training camp was for."

Dubois' little sister Caroline, 22, is an Olympian and a likely successor to Katie Taylor as world lightweight champ.

And their super-dad Stan - the father of 11 talented children - has been breeding them for success from an early age.

Daniel said: "I remember my dad watching the old videos of Frank Bruno.

"I watched Frank Bruno against Lennox Lewis and that fight really got my attention.

"That fight was the moment I knew I wanted to be a world champion. Seeing Mike Tyson, as well, I wish I could go back in time and relive those moments.

"Those days started to show me how much the world title would mean and it's been with me since.

"That old era - Frank Bruno, Mike Tyson, Lennox Lewis. Now it's my time to live that moment.

"It's a family affair, my dad being there, everyone being there.

"You need to beat an incredible champion to say you're the best.

"AJ came along at the right time but I've learnt my lessons and it's time to show them what the underdog can do."

An estimated 40,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will support Usyk in Poland tonight.

But Dubois warned: "That crowd is not going to stop me from achieving my dream.

"I've been in wars, I've been in real tough fights in my career. It's not going to phase me, none of them people will worry me.

"They'll be fascinated by me.

It's just a game and I'm ready to play. Every fight has prepared me for moments like this. Whatever it was, I've come through.

"I just feel like he's had his day. He's had his time. It's my time now. I'll rip it from him.

"There's not going to be anybody giving me any favours in this game. There never is.

"All the great champions had to go out there and take it and make it theirs. I need to make this as rough and as terrible as possible. That's what I will do."

TALE OF THE TAPE Usyk Dubois Age Nationality Birthplace Height Weight Career Reach Stance 36 Ukranian Simferopol 6ft 3in 15st 11Ib 2013- present 78'' Southpaw Sep 11, 2013 v Felipe Romero W TKO Aug 20, 2022 v Anthony Joshua W split decision 20 168 20 013 65% 25 British London 6ft 5in 16st 9Ib 2017- present 78'' Orthodox Apr 8, 2017 v Marcus Kelly W TKO Dec 3, 2022 v Kevin Lerena W TKO 20 63 19 1 18 90% Debut Last fight Fights Rounds boxed Wins Defeats KO wins KO %

**Graphic**

BELT UP ... Dubois and Usyk at the weigh-in Pic: RICHARD PELHAM

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[*SICK LINER; EXPERT'S FEARS AMID VIRUS SURGE Bug warning on refugee ship EXCLUSIVE Vessel to hold 730 Ukrainians Prof: Risk of major outbreak*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65Y4-VDJ1-JCBW-N2MB-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** OLIVER NORTON

**Body**

A CRUISE ship commissioned to house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** presents a "very real risk" for a massive Covid outbreak, health experts have warned.

Hundreds of people fleeing the war-torn country are set to be shunted into temporary accommodation on the MS Victoria I, currently berthed in Leith, Edinburgh.

But with Covid cases spreading across Scotland, a leading expert has warned the Scottish Government would be "bloody lucky" if there is no major virus outbreak on the vessel.

Hugh Pennington, emeritus professor of bacteriology at Aberdeen University, said: "It's a very risky move. The number of outbreaks of Covid that happened on ships is very large.

"I would say there's a real risk that if Covid gets into that ship and there's a fairly large number of people on board, you might have quite a big outbreak.

"It's not just an issue of being on a passenger ship, it's the close proximity people have.

"The ventilation system on the ship may have something to do with it as well.

"Somebody might be in a confined space but breathing out and the air gets round.

"You can't really ask people to sit there with the doors all closed. I think they are running a very real risk."

Professor Pennington said vaccination checks, testing passengers and imposing the wearing of face masks would be the "basic minimum" measures to take.

He also warned symptomless patients could carry the virus aboard without noticing and urged the Government not to house vulnerable people over the age of 65.

Professor Pennington added: "I suppose the main problem is that you've got these people that you've got to put somewhere.

"I think they'd be bloody lucky to avoid having the outbreak on the ship with Omicron as it is and Scotland being the number one in the UK in terms of infections."

The 190-metre-long ship can accommodate up to 2,500 passengers, and boasts more than 700 cabins.

Prior to the ship's latest commission, the vessel sailed through the Baltic sea on leisure trips.

Up to 10,000 Ukrainians are understood to have arrived in Scotland since Russia's invasion in February.

The Scottish Government recently announced that approximately 730 of them will live aboard MS Victoria after shelving their flagship "super sponsor scheme".

The solution is meant to be temporary while permanent housing is being made ready.

Ukraine's consul general in Scotland warned Nicola Sturgeon that refugees should not be left to languish in cabins.

Yevhen Mankovskyi, who is planning to inspect the ship next week, said: "I don't want people to live for six months on the ship, no one wants this."

A Scottish Government spokesman said: "Safeguarding the health of displaced people on the passenger ship is our priority, as it is in other temporary accommodation such as hotels.

"We are closely monitoring the spread of Covid in Scotland and will liaise closely with Public Health colleagues to monitor any risks of contracting Covid within the passenger ship."

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**Graphic**

Virus alert . . Prof PenningtonTEMPORARY BERTH The new arrivals will be staying on the ship in Leith

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[*We are the champions!; QUEEN ROCKER KNIGHTED IN KING'S FIRST HONOURS lSPORT & MUSIC HEROES GET GONGS lJOY FOR MAY, DENISE & LEAH*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:676S-5331-JCBW-N22P-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

CHAMPIONS of sport and music kick off King Charles's first New Year's Honours.

The footballing heroes behind the England Lionesses' dramatic Euros win are celebrated.

Queen rocker, astrophysicist and badger protector Brian May, 75, gets a knighthood - while ex-Olympic heptathlon champion Denise Lewis , 50, becomes a Dame.

Sir Brian, guitarist on hits such as We Are The Champions, said he would "do the things one would expect a knight to do - to fight for justice, for people who don't have any voice".

Dame Denise, who helped organise the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham and won gold at Sydney 2000, said: "It's an incredible honour. I'm trying to take it in and its enormity.

"I recognise I'm one of very few women in athletics that have received a damehood. I'm just so proud and incredibly beside myself."

Lionesses' skipper Leah Williamson , 25, gets an OBE after her team's 2-1 extra-time win over Germany in July.

Golden Boot winner Beth Mead, 27, defender Lucy Bronze, 31, and record goalscorer Ellen White, 33, get MBEs.

Ace Lucy told The Sun: "To be on this list because I've just been doing something that I love is amazing."

The girls' Dutch coach Sarina Wiegman, 53, gets a CBE on the overseas list and said: "I feel privileged and humbled and would like to dedicate this to the players, support team and others within the FA who have worked tirelessly for our shared success."

More than 1,000 people are honoured. They include ex-Sun agony aunt Deidre Sanders, 77 - handed an MBE for charity work and decades-long service helping our readers. She said she was "utterly thrilled" and "so proud".

Comedian Frank Skinner, 65, is made an MBE. He joked he had not told those closest to him, "because I still thought there might be some sort of administrative error". Former footballer turned broadcaster Chris Kamara , 65, gets an MBE for his anti-racism and charity work.

Countdown star Rachel Riley, 36, is made an MBE for her campaigning against anti-Semitism.

Actor Stephen Graham, 49, who has won plaudits in Hollywood films and UK dramas, is made an OBE, as is Homeland star David Harewood, 57.

Artist and broadcaster Grayson Perry, 62, is made a Knight Bachelor.

Radio 2's DJ Spoony, 52, is awarded a British Empire Medal (BEM) for his fundraising work in the pandemic.

Dennis the Menace illustrator David Sutherland, 89, who has been drawing for The Beano for 60 years, gets an OBE. He said: "I've been so lucky to be able to do something I love for a living, and work with so many talented writers whose words have helped bring these characters to life."

Two ambassadors caught up in the Ukraine war become Dames - Kyiv's embassy chief Melinda Simmons and Moscow chief Deborah Bronnert.

Ms Simmons called it a huge honour, adding: "I am proud of everyone I have worked with and everything we have done to support Ukrainians' unwavering determination to live free, especially over the last year."

Ms Bronnert said she was hugely privileged, adding the year had been "scarred by the awful invasion".

Three diplomats - Kate Davenport , Sarah Docherty and Nicolas Harrocks - are made OBEs.

Lt Col Andrew Kent , an orthopaedic surgeon, and emergency medicine consultant Dr Paul Ransom , become OBEs for work on the Ukraine front line.

Nanny Louenna Hood , 38, from Newmarket, Cambridgeshire, gets a BEM for organising supplies and fundraising for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Schools reading volunteer Peter Davies, of Macclesfield, Cheshire, is the oldest honoree, getting a BEM at 100.

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[*Kyle Walker gave us a chuckle, but the future's bleak;*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6B7M-HVG1-JCBW-N0YC-00000-00&context=1519360) [*Damien.Lane@the-sun.ie*](mailto:Damien.Lane@the-sun.ie) [*@Damienlanesun Damien Lane*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6B7M-HVG1-JCBW-N0YC-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

THANK Christ that's over, January, when all your troubles are amplified by the long, cold, miserable days.

At least Kyle Walker brought us the required dose of light relief with his tragi-comic tale of infidelity this last week.

Poor sod. A loaded star in his prime throwing it all away for a bit of How's Your Father. Get in.

If it were you or I, no-one would have given a rat's arse. But Kyle, a footballer at the top of the money tree, playing with the richest club in the world, well, the hacks were always going to have a feast.

And dine out on his misfortune they did. And why not? We all felt a bit better having revelled in the squirming discomfort of a man who has (had) it all. He wants the missus back. He's sorry. Of course he is.

Kyle, a real-life soap opera to distract from the awful situation the world finds itself in. Gaza, Ukraine and the spectre of a Trump return in America are enough to haunt the most optimistic among us with nightmares. Well, me anyhow.

At home, immigration is now the No1 political hot potato. Unseemly battles at former hotels and repurposed accommodations all over the country where refugees are homed have shown the world who the real Irish are.

We no longer live in the land of the hundred thousand welcomes. The Cead Mile has been torn from the Failte. It's been a sad, swift descent away from decency, what was once our most precious trait as a people.

DRAMA

Decent we are no more. I'll get stares for writing that. I'll be accused of being out of sync with popular sentiment. A poll in the most recent issue of the Sunday Business Post asked a simple question: Are there too many refugees coming to Ireland? Some 66 per cent of people replied Yes. Only 16 per cent said No.

So, yes, I may be swimming against a strong tide. But, I'll keep swimming until I drown, because it's the right thing to do, for me, at least.

I know what it means to be a stranger in a strange land, lookeddown-upon, starting from scratch, without anyone or anything, save your own wits. And I'll never forget being that outsider and how difficult it was to merely exist.

Imagine the refugees coming here with nothing and met with mistrust and fear and anger? The thought makes me shiver. What are we becoming? Where has our moral backbone gone? A backbone strengthened over more than 170 years of being the outsider, being the poor immigrant in England, America and beyond.

What have we become? We've gone full circle on ourselves to become a mirror of those who oppressed US when we had to travel the world on our knees seeking a better life. It's becoming increasingly difficult to have a compassionate stance when it comes to immigrants.

Everywhere, those who were once mute when it came to refugees have become more vocal in their opposition to the outsider.

The "Ireland Is Full" brigade are growing in number. They protest: "We're not racist." And maybe at heart they're not, but those who now blow the anti-immigrant trumpet have allowed themselves to be carried along on a tide rooted in a myth and a miserable trope, that those who are different to us should come last.

Really? If that's your stance then you are lost to humanity.

Of course, if the Government had done its job right, instead of trotting out platitudes, the anti-immigrant throng wouldn't have been so big.

Immigration wouldn't have been THE top priority for citizens. An Irish Times survey showed this week that 24 per cent of people believe it is our most pressing issue, toppling housing to second spot.

Both issues go hand-in-hand. And the Government has failed to tackle them with the necessary speed. Blame the system. Nothing gets done here in a timely fashion.

The State failed to build reception centres for International Protection Applicants (asylum seekers), whose numbers have grown from 3,000 a year to 15,000 a year. On top of that Ireland has welcomed more than 104,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Kyle

There is nowhere to put them all, except in hotels and former convents across the country over the dead bodies of many locals.

The State has a moral and legal obligation to look after those fleeing war and persecution. Without anywhere to put them and with growing opposition, many are living on the streets.

The Government's immigration policy, like its housing policy, has FAILED, and it finds itself on the backfoot, playing catch-up, but never actually catching up.

Because the Government has messed up on a grand scale, good people have been turned into farright torch bearers.

The flame of discontent has been lit in a year of elections. Voters go to the polls in March for a referendum about the place of women in the home. I'd be tugging at my underwear tight in the crack about the chances it will pass if I were in cabinet, such is the mood of discontent around the place.

Next up in June, European and local elections. The Government parties will fear a drubbing unless they can get to grips with the two balls of thorns in their hands - immigration and housing. Don't hold your breath they can.

January may be over, the days are getting longer, the sun will shine stronger, but the future's full of vipers, hot coals and beds of nails.

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DRAMA ... Kyle

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**Body**

VOLODYMYR Zelensky yesterday addressed students at a Dublin university - advising them to "take care of your freedom".

In his address via video link, the Ukrainian president said that Russia's list of sanctions against 52 Irish politicians "don't really affect anything, it's more of a propaganda thing".

He also said that he was grateful to Ireland for its "incredible warmth" in taking in 63,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** since the invasion began, with many young students attending schools and universities here.

He said: "I can tell you, select any time and you know that you and your government and your society have helped Ukraine in many ways. And as you mentioned that no matter your neutral status, you're absolutely not neutral in your attitude, in your assistance.

"Take care of your freedom. And glory to Ukraine."

Hundreds of students gathered in The Helix on the Dublin City University campus, with several asking questions of the president, including how he handles the pressure of leading a country under attack.

When asked if he found that social media was a new battlefield of war, Mr Zelensky replied: "Absolutely."

He added: "A battlefield that's full of capabilities and unfortunately, Russia has been using that.

"They've spread disinformation in many African and Asian countries. They have a powerful impact on Israel, on Germany and many other European countries. Their TV channels with disinformation until recently worked in the United States and many other countries.

"For the truths to be spread, it's very difficult. It's hard to overcome the false information ... it's a component of this information war.

"We were powerful in the beginning of the war, we realised we cannot fight Russia only with weapons on the battlefield because they have more of those weapons.

"But in the informational domain, we knew if we would be able to penetrate this wall, to penetrate this informational lies, if we could overcome this, we would be able to unite the world - and I believe we did that.

"This is not over yet, but still we're hoping (Russian President Vladimir) Putin can hear us and that the information we have is becoming a powerful weapon." When asked about the pressure of leading a country fighting off an invasion, Zelensky said: "It's perfectly normal, it's not pressure for me. I'm a calm person ... not every day, surely.

"My team knows, because there's different days, different moments."

He said that, as a country and as a people, the

Ukrainians had survived "many challenges" in their history. He added: "Some challenges are ten years old, some challenges are 100 years old. So we are fighting for independence."

Preparation for his address had been in the works since the summer, when Ukrainian Ambassador to Ireland, Larysa Gerasko, suggested it to the Irish Government.

Addressing the conference, Ms Gerasko said Russia was attempting "to punish those who defend international law, rule of law and democracy, and support Ukraine".

She added: "As our president mentioned, the recent decision to ban 52 Irish politicians from entering Russia is yet another demonstration of such blatant conduct."

Minister for Higher Education Simon Harris said it was an "important and historic day". He added: "I think it's fair to say that this is a moment of history, as President Zelensky takes time to speak to students here in Ireland, the future leaders of this country, to speak to students here in

The Helix.

"But also in 20 other locations across our country today, with students listening in to the President of Ukraine at this truly important time in global history.

"When history is written, let it be clear, we stood up and we spoke out, and we supported Ukraine."

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'Historic day' ... Harris

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ARTEM BESEDIN has insisted Ukraine will be able to play Scotland in June - and will "100 per cent" beat them.

Scotland are due to face the war-torn nation in a World Cup play-off semi-final, but there are major doubts about whether the game will go ahead.

Ukraine will have to prepare for the game with 16 players in their squad based domestically.

But Dynamo Kyiv star Besedin believes the spirit among their players will see them through to face Wales in Cardiff.

He said: "We will 100 per cent qualify for the World Cup.

"Our manager, Oleksandr Petrakov, is constantly in touch with the players in the squad both at home and away.

"He has been great throughout the war.

Problem "He wants to know what training we have been doing and whether we are in a position to keep ourselves fit.

"It's obviously not going to be a problem for the guys in the squad who are with clubs abroad.

"But listen, I know Ukrainian players and what kind of character we all have.

"Despite everything that has been put in our way, I know we will find a way of winning both the play-off matches.

"Not only that, we will do ourselves proud at the World Cup in Qatar."

Meanwhile, Scotland legend Ally McCoist says Ukraine should be given every opportunity to play their play-off - even if it takes place in September.

The ex-Rangers striker said: "I will tell you what can be done, should be done and must be done - Ukraine must be given absolutely every opportunity to play this game.

"Let's be honest about it, the rest of the world will want them to qualify for the World Cup.

"Of course, that is absolutely natural. There is part of me that wants it to happen, too.

"In that respect, they must be given every opportunity to field a side against Scotland even if it is in several months' time.

"All we can pray for is that this tragic war and circumstances in Ukraine will soon come to an end. We'll hope they can get a little bit of normality back.

"And some of that will be boosted by the fact their nation can play against Scotland in a World Cup qualifier.

"I don't have a problem when it is played, I would far rather they are given the opportunity to play it and I don't care when it is."

McCoist was at Altrincham yesterday for a community football day with Trafford Veterans.

The 59-year-old was involved with packing up donations that are going to be driven by minibus to the Polish border to help ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Packages will include items like hats, gloves, first-aid kits, first-aid supplies and cereal bars.

He said: "No matter how small you think something is - sleeping bags, nappies, clothing, some food - it will be so important to help the people of Ukraine.

"What is happening there is horrendous. If any good can come of this situation, it's the fact all these communities are getting together to help other people."

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COISTY CARES ... Ally is doing his bit for the Ukraine appealBES FOOT FORWARD ... Ukraine star Artem is confident

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MICHEAL Martin held another virtual St Patrick's Day meeting with US President Joe Biden yesterday - after being diagnosed with Covid.

The Taoiseach will now be locked down in Washington DC for ten days after the shock on the eve of his White House visit.

He was rushed out of the Ireland Funds Continued on Page 3

Continued from Page One gala dinner on Wednesday evening - just minutes before he was due to receive a leadership award from US Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi.

A health screening ahead of the White House pow-wow detected a positive case among the Taoiseach's delegation, with a PCR swab subsequently revealing that Martin was infected.

The Fianna Fail leader was forced to resort to a video call with President Biden yesterday - just like last year, when the pandemic prevented him travelling to the US. During the chat, they discussed the war in Ukraine, the undocumented Irish in the States and Biden's plans to visit Ireland.

After his meeting with the President, Martin admitted he was disappointed to miss out on the White House visit.

Speaking from Blair House - just across the road from Biden's abode - he said: "I feel good. Of course, I'm disappointed personally, but it's not the end of the world.

"We have to keep things in perspective. I think that's important, particularly in the context of what's happening across the world today. Thanks be to God, we have the quality of video conferencing we have and the capacity to have these meetings.

"And I don't believe the meeting was in any way impaired as a result of this. It was a very warm meeting."

The Taoiseach now plans to chair next week's Cabinet meeting from DC and will continue to work across the coming days, with a particular focus on our humanitarian response to Ukraine.

Speaking during their video call, Biden heaped praise on Ireland for "really stepping up" when it comes to the response to Russia's invasion.

And after the chat, Biden labelled Russian President Vladimir Putin a "murderous dictator" and a "real thug".

He said Ireland was "paying a big price", declaring: "It's not a minor contribution they're making in this effort. It's significant."

The Taoiseach told reporters that Biden "couldn't get over" the level of Ireland's response to the crisis, with more than 7,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** already fleeing to Ireland.

The pair also discussed plans to dramatically increase sanctions on Russia, which will be finalised when the American chief meets EU leaders in Brussels next week - a meeting Martin will no longer be able to attend due to his Covid infection.

Martin also used the call to extend an invitation to the

Irish-American President to come to Ireland on an official State visit. Biden confirmed to the Taoiseach that he plans to "come back to Ireland" but no details were nailed down.

Asked if he would like to see the President visit Ireland while he is still Taoiseach, Martin said: "Of course I would. His commitment to Ireland is just very, very strong. He exudes it."

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Infectious ... Martin must isolate in the StatesNot again . . Martin and Biden had repeat of last year's call

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ANDRIY SHEVCHENKO was so sickened at the sight of orphaned kids with their limbs blown off he wanted to quit his tour of a war-torn Ukrainian hospital.

But the horrors the ex-Chelsea striker witnessed on two fundraising trips back to his decimated homeland since the Russian invasion have fuelled his desire to make a stand.

The places he grew up in as a child - Kyiv, Irpin, Dnipro - have been mutilated by rockets and bombs.

Sheva said: "I have seen the reality. This is war. It's something you have to see with your own eyes. It's not a movie. It's real life.

"When you see the places from your childhood hit by rockets, buildings destroyed by fire, it does something to you.

"On my second visit, I saw Irpin. This once beautiful city, full of new buildings, now, there's nothing. Black. Flattened. Destroyed."

It was the same in Borodyanka, Bucha and Hostomel.

Sheva (right) added: "In Dnipro I went to the children's wards of the hospital and saw boys and girls as young as six with terrible injuries.

"I heard the stories of the bombs that had hit their homes and taken their legs, their arms, their families.

"I went from one room to another and another and another.

"Honestly, after the second room, I didn't want to continue. I couldn't take it any more. It was too much sadness."

Shevchenko, who spent three years at Stamford Bridge between 2006-2009, has enlisted the help of Barcelona's Poland striker Robert Lewandowski and world No 1 tennis star Iga Swiatek, another Pole.

Together, with the Laureus Sport organisation, they are aiding ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in the Polish city of Krakow.

Shevchenko, 46, has gifted Lewandowski a Ukrainian captain's armband that he will take with him to the Qatar World Cup.

He added: "Sport has the ability to influence opinion and even policy when it comes to this war.

"In these times, sport really does have the power to change the world."

Shevchenko is also trying to rebuild Irpin's blitzed football pitches.

He told The Players' Tribune: "The city used to have this beautiful football stadium, as well as a new academy with artificial pitches.

"After the bombing, only one pitch has been left untouched.

"I have spoken to the mayor about a fundraising initiative to rebuild the rest but for now they remain full of craters, rubble and shrapnel.

"Despite everything, I saw children out there kicking a ball around.

"Those kids should never have to live through what they have, or to play in those conditions. It's no place for children.

"But still they are there. Still resisting. That is the spirit of Ukraine."

As a nineyear-old kid, Shevchenko was evacuated from Kyiv following the Chernobyl nuclear power plant disaster in 1986.

He recalled: "My dad took a Geiger counter to one of the footballs I brought with me. And it showed 50 times the normal radiation. He had to set it on fire!"

Now, however, life and freedom are under threat.

Shevchenko stressed: "This is not just a fight for Ukraine but also for all of democracy.

"And for what? I cannot find the reason. I cannot explain it to my kids, or to any sensible human being.

"The situation is critical. There are so many families living in overcrowded, temporary accommodation without basic services. And soon it will be winter.

"We need to keep fundraising. This is my priority now.

"What is success? Is it winning a football match?

"None of that is real. Success is freedom. Success is survival."

lFOR the full Andriy Shevchenko interview visit [*www.theplayerstribune.com*](http://www.theplayerstribune.com)

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SHOCKING ... Dnipro flats bombed by Russians

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£50 LETTER

RISHI SUNAK'S plan to ban Channel migrants claiming asylum will spark battles with the immigration unions, civil servants and left-wing lawyers.

It begs the question, just who runs this country?

If the civil servants will not do as they are told, then sack them.

Also, why should illegal immigrants get legal aid to fight their appeals, paid for by the taxpayer?

Stop that and the lawyers will not want to know after their gravy train has gone.

DAVID FOAKES Leeds AT last, a Prime Minister who means business by taking back control of our borders.

Arriving on small boats will be a criminal offence as of yesterday. It won't take two years of waiting to get the bill passed.

I hope our wonderful country will still keep helping those genuinely in need, like ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

But those who aren't fleeing war or facing imminent threat to their lives need to know this is not "free" Britain.

AMBER JACOBS Frodsham, Cheshire IT remains to be seen whether the PM's plan to halt the small boat invasion is successful, but at least he is prepared to have a go, which is more than could be said for his predecessors and the opposition.

Already, refugee organisations and the hand-wringing liberal lefties are lining up to fight the proposals, even before they are [*www.announced.No*](http://www.announced.No) doubt the civil servants will be looking to throw a few spanners in the works, and top legal brains will have their eyes on a nice little earner, too We are right to attempt to stop illegal entry into our country. The only question is why has it taken so long.

TERRY DURRANCE Merseyside IF the illegal immigrants arriving in small boats across the Channel are so desperate, why do they pass through umpteen safe countries just to risk their lives to reach Britain?

ALAN OAKLEY Doncaster I WONDER why many Tories are worried about top civil servant Sue Gray joining Labour.

Many ministers and MPs told us that they had worked with her and she was a person of the highest integrity.

Ex-PM Boris Johnson actually appointed her to investigate Partygate.

DAVID ROSE Linton, Cambs BORIS called Keir Starmer Captain Hindsight. After turning his back on ex-Labour leader Jeremy Corbyn and now supposedly backing Brexit, he became Lieutenant Turncoat. Now after his dealings with Sue Gray, he's become General Grubby.

SIMON LEWIS Market Weighton, East Yorks IT'S no wonder crime numbers are sky high, most of our police are under investigation by other forces, who in turn are under investigation by other forces.

I bet the criminals are having a whale of a time.

RONALD HOPES Oakdale, Gwent HOW can medical consultants justify strikes for more money when they earn around £100,000?

If they can't live on that, how are us pensioners supposed to live on £11,000?

We can't strike. It's just greed on their part and totally unjustified.

DAVE MOSS Mansfield, Notts WHY would the Chancellor even think of raising fuel taxes, causing more inflation?

He should be gradually reducing them because in a few years there will be no fuel being used to tax.

Where will all the fuel tax money come from then?

MICK PALMER Clacton on Sea, Essex

TXT US ON 07537 410199 Don't forget to include your name. Standard text rates from your provider apply WE cannot afford to take in all these immigrants. At last the Government is getting a grip.

PHIL, Swansea IT'S great the UK has raised over £400million for Ukraine but it would be great to raise money for the NHS as well.

LAURA JAMES, Birmingham I DON'T trust Starmer. He's a political chameleon who changes his stance as often as his underwear.

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Dan Silver, of the Chelsea Supporters' Trust, said: "If he truly does care then he'll walk away.

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It is understood Chelsea will miss out on £600,000 per match day.

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Julian Knight, Tory MP and chairman of the select committee for sport, said: "Abramovich claims to be this great fan of Chelsea.

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Chelsea met officials from the Department for Media and Sport and Treasury yesterday.

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AN Irish grandad who was stabbed to death on his mobility scooter in London was "in the wrong place at the wrong time", mourners were told at his funeral.

Tragic Thomas O'Halloran, 87, was attacked in Greenford, West London, on August 16.

The Ennistymon, Co Clare, native was knifed in a passageway at around 4pm before travelling 75 yards and flagging down a member of the public for help.

But Thomas, who used to go out busking with his accordion to raise money for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, couldn't be saved.

Yesterday family and friends packed out the Visitation Church in Greenford as Thomas was laid to rest in a coffin draped with Clare's flag and his beloved GAA jersey.

His accordion, white roses and a photo of the tragic OAP were placed on top of the casket.

Close friend Ambrose Gordon said Tom's death provoked "understandable devastation" in London and Ireland.

Addressing mourners at the mass, he said: "It was the level of outrage that accompanied this grief that will hopefully prove to be a turning point and, in some way, provide another legacy of the life of an old man.

"His music, playing his accordion, his favourite tunes, busking around Tesco and Greenford station. His love for his cats.

"Coupled with the fact that this could have been anybody, Tom just happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time.

"He would travel around with his mobile scooter collecting a few pounds for his favourite charities, including Ukraine."

Pal Ambrose added: "There is no reason why any man or woman should feel unsafe on our streets at any time of day or night.

"But this felt particularly brutal because it happened at a time of day and a location where you wouldn't even question your safety. And yet, ultimately, that isn't the critical point.

"The terrible truth is that too many men and women feel unsafe and vulnerable when they are out on their own."

Ambrose said his friend's family were plunged into mourning when they learned of his death.

He said: "That tragic afternoon Tom was due home at four o'clock.

"His daughter had his dinner in the oven when he did not make it home, she rang his phone several times. The police came to her door with the terrible news at seven o'clock. Nobody in this life wants to hear news like that."

Devastated Ambrose paid special thanks to all those who gathered in memory of Tom at Cape Road five weeks ago to show solidarity with Tom's family and friends.

He also thanked Michael D Higgins for his kind words after the President expressed his "profound sympathy" to Mr O'Halloran's family last month.

Musical tributes were played by members of Thomas's family and a poem entitled Grandad's Song, written by grandson Thomas, was read out by his cousin Cherish.

She read: "You have always been there, with slippers and grey hair.

"Fixing this and fixing that, from cars to the leaking tap, a jolly chap in an old school hat. Irish through and through, when my hue turns blue, I smile when your three-wheel car comes into view."

Lee Byer, 44, was arrested at an address in Southall, two miles from the murder scene.

He appeared before Willesden Magistrates' Court charged with Mr O'Halloran's murder on August 19.

A plea hearing date of November 8 has been set with a provisional trial of up to three weeks planned from May 2 next year.

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Suspecting Hamas terrorists were using the convoy as cover, they fired on the WCK cars - two armoured and one soft-skin vehicle.

A missile from a Hermes 450 drone slammed into one vehicle but the occupants managed to leap out and race to the other two.

Another strike followed, taking out a second vehicle, and as the third car screeched up to help that was also hit. One missile pierced the roof of a Toyota Hilux, carrying WCK logos.

Married dad-of-two Mr Chapman, from Poole, had been in Gaza only a few weeks after stints in the Middle East. A former comrade paid tribute yesterday, saying: "He was a very well-liked guy, a very popular bloke and this is a huge loss for his family, his friends and for the veteran community.

"People trying to deliver aid into Gaza are doing the right thing and they need support and protection from people like John and his colleagues to do their job."

A friend of Mr Henderson, of Truro, Cornwall, said: "Everybody is gutted, he was a lovely lad. He'd been there a few weeks."

Palestinian Nael Eliyan, living in a tent yards from the incident, ran to the wreckage but said: "Their injuries were serious and they died quickly."

Bloodied passports were found in the wrecked cars.

Foreign Secretary Lord Cameron said: "The news of the airstrike is deeply distressing. These were people working to deliver life-saving aid to those who desperately need it. It's essential that humanitarian workers are protected and able to carry out their work."

At first the IDF said it was "conducting a thorough review at the highest levels to understand the circumstances of this tragic incident".

A few hours later Mr Netanyahu admitted the victims were killed by his own forces.

WCK was launched in 2010 by US Michelin-starred chef José Andrés after he visited Haiti following the devastating earthquake which killed more than 100,000 people.

The charity has since worked worldwide, including in Ukraine following Russia's invasion in 2022.

It has been active in Gaza since Israel declared war on Hamas after the terror group slaughtered more than 1,110 people on October 7.

WCK say they have served around 240,000 meals a day - a total of 42 million - and have been central in establishing a maritime aid corridor between Cyprus and Gaza.

The hostilities have meant aid has struggled to reach Palestinians by land, so WCK and Cypriot authorities last month established the first aid delivery by sea.

A second convoy of three ships carrying 400 tons of aid landed on Monday, with the IDF involved in coordinating the delivery.

The WCK vehicles were in the process of transporting that aid to 1.7 million Palestinians forced from their homes by war.

The Palestinian Red Crescent Society recovered the bodies and transported them to the Al-Aqsa Martyrs Hospital in Deir al-Balah.

Another victim, Polish volunteer

Damian Sobol, was described as a "brave compatriot" who had helped ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

The body of Palestinian driver Saif Issam Abu Taha was taken to his hometown of Rafah.

Also killed was Lalzawmi "Zomi" Frankcom, 44, from Melbourne, Australia. In all more than 200 aid workers have now been killed during the fighting.

WCK founder José said: "I am heartbroken and grieving for their families and friends and our whole WCK family.

"These are people [*www.angels.No*](http://www.angels.No) more innocent lives lost. Peace starts with our shared humanity. It needs to start now."

The charity's chief executive Erin Gore added: "This is not only an attack against WCK, this is an attack on humanitarian organisations showing up in the most dire of situations where food is being used as a weapon of war.

"This is unforgivable. I am heartbroken and appalled that we lost beautiful lives today."

The charity paused its operations in Gaza, and a second aid group quickly followed suit. Ships carrying around 240 tons of aid headed back to Larnaca in Cyprus.

Israel was sending officials to each of the victims' countries to present findings from initial investigations. Last night its UK ambassador Tzipi Hotovely was summoned for a meeting at the Foreign Office.

Labour leader Sir Keir Starmer also condemned the strike and said: "Those responsible must be held to account."

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Polish worker Damian Sobol

Driver Saif Issam Abu Taha

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**Body**

By GARY MENEELY ASYLUM seekers flee an emergency accommodation centre on foot yesterday after a tractor blockade by protesters.

A group of 34 international protection applicants were bussed to three holiday homes on the site of the former Magowna House Hotel in Inch, Co Clare.

But within minutes of their arrival on Monday night, access roads to the site were blocked by around 50 locals using tractors.

Stunned asylum seekers spoke of their fear over the protest - with another gate being blocked by a silage bail.

Yesterday, seven international protection applicants left the site on foot carrying their belongings.

Gardai - who attended the scene - added that 18 more people are set to leave later.

One man fleeing said they were "heading back" to Citywest in Dublin where they had been based until being shuttled to Co Clare.

Taoiseach Leo Varadkar last night said he didn't think the action by protesters was needed.

He said: "I don't think the blockade is necessary.

"What we do need is engagement with the community. Nearly 100,000 people from other parts of the world, mainly Ukraine, have come to Ireland seeking refuge, seeking shelter.

"And we have to provide for them whatever accommodation is available. And it isn't always going to be perfect but is the best we can do. I know that huge numbers of communities have welcomed people into their communities, including in Co Clare."

Mr Varadkar pledged that there would be "engagement with local reps" taking place today.

But asylum seekers who stayed at the holiday homes described the situation as "difficult".

Sultan Muhammad, from Afghanistan, told how he came to Ireland five months ago and had been staying in Citywest.

Pledging to remain at the Co Clare facility despite the protest, he said: "We are feeling good here. I like this place. I like it, I will live here."

One tractor protester said locals had concerns about fire safety and sewage management on the site.

The man revealed the aim of the blockade was to ensure that no further buses carrying refugees would be allowed through. The demonstrator said they expected another bus to arrive and insisted the asylum seekers were being moved "underhandedly".

He said: "So we stopped the roads, we blocked the roads so a second bus could not get in."

The protester also questioned how the asylum seekers would integrate into the community.

Other demonstrators highlighted how only last year, the facility at Magowna House - which has been closed since 2019 - was deemed unsuitable for the accommodation of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** by Clare County Council because of fire and sewage issues.

Furious locals insisted there was no consultation prior to the arrival of the asylum seekers on Monday.

And concerned residents flagged up how they were assured by the local council that the location would not be occupied while concerns about the property were being sorted out.

Locals pledged to maintain the protest until they "get answers" as to why the site is being used for emergency accommodation and why they were not consulted.

But protesters maintained they would not prevent an asylum seeker from leaving and would allow for food deliveries.

A small group of Clare locals carrying signs saying "refugees welcome" turned up to face protesters yesterday.

Minister of State for Community Development Joe O'Brien admitted the hotel did not have a fire safety certificate.

But he declared there was no issue with fire safety or wastewater management at the site. Tanaiste Micheal Martin revealed the Government and local authorities will engage with the community to "ease" any concerns.

Mr Martin said: "I would ask that that level of engagement and cooperation will take place and that there is no need for the blockades. I think dignity and the human being always has to be centre in our minds when situations like this arise."

The tractor demo comes days after anti-migrant protesters burned the tents of homeless asylum seekers at a makeshift camp in Dublin.

Cops vowed to continue to take a "proportionate response" to anti-migrant protests. They said: "There is a constitutional right to the freedom of assembly and freedom of speech."

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IN the end, the patriotic fervour and raw emotion which decided this World Cup play-off was all Welsh.

Ukraine's players arrived in Cardiff fuelled by worldwide support and sympathy after Russia's invasion of their nation.

Bound by an uncommon sense of unity as a result of the horrors back home.

Scotland had flopped against the war-torn nation in midweek at Hampden.

But even though Ukraine were technically superior and dominated for long stretches, it was the passionate support of the home crowd which seemed to propel Rob Page's side into their first World Cup finals in 64 years.

The winner was a cruel fluke - Andriy Yarmolenko sending a diving header into his own net from Gareth Bale's first-half free-kick.

And although Wales passed up three good chances after the break, keeper Wayne Hennessey and his defenders were defiant, surviving a battering to qualify for Qatar.

There, they will meet England in the first-ever all- British match at a World Cup, as well as the USA and Iran.

The Welsh showed solidarity and respect for their visitors - right up until kick-off.

But during the 90 minutes it was pure business, with no room for sentiment.

This defeat would have felt tough on Ukraine, even without the dreadful events which have made them the world's second-favourite team.

This match would have been played in March but for the Russian invasion a few weeks earlier.

Remarkable In many ways it was remarkable Ukraine even sent out a team.

They comfortably beat Scotland in the play-off semi and against Wales were cool and organised - until they reached the Welsh penalty area.

It was Wales who depended, almost entirely, on passion, guts and unity.

The Welsh FA had handed tickets to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** and the visitors' national anthem was applauded throughout by home fans.

There was controversy in the second minute, when Joe

Allen was booked for a heavy challenge and Oleksandr Zinchenko netted a swiftlytaken free-kick, only for Spanish referee Antonio Mateu Lahoz to rule it out as he had not blown his whistle.

Ukraine were slicker and better organised. Wales were direct and panicky.

Hennessey pushed away a decent effort from

Viktor Tsygankov, then saved well from Roman Yaremchuk.

Superstar Bale popped up here, there and everywhere, trying to make something happen, just searching for someone on the same wavelength with little success.

Hennessey then foiled Manchester City man Zinchenko from the edge of the box and Tsygankov, at the Ukrainian's feet.

So when Wales scored in the 34th minute, it was very much against the tide.

Dan James won a free-kick wide on the right-hand edge of the box, Bale had a pop and Yarmolenko suffered a brainstorm with a diving header which bamboozled keeper Georgiy Bushchan.

Yarmolenko was denied a stonewall penalty by Lahoz and his VAR team after a trip by Joe Allen, inset.

Former Rangers loan man Aaron Ramsey squandered a glaring chance to make it 2-0 when he stubbed his shot wide from close range early in the second half.

Wales keeper Hennessey then saved with a boot to deny Tsygankov, with Yaremchuk spurning the rebound and Ben Davies then making an outstanding tackle to thwart the same player. Brennan Johnson volleyed against the post before Bale's shot was kept out by Bushchan. A Yarmolenko effort was blocked by Davies and Hennessey made his best save yet to push away a header from sub Artem Dovbyk.

Neco Williams made a lastditch block in stoppage time as the Welsh held [*www.out.No*](http://www.out.No) one liked them - but they sure as hell didn't care.

**Graphic**

IN YARM'S WAY ... Wales took the lead after Ukraine forward Andriy Yarmolenko headed into his own goal from Gareth Bale's free-kick in the World Cup play-off

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SVEN-Goran Eriksson held a poignant Christmas party for his family after hiding his terminal cancer from the world for a year.

Ex-England coach Sven, 75, says he now has "a year at best" to live after being diagnosed with inoperable pancreatic cancer last February.

And he gathered loved ones from across the globe at his home in his native Sweden for a moving festive celebration which may well have been his last.

A source told The Irish Sun: "Sven was told there was basically nothing the doctors could do.

"It was obviously a huge blow to him but he was stoic about it and determined to keep it a secret for as long as possible. He didn't want any fuss.

"His focus has always been his family and staying as positive as possible during the time he has left. His children and other family members gathered at his house over Christmas for a big get-together."

Sven's close friend and agent Anders Runebjer told The Irish Sun last night: "Sven had a party for his family at Christmas time. It was a full house.

"His children were there, his brother and father, his new woman, her sister and her kids and his sixyear-old granddaughter Sky.

"It was a happy event considering the situation and there were many smiles - there are always smiles around Sven."

Prime Minister Rishi Sunak last night expressed his sympathies after hearing the [*www.news.No*](http://www.news.No) 10 said in a statement: "The Prime Minister's thoughts are with him and his family."

Sven has two children from his marriage to Ann-Christine Pettersson from 1977-94 - Johan and Lina, who are both in their 40s.

Johan, a football agent who lives in Spain, and daughter Lina, who works for the Red Cross caring for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, both flew back to Sweden for the get-together.

The devoted pair gathered with other family members at his stunning waterside retreat at Sunne on Lake Fryken.

Specialists told him they could not treat his cancer but chemotherapy is understood to have reduced the size of his tumour, possibly prolonging his life.

Silver-tongued Sven was in charge of the England team from 2001 to 2006, guiding stars including David Beckham, Steven Gerrard and Wayne Rooney at World Cups and Euros.

But he suddenly stepped down from his last football post with Swedish club Karlstad in February last year for health reasons.

His cancer diagnosis was kept a closely guarded secret until he announced his illness without warning in an interview on Swedish radio station P1 on Wednesday.

The fitness fanatic and legendary ladies' man revealed he collapsed and fell on a regular 5km run.

Doctors found he had suffered a series of mini-strokes and had pancreatic cancer.

He said: "They don't know how long I had cancer, maybe a month or a year. Everyone understands I have an illness that is not good. Everyone guesses it's cancer and it is. But I have to fight as long as I can."

Asked about the prospects, Sven said he had "maybe at best a year, at worst a little less, or at best maybe even longer. You can't be absolutely sure. It's best not to think about it, don't wallow."

Sven told BBC Sport yesterday: "I thought I was fully healthy, but suddenly I had a stroke, small stroke, so I fell.

"My children took me to the hospital and after one day of examination, they told me I had five small strokes, but that's OK, they said, no problem, you recovered 100 per cent from that. But the worse thing, they said, is that you have cancer.

"I have that diagnosis and they can't operate. When you get a message like that, I think you appreciate every day and you're happy when you wake up in the morning and you feel OK."

Rooney - handed his international debut aged 17 by Eriksson in 2003 - urged his former boss to "keep fighting" yesterday.

The England football team put a message online saying simply: "Sending our love, Sven."

Former England star Trevor Sinclair wrote: "An absolute gentleman and excellent coach that I am eternally grateful to, as I earned all my England caps under him. I wish him love and comfort during his final battle."

Manchester City, a club Sven managed, said: "We wish to express our collective support to our former manager, and his family and friends, during this time."

European football's governing body Uefa added: "The whole of European football is with you, Sven."

His family and pals had spent months stonewalling mounting concern for the popular football figure.

His agent Mr Runebjer revealed yesterday Sven decided to break the news of his terminal diagnosis on live radio - without warning - on Wednesday. The lawyer said: "He said nothing about it when we were in the car on the way to the radio station in Karlstad. I don't know whether he decided right before or during the interview. This has been a very difficult thing for Sven and I think he has considered for a long time about when and how to tell about it publicly.

"It has been tough for him. First of all, Sven had to accept himself that he was sick before he could talk about it."

Karlstad's chief executive Thomas Andersson said: "We have had the greatest respect for the fact that Sven has been ill and he himself has had to decide what he wanted to tell and not to tell."

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Heyday ... with Beckham and, left from top, Nancy, Rooney and at reception with Queen and then FA boss Geoffrey Thompson

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Ex-England coach Sven, 75, says he now has "a year at best" to live after being diagnosed with inoperable pancreatic cancer last February.

And he gathered loved ones from across the globe at his home in his native Sweden for a moving festive celebration which may well have been his last.

A source told The Sun: "Sven was told there was basically nothing the doctors could do.

"It was obviously a huge blow to him but he was stoic about it and determined to keep it a secret for as long as possible. He didn't want any fuss.

"His focus has always been his family and staying as positive as possible during the time he has left. His children and other family members gathered at his house over Christmas for a big get-together."

Sven's close friend and agent Anders Runebjer told The Sun last night: "Sven had a party for his family at Christmas time. It was a full house.

"His children were there, his brother and father, his new woman, her sister and her kids and his sixyear-old granddaughter Sky.

"It was a happy event considering the situation and there were many smiles - there are always smiles around Sven."

Prime Minister Rishi Sunak last night expressed his sympathies after hearing the [*www.news.No*](http://www.news.No) 10 said in a statement: "The Prime Minister's thoughts are with him and his family."

Sven has two children from his marriage to Ann-Christine Pettersson from 1977-94 - Johan and Lina, who are both in their 40s.

Johan, a football agent who lives in Spain, and daughter Lina, who works for the Red Cross caring for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, both flew back to Sweden for the get-together.

The devoted pair gathered with other family members at his stunning waterside retreat at Sunne on Lake Fryken.

Specialists told him they could not treat his cancer but chemotherapy is understood to have reduced the size of his tumour, possibly prolonging his life.

Silver-tongued Sven was in charge of the England team from 2001 to 2006, guiding stars including David Beckham, Steven Gerrard and Wayne Rooney at World Cups and Euros.

But he suddenly stepped down from his last football post with Swedish club Karlstad in February last year for health reasons.

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The fitness fanatic and legendary ladies' man revealed he collapsed and fell on a regular 5km run.

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Asked about the prospects, Sven said he had "maybe at best a year, at worst a little less, or at best maybe even longer. You can't be absolutely sure. It's best not to think about it, don't wallow."

Sven told BBC Sport yesterday: "I thought I was fully healthy, but suddenly I had a stroke, small stroke, so I fell.

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"I have that diagnosis and they can't operate. When you get a message like that, I think you appreciate every day and you're happy when you wake up in the morning and you feel OK."

Rooney - handed his international debut aged 17 by Eriksson in 2003 - urged his former boss to "keep fighting" yesterday.

The England football team put a message online saying simply: "Sending our love, Sven."

Former England star Trevor Sinclair wrote: "An absolute gentleman and excellent coach that I am eternally grateful to, as I earned all my England caps under him. I wish him love and comfort during his final battle."

Manchester City, a club Sven managed, said: "We wish to express our collective support to our former manager, and his family and friends, during this time."

European football's governing body Uefa added: "The whole of European football is with you, Sven."

His family and pals had spent months stonewalling mounting concern for the popular football figure.

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"It has been tough for him. First of all, Sven had to accept himself that he was sick before he could talk about it."

Karlstad's chief executive Thomas Andersson said: "We have had the greatest respect for the fact that Sven has been ill and he himself has had to decide what he wanted to tell and not to tell."

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LIVID locals have slammed a couple who got down and dirty in the street during the Lisdoonvarna matchmaking festival.

Gardai are probing the raunchy romp which was caught on camera and widely circulated on social media.

The steamy video shows a frisky man and woman putting on an X-rated performance on the windowsill of a property in Lisdoonvarna,

Co Clare, at the weekend.

Cops confirmed they are aware of the video of the love-making duo, with officers "conducting enquiries".

Stunned residents in the rural spa town last night lashed out at the public sex show, branding it "disgusting".

Outraged dad Mario Silva told The Irish Sun many locals are horrified by what the festival has become - with knickers and condoms left everywhere.

Mario, 46, said: "It is absolutely disgraceful, I'm living there for 18 years but the festival has changed for the worse. It is getting worse and worse and worse."

He said part of the problem was that there is "an overflow of people" in the town after the event returned "full-on" this year having been cancelled twice in the pandemic. He added: "All the hotels are full with the ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. Many of the festival-goers have nowhere to stay or sleep.

"So the town at the moment is full of camper vans parked all over the village. And the thing is that the kids are back in school and when they walk to school in the morning, they see knickers and condoms."

Lisdoonvarna's annual Matchmaking Festival dates back 160 years. And this year around 60,000 singletons have headed west for the month-long event looking to find love.

Father-of-two Mario said the hook-up at the weekend happened close to Lisdoonvarna Garda Station. He said: "It is unbelievable. Where is the respect for locals?

"The festival brings everyone in but there is no room. It is like a free-for-all. Now the guys just have sex on the street. It is just yards from the garda station.

"We locals have complained but no one [from officialdom] has the balls to come forward and speak up. Things have gotten so bad, so mad, we are just fed up, it is too much to take. Our daughter has to walk out to these things. It is a free-for-all. This has to be made public because they have to come up with some solution.

"No one is taking the blame for it. They get the people in, they flood the village. They bring everyone in. It is supposed to be civilised. What is going on?

"We have to cope with it for four weeks. Our kids have to walk through it every day on the way to school. So please help us out and let Ireland know what Lisdoonvarna has become."

Lisdoonvarna-based councillor Joe Garrihy admitted the townsfolk had been left reeling by the street sex shenanigans.

He told The Irish Sun: "It is sad and horrendous from multiple perspectives."

An Garda Siochana confirmed a probe into the public sex act is under way.

A Garda spokesperson said: "Gardai are aware of a video circulating on social media of an alleged incident in Lisdoonvarna, Co Clare, between Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 September 2022.

"Gardai are conducting enquiries into the matter."

Legendary Lisdoonvarna matchmaker Willie Daly has been responsible for over 3,000 marriages and counting. When contacted about the public romp, romance guru Willie told The Irish Sun he had not seen the video and did not want to comment.

Willie told us: "I didn't see it (the video) now, I didn't see anything about that. There was a good crowd there. I didn't see anything, I am not on computers. I wouldn't have any comment at the minute not knowing anything about it now."

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**Graphic**

STEAMY WINDOW Couple go at it in the street in LisdoonvarnaSLEAZY DOES IT Woman leans back as frisky mate gets a sweat on'It's horrendous' ... GarrihyRomance guru ... Willie

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**Body**

A BIG-hearted businessman who's helped find homes for at least 4,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** has blasted the Government for being "too slow" to house them with Irish families.

With the help of other volunteers, Colm Smullen, 48, says he has matched 20 Irish families with those fleeing the war-torn country this week alone.

After the war broke out, the Government tasked The Irish Red Cross with collating pledges of accommodation for refugees.

But the process has been beset by delays, leading to some people taking in families informally.

Colm, the owner of Smullen Couriers, based in Mullingar, Co Westmeath, said: "I got 20 houses for people in the past week, we're moving a family into a two-bedroom house in New Ross today.

"These hosts are all people who tried their best to host with the Irish Red Cross. They did all the Garda vetting, bought fire blankets, fire extinguishers.

"Everything they were asked to do, they did, and they never heard back from anyone - so then they reached out to us instead.

"I'm getting calls from teachers who have been Garda vetted and they've done all the stuff they needed to do and, six months down the line, they still haven't been taken up on their offer."

After war broke out in February, Colm travelled to the Ukraine border in Poland to deliver hundreds of pallets of aid. Along with his youngest son, Dara, he racked up over 60,000km delivering food, clothes and medical supplies.

There he met a fellow Irish volunteer, Joby Redmond, and together they stayed for weeks, helping Ukrainians book flights and arrange accommodation here.

Now at home in Mullingar, he is still working tirelessly to fly Ukrainians here and set them up in homes with Irish families willing to take them unofficially.

To date, Colm and fellow volunteers including NUIG lecturer Grace Kennedy, have spent over (EURO)62,000 and helped more than 4,000 Ukrainians to find a safe home. Most of the funds were donated via call-outs on social media, while volunteers have been using some of their own money too.

Colm, who also has a young daughter, Anusha, said: "When we got back we started getting messages on Facebook. I had ten in one morning from people in the Ukraine.

"But other people are saying, 'Colm, you need to stop what you're doing, the country is full'. The country is not full. If Colm Smullen can get 20 houses in a week, what could 50 of us get in a week?

"As Grace keeps saying, we'll finish when the war is over, or when we go bankrupt."

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The State's response remains under extreme pressure. More than 3,000 vacant houses and 6,800 shared houses have been pledged by the public to house Ukrainians. However, only 35 per cent of these have been filled.

Around 4,300 refugees living in college campus accommodation are set to be displaced in the coming weeks as students return. Liam O'Dwyer, secretary general at the Irish Red Cross, admits there are delays and that the accommodation situation is in crisis.

He said the problems did not lie with his organisation and that local authorities now have responsibility to match families with refugees after they were provided with lists of "pledgers" by the charity.

He told The Irish Sun: "The information has been given to the department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth. They have given it to the local authorities and they are the ones to match the pledgers with the refugees.

left, makes Far left, Red Liam "That's not our role, our role has always been to give the information.

"When people don't have accommodation and it is badly needed, and there are pledges that haven't been utilised, it's very frustrating for everybody."

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**Graphic**

AID ... Colm, left, makes a collection. Far left, Red Cross's LiamSAFE AND SOUND . . from left, Anusha, Ksenia Konoval with mum Oksana and pet dog Chika, Olga Palavlova with daughter Natalia and dog Dina with Colm

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lWE'VE taken in more than 104,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** since the Russian war began almost two years ago. A staggering number, given the size of Ireland's population.

All were given free accommodation and adults were entitled to a weekly jobseeker's payment of (EURO)232 - very generous by EU standards.

Upwards of 500 Ukrainians a week are coming to Ireland. The payments to them were clearly unsustainable, and out of kilter with what the rest of Europe provides to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, so something had to give. The Cabinet has decided the (EURO)232 payment will cease within weeks for new arrivals, who will be given State accommodation for 90 days only and a weekly payment of (EURO)38.80. This will reduce the numbers seeking shelter here quite considerably, because many were coming because of the great handouts.

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This conflict is proving to be open-ended. Even if it ended tomorrow, we would still be expecting to support Ukrainians for the next three to four years.

This is why your money has been so important. People are physically injured but also psychologically traumatised.

Those outside the main conflict areas have had to support huge numbers of people coming into their homes and communities, and that is also a lot to cope with.

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TENTS at the site of the Electric Picnic are to be used to house hundreds of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** for the next six weeks.

The festival was held at Stradbally, Co Laois, with 70,000 revellers attending over the weekend period.

It comes despite the Minister for Children and Integration saying in November that Ireland would stop using tents to house refugees.

As of June, 84,613 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have arrived here since the start of the Russian invasion in February 2022.

Minister of State Ossian Smyth said 750 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will be moved to the festival site this week, amid what he called a "short-term" squeeze on accommodation options.

Mr Smyth told RTE's Morning Ireland he is confident other accommodation will be found in six weeks' time.

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'Short term' ... Smyth

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BIG-HEARTED Brits last night volunteered to open their homes and their hearts to Ukrainians fleeing Vladimir Putin's barrage. Some 25,000 people offered their spare rooms within the first three hours of the launch of the Homes for Ukraine scheme - causing the website to crash briefly.

Ministers compared the national show of generosity to those who took in Jewish children fleeing Hitler's Germany.

It is Britain's biggest refugee resettlement scheme since World War Two.

Hailing the national effort, Prime Minister Boris Johnson said: "The British public have shown huge solidarity with the people of Ukraine and we stand together against Putin's appalling aggression.

"I know the people of this country will rally behind our Ukrainian friends and come forward with their trademark generosity of spirit, opening up their homes in this hour of need."

In stirring scenes in Parliament, MPs stood up to tell how their constituents had been horrified to see maternity wards shelled and cities levelled, and wanted to help.

Announcing the scheme, Cabinet minister Michael Gove said it was time to show we stood "shoulder to shoulder" with those fleeing persecution.

He said: "Our country has a long and proud history of supporting the most vulnerable during their darkest hours. We took in refugees fleeing Hitler's Germany, those fleeing repression in Idi Amin's Uganda, and those fleeing the atrocities of the Balkan wars.

"More recently we have offered support to those fleeing persecution in Syria, Afghanistan and Hong Kong.

"And we are doing so again with homes for Ukraine."

The Housing Secretary said Britain was ready and waiting to "offer a safe haven to people forced to flee war and persecution".

He added: "The British people have already opened their hearts in so many ways. I am hopeful that many will also be ready to open their homes and help those fleeing persecution find peace, healing and the prospect of a brighter future."

Its launch comes after weeks of anger over the UK's failure to get a grip of the crisis and offer speedy sanctuary to refugees fleeing Russia's aggression.

The Home Office was criticised for turning desperate mothers and their young children away at the French border because they had not filled out lengthy paperwork.

More than 2.6million Ukrainians have fled their country since Mad Vlad ordered his invasion last month. But just 4,000 UK visas have been given to Ukrainians coming here via the family reunification scheme.

Ministers hope the Homes for

Ukraine project will finally show the UK is stepping up to the plate.

In the Commons, a frustrated Mr Gove thumped his despatch box as he declared he was sick of Britain being painted as a mean-spirited country.

He urged all politicians to "put humanity first" and unite behind the project.

Under the scheme, those volunteering to house a Ukrainian in their spare room for at least six months rent-free will get £350 a month from the Government.

Refugees will be permitted to stay in Britain for three years and allowed to work and claim benefits.

There is no limit to the numbers who can come here under the scheme.

Ministers reckon hundreds of thousands of Ukrainians will take up the offer.

In Westminster, former Health Secretary Matt Hancock and Transport Secretary Grant Shapps both said they would give a spare room to a refugee.

A group of more than 40 businesses, including Marks & Spencer, are also getting in touch with ministers to offer Ukrainians coming here training or jobs.

Meanwhile, it has been suggested that Chelsea Football Club's hotel should be used after owner Roman Abramovich was sanctioned by the Government.

The PM's official spokesman said: "Certainly that's something we are looking at.

"I think in the first instance the two (visa) routes that we have are how we expect people will be housed in the UK, either through family or through this sponsorship route."

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THERESA BRITTON, MOTHERWELL

RETIRED mum Theresa Britton says she has been trying for weeks to open up her home to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Theresa, 56, spoke with husband Ronnie, who works for a drilling firm, and the pair agreed they could house a family fleeing from war.

With son Connor, 22, having recently moved out, she said: "I am heating the house for two when I could be heating it for eight. I could be making a pot of soup for ten instead of two. "I just want to welcome those poor kids running from war and give them somewhere they feel safe."

KARL EDWARDS, LINGFIELD, SURREY

PROPERTY developer Karl Edwards, 35, lives with his fiancé and two children.

He is planning to convert an unused garage at his home in Lingfield, Surrey, into a space for a Ukrainian couple or family to stay.

He said: "As a property person I know there's an abundance of space in homes across the country.

"It's just a question of whether people are open to the idea of welcoming strangers.

"We are lucky and privileged in this country to be able to help and we should not forget that."

THE COUTTS FAMILY, NORTH BERWICK

MUM-of-two Sarah Coutts said: "It's desperate. Anything we can do. It's a really important idea and I know a lot of people will open their hearts and their doors if they can.

"You have to be sure you can offer what's needed to host families but we will do what we can."

Husband Jim added: "It's consideration of taking in a family that can be quite broken, without the male member of the household as they are obviously restricted from coming over. But it is definitely worthwhile considering."

RHIAN WADE, WORTHING, WEST SUSSEX SUPPORT worker Rhian Wade, 30, has just had her garden log cabin renovated and hopes it can house a refugee.

She said: "The work started well before Putin decided to cement his place in hell. But now that it's all insulated, plastered and decorated I see no reason why we can't do our part. We were going to use it as a cinema room but that truly is a first-world luxury."

Rhian, of Goring in Worthing, West Sussex, added: "I hope the Government makes the process easy. We'd also need the council to allow someone to sleep in the garden."

ELENA FOX, BOURNEMOUTH

BANK worker Elena Fox, 36, is prepared to convert the living room of her three-bedroom home.

Elena moved to England from Lithuania 14 years ago and says she cries when she sees the plight of Ukrainians.

The Nationwide building society worker, from Bournemouth, said: "I don't have a spare room but I have a living room I am more than happy to make into a bedroom.

"I am happy to cook for them to share anything I own."

"I donated everything I had but I am willing to go the extra mile to help.

GILLIAN STURGEON, IRVINE, AYRSHIRE

NICOLA Sturgeon's sister Gillian has committed to rehoming ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

The 46-year-old tarot card reader and skincare saleswoman, who lives in Irvine, Ayrshire, posted online: "I have two spare rooms. I have the time. I have the love. I would def give refuge to a mother and child from Ukraine."

The Scottish Government has said the First Minister herself would be willing to take in a refugee "if needed".

On Sunday, Nicola Sturgeon said Scotland is "ready to welcome 3,000 Ukrainians as an immediate step" and could become a "super sponsor" for refugees.

She added: "What matters most is getting them here quickly, safely and with minimum bureaucracy and maximum support."

In September 2015, the First Minister offered to put up Syrian refugees in her home.

FRAN BOWHAY, LLANELLI, WALES

FOSTERER Fran Bowhay is offering help after being inspired by the love she had from taking in a rescue dog.

Fran, 65, said: "We British love our dogs. And if we can save dogs then we should do all we can to save people.

"This is so close to us. There are people out there suffering beyond words. The least I can do is to help someone escape from this nightmare."

Single Fran, from Llanelli, Carmarthenshire, said: "I retired last year and have two spare bedrooms, a lot of clothes and a lot of respect for these people."

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A BRAVE daughter has told of her relief after finally completing an epic 6,000km round trip to rescue her mother and 99-year-old gran from war-torn Ukraine.

Luba Healy admitted she was exhausted but elated after managing to bring her loved ones to the safety of her home in Trim, Co Meath.

Luba, her husband Eugene, teenage son Francis and friend Diarmuid Dawson, all travelled across Europe last week in a camper van and jeep to rescue her 70-year-old mam Nina and nan Galina from the battered country.

They also collected five adult neighbours, a fouryear-old girl and three dogs last Monday to bring to Ireland for refuge.

However, due to constant stoppages to check on Galina's health, the convoy missed a ferry back last Wednesday and feared they would have to wait until next Tuesday to secure another booking.

They were afraid extra delays would have a negative effect on Galina's health.

Their attempts to contact ferry companies were met with automated services and after struggling to find anyone to talk to for help, they put out a media appeal to get them home.

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That appeal was answered by Stena Line who went out of their way to accommodate the large party on the overnight ferry from ¦ Cherbourg to Rosslare - free of charge and with meals provided.

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IRISH FAMILY'S UKRAINE MISSION

By LOUISE WALSH

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Luba Healy, hubby Eugene and son Francis, 13, set off from Trim, Co Meath, yesterday after finally persuading Nina, 70, and Galina, 98, to flee the war.

Full Story - Pages Four & Five

Mum-of-three Luba said: "We have to

Off to Ukraine. Luba and Eugene begin drive yesterday

On the final leg of the journey yesterday, Luba said she was so looking forward to getting her family home and seeing her young daughter Hannah Rose and son Harrison, who the couple had left with friends back in Trim.

THE NAN BUSTERS

Ready to Luba the way Galina Preparing for more cuddles Nina with two grandkids 3,000km drive to rescue granny and great gra

Luba said: "We are all very tired. Our faces are worn with tiredness but we are so happy to finally get home.

Journey ... our story "The guys back home have transformed our play room into a downstairs room for Nana, with a special bed and mattress and everything."

She added: "There are so many people we want to thank for helping us on this journey but we are hugely thankful to Stena Line for answering our call. They absolutely couldn't do enough for us and all were fantastic. Nana and many of the ladies with us have never been on a ferry before so it is an experience for them." Stena Line last night said that the company was honoured to welcome Galina on board. She also broke a record in doing so - as the oldest person to ever travel on the ferry.

In a statement, PR and Communications manager of Stena Line, Simon Palmer, said: "As a company we took the decision early in the conflict to permit free travel to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** fleeing the war.

"We have assisted thousands since the outbreak of the conflict and believe this is the right thing for a company like ours to do."

Luba left Trim last Saturday morning after finally persuading her mam and nan to leave their home in Haivoron. And after their reunion, Luba said she could now "breathe and sleep again".

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IN the same year we have been on the hunt for a special pudding to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, our national dish faces the threat of extinction.

I never thought I'd see the day our local chippie had something in common with Edinburgh Zoo's pandas.

But we could see a WWF fundraising campaign for fish and chips after an expert warned that half of the UK's chippies might close with the rising cost of food and the war in Ukraine battering oil prices.

There's no doubt we're feeling the pinch, the squeeze, the slow squashing of our monthly wages.

We are reminded every time we're at the pumps.

Police Scotland must be getting a few calls ... "I was robbed blind, officer."

"Can you give me a description, sir?"

"Yes, it was pump two."

What could achieved a full cross" and

" If you liked filling your car up to a nice even, round amount, it's harder than ever toincense?

time it, with those number spinning faster than Boris Johnson's PR team after he compared Brexit to the war in Ukraine.

It's causing havoc for people with OCD.

I'm getting a bit sick of people moaning about the cost of tea, cakes and biscuits. If I hear any more complaints, I'll stop inviting friends over.

But fear not. There is a New Age movement that could solve it all, called manifesting.

It started with books like The Secret and was followed by a stream of "gurus" chanting mantras like "dream it, believe it, do it". They claim the universe is there to deliver "abundance" if you would only open your mind's eye.

You start by emptying the thoughts from your head. (Some might find this easier than others.) Then tell me what you want, what you really, really want. Less zig-a-zig-ah, more ... Tibetan bells and ohms.

Believers in the "laws of attraction" often use "vision boards" featuring images of their dream lives.

Vision bored, more like. Putting one together is so dull you might think there had been a glitch in the spacetime continuum. But stick with it.

If you want a new car, you might choose a Ferrari for your vision board. But that's not very good for the environment, so perhaps an EV.

But there are no EV points where you live, so you're going to have to manifest a new home, ideally a solar-powered one.

In fact, just find a picture of one of those homes from Selling Sunset. And if you don't have a load of magazines to cut the images from, nick them from the dentist. You're probably due an appointment soon anyway.

Now, you should probably offer some rooms to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. This week Dutch royals announced they would house 30 refugees in a 15thcentury castle. If they can do it, so can Future You.

It's a tricky job, manifesting, but you can dream it, believe it, do it.

This week I found love in my soul and indulged in some unadulterated guilt-free manifesting for five straight hours. But do it too much and you could go blind.

As I sat in a flow state, I thought about the cost-of-living crisis. What do we really need to get us out of this mess?

I asked the universe for the National Insurance threshold to be raised to £3,000, for the basic rate of income tax to be cut to 19p and a 5p cut in fuel duty.

They say: "Dream big." I say: "Dream bigger."

Imagine my delight to discover Dishy Rishi had served up a Spring Statement from the heavens. You wonder what could be achieved with a full day of crossed legs and incense.

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AN Irishman who was killed while fighting in Ukraine died "a hero", his family and friends have said.

Rory Mason, 23, from Dunboyne in Co Meath, lost his life while fighting for Ukraine's International Legion in the Kharkiv region near the Russian border.

Proud relatives in Dunboyne last night paid tribute to their "truly brave and courageous" lad for going to the frontline to take on Russian despot Vladimir Putin's forces.

Devastated dad Rob told how Rory had "an inability to turn the other

Opening up on their pride and pain, Rob said: "Though we are deeply saddened at his death, we are enormously proud of his courage and determination and his selflessness in immediately enlisting to support Ukraine.

"Rory was never political but he had a deep sense of right and wrong. Those who fought alongside Rory speak of a truly brave and courageous man who could have left at any time but chose not to.

"In the words of a colleague who served with him, 'Rory was a man who from a glance could seem shy. However, when it came to actions and character, he proved again and again he was a man of fortitude, principle and honour'.

"Rory was our son and we will miss him enormously. As our family is still trying to come to terms with Rory's death, we would appeal for privacy at this difficult time."

Rory - the eldest of three children - was working in Germany before Mad Vlad ordered his troops to invade Ukraine.

The Meath man enlisted to fight the Russians last March, joining Ukraine's International Legion.

The Legion yesterday confirmed Rory was in the Kharkiv region near the Russian border when he died last Wednesday, September 28.

In a tribute to their fellow fighter, the legion said: "Our brother in arms, Rory Mason has taken part in the Kharkiv counter-offensive with his unit and was killed in action. While conducting operations, the unit came under attack.

"We are in contact with the family and in coordination with them, following their wishes and instructions, the International Legion and the Armed Forces of Ukraine are handling the repatriation process.

"Rory's memory will live on in his unit, in the legion and the armed forces of Ukraine."

Dad Rob and mum Elizabeth learned of Rory's death from the Department of Foreign Affairs, which is providing consular assistance.

A spokesperson for the family said: "Given Mr Mason was killed on the front line of an active war zone, information on what occurred is limited and the family's priority at this point is to repatriate him."

The spokesperson said he is deeply missed by his "heartbroken" family, including his 22-year-old brother and 21-year-old sister.

The community of Dunboyne has been left reeling by the tragedy and vowed to "rally round" the family.

Nick Killian, Cathaoirleach of Meath County Council, said: "We have to honour Rory's memory in some way.

"The people of Dunboyne and Meath will support the family with love and affection."

Dunboyne barber Ali CJ, who is from

Halabja in Kurdistan - which was targeted in a chemical attack by Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein - told The Irish Sun: "It is so shocking and so sad for his family. There are no winners in war."

Fishmonger Seamus McHugh said: "I've seen a lot and this is shocking."

Deirdre Maye, principal at Rory's old school, St Peter's College in Dunboyne, said: "St Peter's College is shocked to hear the news of the untimely death Rory Mason."

***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** living in Dunboyne after fleeing the war pledged not to forget Rory's sacrifice.

Meanwhile, Ukrainian MP Sviatoslav Yurash declared that the people of Ukraine will forever thank Rory and his family for all he did to help their country "in this time of the greatest need".

Tributes also flooded in from Irish politicians, including Tanaiste Leo Varadkar. The Fine Gael leader said: "Deeply saddened to hear of the death of Rory Mason. War is horrifying, with so much loss of life but sometimes you have to fight for what is right.

"Rory fought with Ukraine against aggression, for Europe, for democracy."

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**Graphic**

KILLED IN ACTION Rory died when his unit in Ukraine's International Legion was attacked in Kharkiv. Below, bombed flatsTribute ... Rory's schoolCollapsed ... bridge in Donetsk. Below, maps show Ukraine's recent progress

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**Body**

I'VE always believed you see people's true character when the chips are down.

It's easy to be hopeful and resilient when life is rosy. When you are going through the ringer, that's the real test.

We like to think we'd rise to the challenge in the face of adversity but when we are in fight-or-flight mode anything can happen - and nothing can prepare you for war.

It's inconceivable to be emerging from a global pandemic, recovery on the horizon, and to be straight into the greatest conflict in Europe since World War Two. Out of the frying pan, into the fryer. But Ukrainians have been showing us what they are made of and their character is disarming.

A Ukrainian brewery is contributing to the war effort by switching from beer manufacturing to making Molotov cocktails to help the people defend their nation against Russian aggression. It's not so long since drink companies were making hand

We help feel sanitiser during the pandemic.

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A video online shows a Ukrainian woman fearlessly and defiantly pleading with a Russian soldier to go home, offering him seeds so that sunflowers grow when he dies. These David and Goliath moments challenge us to believe that one person might make a difference.

In another video, a man stops his car next to a Russian tank, asking if they have broken down and if he can help tow them back to Russia. There's a moment of genuine laughter between them.

Humour is one of the most powerful tools of resilience, but then Ukrainians have had a great example from their President, Volodymyr Zelenskyy, who was a TV comic until just three years ago.

People have attempted to stop Russian vehicles by climbing on to them, and tanks were forced to turn back after residents blocked the streets leading into a Ukrainian town. The footage harked back to Kenmure Street last year, when the civic defiance of local residents prevented immigration officials from deporting their neighbours, in an eight-hour stand-off.

It was a small victory in a hostile environment but has become an example of what we can do when we unite against a common enemy.

I know it might not seem to be the most appropriate example, considering the vehicle that was blocked in Glasgow didn't have dual-explosive reactive armour and heavy machine guns, but this is what we do when we see the pictures coming from Ukraine - try to put ourselves in their shoes.

We try to imagine what it would be like to face an invasion - forced to flee our country, to lose the people we love. But there is more than just geography that brings this closer to home. This is a developed nation, the similarities between us are so striking we can't help but feel their fear.

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It is incomprehensible that race could possibly play a role, but it does. Sometimes things really are black and white. You only need to look at the Africans and South Asians stuck in Ukraine, who are reportedly being prevented from crossing the border or boarding trains, to understand that even in war, racial inequality exists.

Humans are hardwired to feel other's pain. But studies have revealed that people may feel less empathy if the other person's skin colour doesn't match their own.

This selective empathy might be why this conflict is viewed differently to those in Arab, Asian or African countries.

This doesn't take away from the fact that all of the million ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** deserve a home, and Britain is opening its doors for 200,000 of them for 12 months - a very "generous" offer.

When the chips are down, you don't just find out who you are, you discover who your friends are.

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**Body**

DON'T know about you, but I haven't got a pot to p\*ss in. Not a rex by the middle of the month.

The beggars on O'Connell Street have more disposable income.

Flat broke I am, despite being on what would be considered good money anywhere else in the European Union.

I'd live like a king in Portugal, an emperor in Romania ... but in Ireland, well, on paper, rich, in reality, a pauper. Like us all.

Ireland, where money lasts as long as a Mission Impossible tape recording.

A report by Eurostat, the crowd that measures the cost of things across the European Union, published figures this week that show once again how prices here are in another stratosphere. Just the 46 per cent above the EU average, mind.

We're nowhere near the top of the league when it comes to anything to be proud of (except maybe hosting ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***), but when it comes to ripping each other off, we're number one.

In Ireland it's not a Cost of Living Crisis, it's a Cost of Living Cluster F\*\*k.

It needn't be so. In the heel of the hunt, GREED, that devilish trait, is the driver of the disparity in prices between here and our neighbours.

The Government and businesses charging high prices (conveniently) blame inflation. But don't let them fool you. Inflation is just part of the reason.

The main culprit is blatant profiteering. That's at the heart of why it's more expensive to live here than anywhere else in the EU's 26 other states.

Oh, and extortionate taxation too. Let's not forget that. The Government makes a pretty penny in VAT receipts (to pour down the toilet at the HSE, mostly, or on dust-gathering reports and needless forums).

Let's delve into the nitty gritty contained in the latest Eurostat report, shall we?

Drink and fags are more than TWICE the price of the EU average. A pack of smokes here will set you back (EURO)15. It's eight bucks in most places in the EU ((EURO)3 in Greece).

Energy, transport and communication prices are way above what you'd fork out in the rest of the

EU too. The cost of electricity and gas here is 38 per cent more, save for Denmark (but its citizens have more disposable income than we do). The cost of keeping your car on the road is the THIRD-HIGHEST in the EU. If you've ditched the jammer and use the bus or the train, consider this: the cost of public transport in Ireland is 27 per cent above the EU average - and that's after the Government slashed prices last year.

The only thing that's cheaper in Ireland is clobber. You can buy a T-shirt, a pair of jeans or a jumper for two per cent less than the EU average. Whoop-de-doo.

But you can't eat a jumper, a pair of jeans or a T-shirt.

Which brings us to food. The essentials now represents 20 per cent of the monthly spend for the majority. If you've any spare cash, the cost of dining out at a restaurant, having a pint in a pub, or staying in a hotel will set you back 28.5 per cent more than the EU average. A pint and a pizza? Why that will be (EURO)25, Sir (if you're lucky).

A full Irish breakfast and a cup of tea, my good man? That'll be (EURO)17.50. Gadzooks.

Before I guillotine the gougers amongst us (and they should all have their heads lopped off), let me offer them the reprieve that the war in Ukraine has been the driver of inflation.

Yet inflation has fallen in recent months, but prices haven't. Nor will they any time soon. This is Ireland, after all.

If we're honest with ourselves, we are a greedy bunch. Prices are more than inflation demands. That's the bottom line.

Ah, sure what's a euro or two? Ireland got rid of its one and two cent coins because they were cumbersome. Now we round up or down to the nearest five cent.

Ireland has CHOSEN to be so expensive. Prices are out of hand because we've let them get out of hand. We've allowed the gougers to rip us off. We've sat on our hands and held our tongue as our pockets have been rifled.

If you're waiting for the Government to do something, you may as well be p\*ssing into a hurricane (Sinn Fein won't do anything about it either if they assume power, it's all blather). The market is as free as a bird here to do as it likes.

So, the consumer is on their own. We have the power to change it all, however.

Might I suggest you start saying no and complain every time you're held over a barrel.

Next time you're charged an arm and a leg at the shop, the pub, the restaurant, the hotel, the DIY store (you know who you are) say a blunt, "NO, that's way over the odds", turn around and walk out.

If enough of us do it, and regularly, businesses may cop on.

If that tactic doesn't yield results, start BOYCOTTING those among us who are making a killing while the rest of us live hand to bloody mouth.

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RUSSIA'S invasion of Ukraine has forced millions to leave their homes and seek refuge in the EU and neighbouring countries.

There are about 75,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in Ireland. Now the UN fears there could be more movement from Sudan as thousands stream into neighbouring countries following the outbreak of hostilities.

It is preparing for up to 270,000 refugees to flee Sudan, where almost five million people have already been displaced. Multiple aid agencies have had to suspend operations, a heavy blow in a country where a third of the population of 46million relies on humanitarian aid.

Writing below in The Irish Sun today, Mark Almond, the director of the Crisis Research Institute in Oxford, UK, says the trouble in Africa is all part of Putin's masterplan of chaos.

THE brutal civil war eruption in Sudan took everyone by surprise.

But Ireland and the UK weren't alone in having to improvise a rescue operation for passport holders.

Our EU neighbours too had to rush in planes to evacuate their citizens. One country that doesn't seem to have felt the need to evacuate its people in Sudan is Russia.

While Western eyes have been fixed on the war in Ukraine, President Putin has been spreading his malign influence across Africa.

Mercenaries from the Russian Wagner Group, notorious for their brutal way of war in Ukraine, are actively meddling in countries such as Sudan.

Officially, these Russian soldiers are helping to "stabilise" countries from Mali, in Africa's west, to Sudan in the east. But their methods of stabilisation ? as we have seen in Syria ? is to drive millions of refugees towards Europe.

Italy blames the Wagner Group for the 20,000 migrants that have reached their shores this year, almost four times more than the previous year. Many will end up trying to cross the Channel to the UK in small [*www.boats.UK*](http://www.boats.UK) Defence Minister Guido Crosetto called it "part of a clear strategy of hybrid warfare" in retaliation for Western support of Ukraine.

A cruel cynic like Putin is calculating that our humanity will lead us to ignore the potential problems of uncontrolled arrivals. Putin sees a re-run of these refugee crises as a way to undermine our support for Ukraine.

Waves of refugees What is happening in Sudan today is part of a bigger crisis across Africa's Sahara desert from the Red

Sea coast almost to the Atlantic Ocean in the west.

It is a mistake to think of these places as far-away countries whose problems won't impact life here.

Wagner mercenaries co-operate with the people smugglers pushing people north.

Putin's Russia is playing an active role in disrupting a swathe of Africa which was once divided between the British and French empires.

The Russians never had an empire there and the Kremlin plays up local resentments against the UK's colonial legacy. Putin's foreign minister, Sergey Lavrov, has been a frequent visitor to this crisis region, including to Sudan, building links with military regimes hostile to the West's advocacy of democracy.

But it is the private mercenary company, the Wagner Group, run by Putin's close collaborator Yevgeny Prighozin, which calls the shots ? quite literally ? for Russia overseas.

Prigozhin's rise to power in Russia and as far away as Africa is based on his strong personal links to Putin.

Providing "protection" to dictators while taking over gold mines and other mineral resources provides Wagner with the money to fund its military operations.

Putin has let Prigozhin access Russian military supplies, but also let him recruit his henchmen from convicts released from labour camps in return for doing whatever Putin or Prigozhin ordered them to do.

Putin sees meddling in Africa as a way to open a second front against Nato countries like Britain for backing Ukraine. Refugees from war and coups in Africa, as well as droughts and famine caused by climate change, have been marching north to the Mediterranean coast.

Chaotic Libya provides the launching pad for smuggling migrants into the EU via Italy.

Many of the people trying to cross the Channel to Britain started out in these unstable African countries.

Now thousands of Sudanese are fleeing each day into neighbouring countries and northwards. The sinister figures making a fortune out of smuggling people across the Channel are linked to a criminal underworld.

Putin's sinister and criminal Wagner Group has its tentacles inside these international crime syndicates, as do Islamist terrorist cells.

The Kremlin calculates that while its Wagner Group makes money in Africa, its mercenaries are profitable for Russia's grand strategy against us in the West too.

Pushing waves of refugees northwards into Europe destabilises social harmony here.

Anything that is divisive in countries such as Britain and Ireland is good news for Russia's war lord Putin.

RUSSIAN ARMS TO AFRICA (2009-2018) % of countries' total supply \*Russian mercenaries active Algeria...............74.9% Sudan\*..............32.6% South Sudan...58.9% Egypt..................31.8% Libya\*.................19.5% Uganda ............. 77.3% Mali\*..................22.5% Ethiopia .............. 8.5% Data: SIPRI Arms Transfers Database

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SINISTER ... Russian mercenaries in Mali

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ANY plan to help beat the people smugglers who exploit channelcrossing migrants has got to be worth a go.

They'll be well hacked off by Britain's plan to send migrants to Rwanda as it will dissuade the migrants from making this perilous crossing. Which means the smugglers lose out and migrants' lives will be saved. It sounds like Priti Patel is on to a winner!

SARAH OSBORNE Chopwell, County Durham IF Home Secretary Priti Patel's plan to fly migrants to Rwanda comes off, it will be considered a masterstroke by many.

Her credibility will soar when many have lost faith in her.

Surely, migrants will now think twice before paying huge sums to heinous traffickers to try and cross the Channel.

But the left-wing brigade will obviously scream that Priti's plan is abusing people's rights.

I can see the solicitors now, rubbing their hands in glee as the cash fills their coffers.

CLINT WEBSTER, Taunton, Somerset IS Priti Patel finally getting to grips with illegal immigration?

Whether immigrants are housed in the UK or Rwanda, it will cost billions to look after them. But being taken to another country for processing may be the deterrent needed to stop the crossings.

Saying ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** are getting preferential treatment is nonsense, as Ukrainians have identification papers and will go home, while those crossing the Channel tear up their paperwork. What are they hiding?

SEAN SPILLANE Folkestone, Kent PRITI PATEL has at last devised a plan that might beat those cruel traffickers. Sending migrants to Rwanda will really put a dampener on those scumbags who don't care about the people they exploit. If it saves lives and thwarts those making money from their misery, it's got to be worth it.

STEVEN SMITH North Shields, Tyne & Wear I DOUBT any migrants will be flown 6,000 miles to Africa for their claims to be processed. There will be human rights groups saying it smacks of transportation to the colonies. This is probably the start of a long legal fight.

NIKKI GRANGER Bishops Waltham, Hants SENDING migrants to Rwanda is an attempt to deflect from [*www.partygate.No*](http://www.partygate.No) matter what government is in power, migrants are a huge conundrum. This scheme will get much comment, but do not hold your breath that any migrant will be going to Rwanda.

PADDY MAXWELL Lordshill, Southampton IT'S sick that we are setting up a multimillion-pound processing centre and flying boat migrants 6,000 miles to Rwanda in a morbid attempt to deter migrants from pouring into Britain.

Priti Patel vows to fix our "broken asylum system". It's another half-baked barmy plan to right the wrongs of successive governments. We are going to blow £120million, with more to come, if it's a success. We are even going to give money to those in Rwanda to stay there - you couldn't make it up!

DAVID EVANS Pelsall, Walsall SETTING up asylum centres in Rwanda will end in unmitigated disaster. The luvvies, lefties, snowflakes, wokies and human rights lawyers will legally prevent planes taking off.

ASHLEY SMITH March, Cambs SEEING ex-health secretary Matt Hancock kissing aide Gina Coladangelo was a shock.

It came when he was urging us to socialy distance and limit our contacts. Meanwhile, he was tickling tonsils with someone who wasn't his wife.

Hooray for press freedom.

SUZY PORTER Belfast THE insufficient evidence to prosecute anyone leaking CCTV footage of Matt Hancock snogging Gina Coladangelo is described by top lawyer Gavin Millar QC as a happy outcome.

Yet again, it's the legal system reaping the benefits, at a cost of around £35,000 to the taxpayer. An utter waste of cash.

SANDRA QUEEN Harlow, Essex

TXT US ON 07537 410199 Don't forget to include your name. Standard text rates from your provider apply THE antics of Atletico Madrid's Stefan Savic in the match against Man City were deplorable. He should be banned from football for life.

MICK, Wrexham I UNDERSTAND why a full life term was given for the murder of an MP, but why isn't it given to the killers of innocent children? It makes no sense. The law needs to change.

P, Scunthorpe YOUNG kids are being stabbed to death on London's streets and the Met and BBC seem more interested in a poxy party.

GLEN, Dagenham

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WHEN you are better known by your screen name than your actual name, it is fair to say you are a telly legend.

June Brown, aka Dot Cotton, was part of the furniture when it came to EastEnders.

To carry an entire episode alone - like she did when she recorded a message for screen husband Jim - speaks volumes.

The chain-smoking Dot Cotton will be sorely missed. The puff of legends. RIP, June.

STEPHEN TURNBULL Consett, Co Durham DOT COTTON was one of Britain's most iconic characters, with her quips and cigarette.

Actresses like June Brown don't come along every day. RIP, Dot.

NICOLE BURTON Carrick, Co Leitrim SO sad to hear of the death of EastEnders actress June Brown.

She excelled at playing Dot Cotton, who could make us laugh one minute then break our hearts the next. Her portrayal of Dot was some of the finest acting in the show's 37-year history.

JANE FISHER Lemington, Tyne and Wear THE term "icon" is thrown about like confetti, but in the case of June Brown, who featured in 2,884 episodes of EastEnders over 30 years, it's so very applicable. She was such a national treasure who will always be well loved.

DAVID EVANS Pelsall, West Mids WHEN is Home Secretary Priti Patel going to tell the police to move these anarchists blockading oil terminals?

They need to be stopped now before those working in these terminals do something the police will arrest them for.

Workers just want to get on with their jobs and make money to pay their bills. I would like to know where the anarchists get their money from to do this.

ROY MCFARLANE Selby, North Yorks BRITISH AIRWAYS and easyJet are cancelling flights due to a lack of staff because of Covid.

I blame the stupidity of our Government in loosening rules, causing a high surge in cases.

KEITH ROBINSON Gosport, Hants DURING the pandemic our Government encouraged us to clap for the NHS. Sadly, that's where the support ended.

In a cynical move, now our NHS staff are being forced to pay to park at work - during a cost-of-living crisis.

DAVID ROSE Linton, Cambs

SO the Government wants to sell Channel 4 before 2024 and raise at least £1billion from it.

It will be another privatisation disaster.

And what will the Government spend this £1billion on? Will it help the British people after all the mess it has created in the last few months?

JANET BURRIDGE Clacton-on-Sea, Essex I JUST wondered what happened to the Nightingale hospitals set up during the pandemic. Could they be used as immigration centres?

Migrants arriving illegally by boats could be placed there instead of into expensive hotels and ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** could be housed in oligarch properties.

DAVID MARSDEN Woodside, Shrops I TOTALLY agree with US President Joe Biden, who has called for Russian President Vladimir Putin to be tried for war crimes.

The scenes, especially in Bucha, need a thorough investigation and the perpetrators, including Putin, brought to justice.

PADDY MAXWELL Lordshill, Southampton VLADIMIR PUTIN should definitely be prosecuted for war crimes, but let's not let that distract us from going after those that are physically carrying out the rapes, murders and other crimes against humanity during the Ukraine conflict.

DEAN BUCHANAN Gedling, Notts WHAT more will it take for the EU, Nato et al to take further action against Putin and his barbaric armed forces after the revelations of horrific atrocities against civilians?

Give the Ukrainians all the tanks, artillery, jets, missiles and other weapons they need.

GERRY LESTER Stone, Staffs

TXT US ON 07537 410199 Don't forget to include your name. Standard text rates from your provider apply PUTIN has made Russia a pariah with his atrocities. We'll never forgive those who refuse to see what he has done.

JOHN, Stafford, West Mids A FIRST-class stamp is now 95p. What a shame Royal Mail's service is below second-class.

JOHN-JO, Cambs I'D like to see Rishi Sunak manage for a month on the pension I get without recourse to his wife's billions.

M. COOK, Wivenhoe, Essex ANOTHER day of delivering firewood to freezing people left skint by the Tories and Brexit.

KARL, Shrops

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He also made it clear that Nato must stick together amid the barbaric invasion.

Mr Biden said: "The single most important criterion in this timechanging world is that Nato stay absolutely, completely, thoroughly united. There must be no separation in our points of view.

"That whatever we do, we do in unison, and everyone ? everyone comes along." Asked what he thought of Putin's actions, he replied: "He's a butcher."

He also called him "a dictator bent on rebuilding an empire".

Mr Biden said: "Putin can and must end this war. For God's sake, this man cannot remain in power."

Meanwhile, in an address to the Doha Forum in Qatar, Mr Zelensky called for Moscow to negotiate a ceasefire ? but warned he would not give up sovereign territory.

And he asked energy-producing countries to increase oil and gas output to avoid Russia's global "blackmail."

Elsewhere, Ukrainian forces staged a counter-offensive in areas around the second largest city of Kharkiv.

Russian troops responded by destroying a nearby World War Two Holocaust memorial. They earlier hit another in Kyiv ? where drone footage also appeared to show Putin's forces firing on a column of cars carrying civilians as they attempted to flee the city.

Russia has claimed it is scaling back its war aims after humiliating defeats and would focus on blitzing the east of Ukraine.

It was targeting Kharkiv, Chernihiv and Mariupol. Chernihiv, where 200 residents have already been killed, is encircled.

Mayor Vladyslav Atroshenko said: "The city is blown to smithereens.

"It is easier to count the remaining houses that survived the attacks."

He said the 120,000 locals have no water, food, power or means of escape, but added: "We won't surrender."

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**Graphic**

Danger zone ... our man Stephen near Lviv strikes'He must go' ... Mr Biden, and Vladimir PutinBlows ... President ZelenskyAttack ... flames after one of yesterday's blasts in Lviv

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ALOPECIA for a woman can be devastating and totally destroy their confidence.

Jada Pinkett-Smith probably did not want to be at the Oscars, but went to support her husband.

Will Smith might have spent hours reassuring his wife that she was beautiful and helped give her the confidence she needed. But that confidence was destroyed with a cheap gag.

While Will's violent response should not be condoned, it is understandable to any husband whose wife has suffered from this awful disease.

MARK JONES Heathfield, East Sussex WILL SMITH may have overreacted by slapping Chris Rock at the Oscars but his wife was visibly offended by the comedian's comments.

Chris Rock is one of those comedians who thinks with his mouth - and not with his brain.

What if he had picked on someone with a disability to gain a cheap laugh? Would it have been funny then?

MARTIN STONES Dudley, West Mids THE 2022 Oscars will for ever be remembered for Will Smith's slap, rather than the fact he won the Best Actor award.

Yes, Chris Rock's words about Will's wife Jada Pinkett Smith and her alopecia were in bad taste and he probably deserved the slap. But I am sure Jada is more than capable of standing up for herself.

SANDRA QUEEN Harlow, Essex I CANNOT stand these so-called comedians who think it is edgy and clever to make jokes about controversial subjects.

We had Jimmy Carr and the Holocaust, now we have Chris

Rock joking about alopecia. It is a very distressing condition and should not be the subject of cheap jokes. Chris Rock is the one who should apologise, not Will Smith.

CAROLINE HUGHES Walsall, West Mids WILL SMITH has been a regular on The Graham Norton Show on the BBC, always laughing and joking. After his performance at the Oscars, it will be interesting to see if he gets invited back to the BBC any time soon.

MIKE BREACH Leyland, Lancs GIVEN Vladimir Putin's history of setting up poison attacks on his enemies, it can't exactly be a coincidence that three peace negotiators - including Roman Abramovich, the former owner of

Chelsea - were the victims of a suspected chemical attack.

ALEX SAMS Kenton, Tyne and Wear ROMAN ABRAMOVICH has been the best football chairman in the history of the Premier League.

His only real crime is he was involved in politics for a few short years in Russia and, like all oligarchs, had to personally deal with mad Vlad Putin.

Now it is alleged he was poisoned by Vlad's hitmen in his early attempts to find a peace deal in Ukraine. Surely this is a man who is genuinely interested in there being peace in Ukraine. What a shame that people were quick to act and judge him - particularly Match Of The Day pundits.

MARTIN DRIVER Morden, Surrey WHY the furore over the No10 Partygate scandal?

Since time immemorial we have lived in a "do as I say, not as I do" world. Rules are broken by people at all levels of society, while those same people expect others to toe the line.

It happened, get over it and move on, because it will continue to occur. It's in our nature.

MICHAEL FROST Romford, East London It is a disgrace the Government has not given clear guidelines on how to process ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** being hosted by Brits. But I think it is wonderful that 25,000 are willing to offer them sanctuary.

ROB COLWORTH Somersham, Cambs LET'S create a blacklist of countries that offer aid or support to Russia. The latest is Dubai, which welcomes Russian billionaires kicked out of many other nations. We can influence Dubai by no longer taking holidays there.

BARRY JOHNSON Hornchurch, Essex

TXT US ON 07537 410199 Don't forget to include your name. Standard text rates from your provider apply PARTYGATE is a witch hunt. There are more important things to worry about.

M COOK, Wivenhoe, Essex OTHER rule-breakers get their names and photos printed. Why are those at No10 treated differently?

DAVE, West Yorks SURELY Prince Charles should've accompanied his mother into Westminster Abbey, not Andrew.

WILLY, Essex CADBURY is shrinking the size of Dairy Milk bars again. I won't buy them any more. Rip-off.

LARRY, Manchester

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THREE cruise missiles struck the western city of Lviv last night as Vladimir Putin lashed out in his faltering war on Ukraine.

The attack - 45 miles from the border of Nato member Poland - came as Ukrainian president Volodymyr Zelensky said his troops were making Putin pay for his invasion.

He said his forces are landing "powerful blows" and that in a 24-hour period they had taken out three planes, three drones, a helicopter and five cruise missiles.

At least 16,000 Kremlin troops are also believed to have been killed since the war began a month ago.

But US President Joe Biden has warned the war will not be over quickly. He said: "In this battle, we need to be clear-eyed. This battle will not be won in days, or months either. We need to steel ourselves for the long fight ahead."

Mr Biden was holding crisis talks in Poland - and human rights activists said Putin's attack on Lviv was him "spitting in the face" of America, after claiming Russia was scaling back its war aims.

Panic gripped as huge black smoke clouds shot miles across the city.

It was the first time Putin's military muscle has been witnessed from the centre of Lviv, where dozens of charities, humanitarian staff and journalists are holed up. Early reports suggested a TV communications network may have been the target of the 4.30pm blitz on the outskirts of the city.

At least five people were said to have been badly injured.

Igor Shevchenka, who was walking his dog when the missiles struck, said: "We heard the air sirens warning of an attack. But they have been going off for weeks without any issues, and everyone has tended to ignore them.

When the missiles struck, the earth shook.

"I froze. It's one thing seeing the images on TV, this was terrifyingly real. Anyone in the vicinity of those blasts would not have had a chance."

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MANY previously decent people have turned into irrational ranters parroting the lies and disinformation about "Ireland being full" fed to them via WhatsApp memes and hysterical Facebook posts.

The transformation of a sizeable number of citizens into "migrant-haters" has happened at lightning speed and should worry every one among us who cares about democracy and truth and what it means to be Irish.

The Government's commendable, if cack-handed, handling of the influx of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** fleeing war, and other migrants seeking a better life, has been the spark to light the fire in the belly of the economically hard-pressed and poorly informed.

Incensed by the misperception that the Government is placing the needs of refugees ahead of the "needs of the Irish", they have taken to the streets in large numbers over recent weeks.

They march bearing Irish flags and end up outside hotels housing migrants, shouting: "Get them out!"

Sometimes they target journalists or politicians with their vitriol.

The spectre of violence always hangs heavy in the air. It's only a matter of time ? wait and see.

The protests show no sign of losing momentum. The nefarious individuals and groups orchestrating things behind the scenes are becoming more brazen, more vocal and more dangerous.

Many of those attending the "antirefugees" marches may consider themselves to be just "concerned citizens" and in no way racist, but by being seen shoulder to shoulder with known far- Right agitators dressed in black and wearing balaclavas, they have forfeited their right to be considered as they would wish. Logic dictates.

The majority watch these marches with a sense of disgust. This is not who we are. Ireland is a nation that for decades emptied itself of its poor, its desperate, its educated and its best because the state didn't have the wherewithal to serve their needs.

Famine, the great tragedy of the mid-19th Century, is a long way from the minds of those who crow now that "Ireland is full" and "Put the Irish first".

That traumatic event in our history saw more than one million souls emigrate in the space of just 20 short years, most to the United States, a great many others to Great Britain.

Our population, eight million before 1840, plunged to fewer than four million by 1880. Those who weren't fit enough to leave died or eked out an existence in the soup kitchen or the workhouse.

What happened when the fleeing Irish arrived at Ellis Island in New York or the docks in Liverpool, in rags, desperate for refuge?

They were placed in quarantine of course, treated as diseased creatures by the struggling US authorities.

As the bedraggled Irish came off the ships, many Americans protested with antiimmigrant insults.

The same happened to the Irish when they landed in Liverpool. The British authorities feared they were a revolutionary rabble and needed to be contained. If you were Irish you couldn't leave Liverpool. That harsh policy lasted for more than a decade, driven by irrational Westminster fears the Irish would lead a revolt, overthrow the state and declare a republic, with the help of the old enemy, France. God forbid!

Which is why Liverpool to this day is so Irish.

The poverty of the Irish situation continued for more than a century. The Irish emigrant fought on both sides of the American Civil War, many for no more than three square meals. In Britain, tens of thousands signed up to fight for King and Country in World

War I for the same reason. In the wake of World War II, the Irish emigrant was at the vanguard in rebuilding Britain. They toiled for a pittance to build roads, houses and railways in the 1950s and 1960s.

When I was growing up in the 1970s and 1980s, emigration was the leading concern too. So many of my generation left Ireland for a better life abroad.

I went to Germany, my friends left for America and England. It would be years before we'd return.

The IRA ceasefire in 1997, followed by the Good Friday Agreement in 1998, changed things for ever in Ireland.

The end of conflict brought a sense of self-belief. In the space of a few short years, Ireland's fortunes were transformed. Huge inward investment, the vast majority from US multinationals, helped fill the bare coffers.

The Irish who left for America in the mid-19th Century left imprinted in the DNA of all those Irish-Americans who came after them the memory of suffering they endured. That would never be allowed to happen again. So when peace came, the Irish-Americans had our back.

My generation of emigrants raced home, raised families here and helped build the new progressive, outwardlooking, generous, hopeful, inspiring, inclusive, diverse and tolerant Ireland I still believe in, despite all the growing pains we are now enduring because of a lack of infrastructure to house and nourish all our citizens and those who come here and want to be Irish like us.

So, to those protesting against the poor unfortunates who've come here fleeing war, persecution and famine, remember your ancestors were just like them: desperate, hungry, traumatised and full of fear too. Do The Right Thing and be true to your country.

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THE news that Putin has attacked a base close to the Polish border should send a loud warning to Nato's procrastinating politicians.

If they do not pin back this raving lunatic's ears very soon, the Russian tanks will be rolling into Poland and, very shortly after, Germany. Perhaps then our "woke" leaders will wake up and smell the coffee.

IAN MCNICHOLAS Waunlwyd, Wales WITH Russian missiles exploding just miles from Poland's border, is Nato so naive to believe that Vladimir Putin will not attack its member countries?

People like Putin thrive on power - cash and greed are what motivates him most.

It's been said many times that this despot is a reincarnation of Hitler. Putin is certainly living up to these words.

Someone must stop him.

SANDRA QUEEN Harlow, Essex PUTIN asking China for military assistance is a game-changer and a major escalation of the danger the world faces from these power-crazy states.

If Xi Jinping does provide support, we must apply the full force of sanctions on China, too.

BRIAN HOBBS Bristol PUTIN'S greatest asset is Nato's impotence. He plays on its weakness and reluctance to intervene.

Nato's lack of foresight has been abysmal.

Defensive military supplies should have been installed weeks in advance while Putin prepared his forces.

I believe Nato has blood on its hands now. It should protect all democratic states, not just its own members.

It's still not too late to stop Putin's genocide. Nato needs to tear up its rule book and stop this madman once and for all.

ALAN BYRNE Preston IT would be a dangerous escalation if China aids Russia in its invasion of Ukraine.

China, another nuclear power, is being warned by the US not to give Putin any help or else it will face serious consequences; one shudders at what that could be.

Surely the time is coming for all countries, including Russia, to say enough is enough and stop this dreadful war.

PADDY MAXWELL Lordshill, Southampton

WITH fuel costs at their highest ever, Boris Johnson's mission to secure a decent oil deal with Saudi Arabia is a golden opportunity to win back voters following his alleged lockdown partying.

Get a good deal and he will be the best thing since sliced bread. This is his most important foreign visit so far.

DAVID WEBSTER Taunton, Somerset RISHI SUNAK's heroic actions throughout the pandemic will soon be forgotten should he continue to stubbornly refuse to cut taxes in his mini budget.

Any compassion he had for the hard-pressed seems to have evaporated. He needs to remember that those people are also voters who can - and will - pay the Tories back at the polls.

STEVEN SMITH Marden, North Shields DOES anyone really believe that if the chancellor lowers the VAT on fuel it will help the general public? In the past, any financial gains from a freeze on duty went straight into the retailers' pockets!

We already have forecourt prices differing by 20 pence per litre so we are all aware of the profiteering that is happening.

ROGER SHERFIELD Fordingbridge, Hants IT is heartening to hear that we are offering a lifeline to 21 cancer-stricken Ukrainian youngsters, whose hospital and access to treatment was bombed into oblivion by Russia.

Hopefully these young lives can now be saved thanks to our wonderful NHS. This is yet one more example of how the UK is helping lead the way in Ukraine's brave fightback against Putin.

Let's hope other countries extend the same kind of support.

LESLEY EVANS Pelsall, Walsall

TXT US ON 07537 410199 Don't forget to include your name. Standard text rates from your provider apply WHY did Ukraine's president call on the UK to do more? Surely the UK is at the forefront of help. He should be calling on the rest of Europe to follow our lead.

CHRIS, North Yorks A KNIGHTHOOD for Zelensky? Loads of guns would be better.

ANDY, West Sussex ARE any of the Government willing to open their doors to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***? They are the only ones who can afford to.

MAUREEN, Cleveland I NEVER thought Corrie and Emmerdale could get as bad as EastEnders. How wrong was I?

BILL, Dunstable

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THE Most Reverend Justin Welby, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, enjoys "speaking in tongues".

Which means using a language nobody understands ... or, maybe, babble.

"In my own prayer life, and as part of my daily discipline, I pray in tongues every day," he says.

In other words, he makes it up as he goes along, which goes a long way to explaining Welby's dottier pronouncements.

He was at it again yesterday, dragging his Easter Sunday pulpit into the political arena and speaking in God's name about immigration.

Home Secretary Priti Patel's Australia-style plan to fly illegals to Rwanda, he said, raised "serious ethical questions about sending asylum seekers overseas".

Of course, having travelled thousands of miles across safe-haven countries without seeking asylum on the way, those currently warehoused in the UK at a cost to taxpayers of £1.5billion a year are already "overseas".

Biblical scorn But by using his gift of "tongues", Mr Welby feels free to speak for the Almighty about this perplexing situation.

"The principle must stand the judgment of God and it cannot," he opined.

"It cannot carry the weight of resurrection justice, of life conquering death.

"It cannot carry the weight of the resurrection that was first to the least valued, for it privileges the rich and strong."

Yes, indeed. Only the comparatively rich and physically strong can afford to risk this expensive and hazardous journey.

But Welby's biblical scorn, invoking the word of God via divine Direct Message, comes with the alleged authority of the head of the Church of England.

Such authority has dwindled since this happy-clappy, church-emptying former oil company evangelist took over in 2013 as the ecclesiastical equivalent of Jeremy Corbyn.

But he gives oxygen to openborders lefties who would glad-hand the entire world but for the fury of voters who feel betrayed by their political leaders.

Now Priti Patel has stepped forward as the only politician prepared to say enough is enough - and to do something about it.

The Home Secretary deserves a round of applause, especially from those who have been grumbling since Tony Blair welcomed in millions of new citizens in the 1990s.

His open-door policy has been denounced by a senior New Labour ally as "treachery" against the party's own working-class supporters.

It is worth remembering that illegal immigrants are not just breaking the law. They are using murderous, peoplesmuggling gangsters to break that law. These are often not genuine asylum seekers.

They are economic refugees, understandably seeking a better life.

They do not have the right simply to barge in ahead of genuine applicants - including bombed-out ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Now a Tory minister, the daughter of immigrants, has the nerve to fly hundreds, perhaps thousands, of illegal migrants to Rwanda until their status is verified.

In this age of screeching racial politics, this took guts.

Other countries, such as socially democratic Denmark, are already quietly following suit. It is an ugly reflection on these divisive times that Priti Patel, a lifelong target of racism, is now accused of racism herself. According to that gospel of hypocrisy, the Guardian, she is "one of those ministers with brown skin wearing Tory masks". This echoes Labour's view that all Conservatives are "Tory scum".

Party leader Sir Keir Starmer seems unable to understand this smears 14million UK adults who voted Tory at the last election and the 17.4million who sought to regain control over our borders in 2016.

Starmer has no idea With twisted logic, Patel's Labour critics even suggest it is "cruel" to fly young men 6,000 miles to a black African country such as Rwanda - surely a racist view in itself.

Yet when it comes to alternatives, Starmer is a blank sheet of paper. He is against open borders but has no idea how to close them.

Under a Labour government, nobody would ever be sent home - even convicted rapists and murderers.

It is exactly the same craven, cowardly approach he adopts to the trans issue - unable to bring himself to say a woman is an adult human female.

The Archbishop of Canterbury might get away with psycho-babble.

But Britain won't vote for a Prime Minister who speaks in tongues, especially forked ones.

THE devastating loss of the Russian flagship Moskva due to Ukrainian missiles will come to be seen as the beginning of the end for Mad Vlad Putin. It is equivalent to the World War Two loss to Germany of the "unsinkable" battle cruiser Tirpitz, a hammer blow to national morale. The invasion of Ukraine has been a Russian military fiasco on land, sea and air. There are only so many admirals, generals and FSB spy chiefs who can be marched off to prison and likely execution. Worms will eventually turn.

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NEWS that more than 43,000 of us have opened our hearts and our homes to ***Ukrainian refugees*** is utterly joyful.

The story in The Sun proves that in times of crisis, British generosity knows no bounds.

Thank you, guys, you really do make us a proud land.

SAMUEL FAROOQ Tooting, London

THE UK's latest refugee programme is further confirmation of support for those in need in their darkest hour ? this time refugees welcomed here from Ukraine.

But already the usual suspects pour cold water on the scheme, even before it is properly up and running.

It doesn't matter what this Government does, it is just never enough for these moaners.

The UK has a proud record of supporting the vulnerable and the moaners should remember it is Vladimir Putin who is the enemy, not the UK Government leading the way on international aid.

MICK WARREN Bournemouth

HOW astonishing that 43,000 people have signed up to welcome refugees from the Ukraine into their homes.

It just shows how big-hearted the great British public are in times of crisis ? a little bit of kindness goes a long way.

MARY VICKERS Crossgar, Co. Down

HOW big-hearted of all the people who have offered to take in Ukrainians shattered by Vladimir Putin's war.

Their generosity surely has nothing to do with the money the Government has offered to house them ? to be honest, it's next to nothing. But meanwhile, I listen to the news, read your paper and feel powerless in the face of the Ukranians' suffering.

It's up to world leaders to sort out this mess.

HANNAH BRYAN Liverpool

IT'S fantastic that more than 43,000 people have offered to take in refugees from Ukraine.

But I wonder how many are doing this from just the kindness of their hearts? There will be many, I am sure, simply out to make a fast buck.

I also wonder how many of these 43,000 would offer to take in our own homeless citizens who end up sleeping in shop doorways?

It is amazing that these people, who have been through hell and lost everything, are now being welcomed here, but the knock-on effects of this crisis will last for many, many years.

CLINT WEBSTER Taunton, Somerset

AFTER the devastating effects of Covid, China could do with boosting its image ? and a good place to start would be to denounce the monstrous Vladimir Putin and his war in Ukraine.

Neutrality towards a madman like Putin is wrong on every level. And must be abandoned by Pakistan and India too.

JANE FISHER Dumpling Hall, Tyne and Wear

I CANNOT understand why the Government has lifted all the Covid travel restrictions when coronavirus cases are on the rise, particularly in China, where Shanghai is on the edge of lockdown.

If we're not careful, we'll be back to square one.

STANLEY HEWARD Saltburn by the Sea, North Yorks

HOW far does Putin need to go before the cowardly Nato and EU act?

The sanctions are laughable, and as a veteran I hang my head in shame, knowing that after this Putin will go for Finland, Sweden or a country bordering Ukraine.

I shed tears for the Ukrainian people, while feeling disgusted with the EU and Nato.

CHARLES WALDEN Horncastle, Lincs

AFTER the devastating effects of Covid, millions of us are now facing another terrifying threat ? poverty.

Yet Chancellor Rishi Sunak is turning a deaf ear.

His refusal to abandon next month's National Insurance rise is at odds with his compassionate handling of the pandemic.

ALEX SAMS Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne

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HAS the prison service in this country gone mad? No shouting at the inmates as it may upset them. Poor dears. What about the people that suffered from their crimes on the outside? MARIAN, Gt Yarmouth

WHAT a brave lady Marina Ovsyannikova is for standing up to Putin and Kremlin lies. Let's not forget her and many other brave Russians citizens ? they are not all like their leader. EDDIE, Walsall

THE wheels vs doors debate on Twitter is mad. It's obvious these people don't have friends. DAVE, Batley, West

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THE web is buzzing with black humour ... the wine buff spitting out a mouthful of plonk and complaining: "No wonder it's expensive, it tastes like petrol!"

A supermarket sign: "Wine now cheaper than fuel - drink, don't drive."

Or this offer from Sydney: "Have 20 litres of Premium Unleaded: Looking to swap for four-bedroom house."

As pump prices top £2 a litre, we might soon look back on a £100 tankful as the good old days.

But it isn't funny for those on fixed incomes and low pay, including many Sun readers.

Not for those with negligible savings and unwieldy mortgages. Nor for debt-burdened firms which have just emerged into post-pandemic sunlight.

Inflation, dismissed by the Bank of England a few months ago as a temporary blip, is exploding at the fastest rate in most people's lifetimes.

The Bank's official two per cent ceiling is long forgotten. The Consumer Price Index for household goods has passed 5.5 per cent. Retail prices have shot through eight per cent.

HM Treasury fears there is much worse to come.

As Chancellor Rishi Sunak braces for next week's crucial Spring Budget, some analysts see a stupendous TWENTY per cent cost-of-living bombshell heading our way.

At that rate, money loses its value at a terrifying rate, hitting the poorest hardest.

In the words of legendary American money guru Warren Buffett: "Cash is trash."

Rishi will find help for the most vulnerable. But the world has witnessed nothing like this since the 1970s, when inflation almost hit 25 per cent and store staff raced to stick new price stickers on old.

Perfect storm And it is not just prices. Wage demands will spiral in hot pursuit. Shortages will bite, especially of food.

Good news is hard to find in this perfect storm. But there is a little, and it favours Britain.

For one thing, we have nearzero unemployment, unlike the legendary 1970s "Britain Isn't Working" dole queues. We still grow food and could produce a lot more if we banned "rewilding". We could tap oil, gas and coal resources and crack on with fracking. But the real plus for Britain is our historic ties with English-speaking democracies in the USA and the once-neglected Commonwealth. The EU, still dependent on Russia for oil and gas, is most at risk to this crisis.

"Right now, Europe is the worst place in the world to be," says a senior global analyst. "And the closer to the battlefield, the worse it is."

Fertile Ukraine is the world's bread basket. But with young men swapping ploughshares for Kalashnikovs, there will be no spring planting this year.

Russia is another vast grain producer. They won't be sending any wheat West for a while. Russian-dominated Belarus also provides half the world's crop fertilizer.

"We are looking at genuine food shortages," the analyst warns. "In some parts of the world, we will see food riots."

Britain, too, squandered much of its Iron Curtain peace dividend, cosied up to megarich ex-Soviet gangsters - and caved in to the dangerously naive Green lobby.

But our most valuable historic friendships lie to the West, with American and Commonwealth allies including huge food producers Canada, New Zealand and Australia, who have just signed a new trade deal.

We share common histories and unrivalled economic and security ties which countries such as France or Germany can only envy.

Simply not trusted Even the Nato military alliance cannot rival the intimacy of the "Five Eyes" security pact between the US, UK, Canada, New Zealand and Australia, which cooperates under impenetrable secrecy.

France, under President

Emmanuel Macron, is simply not trusted.

Five Eyes was strengthened further by last year's £30billlion AUCUS nuclear sub deal with America and Australia.

This is crucial as ambitious China studies the consequences of Russia's military disaster in Ukraine. Mad Vlad's invasion was intended to expose the West's weaknesses. Instead it revealed our strengths.

It was the most timely possible signal to Russia, China and perhaps India that it is a mistake to underestimate the power of elected democracies.

MICHAEL GOVE'S wheeze to grab Roman Abramovich's 15-bedroom mansion for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** is a winner. It would house at least a dozen families. Warm-hearted Brits, reduced to tears by TV images of terrified children, will rush to billet others. But critics should pause before criticising Home Secretary Priti Patel's caution over warzone evacuees. Putin has publicly vowed revenge against Britain for bringing his tanks to a blazing halt. He has proved his contempt for human life with a series of nerve agent killings on British soil. Our intelligence services are right to insist we must be protected against infiltration by assassins alongside the innocent.

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RUSSIAN tyrant Vladimir Putin's war in Ukraine has brought death, destruction and the exodus of up to one million refugees west towards sanctuary from the bombs and the bullets.

Hundreds of civilians, including dozens of kids, have been killed in the indiscriminate attacks by Russian forces.

But led by defiant president Volodymyr Zelenskyy, the fierce resistance of the Ukrainian army and tens of thousands of ordinary civilians ? some with little more than home-made Molotov cocktails ? has bogged down the Russian advance.

The Ukrainian authorities claim as many as 7,000 Russian soldiers are dead, with countless more injured, since the war began eight days ago.

As Putin's forces stall, he has ordered his generals to begin a more deadly bombardment of cities. Ukraine's second city Kharkiv is being reduced to ruins. Kyiv, its 1,000-year-old capital, is next.

Many want to help Ukraine in its hour of need. Dozens of Ukrainians living here have gone home to fight.

Most of us cannot fight but there are many practical ways we can show our support.

DONATE MONEY Plan International Ireland, a charity which tackles child poverty and promotes equality for girls, has launched an urgent appeal that will help it scale up relief operations. Visit [*www.plan.ie*](http://www.plan.ie) Irish humanitarian aid agency GOAL is raising funds to support a team in the region helping refugees and those displaced.

Visit [*www.goalglobal.org/donate*](http://www.goalglobal.org/donate) The Irish Red Cross has raised more than (EURO)1.25million in just two days. It will help provide infrastructure, medicines and health equipment, as well as supplying families with food and hygiene items.

However, the charity advised Irish people not to send goods to Ukraine, as it would put pressure on transport systems and airports. Instead, it is calling for cash donations which allows for goods to be sourced locally.

The Embassy of Ukraine in Ireland in Dublin is appealing for donations for logistical and medical support for Ukrainian armed forces. Visit ukraine.ua/news/donate Sunflower of Peace is providing Ukrainian soldiers, citizens and volunteers with first aid and medical backpacks with each backpack aimed at saving up to ten lives. Donate to Sunflower of Peace via its Facebook page.

Unicef Ireland has launched an urgent emergency fundraising appeal for Ukrainian children. Funds will go directly to supporting basic services including water and sanitation, immunisation and health care, schooling and learning and emergency cash assistance for up to 7.5 million children.

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for donations are in Sandymount and at the Green Speed Head Office in Dublin 12. Organisers are looking for items such as sleeping bags, baby wipes, first aid bandages, pet food, batteries and toothbrushes.

Cork: Homeless Help and Support in Cork City is collecting items at its offices on Union Quay this Saturday between 10am and 4pm. It needs blankets, toiletries, tea, coffee, sugar and baby food.

Galway: Polish shop, Smakoteka in Galway City is collecting goods. It is after new warm clothes for children, towels, blankets and hygiene supplies as well as nappies and baby food. Items need to be sealed in labelled cardboard boxes. Visit its Facebook page for more info.

Limerick: A Help for Ukraine campaign will have a collection day at the Old Cleeve's Factory in Limerick city, today from 5pm to 7pm. It wants medical supplies only, which will be transported to the Ukrainian-Polish border and then on to hospitals and other centres.

SUPPORT BUSINESSES The Allta restaurant gave all its weekend's profits to the Ukrainian Embassy in Dublin and Unicef.

Coffee roaster company Cloud Picker is raffling coffee equipment, including a professional machine worth (EURO)8,000, for Unicef. It has also vowed to help Ukrainian baristas, offering to pay for two plane tickets from anywhere in Poland to Dublin, employ them in their café or roastery and help with living arrangements.

Alla's Patisserie, run by a Ukrainian family in Fethard, Co Tipperary, donated its profits from last weekend, and (EURO)11k in total, to Ukrainian forces.

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FOURTEEN-hundred smackers in your back pocket and you still can't afford to rent a room if you are a student about to start college in the early autumn.

Two grand spare as a full-time worker and you'd be lucky to find a small one-bed apartment to call home.

That's the reality of trying to live in modern Ireland. It's utterly depressing.

Forty years ago, Ireland had a population of 3.5million and enough affordable homes to go around.

Now, more than 5million people call Ireland home, our population swollen by foreign workers and foreign students attracted here by our way of life and a plentiful supply of jobs.

Sadly, successive governments, determined to build a thriving economy (and they did just that) neglected to invest in the thing that keeps the economy from boiling over - social infrastructure. For decades, politicians failed to realise homes for all these new people coming here needed to be built.

They weren't, and the results of that catastrophic (and I feel strongly about using such an apocalyptic word) failure of social policy have come home to roost.

There is nowhere to live any more and the stock that is available is beyond the pocket of the vast majority, who must do with renting, at extortionate cost, rooms in people's homes.

Allowing homeowners to rent out a room, tax free, to those desperate for a roof over their heads has been the ONLY government response to the housing crisis, a crisis that is the biggest threat to the prosperity of the [*www.nation.No*](http://www.nation.No) wonder people are fecking off out of Ireland in their droves.

If the best and brightest can't afford to live in their own country, what chance do we have of building thriving communities? Zilch. So our nurses emigrate to New Zealand, Dubai or Australia, where they'll earn a better salary and find a home they can afford. Our teachers too, underpaid for so long, are leaving in record numbers. Anyone, in fact, trying to build any sort of life here struggles. So, the lure of abroad is strong.

But back to student accommodation. Many were built by private companies because governments, in their wisdom, thought it better to leave things to the market. Too expensive for them.

It was a major blunder. Private builders have but one goal - to make profit for themselves and shareholders. The goal of the State, on the other hand, is to look after its people first. (Or so it should be).

In France, Germany, Spain and Italy the state builds and runs student accommodation. You can rent an apartment for between 400 and 500 euros a month.

Here, if you got your hands on one, you'd be lucky not to fork out (EURO)1,200 a month. But, even those students who can afford high rents are being shunned.

Continuing to rent student flats to students doesn't make economic sense any more for private companies, now that demand outstrips supply by 20-1.

There's a bigger buck to be made renting to workers and those with more disposable income.

Many purpose-built student flats are being rented out to others, leaving them at the mercy of the market.

One example serves to illustrate the s\*\*\* show currently unfolding. Students at Munster Technological University in Tralee, Co Kerry, received an email telling them a student village was no longer available to them.

Own goal The privately built Kerry Lee Student Village accommodated around 50 students since 2004. But from September, students must make way for those the management company terms "long-term lease tenants".

The letter states: "The owners have decided to take back their houses for the purposes of long-term letting.

"Regretfully, we must therefore advise that Kerry Lee Management will not be letting any houses to students in the coming year. We will return all deposits within the next 14 days."

When the Government allowed private firms to build student flats it didn't enact legislation requiring those flats to be leased out to students only.

Now it has realised its mistake and any new privately built student dorms will only be for students.

You know what's going to happen, don't you? No one in their right mind will build student-only flats any more. Not worth it. Talk about an own goal.

Then there are the estimated 3,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who have been put up in student accommodation across the country. They have been told they must vacate before the academic year starts.

Where the Government is going to put them is anyone's guess. The army tent village in Gormanstown is already bursting at the seams. Refugees are still sleeping on chairs and floors at the CityWest refugee centre.

I remember starting college in Dublin in 1987. Student digs, where up to four shared an apartment, cost no more than £25 a week.

Those halcyon days are but a distant memory.

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RORY STEWART is an engaging fellow who admits he was never cut out for life as a politician.

"It brings out the worst in me," the former Tory minister - who once had a crack at becoming party leader - said this week. "I thought it was bad for my brain, my body, my soul."

Perhaps he should have been more honest with the public while in government.

He did, after all, spend almost three years in the late and unlamented Department For International Development, spraying vast sums of taxpayers' money around the world on absurd projects that he now admits were often "wasteful and paternalistic".

This might seem a shocking admission - especially when he also told the BBC that "a lot" of what he did in his ministerial role was a "waste of time".

Yet shortly before he joined the Cabinet in May 2019 as DFID Secretary, Stewart made a similar scathing critique of Britain's dismal aid policies in a lecture, saying that "not a great deal has been achieved" with the billions doled out annually.

He argued that it was wrong to believe Westminster could use development cash to impose stability in conflictridden states, dismissed the fashionable idea that foreign donations can create jobs in poor places and highlighted several examples of quite scandalous waste.

This included Britain giving £4.5billion over half a century to the impoverished African nation of Malawi, a country corroded by corruption and bad governance, although it ended up "if anything, poorer than it was when we started", he told Yale University.

Frittered away Both times he was right to make such damning criticism. Britain's aid policies are at best farcical, at worst a fraud perpetuated on the public by foolish politicians who pretend they are saving the world when billions are frittered away.

Yet when he was in office, Stewart pushed the same failed policies as his predecessors.

For a consensus coalesced around the concept of aid in a deluded belief that it made a despised political elite at Westminster look a bit more caring.

Instead they just look callow.

It exposes their naivety about development, grotesque complacency about dictatorship and a contemptible refusal to listen to a disgruntled electorate.

We spent £11.5billion on foreign aid in 2021.

It is not surprising many voters, facing the worst cost-ofliving crisis most can remember, are puzzled to see their hard-earned cash go to help African despots - even a blood-stained Rwandan dictatorship that sponsors Arsenal.

And they wonder why, as our social care is crippled by chronic underfunding, that their taxes have been used to assist officials of brutal regimes in China and North Korea.

Westminster politicians love to cloak themselves in compassion, cheered on by the bloated and self-serving aid industry led by fat cats such as former Labour minister David Miliband.

Incredibly, Miliband earns more than $1million a year as the grandly titled president of International Rescue Committee - a major recipient of British aid - while begging for funds.

Or trawl the accounts of Save the Children International, another charity constantly demanding cash, and you will find an astonishing 82 staff on six-figure packages with at least six more UK-based executives earning more than £100,000. Presumably these folks can brush off any cost-of-living crisis.

Yet only this week the charity - still restoring its reputation from sex scandal - was bemoaning that budgets for overseas aid projects are being slashed and children's welfare risked due to funds used to assist the costs of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in Britain. This sector howled with outrage when the Government finally ditched the absurd and outdated aid target - although it was, sadly, only a temporary cut from 0.7 to 0.5 per cent of gross national income to help cover the costs of the pandemic.

Hopefully Liz Truss, if elected PM, will resist those siren voices to restore the target.

Unfortunately, aid is largely an illusion, as Stewart admitted. It would be lovely if it worked. But it merely creates the false impression there are simple solutions to some of the world's most complex and intractable problems.

As even a Nobel-winning economist has argued, it is damaging to pour aid into badly run nations.

If governments are dodgy - whether due to theft, incompetence or despotism - floods of foreign money can simply inflame their systemic problems, foster conflict and can actually undermine democracy. Just look at the twodecade debacle of Afghanistan to see the lethal impact in a fragile, conflict-riven country.

At times, Western aid was worth more than the entire economy. Yet donors ignored electoral fraud, trafficking of child sex slaves and creation of a grotesquely corrupt mafia state, thereby assisting the Taliban's return.

If aid worked, I would not begrudge assisting those most in need.

But whatever politicians might argue, whatever bogus statistics they spew out, do not be fooled into thinking the biggest beneficiaries are the most impoverished or the brave activists risking lives and liberty for democracy.

Think instead about the fatcat charity chiefs, the powermad despots and the money launderers cleaning dirty money that was destined to help the poor and dispossessed.

Then ask why politicians keep on defending the indefensible while in power?

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**Body**

By GRAEME CULLIFORD and PAUL SIMS THEY are children and babies of war, innocents who have endured a waking nightmare after their parents were killed in the Russian invasion.

But the kindness of Sun on Sunday readers will help keep them warm this winter after we delivered the first batch of blankets knitted by you to Ukraine's war orphans.

After Kyiv mayor Vitali Klitschko appealed for help in October because a third of the country was left with no heating in predicted -20C temperatures, we launched our Blankets For Ukraine Appeal.

We teamed up with three charities to help ship your wraps to those who need them and PM Rishi Sunak applauded our campaign as the blankets flooded in.

Now a team has travelled more than 1,500 miles to make a delivery to orphanage the Vorzel Children's Home.

It is so close to the front line that children and staff regularly take cover as air raid sirens blare. Their power often fails when Russian bombardments cause blackouts, leaving them in freezing conditions.

Orphanage director Tetiana Lymar, 33, was visibly relieved when she saw the minibus full of blankets arrive at the front door - which has just been rebuilt after a missile blast. She said: "We are so grateful to those who knitted these blankets.

"We have one generator, which was also kindly donated, but there are times when it fails and the temperature becomes really cold, so these blankets are vital. I cannot thank your readers enough. They are beautiful and warm and knowing they were made with so much love means everything to us.

"It is good to see that people care because the children we take care of have really suffered.

"Some were abandoned children in maternity hospitals, some were found wandering the streets. Most come from troubled homes or saw their parents killed during the fighting.

"We do our best to provide a loving home and give them everything they need but this is a war zone, it is hard."

Placing a blanket over a baby in its cot, nurse Maryna Kinash, 31, added: "I want to thank Sun on Sunday readers so much. It is great to see the children smiling and it warms our hearts to know people in Britain care about us." Blankets were put on top of babies and wrapped around the shoulders of children to form makeshift shawls as they chatted in communal areas or skipped through the deep snow outside.

One seven-year-old girl pressed her face into one of the intricately knitted designs, smiled and said: "It's so bright and so warm."

This was the first of several shipments to Ukraine. Mike Hockham, an HGV driver who runs volunteer group UkraineFundraiser2022, made the journey from the UK. He has made 11 humanitarian aid runs there since March last year and teamed up with our charity partners Operation Orphan, Ukraine Appeal and Own Woman to drive the loaded van. Mike, 59, from Winterton, Lincs, said: "It took four days to reach Kyiv and we heard four or five airraid warnings every day. The most populous areas in Ukraine tend to be the most dangerous so it is always risky entering a big city like Kyiv. But the welcome we received at the orphanage made it all worthwhile.

"The children and staff were really grateful and you could see how much it meant to them to receive so many big, beautiful, warm blankets.

"Some of the children seemed a bit overwhelmed.

"It was freezing there at night and when the power goes, not only does the heating go but also the water supply.

"It's amazing to see that so many readers gave up their time to help. The people of Ukraine need every bit of support they can get." Mayor

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Klitschko, 51, told us: "We are thankful to the British people for supporting Ukrainians.

Thank you, in particular, for such a sincere and heart-warming campaign started by The Sun on Sunday. The warmth of the Brits will warm the Ukrainians this winter."

Your donations will make a real difference to a nation fighting to keep warm and stay alive in the cold.

Our charity partner, Own Woman, has sent 22 lorries of aid to Ukraine in the past eight months. Operation Orphan has also been making regular deliveries to the war zone and to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** taking shelter in neighbouring Moldova. Co-founder Brad Moore said: "A knitted blanket is a source of warmth and comfort.

"It is not a grey, standard issue item, but something bright and colourful saying you are an individual and you are cared for. It could be a lifesaver." Tanya Bacon, of Ukraine Appeal, said: "A knitted blanket is made with time and love. It will be much appreciated and needed now more than ever."

Rishi Sunak said: "The generosity and kindness of the British people towards Ukraine as it battles Putin's illegal invasion has been inspiring.

'We but cold, are "Now, thanks to The Sun on Sunday's brilliant campaign, I know even more Brits will provide further comfort and protection for the people of Ukraine."

n TO HELP: Knit or crochet a 6ft x 4ft blanket in washable wool or acrylic yarn (big enough for adults and kids). SEND TO: Operation Orphan, The Sun on Sunday Blankets For Ukraine Appeal, 143 Attenborough Lane, Attenborough, Nottingham, NG9 6AA

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THE Princess of Wales sends a message to war-torn Ukraine - writing on aid boxes, "We are all thinking of you".

Kate, 41, yesterday filled packages with food and toiletries, as well as adding her handprint to a tree of peace, during a visit to a centre for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, in Bracknell, UK.

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Smiling ... chatting with youngsters at centre

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AN adventure firm boss has been arrested after charity mountain climbers were left stranded on a trip to Tanzania.

Police launched a fraud probe after a group of 30 spent £100,000 with Aspire Adventures, run by Jason Rawles, 49.

When they arrived to climb Mount Kilimanjaro last month, they were told their hotel and other items were not paid for.

Mr Rawles' company, based in Snowdonia, North Wales, has since gone into liquidation.

Some climbers went ahead and raised £43,000 for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

North Wales Police said: "We can confirm that a 49-year-old man has today been arrested on suspicion of fraud by false representation."

Mr Rawles emailed the trekkers to say the firm was hit by "events outside of our control". Over time "no one would be left out of pocket", he added.

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EDINBURGH will welcome more than 1,500 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** to this month's 1872 Cup decider against Glasgow at BT Murrayfield. The gesture is due to partnerships with the City of Edinburgh Council and Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations Council.

Tickets for December 30 were offered to refugees based in Edinburgh and Glasgow living on cruise ships MS Victoria and MS Ambition, docked in Leith and on the Clyde.

Ruaridh Pye, Edinburgh Rugby's community manager and City of Edinburgh Council's development officer, said: "I'm so proud that we've been able to work with Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations Council to bring over 1,500 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** to BT Murrayfield."

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ASLAN'S Billy McGuinness says the band is still rocking strong after 40 years together ? in spite of illness and adversity.

The Dublin band's longevity has been called a miracle after frontman Christy Dignam's addiction issues in their early days and his recent brave battle with cancer.

Guitarist Billy, 61, revealed the group originally planned to be together for just a year ? but love from the fans kept them going.

And the Dancing With The Stars contestant believes being honest from the beginning has kept their fanbase growing.

He said: "If you look at Christy's journey in Aslan, Jesus we broke up because of drugs.

"Then he is battling cancers since 2013. The thing about it is, we've always been very honest about our situation and we don't try and hide anything.

"So I think the Irish people like that and they see that. Even though we've had so many obstacles put in our way, we're still here, we're still gigging. And 40 years later, we are still doing what we set out to do.

"We're about to do our biggest gig in the 3Arena in September and if you had said to me, 'You'll be doing the 3Arena in 40 years time,' I'd have said, 'Are you off your mallet? Go away out of that'."

But despite four tough decades on the road and all they've been through, Billy said music is what keeps him and the band going? especially lead singer Christy.

Billy, who became a household name on the last series of RTE's DWTS, said: "It's still enjoyable for us, it's still very much keeping Christy going.

"Because if Christy's not singing, he goes into a very dark place and gets very depressed.

"And if you meet Christy, he is just as honest as the day is. He calls it as it is and he tells it like it is whether people like it or not.

'Good music doesn't die' "People like that, plus the fact we're gigging, we're a working band and we will go down to places where other bands don't go to."

Billy said while Christy is still performing and entertaining, people often forget he is sick.

He said: "You have to remember Christy was in a wheelchair for a year and a half. He had to walk his daughter down the aisle in a wheelchair. "He's had three bouts of chemo so far, he's actually off chemo at the moment because they can't give him anymore."

Christy, 62, still gets weekly checks in Beaumont Hospital but Billy said he is doing great.

He said: "As I said to Christy, 'Jesus when the atomic bomb goes off, it'll be you, cockroaches and Aslan, there'll be nothing else there. How are you still here?'" Billy and his bandmates are excited by their latest project, re-releasing their huge hit This Is to raise money for Ukraine.

Billy said: "Here we are nearly 40 years later and This Is is about to be released again and if you look at Kate Bush's Running Up That Hill, it's mad that great music doesn't die.

"This Is, which is my favourite Aslan song, we're about to release it now for the Red Cross for Ukraine, which is phenomenal." Aslan were due to celebrate 40 years together here?'

with a Late Late Show special including songs and special guests.

But the team behind the show decided to postpone the celebrations due to Ukraine crisis.

Instead, the band opened the show by playing This Is in studio while footage showing Russian tyrant Vladmir Putin's war aired on TV.

It was such a hit the band wanted to do more and contacted the Irish Red Cross to see if they could form a choir with some of the ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. That journey has now been made into a Virgin Media documentary.

Billy said meeting the refugees made him think about how lucky he and his family are.

He said: "There was one couple who really resonated with me. The girl was 19 and she had her younger brother with her, who was 16. Her father was in the army and her mother was a nurse.

Home shelled with bombs "And they said when the war broke out and they were being shelled, the mother and father put them in a car and drove them to the border.

"They were 16 hours at the border and they said their goodbyes, they had to stay. The 19-year-old and the 16-year-old made their way to Germany, then to Ireland. And I go home and there's my two boys whingeing about 'the WiFi's down.'

"And I'm like, 'that's what you're whinging about? You know I've just been talking to a 16-year-old who is homeless, they don't know if their parents are still alive. Their home is shelled with bombs and you are whinging about the WiFi?' So it kind of hit home for them."

This Is ... for Ukraine airs on Wednesday on Virgin Media One at 9pm. The song will be available to download from 9am Wednesday.

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STRUGGLES ... Christy has fought addiction & cancerTHIS IS ... documentary

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PASCHAL Donohoe has urged people not to let the discussion about immigrants in Ireland be dominated by the horrific events in Dublin this week.

And the Public Expenditure Minister has promised that the Government "will not give an inch to the dark forces" that ransacked our capital in the rioting that made headlines around the world.

On Thursday, a knife-wielding lunatic attacked young children outside their school on Parnell Street in Dublin city centre, leaving three kids and their teacher in hospital.

As news emerged that the alleged attacker was of Algerian descent, a crowd of anti-immigration protestors gathered at the scene.

This quickly developed into an unruly mob rampaging through the city, setting fire to a double-decker bus, trashing a Luas tram and destroying 11 Garda cars, as well as looting 12 shops.

In an interview with The Irish Sun on Sunday, Dublin Central TD Mr Donohoe addressed people's concerns about immigrants and revealed his anger that our capital was ripped apart by the riots.

Speaking after Thursday's devastating events, Minister Donohoe promised Dubliners that the Government will not let "the defining image of our city be a burnt bus". He said: "We will make our city and our streets safe again.

"We cannot let the defining image of our city be a burnt bus. We can't let the main image of our city to be looting on O'Connell Street.

"People like me, those who represent Dublin Central but are also lucky to be in Government, will not give an inch to the dark forces we saw on Thursday night.

We make city streets "We will do that for all people who live in our country and made Ireland their home."

Asked about fears that people may have about immigration following the attack on children outside their school, Minister Donohoe pleaded with people not to let the horrific attack define migration here.

He said: "We can't let our discussion on the openness of our country and the welcome of our country be defined and dominated by the horrific events seen on Thursday.

"We are a good, welcoming country. We also know that the person who stepped in to prevent even worse crimes taking place was a Brazilian person.

"This reminds me of our shared humanity and the goodness that the vast majority of us have in common with each other, regardless of where we come from or where we may call home.

"We can't allow the horrific scenes that took place in Parnell Square or on O'Connell Street and beyond distract us from the goodness of the overwhelming majority of people, or to frame a debate about the cohesion and openness of our country."

Specifically addressing immigration, the Dubliner urged people not to "go to that dark place" and fall into the hatred and fear being spread by some people online.

Calling for an open discussion on the topic, he said: "I am really conscious that there are hundreds of thousands of people who have come to Ireland to make this country their home.

"They have their kids in our schools, they have their families here. There are many, many of them that became citizens of our country.

"I am aware of how they will feel at this time of vulnerability. We are a nation of immigrants ourselves. We can remember deep in our DNA what it is like to be in other parts of the world and have ourselves spoken about in a particular way.

"I hope and believe that we can find it within ourselves not to go into that dark place and recognise the hundreds of thousands of people who we live with ? who are your readers ? and for whom Ireland is their home, but who might not have been born here initially."

The Minister believes that some people have treated immigration as a taboo subject ? but he believes we should talk about our concerns openly.

Asked about the desire people may have for Irish people to be housed ahead of migrants, or the fears of a rise in crime, the Minister said: "The first thing is to acknowledge that questions like that are a valid part of our political debate.

"And the idea that I think did take hold over a number of years ? that just to merely raise those issues of itself ? was something that wasn't seen as acceptable by everybody.

"I take a different approach. I think if we don't discuss these things in the open, and properly and respectfully, that is a recipe for the more dangerous and difficult things developing in politics.

"What I would say to such a constituent, and what I have said to my constituents, is that the overwhelming majority of people who have come to Ireland in the last two years ? over 80,000 at this point ? have come to Ireland in circumstances that most of us can barely imagine.

"And the overwhelming majority are leaving behind conditions that we would struggle to imagine and certainly would never want for ourselves, for our husbands, for our wives, for our daughters and for our sons.

"That, for me, is the guiding light in all of this. When I meet refugees from the war in Ukraine, when I meet people who are on the

International Protection Programme, (I learn) that they are coming from a life that we can't imagine, let alone want to endure.

"What that has meant is that the great efforts the Government has made to make sure the money we are spending to look after these people ... isn't taking the place of money that we would want to spend anyway on building homes for people who are already living here, providing GPs for people for whom this is already their home."

The Minister pointed out that almost (EURO)1.8billion has been spent on supports for people who have come to Ireland since the war broke out in Ukraine.

But he said this money comes from noncore expenditure and not money the Government would usually spend on schools, housing or social welfare.

And the Minister said ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** come to Ireland not for the supports that are available but because of the welcome they get from Irish people and the jobs on offer.

He said: "My own sense is that the main pull factor for people coming to Ireland at the moment from Ukraine has two different components to it.

"The first one is that the perception has got out there, which I think is fair, that we are doing the best to look after those who are coming to Ireland fleeing a war.

"Other countries do things differently. Some countries might offer more in social welfare than we do for a period of time, but less on housing. So we are looking at how we compare to other countries. The other really, really, really big pull factor is how well our economy is performing and the number of jobs that are here and the fact that we are an English-speaking country.

"The majority of Ukrainians who have come to Ireland are women with children ? so they are families coming here ? and once their kids are in school, I can see this in Dublin central, they want to work.

"And we have work for anybody in Ireland here who wants it and that is a really big factor. Our economy isn't yet slowing down or changing in the way other economies are beginning to."

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CAPITAL ON FIRE Bus in flames during Thursday's riots. Left, clean-up work beginsAngry . . Paschal upset by actions of thuggish mob

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NET migration figures due on Thursday could top last year's historic 606,000 high.

Downing Street is braced for the data, which some in Government believe could exceed 700,000.

Another record-breaking hike in legal arrivals would be a hammer blow to PM Rishi Sunak who is battling claims he has lost control of illegal migration.

A delay was suggested to the Office for National Statistics so the interim figures avoid a clash with Wednesday's Autumn Statement.

The 2022/2023 snapshot includes a large number of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** and a surge in visa applications.

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IRELAND has seen a "significant decrease" in Ukrainians arriving here ahead of the Government slashing allowances.

And Children's Minister Roderic O'Gorman said he expects "we will see that trend continuing" when the cuts come in later this month.

The weekly allowance for new ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will be reduced to (EURO)38.80 from (EURO)220.

And new arrivals will also have a 90-day limit on the time they will be housed by the State.

More than 100,000 Ukrainians have arrived in to Ireland since February 2022.

But Mr O'Gorman told RTE Radio 1 "the system of processing applications and the system of accommodating people wasn't fit for purpose even before the current crisis".

He said Justice Minister Helen McEntee is aiming to speed up the processing of applications.

And he is seeking to provide "better accommodation and State-owned accommodation because we are almost entirely reliant on the private sector in terms of the provision of accommodation".

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Plans ... O'Gorman

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VACANT social housing may be used to house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** - as the number of arrivals here looks set to rise to over 30,000 next month.

More than 25,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have already arrived in Ireland, with more than half of those in accommodation.

Official figures say that 16,788 people have been given a place to stay, as the official number of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** here hit 25,173 by Sunday morning.

Minister for Housing Darragh O'Brien is due to bring a number of living options to Cabinet today he says will work in the medium to long-term.

An audit found that there are 529 properties that could be used, but most will need refurbishment. However, around 100 could be ready to be moved into in a matter of weeks.

Rachel Fitzpatrick of eBay was part of an open day at eBay Blanchardstown yesterday where Ukrainian guests accessed info on jobs available in the area.

Rachel was pictured with Damir Pratsovrtij, three, and his mother Violetta Pratsovita.

**Graphic**

Event . . Rachel, Damir & Violetta

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MORE than two million ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have fled Putin's barbaric campaign of destruction.

He has now created the largest and fastest exodus of refugees since World War Two.

Many European countries have stepped up to the plate. The EU has created an opendoor policy for three years, allowing ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in without a visa. Poland has taken in more than a million; Hungary nearly 200,000.

Our Home Office, however, has proven itself again to be an incompetent, shameful excuse of a department.

Despite Boris Johnson promising to open our borders to around 200,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, it emerged two days ago that only 300 visas had been issued. A measly 1.7 per cent of the applications submitted.

I hope the Government turns this around, and does it quickly. If they don't, history will remember Britain for being the country that slammed the door shut when the victims of the European crisis of the century came knocking.

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A SUPPORT hub for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will open in Cork next week.

The Together4Ukraine centre was founded by Together-Razem, a migrant-led organisation supporting Eastern European migrants in Ireland.

CEO Voyteck Bialek, said: "These people are fleeing a desperate situation and need help with settling here in Ireland.

"The Together4Ukraine hub will provide a dedicated support centre for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in Cork and will help ensure they have access to the services and information that they need."

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JOHN Swinney yesterday revealed cuts to services will now total a staggering £1.2billion as he hunted for cash to pay for rising public sector pay offers.

The Deputy First Minister revealed £615million in budget "savings" to help balance the books on top of £560million previously unveiled in September.

The latest list includes £400million "reprioritised" within funds for health and social care - meaning effective cuts to mental health, social care and Covid-related spending.

The cash will instead help meet the costs of rising pay offers for NHS staff aimed at averting winter strikes.

Mr Swinney claimed that, without more Westminster funds, he had no option but to find more savings amid soaring inflation, the £700million extra needed for better pay deals and the bill for the ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** scheme And the senior Nat - standing in as Finance Secretary - blasted Tory ministers for their handling of the economy. He described it as a "calamity giving way to austerity" that was making the UK's financial crisis worse.

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Chancellor Jeremy Hunt put back plans for a new "fiscal statement" from Halloween to November 17.

He is expected to set out brutal cuts and tax rises following a huge hike in the cost of government borrowing in the wake of predecessor Kwasi

Kwarteng's disastrous mini-budget.

But Mr Swinney told MSPs he could "wait no longer" for the Treasury's plans to outline his own proposals.

Revealing the new cuts in his Emergency Budget Review, he said: "They are not decisions we'd wish to make. But in the absence of additional funding from the UK Government, they are decisions we are compelled to make."

He said the impact of soaring inflation meant the Scottish Budget was worth £1.7billion less than when it was set out last December.

The Nats No2 added: "There has never been a time of greater pressure on the public finances."

Pointing to the Scottish Government lacking borrowing powers to offset the cost of inflation, Mr Swinney went on: "I must balance the books.

"But I am committed to doing so in a way that prioritises funding to help families, to back business, to provide fair pay awards and to protect the delivery of public services."

However, his cost-saving measures include cuts to frontline services, such as within the beleaguered NHS.

While the health budget as a whole hasn't been cut, £400million has been shifted from key areas to afford pay deals for employees.

Funds set aside for Covid measures - such as vaccines plus Test and Protect - will be slashed by £116million, while mental health will lose £38million.

And £70million will be taken from social care, with the "development" of the SNP's flagship National Care Service now facing an unspecified delay.

Elsewhere, the Scottish Government has found £150million in savings from capital budgets that pay for infrastructure projects and other investments.

That includes £61million axed from the "Net Zero" capital budget, such as £28.5million for low-carbon buses and £14.7million from road, rail and canal eco projects.

Another £10million will come from the botched scheme to give every schoolpupil a free laptop computer.

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There will also be £16million less for the R100 broadband rollout to the most remote areas. Justice, education, social security, tourism and economic development were among departments hit with extra "resource savings" totalling nearly £34million.

But Tories hit out after it emerged the £20million earmarked for IndyRef2 had been left untouched.

Shadow Finance Secretary Liz Smith said: "Current difficult circumstances do not absolve the Deputy First Minister or his colleagues of responsibility for the position Scotland finds itself in after 15 years of their government.

"He has announced yet more huge cuts to health, education and justice.

"However, he won't touch the constitution budget.

"He made much of the fixed and finite nature of the Scottish Government's budget. But the obvious conclusion to be drawn is that he and his colleagues, not the UK Government, bear the responsibility - and that they prefer a divisive referendum to practical support measures."

Labour's Daniel Johnson said: "The Tories' economic vandalism has pushed things to crisis point. But years of low growth and mismanagement from both our governments has laid the groundwork for this perfect storm.

"Nicola Sturgeon promised to open the books and take a Team Scotland approach to tackling the cost of living crisis. But she hasn't."

And Lib Dems leader Alex Cole- Hamilton slammed Mr Swinney over the cuts to the mental health budget.

Last night medics warned the cuts risked making the situation in the NHS becoming even more "precarious".

Dr Lailah Peel, deputy chair of BMA Scotland, said: "Healthcare is under huge pressure so any area deprioritised will be a cause for serious concern.

"More patients are presenting with mental health issues since the pandemic and cuts to a service already on its knees could be hugely damaging."

Meanwhile, MSPs were told a "flat cash" funding settlement for the justice sector could lead to three or four court buildings closing and the system becoming slower.

The Scottish Courts and Tribunal Service, warned a Holyrood committee that costsaving options could also include reducing summary and civil cases by 25 per cent.

Tory Jamie Greene said: "I'm concerned about the effect that may have on a backlog which is already immense."

The Scottish Prison Service said there was "very limited" opportunity to scale back their operations in order to cut costs.

Responding to Mr Swinney's announcement, a No10 source said: "The Scottish Government is receiving a record £41billion block grant from the Treasury. The UK Government is also investing over £2billion in Scotland for our Levelling Up agenda."

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**Body**

IN the end, the patriotic fervour and raw emotion which decided this World Cup play-off was all Welsh.

Ukraine's footballers arrived in Cardiff fuelled by worldwide support and sympathy after the Russian invasion of their nation.

They were bound by an uncommon sense of unity as a result of those horrors back home.

But even though the Ukrainians were technically superior and dominated for long stretches, it was the passionate support of the home crowd which seemed to propel Rob Page's side into their first World Cup finals in 64 years.

The winner was a cruel fluke - Andriy Yarmolenko sending a diving header into his own net from Gareth Bale's first-half free-kick.

And although Wales passed up three good chances after the break, keeper Wayne Hennessey and his defenders were defiant, surviving a battering to qualify for Qatar.

There, they will meet England in the first-ever all-British match at a World Cup, as well as the United States and Iran.

The Welsh showed solidarity and respect for their visitors - right up until the 5pm kick-off time.

And they displayed similar compassion when the final whistle blew, shortly before 7pm.

Skipper Bale headed swiftly to the corner of the Cardiff City Stadium which housed the Ukrainian supporters to applaud the visitors, with his team-mates saluting them soon after.

But during the 90 minutes, as boss Page had insisted beforehand, it was pure business, with no room for sentiment.

This was an extraordinary occasion - never before can a match of such significance have been surrounded by so strong a sense of solidarity and mutual respect.

Yet there is no sense in conflating any football match to the carnage of war.

It was Wales who defended with supreme willpower here. Wales who were fired by their own sense of destiny. A first World Cup appearance since 1958 - an eventuality which will prolong the elite-level career of their Galactico Bale, to whom this victory will have meant more than any other.

This defeat would have felt tough on Ukraine, even without the dreadful events which have made them the world's second-favourite team.

It is best not to use words such as 'heartbreak' and 'misery' to describe this defeat, because there is too much of both in the grim realities of naked aggression and brutal occupation.

But even in pure footballing terms this was agonising for Ukraine.

This match would have been played in March but for the Russian invasion a few weeks earlier.

In many ways it was remarkable Ukraine even sent out a team, who comfortably defeated Scotland in the playoff semi-final on Wednesday.

Ukraine were cool and organised, until they reached the Welsh penalty area.

It was Wales who depended, almost entirely, on passion, guts and unity.

The Welsh FA had handed out tickets to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** and the visitors' national anthem was applauded throughout by home supporters.

But as kick-off approached and a quintessential Welsh drizzle fell, the male voice choir of Cardiff's 'Red Wall' was making a hell of a din, aided by Dafydd Iwan, the 78-year-old folk singer whose song 'Yma O Hyd' - 'Still Here' - has been adopted as this team's anthem.

There was controversy in the second minute, when Joe Allen was booked for a heavy challenge and Oleksandr Zinchenko netted a swiftly taken free-kick, only for Spanish referee Antonio Mateu Lahoz to rule it out as he had not blown his whistle.

Ukraine were slicker and betterorganised. Wales were direct and panicky.

Hennessey pushed away a decent effort from Viktor Tsygankov, then saved well from Roman Yaremchuk.

Bale popped up here, there and everywhere, trying to make something happen, searching for someone on the same wavelength with little success.

Hennessey then foiled Zinchenko from the edge of the box and Tsygankov, at the

Ukrainian's feet.

So when Wales scored in the 34th minute, it was very much against the tide.

Dan James won a free-kick wide on the right-hand edge of the box, Bale had a pop and Yarmolenko suffered a brain- storm with a diving header which bamboozled keeper Georgiy Bushchan.

The place went crazy with songs of 'Viva, Gareth Bale!' but this was unmistakably an own goal.

Yarmolenko soon had an excellent penalty shout turned down by Lahoz and his VAR after a trip from Allen.

Aaron Ramsey squandered a glaring chance to make it 2-0 when he stubbed his shot wide from close range early in the second half.

Hennessey then saved with a boot to deny Tsygankov with Yaremchuk spurning the rebound, before Ben Davies' outstanding tackle to thwart the same player.

Bushchan made a scrambling save to push over a deflected James shot and Brennan Johnson, on in place of James in the 71st minute, volleyed against the post before Bale's shot was kept out by Bushchan. A Yarmolenko effort was blocked by the excellent Davies and Hennessey made his best save yet to push away a header from sub Artem Dovbyk.

The outstanding Neco Williams injured himself making a last-ditch block in stoppage time.

And the Welsh held out, glorying in their temporary status as the least popular team on [*www.Earth.No*](http://www.Earth.No) one liked them yesterday - but they sure as hell didn't care.

HOW THEY LINED UP WALES: Hennessey, Ampadu, Rodon, Davies, Roberts, Allen, Ramsey, N Williams (Norrington-Davies 90), Bale (Wilson 83), Moore, James (Johnson 71). Booked: Allen, James.

UKRAINE: Bushchan, Karavaev, Zabarnyi, Matvienko, Mykolenko, Stepanenko (Sydorchuk 70), Yarmolenko, Malinovskyi (Shaparenko 70), Zinchenko, Tsygankov (Mudryk 77), Yaremchuk (Dovbyk 77). Booked: Mykolenko, Mudryk.

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YARMOLENKO'D ... Ukraine star's diving header beats BushchanWONDERWALL ... the Welsh players hail their fans with a bannethat says 'Thank You To The Red Wall' Pics: RICHARD PELHAM

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THE Princess of Wales sends a colourful message to war-torn Ukraine - writing on aid boxes: "We are all thinking of you".

Mum-of-three Kate filled packages with food and toiletries and added her royal handprint to a tree of peace created to mark the anniversary of Russia's invasion.

The future queen, 41, joked that her gloved print would be a "lot cleaner" than her children's painting attempts.

Making the unannounced visit to a centre for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, in Bracknell, Berks, she chatted to eight-year-old Liza about the power of music to raise spirits.

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Support ... from Kate. Note, right

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TAOISEACH Leo Varadkar and the Government are going to pull the rug out from under ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** - literally.

Officials are planning to make those fleeing the war-torn country pay for their accommodation.

The Fine Gael leader says we are "really struggling" to find places to stay for Ukrainians coming to Ireland.

Well, there's no surprise there. It's not like there's been a housing crisis building and spilling over for the entire 12 years he's been in Government.

While they're still "welcome", he said there needs to be measures put in place to cope with the large numbers arriving.

Perhaps we should have thought about that before taking in 100,000 that we can't seem to look after?

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THE Ukraine embassy is warning people fleeing the Russian invasion that Ireland cannot guarantee free housing.

And they say refugees could find there is nowhere for them to stay when they get here.

It comes as Tanaiste Leo Varadkar revealed that new multi-million-euro supports will be made available to communities that host ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** to help them deal with the increased population. These solutions include building housing at army barracks, refurbishing derelict buildings and increasing payments to families who take in refugees.

As a result, the Ukraine Embassy in Ireland has sent a warning to citizens planning to come to Ireland that there is no housing here. In a message posted in Ukrainian on their social media pages, the Embassy said: "Ireland continues to provide temporary protection to citizens of Ukraine.

"At the same time, the Irish side does not guarantee the provision of free housing."

Meanwhile, Mr Varadkar said communities welcoming ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** should have some "community gain".

He said: "It might be improvements in schools or community services." [*irishsun@the-sun.ie*](mailto:irishsun@the-sun.ie)

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'Community gain' ... Leo

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THE Royal Family is helping ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** fleeing war to find safe homes in Britain - including on the Queen's Balmoral estate.

The royals have opened the doors to some of the thousands of properties they own or manage across the country.

But the refugees have not moved into palaces or with royals because of "security implications".

A source told The Sun on Sunday: "All royal households have been helping find accommodation for refugees."

Senior Buckingham Palace sources refuse to reveal where any ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** are housed for security reasons.

The Crown Estates owns 7,936 properties and businesses in England and Wales.

Buckingham Palace said: "The Royal Household is looking at ways to help."

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Supportive ... the Queen

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**Body**

TAOISEACH Micheal Martin slammed Russia's war on Ukraine as "barbaric and immoral" at the London St Patrick's Day parade yesterday - and said Ireland's humanitarian response to refugees trumps security checks.

The Fianna Fail leader donned both a blue and yellow as well as a green scarf in the English capital, and promised Ireland could take in 100,000 fleeing the war.

The tricolour was joined by the Ukrainian flag, carried by Londonbased Ukrainian Natalia Lesyuk at the head of the parade from Piccadilly to Trafalgar Square.

And the Taoiseach, who was joined by wife Mary, said his family would consider taking ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** into their own homes.

He said: "We would all play our part in that, I think these are personal decisions that every family has to take and we will respond in relation to that as a family. We'll discuss that."

Speaking on stage at Trafalgar Square Martin, who heads to Washington for festivities this week, said it was important to come together for St Patrick's Day "given the terrible dark cloud that hangs over the world and Europe in particular, in the form of what has been a barbaric and immoral war on the people of Ukraine" and that we use the occasion to "highlight and show our solidarity with the people of Ukraine".

He added: "And we're pleased that joining us today as a grand marshal has been Natalia Lesyuk, part of the Ukrainian community here in London.

"And we are with you Natalia and your family back home in Ukraine, in solidarity, and we want to say we will do everything we can to support you and your people and it's an honour to have you with us this afternoon."

Ms Lesyuk, 57, who is from western Ukraine and has been living in London for almost 30 years, said she was honoured to be a grand marshal in the parade.

She said: "I'm very grateful that I was invited and to feel Irish community support and solidarity, I think it's everything, it means a lot to my people."

Ms Lesyuk said she has been protesting daily to show support for people in Ukraine.

She said: "Just to let them know, be brave. They are brave. I cannot comprehend how brave they are, all of them. Fearless. And I know that they will stand there until the last bullet." The Taoiseach words."

She said her life has "completely changed" since the war broke out, adding: "At the beginning I was afraid to fall asleep. I was afraid to wake up. All my family lives there."

Her loved ones in Ukraine include her 80-year-old mother and her two brothers and their families. She continued: "It's heartbreaking.

It's not even a war. It's a brutal, criminal invasion. When someone is killing children, mothers, elderly, I'm a mother, I'm a sister, I'm a daughter. I think it's unbelievable."

Martin earlier told the BBC that security concerns would not slow down Ireland's aid for refugees from Ukraine.

He said: "Our primary impulse is to assist those fleeing war.

"The Irish people are very seized by a series of atrocities that are going on. What we're witnessing on our screens every evening is really shocking people and there is huge human empathy there to help the women and the children."

The Taoiseach said that of the first wave of those arriving from Ukraine, around two-thirds have family connections in Ireland but as time goes on fewer have local connections.

He said Ireland could take in more than 100,000 Ukrainians, adding that while it will be logistically "very challenging", there is money in Covid contingency funds that could be used.

Asked about security checks for those arriving in Ireland, he told the BBC Sunday Morning programme: "There is always a balancing of issues, we keep channels open with our UK counterparts.

"The Home Secretary (Priti Patel) and our Minister for Justice Helen McEntee have been in regular contact. I met with the Prime Minister (Boris Johnson) yesterday. He paid tribute to what Ireland is doing on the humanitarian front." Mr Martin added: "The humanitarian response trumps anything as far as we're concerned.

"We can all see the humanitarian crisis, we do know that that can be exploited by bad actors, but our security personnel will keep an eye on that in a more general way."

Defence Minister Simon Coveney has warned that "no country is safe" despite their neutrality status amid Russia's war against Ukraine.

Coveney declared it is too early to say if a referendum will be held on Irish neutrality and there had been no discussions in Government on the issue.

But he added the term may have to be "redefined" in future if

Ireland wants to remain a neutral state. Coveney, who last week said he doesn't envisage Ireland joining Nato any time soon, said: "There hasn't been a discussion on that issue (a referendum).

"There have been discussions on how Ireland responds to a war in Ukraine, and we are responding on multiple levels.

"The issue on the table right now is how can we contribute to ending this war, this suffering and murdering that is going on and also how we respond to the humanitarian consequences of that and how we contribute to an EU collective debate on common defence and security, because we know Ireland is vulnerable like many countries."

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confirmed Ireland has so far accepted 5,500 people fleeing the Russian invasion. a is from been living 30 years, to be a parade. grateful that Ms Lesyuk said she had goosebumps thinking about the Irish response, adding: "I have no words." from

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***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** will finally be fast-tracked into Britain, under-fire Priti Patel revealed yesterday.

Those with passports could get permission to come here online from Tuesday, the Home Secretary said.

Access will be granted within hours - meaning people fleeing the Russian invasion will not have to queue. Visa Application Centres in Europe will help those without passports.

More than 2.3 million refugees have now left Ukraine. Labour's Yvette Cooper called ministers' approach so far "shameful".

Meanwhile, up to 40,000 Brit hosts will be asked to open their homes to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** under new UK Government plans.

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Exodus ... Ukrainians enter Poland

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Dnipro was among over a dozen cities and towns shelled as Russian forces also tightened their stranglehold on besieged capital Kyiv.

Ukraine's Minister of Foreign Affairs Dmytro Kuleba accused Russian troops of "war crimes" as reports emerged of attacks on kindergartens and orphanages.

And on roads west towards the Polish border, the terrible human cost of deranged Putin's war was laid bare as families were seen trying to escape the fighting.

At least 100,000 Ukrainians have fled the country - with up to five million more expected to also head towards bordering eastern European countries, including Hungary, Slovakia and Romania.

But President Volodymyr Zelenskyy made an order on Thursday that all men aged 18 to 60 are to be conscripted into the army.

And one witness said he watched in horror as Ukrainian troops pulled sons and fathers from cars in front of their terrified families. The Sun joined thousands fleeing for their lives as intense fighting raged five miles north in Kyiv's Obolon suburb, where at least one Russian soldier was reported killed by civilian defenders.

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Yet they were clearly standing firm and ready to fight with rifles and grenade launchers from behind makeshift sandbag fortifications. A formation of four armoured personnel carriers flying Ukraine's yellow and blue flags, with heavily armed troops aboard, raced to defend Kyiv's western flank. Refugees honked car horns in salute.

Six miles west of the strife-torn city centre, hundreds of teenagers walked in line towards the fighting in civilian clothes, carrying backpacks and sleeping bags.

The youngsters - many looking as young as 16 - appeared to be raw recruits answering their country's call to arms.

As dawn broke yesterday, gunfire had been heard in the government quarter of central Kyiv amid fears of a Russian agents' sabotage and assassination mission.

The centre of Kyiv and its iconic

Independence Square were eerily deserted save for small columns of Ukrainian army trucks.

Uniformed troops were joined by locals in jeans and trainers as embattled President Zelenskyy's call to arms was heeded. Ukraine's defence ministry urged citizens to make "Molotov cocktail" petrol bombs in a last desperate defence of the capital.

More than 10,000 assault rifles have been handed out to residents, while many more defended their homes and families with hunting rifles and shotguns.

Ukrainian sources said they expected the capital would be surrounded within the next four days - yet vowed to fight on.

But analysts believed it could be hours before Putin's overwhelming firepower crushed resistance in the capital in a bloodbath unseen in Europe since World War Two.

Further west, as the sun set on another day of carnage, we saw a squadron of Ukrainian T-72 tanks under camouflage netting, preparing to repel an inevitable onslaught.

Meanwhile up to a million terrified refugees were desperately dashing from the outgunned country - but officials warned that could top five million. A witness to the exodus on the Polish border said: "Women and children are heading to the safe zones while the men stay behind to fight to protect their homes."

But another at the Hungary frontier said: "No one wants to get [*www.conscripted.No*](http://www.conscripted.No) one wants to die."

US visitor Manny Marotta, 25, who walked more than 43 miles to the Polish border, said: "There were essentially conscription units pulling every man between the age of 18 and 60 from his family.

"Sons were taken from their mothers as they tried to make it to safety. It was harrowing to see." Meanwhile, a Ukrainian BBC journalist had to watch footage of her family home being bombed while she was on air.

Olga Malchevska was on BBC World News when images of blitzed flats were shown on screen. She said: 'That footage is literally my home. People there were evacuated into the school."

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BORIS Johnson is being urged to create a "freedom visa" for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. MPs want the PM to set up a scheme to take in the most vulnerable families.

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Independence Square were eerily deserted save for small columns of Ukrainian army trucks.

Uniformed troops were joined by locals in jeans and trainers as embattled President Zelenskyy's call to arms was heeded.

Ukraine's defence ministry urged citizens to make "Molotov cocktail" petrol bombs in a last desperate defence of the capital.

More than 10,000 assault rifles have been handed out to residents, while many more defended their homes and families with hunting rifles and shotguns.

Ukrainian sources said they expected the capital would be surrounded within the next four days - yet vowed to fight on.

But analysts believed it could be hours before Putin's overwhelming firepower crushed resistance in the capital in a bloodbath unseen in Europe since World War Two.

Further west, as the sun set on another day of carnage, we saw a squadron of Ukrainian T-72 tanks under camouflage netting, preparing to repel an inevitable onslaught.

Meanwhile up to a million terrified refugees were desperately dashing from the outgunned country - but officials warned that could top five million. A witness to the exodus on the Polish border said: "Women and children are heading to the safe zones while the men stay behind to fight to protect their homes."

But another at the Hungary frontier said: "No one wants to get [*www.conscripted.No*](http://www.conscripted.No) one wants to die."

US visitor Manny Marotta, 25, who walked more than 43 miles to the Polish border, said: "There were essentially conscription units pulling every man between the age of 18 and 60 from his family.

"Sons were taken from their mothers as they tried to make it to safety. It was harrowing to see." Meanwhile, a Ukrainian BBC journalist had to watch footage of her family home being bombed while she was on air.

Olga Malchevska was on BBC

World News when images of blitzed flats were shown on screen. She said: 'That footage is literally my home. People there were evacuated into the school."

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BORIS Johnson is being urged to create a "freedom visa" for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. MPs want the PM to set up a scheme to take in the most vulnerable families.

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**Graphic**

Bombed out . . locals shelter in the basement of a school after missile strike on residential buildingParted by war ... a boy bids farewell to a friend on a busPutin's tiny victims ... newborn intensive care babies in basement

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**Body**

POPE Francis shows he feels on top of the world as he gives a press conference on a plane.

The pontiff, 86, took off on a trip to Hungary, his first since he was discharged from hospital in March.

He joked: "Weeds never die". He met ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in Budapest.

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[*Diarmuid happy at housing Kyiv pair*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65M6-2GV1-DYTY-C4TC-00000-00&context=1519360)

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GARDENER Diarmuid Gavin has said his life has been enriched by welcoming two ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** into his home.

Diarmuid, 58, wife Justine and daughter Eppie, 17, are putting up a mother and daughter at their house in Kilmacanogue, Co Wicklow.

He told the Irish Independent: "The house is big enough and we have the room and they are wonderful people, so it's all a very lovely situation.

"It's Marina the mum and Anna the daughter. The father never left. He is in Kyiv and is in the bakery business.

"Anna already has a job in Trinity College."

Diarmuid wants others to open their hearts and homes to refugees.

It follows an announcement that over half of offers from Irish people to the Red Cross to take in ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have been cancelled.

**Graphic**

Gardens ... Gavin

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[*Refugee fee row*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:659W-6N91-JCBW-N3W0-00000-00&context=1519360)

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LIVELINE offers a glimpse into the best and worst aspects of Irish life.

Yesterday, listeners to Joe Duffy's radio show heard that ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who are being sheltered at an Irish hotel are being asked to pay to use the leisure facilities on site.

To most reasonable listeners, it seems petty and mean-spirited.

But, bizarrely, some callers to the radio programme said they believed the charge was right.

One man told the nation that he would quit using the leisure centre if it opted to waive the fee for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Those housed at the hotel have fled a country where they had comfortable homes and jobs and busy lives.

Their reliance on Irish hospitality is an unfortunate reality no one asked for.

In an unusual show of disgust, Joe Duffy told the caller "shame on you".

Too right, Joe.

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[*Ukraine housing row 'a bit inflated'*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:69GR-7FS1-DYTY-C0T4-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

THE Cabinet row over new proposals to house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in Ireland has been "a bit exaggerated", the Tanaiste claimed yesterday.

Micheal Martin tried to downplay discord on a bid to put a three-month limit on the period the State would be obliged to offer accommodation to people fleeing the war.

The Government is looking at ending the open-ended arrangements amid concerns it will run out of accommodation for new arrivals next year.

Integration Minister Roderic O'Gorman's idea is said to have raised serious concerns among senior Cabinet figures, including the Tanaiste.

But Martin insisted he wasn't "blindsided". And he added: "Ireland has played its part admirably; we shouldn't lose sight of that. As the war goes on, we have to calibrate our response. Reflect on it. That's all very fair."

**Graphic**

Played part ... Martin

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**Body**

THE Scottish Government is looking at "all potential options" to provide accommodation for at least 3,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, a minister declared yesterday.

Neil Gray said he expected the figure to top that and there was no limit on the number that would be given sanctuary.

The MSP, who has special responsibility for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, told BBC's Good Morning Scotland that some may have to enter hotels initially.

He said: "We're going to be looking to utilise all potential options that we have to provide capacity to ensure that we are able to provide sanctuary."

The Scottish and UK Governments will work together to ensure they can help "as quickly as possible", he added.

Mr Gray said offers of support already being made were "overwhelming and heartwarming".

**Graphic**

Sanctuary hopes ... Mr Gray

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NICOLA Sturgeon yesterday said that ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** would find it a struggle living with her.

The First Minister said she would take someone in if necesssary.

She added: "I'm not going to ask other people to do things I wouldn't be prepared to do myself."

But she told the Scottish Refugee Council HQ in Glasgow: "For somebody coming from Ukraine it may be that they wouldn't want to come and live with the First Minister with all the scrutiny that might come with that." Ms Sturgeon went on: "I don't think we should get into a position of making people feel bad if they are not in a position to offer accommodation."

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THE First Minister yesterday announced £15million of Scottish Government funding is being made available to help ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** arriving in the country.

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**Body**

THE Royal Family is helping ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** find safe homes in Britain - including on the Queen's Balmoral estate.

The royals have opened the doors to some of the thousands of properties they own or manage across the country.

But the refugees have not been moved into palaces or with the royals because of "security implications".

A source told The Sun on Sunday: "All royal households have been involved in helping find accommodation for refugees."

Senior Buckingham Palace sources refuse to reveal where any ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** are housed to protect their identity and security.

The Crown Estates owns 7,936 properties and businesses in England and Wales and the royals' move comes as 50,000 Ukrainians have arrived in the UK.

Charles and Camilla, William and Kate and the Queen have all spoken out in support of Ukraine.

Buckingham Palace said: "The Royal Household is looking at a number of ways to offer practical help and support."

**Graphic**

Supportive ... the Queen

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HUNGER is being used as a weapon by Russian soldiers shooting down starving people who try to leave besieged cities in Ukraine, President Volodymyr Zelensky told Ireland yesterday.

And in a historic speech in Dail Eireann, the Ukrainian leader pleaded with Ireland to "show more leadership" by convincing the EU to cut off Russian banks, businesses and fuel in order to stop funding Vladimir Putin's war machine.

Politicians dressed in yellow and blue gave President Zelensky a standing ovation after his address to a joint sitting of the Dail and Seanad ? a rare opportunity given to only a handful of historic figures including John F Kennedy and Nelson Mandela.

Several ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who have fled the war-torn country and come to Ireland also watched their leader speak in the Dail.

These included five-year-old Anastasiia Semenova who fled Kyiv with her mum Yana in recent weeks.

In a speech that was streamed into the Dail, President Zelensky told of the horrors that his country is facing as Russian troops shoot down people who are trying to flee cities that are being locked out of food, water and medical supplies.

After 42 days of war, President Zelensky told how at least 167 children have been killed, 927 schools and colleges blown up, 258 hospitals damaged and 78 ambulances attacked.

He said bombs continue to drop on Ukraine cities "24/7" and revealed that just last night a fuel storage depot was hit by a missile.

The heroic leader said: "Dear people of Ireland, this night our territory was again hit by Russian missiles. It was done cunningly and it hit civilian infrastructure.

"The new fuel storage depot was hit and this is viewed by Russia as a target and this is their attribute. They are destroying things that are sustaining livelihoods to people.

"They are hitting places where we store fuel, food storage depots, agricultural equipment and they are putting mines into fields.

"They also have blocked all of our seaports together with the vessels that had already agricultural cargos exports.

"Why are they doing this? Because for them hunger is also a weapon, a weapon against us ordinary people as an instrument of domination."

President Zelensky detailed how bodies have been left lying on the streets of his cities and told how the horrors seen in Mariupol in recent weeks are also likely happening in other areas of his country that the world has not yet heard of.

Speaking about the city of Mariupol, he said: "While it was snowing people could melt the snow for water. Now they don't have even that.

"They are bombing 24/7 airstrikes and bombing in Mariupol. There is no single house left intact in a half a million city. None.

"The dead and killed were simply buried in the yards of the condominiums and in many cases they couldn't even do that.

"The bodies were just left lying on the streets, in the remnants of the buildings, in the basements and we don't know how many citizens of

Mariupol have been killed by Russia.

"But we know for sure that this was part of a general occupation tactic. They have done the same or they have attempted to do the same with the city of Chernihiv, with the city of Sumy, with the city of Horlivka, Kharkiv, Iyzum, Volnovakha and many other Ukrainian cities.

"Maybe you have not heard those names yet but this is about millions of people that Russia was trying to destroy and continue to do so."

He thanked the people of Ireland for their support from "day one" of the Russian invasion and in particular mentioned the care Irish people have given to "Ukrainian people who found shelter in your land". He said: "The people of Ireland, since the very first day you are supporting good, you are supporting Ukraine and this is a fact.

"You did not doubt starting helping us. You began doing this right away and although you are a neutral country you have not remained neutral to the disaster and to the mishaps that Russia has brought to Ukraine.

"I am grateful to you, to every citizen in Ireland. Thank you for supporting sanctions against Russia.

"Thank you for the humanitarian and financial support extended to our country and thank you for caring about Ukrainian people who found shelter in your land."

President Zelensky also invited Irish people to come to Ukraine after the war to help rebuild his country and noted Ireland's skill in developing our economy.

In his response Taoiseach Micheal Martin told President Zelensky that Ireland will press the EU for the strongest possible sanctions against Russia and will push for Ukraine's accelerated membership of the EU.

The Taoiseach said Ireland will deliver a haul of ambulances, ultrasound machines, mobile x-ray machines, ventilators, and incubators to Ukraine in the coming days.

The Taoiseach was given a round of applause by all politicians, officials and refugees in the Dail when he welcomed all those who have come here to escape the war. He said: "To those who have arrived here from Ukraine, I hope you find in Ireland safe harbour and friendship for as long as you need it."

Reacting to President Zelensky's speech, Tanaiste Leo Varadkar told the Dail that Ireland knows what it is like to be invaded ? referencing our historic occupation by Britain.

The Tanaiste then sent a direct message to Russian leader Vladimir Putin as he warned that his country's war crimes in Ukraine will never be forgotten.

He said: "We here have no quarrel with the people of Russia.

"We particularly admire those extraordinarily brave people who continue to oppose and protest this war on the streets of Moscow and

St Petersburg, despite brutal repression.

"But for those responsible for this conflict, we have a simple message from this House: Your actions will never be forgotten, they will never be forgiven.

"Thanks to the power of modern media, we've seen what you've done. You have made yourselves outcasts in the international community.

"You've strengthened Ukrainian national identity. You've united Europe and the West. And you've made our values shine brighter ever still.

"We are a small country, but we have a voice. And today we say to the world that Ireland stands with Ukraine." @IrishSunOnline

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**Graphic**

Horror ... President Zelensky details Russian atrocities in address to DailDail together ... members of the Oireachtas listen to Zelensky's speecyesterday in joint session

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***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** will be housed in Croke Park, The Irish Sun can reveal.

The Dublin GAA stadium will be used for up to 140 people as the Government faces a severe accommodation shortage.

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Refugees ... Croker

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IRELAND'S ability to house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will become difficult in the coming weeks as supply is now "stretched", Micheal Martin has warned.

More than 20,000 Ukrainian people have already come to Ireland in recent weeks to escape the Russian invasion.

The Government predicts the number of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will rise to 32,000 by Easter weekend and will continue to climb as the war rages on.

Thousands of Ukrainians are currently being housed in hotels, B&Bs and hostels.

More than 20,000 Irish people volunteered to open up their homes to Ukrainian families but this stock is also running out.

Emergency plans have been put in place to temporarily house people who've fled the war in large centres such as Cork's Mill Street Arena and Gormanston Army Barracks.

The Taoiseach yesterday said: "On the accommodation front, it is stretched but there are lots of new initiatives coming on stream. It will be difficult in the coming weeks, of that there is no doubt."

**Graphic**

Preparing for influx ... Gormanston

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**Body**

THE Princess of Wales sends a colourful message to war-torn Ukraine - writing on aid boxes, "we are all thinking of you".

Kate, 41, filled packages with food and toiletries, as well as helping women and children make patriotic blue and yellow ribbons to be sold for the war effort.

The future queen even added her royal handprint to a tree of peace, first created to mark the anniversary of Russia's invasion -

admitting that her gloved print will be a "lot cleaner" than her own children's painting attempts.

Making the unannounced visit to a centre for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, in Bracknell, Berks, she chatted to eight-year-old Liza about the power of music to raise spirits.

And she told volunteers: "Thank you. Please keep up the amazing work you are doing."

**Graphic**

Support ... from Kate. Note, right

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FOR Tania and her fivemonth-old son Alexei, a reassuring check-up from a Red Cross doctor meant one less thing for the young mum to worry over.

It had taken her two days to reach the safety of the clinic in Zahony, Hungary, after she was forced to flee her home in Kamianske, eastern Ukraine, with the tot in her arms.

Dr Julia Mokacy, a paediatrician who volunteers at the makeshift clinic less than a mile from the border, checked little Alexei over before giving him a clean bill of health.

Mum Tania, 26, told The Sun: "In our city, it was still relatively quiet and calm, but we had started to see Ukrainian air defence planes flying past above our home. We could see them shooting down Russian planes.

"That was when my husband insisted that we leave because he was very worried about what could happen to our child."

Working alongside Dr Mokacy was Istvan Csige, a nurse and the team leader at the medical centre, which is helped by donations from The Sun's Ukraine Fund campaign.

'Many of them have been running for a long time' He said: "New mums and pregnant women often come with the same problem. They have been in a very stressful situation and it's not good for them or their baby."

At the H-HERO clinic they can be prescribed medication by Red Cross doctors and nurses who volunteer their time to help refugees.

Istvan explained that sometimes it is just about offering them support and a safe space to recover from their journey.

He said: "The women we see here are often traumatised and PTSD (post-traumatic stress disorder) is a big issue. As Red Cross volunteers we make them feel safe and protected - it's all we can do.

"Being here is a good opportunity for them to stop. Many of them have been running for a long time. Here they can stop, calm down, and rest.

"They can have a shower here and start to feel more normal. It's all about rebuilding their comfort zone a little bit.

"The children are the most vulnerable in this conflict because they are so small and cannot communicate their needs. At H-HERO there are

HELPING OUT . . Ildiko Buncsik, head of charity in toys they can play with and plenty of nappies, food and milk."

Some families were only passing through the facility for a few hours for medical assistance before they continued on the train to Budapest.

Others stayed for a few days with their children, and there are dormitories set up with room for 300 people. Sitting with her children on a bunk bed, Natalia Kuokmany showed me pictures of her nowruined home city, Mariupol.

She left the area more than two weeks ago as the conflict raged.

Natalia, 35, said: "We made it by car to Polohy but got stuck there again after a bridge was blown up.

"We sheltered underground in a basement for 16 days together. It was incredibly scary and we could hear the shelling above us."

Eventually Natalia, her daughter Dorea, two, and her son Stepan, 17, were able to escape and make it by train to Hungary.

At the Red Cross centre, they could rest for a few days with Natalia's sister Milagres, 23, and her children Aleksander, three, and two-year-old Dasha.

On her phone, Natalia looked at pictures of the nursery which Dorea used to attend, which is now a burned-out shell of a building.

Milagres told The Sun: "In Mariupol, they have no way of burying their dead. We are just told to put them out on the balcony or bury them in the back garden.

"Think of how many children haven't been able to be buried.

"We have heard of newborn babies who have died.

"We had to leave - there was no option. We are so grateful to be here with the Red Cross.

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IRISH aid workers have told of the heartbreaking scenes at border crossings as ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** battle the bitter cold and days of waiting to escape.

They have been greeted with "a mix of relief, exhaustion, and grief" from people crossing the border and say they have not met a single person "who doesn't want to go back to their lives in Ukraine".

Ukrainians have been forced to flee their homes in search of safety in neighbouring countries after Russian President Vladimir Putin started his bombardment - even targeting the bombing at civilian buildings.

The invasion has already killed more than 2,000 Ukrainian civilians, with the country's emergency services saying: "Children, women and defence forces are losing their lives every hour."

The UN's Human Rights Office has said shelling from heavy artillery, multi-launch rocket systems and airstrikes is responsible for most of the casualties.

Dubliner Gavin Douglas and Kieran McConville, from Limerick, are part of a Concern Worldwide emergency team assessing border crossings to see where the aid agency can offer assistance.

They have been in Medyka in Poland, Vysne Nemecke in Slovakia, and Siret and Sighetu Marmatiei in Romania.

Speaking of the operation in Poland, Gavin said a reception area has been created roughly seven kilometres from the border to allow Ukrainians to gather essential items before they are transferred to other parts of the country.

Speaking to The Irish Sun, he explained: "People can get food and clothes, things like buggies, car seats, sanitary items, nappies, things like that. Then from there, they generally get lifts to different parts of the country. Or move on in whatever direction they have planned.

"We were at the Medyka border crossing on Tuesday and there is such a steady stream of people coming across, just non-stop.

"Ukraine is a vast country. To get from the East to the West takes a lot of time, so people are exhausted.

"These trips can take like 40, 50, 60 hours. There's walking and a lot of driving involved.

"And they're worried for the family they've had to leave behind. And they're upset about the life they have had to leave behind too.

"We spoke to one girl who was doing well, she had a good job, her own apartment in Kiev - but that's all gone.

"Her whole life that she had built will most likely not be there whenever she gets back.

"What we've seen from the Ukrainian people is an unbelievable resilience, but the decision to flee your country is a big one and it's left people very, very traumatised."

Since the war started on February 24, some 1.5million people have fled Ukraine out of the country's total population of 44million.

Natasha Borzenkova and her two daughters left the heavily-shelled city of Kharkiv to meet her brother Dmitry Rubanov at the Sighetu Marmatiei crossing in Romania.

Natasha said: "I had to leave my husband behind because he is not allowed to go through the border and I had to leave my parents behind because we have older relatives who they have to look after. A lot of families had to be separated."

Ludmila Sokol, a gym teacher from Zaporizhzhia who was heading to Paris to live with a friend, was one of the many to flee Ukraine via Medyka. She described being moved by the mounds of clothes and other personal effects that others had discarded as they fled the fighting.

She said: "You should have seen things scattered along the road. Because the farther you carry things, the harder it is.

According to the United Nations' refugee agency the UNHCR, more than four million refugees may eventually need protection and assistance. It estimated that roughly 650,000 Ukrainians entered Poland before this weekend, with a further 145,000 travelling into Hungary.

Close to 105,000 people have fled to Moldova, over 90,000 have crossed into Slovakia and roughly 58,000 into Romania.

Gavin said the process in place is working, but there are fears that further escalation could cause a surge in attempted border crossings which could overwhelm the system.

He explained: "It is bitterly cold here. So you can imagine that makes things much worse when you're outside for extended periods.

"There are long queues on the Ukrainian side of the border and people are waiting for days to get over into safe countries.

"In the middle of the day, when we were down there, it was one or two degrees. At night, it's much, much colder and people are sleeping in their cars.

"The system in place at the moment is doing a relatively good job, but there is a big fear that they could become overwhelmed if more people are forced to flee." He continued: "We haven't met one Ukrainian who doesn't want to go back to their lives in Ukraine.

"That's the saddest part for them, that in the course of a week, having to pick up what they could and leave everything behind, including family who can't go for one reason or another. That's the most heartbreaking part."

Gavin said the vast majority of people who are coming into neighbouring countries are those who have the means to travel and have family or friends who can help them resettle.

But he warned: "The fear is that the greater crisis that's coming is those who didn't have the means and decided to stay, but who will have no other choice but to flee.

"Those who don't have the means or connections in Europe to move on will mostly likely stick close to the border. And in that case, they'll need support.

"Only time will tell how bad this crisis is going to get. But Concern is looking at figuring out ways to provide money to help people rebuild their lives, because this is hugely traumatic."

Concern is also looking at ways to offer psychological support to those impacted by the invasion - similar to what it did with Syrian refugees.

Gavin said: "What people have witnessed in Kiev, and what happened to their peaceful city, it'll have a really detrimental effect on their mental health. And that's definitely something that will have to be looked at. Concern has helped support these kinds of initiatives in Iraq, in the refugee camps for Syrian refugees, and we've seen it to be hugely beneficial."

Gavin said it is "very heartwarming" to see the level of goodwill from well-wishers and hopes it continues as he believes long term support will be required "to get Ukraine back on its feet".

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**Graphic**

Safe at last ... refugees arrive at Polish border2022 People make their way across a destroyed bridge in city of IrpinHelp team ops ... Kieran

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***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** will finally be fast-tracked into Britain, under-fire Priti Patel revealed yesterday.

Passport holders could get permission to come here online from Tuesday, the Home Secretary said.

Access will be granted within hours - meaning people fleeing the Russian invasion will not have to queue in freezing conditions.

Visa Application Centres in Europe will help those without passports. More than 2.3 million refugees have now left Ukraine. One official said: "The sheer scale is something we haven't seen since World War II."

Labour's Yvette Cooper called the Government's approach "shameful".

Meanwhile, Brits will be asked to open their homes to tens of thousands of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** under new Government plans. Officials want up to 40,000 hosts.

Ukrainians without family links will be able to stay here for 12 months. Civil servants will match them with housing offers from charities, businesses and individuals, after criminal record checks.

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By JOE MORGAN FIREFIGHTERS put out a blaze at a 400-year-old hotel housing ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

The fire was thought to have started shortly after 1am at a property next door before spreading to the roof of the historic Angel Inn in Midhurst, West Sussex.

West Sussex Fire and Rescue Service said: "Over 30 people have been evacuated from the building." No casualties were reported.

**Graphic**

Blaze . . ripped through hotel housing refugees

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THE homeless crisis will not get worse due to the Government's plan to limit accommodation for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** to 90 days, Equality Minister Roderic O'Gorman claims.

More than 100,000 people from Ukraine have to come Ireland since the Russian invasion started.

But the Coalition believes Ireland has reached a point where it can no longer provide unlimited accommodation.

From next January, new arrivals will be given accommodation in reception centres, food, and weekly payments of (EURO)38.80 for 90 days.

After 90 days, the Government expects refugees to leave State accommodation and move to the private sector where they must pay their own way.

But Minister O'Gorman doesn't believe they will end up homeless after their 90 days elapse.

The Green Party TD said: "What's happened in other EU member states is that when a limitation has been introduced to the amount of time Ukrainians can stay in accommodation, it hasn't resulted in homelessness."

Asked if he thinks the new plan will increase the number of homeless in Ireland, Mr O'Gorman said: "No, I don't."

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Minister O'Gorman

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HUNDREDS of people turned out to a memorial for an Irishman who died fighting in Ukraine.

Finbar Cafferkey was defending the country against Russian invaders when he was killed near Bakhmut on April 19.

A service for the 45-year-old was held in Ted Lavelle's pub in Cashel, Achill, on Friday.

Among the mourners were a group of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** now living in Co Mayo.

Finbar's father Tom said his son had been killed with two other volunteers when "they came under heavy and sustained mortar fire".

He vowed to bring his son's remains home.

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Memorial . . Cafferkey

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THE boss of a luxury hotel lost his £120,000-a-year job after ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** housed there blasted its "harrowing" conditions.

Iain Miller was fired after complaints about rats, a broken lift and an "appalling" kids' menu of nuggets and chips.

The refugees were staying at Macdonald Aviemore Resort's Strathspey Hotel, Inverness-shire, after fleeing the Russian invasion, a tribunal in Glasgow heard.

A resident film crew were also unhappy that 85 rooms went un-serviced for five days at the four-star resort.

And managing director Mr Miller also came under fire for "disastrous" party preparations. Staff were still setting up 90 minutes after guests were due to arrive for an 80th birthday bash, it was said.

Mr Miller was sacked last December, six months after resort founder Donald Macdonald concluded the MD had "let the place go". The renowned hotelier "hated" a new menu and criticised the lack of potatoes and broccoli.

Employment judge Rory McPherson rejected Mr Miller's unfair dismissal claim, ruling: "As managing director he was accountable."

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Tribunal ... Mr Miller

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SCOTS prosecutors are set to help nail Vladimir Putin's war criminals, we can reveal.

Law chiefs have agreed to take testimony from ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** now based here.

Last night Tory MSP Jamie Greene said: "It's right that they try to obtain justice for victims of Putin's illegal war."

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THE Princess of Wales carried a yellow and blue bouquet of flowers into a community centre in Bracknell, Berks, where she met ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** and volunteers who were putting together packages of food and toiletries.

Kate also met Ukrainian psychologist Tetiana Sverdlova, who is helping displaced Ukrainians to adjust to their new lives here.

"We are all thinking of you," Kate wrote on one Ukraine-bound package.

Sadly, many of the countries in the West are thinking about Ukraine less and less.

In August, CNN reported that a majority of Americans - 55 per cent - now oppose giving more US aid to Ukraine.

This week Newsweek reported that European support for Ukraine is "plummeting" - down from 55 per cent to 36 per cent.

Increasingly, there are voices saying: enough.

But not here.

This country has been unwavering in its support for Ukraine from the very start of Russia's murderous invasion.

That will not change.

And like Kate the great, we should all be proud of that.

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**Byline:** LAUREN GILMOUR

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MANY ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in Scotland are "living in limbo" on cruise ships, a report warns.

The British Red Cross research says temporary accommodation such as boats and hotels is "inappropriate" for them.

More than 23,000 Ukrainians had arrived by this February 7. But 6,800 remain in temporary "welcome" digs.

That includes 4,400 in hotel rooms and 2,400 on chartered cruise liners in Edinburgh and Glasgow.

Many have been in "windowless" cabins for up to seven months.

The charity's Rob Murray said: "There's a real risk of families becoming homeless or spending long periods in inappropriate accommodation."

The SNP Government was asked for comment.

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Ship ... in Glasgow

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FOUR new tent towns are being created by the Army to deal with Ireland's influx of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Work has begun on a facility at Knockalisheen, Co Clare. It comes as the new hub at Gormanstown barracks took in its first 150 residents. Full Story - Page Two

**Graphic**

Tent town . . at Gormanstown

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THE Scottish Government has blown up to £20million on hotel rooms for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** - that lie empty.

Stats show ministers spent £54,270 on unused accommodation in just one five-week spell.

Critics blame red tape for delays in sponsors taking arrivals into their homes, with the SNP government accused of not doing enough.

Scots Lib Dem leader Alex Cole-Hamilton, below, said ministers' had given a "glacial" response to refugees.

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Mr Wallace said: "He is a spent force in the world and I don't know whether he thinks that's a clever thing to be, but that diminishes his own country in the world and he has to take responsibility for that."

He argued that even if Putin did manage to take Ukraine he no longer had the capacity to occupy it forever.

Mr Wallace added: "He has exhausted his army, he is responsible for thousands of Russian soldiers being killed, responsible for innocent people being killed, civilians being killed in Ukraine."

He said Western action was working on crippling Moscow, with Putin "reducing his economy to zero, because the international community has decided that it is absolutely unacceptable, what he's done". PM Boris Johnson yesterday told his Cabinet the UK was continuing to supply lethal defensive aid and equipment to bolster the Ukrainian forces' resistance in the face of the Russian onslaught.

He insisted the UK would be "as generous as we could" in its support for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, as a row engulfed the Home Office at the slow pace of aid for women and children fleeing Putin's war machine.

The PM promised "we will do more in the coming weeks" amid a Whitehall row over restricting which Ukrainians can come to the UK Last night, Mr Johnson called Zelenskyy a "great statesman". He said: "In a great European capital now within range of Russian guns, President Zelenskyy is standing firm for democracy and for freedom."

In a rare show of complete Commons unity, Labour leader Sir Keir Starmer said: "Every one of us has been moved by the bravery, the resolve, and the leadership of President Zelenskyy.

"Invading troops march through his streets, shells rain down on his people and assassins seek his life.

"No one would have blamed him for fleeing but, instead, he has stayed in Kyiv to lead the Ukrainian people and to fight. He has reminded us that our freedom and our democracy are invaluable." Lib Dem chief Sir Ed Davey even urged the Queen to give Zelenskyy a knighthood.

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POLAND last night gave all of its MIG-29 fighter jets to a US air base to help Ukraine fight Russia and urged Nato allies to follow suit. The old Soviet-era planes - which Ukranians know how to fly - form part of a swap with the Americans, who have offered replacement jets. Defence Secretary Mr Wallace warned the move could antagonise Russia and put Nato allies at risk of being dragged into the war, too.

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ROSANNA Davison last night spoke of her fear after Russian troops seized the Ukrainian town where her surrogate lives in terror.

The Dublin model has offered to give the unnamed woman a home here in Ireland but revealed she's unable to flee the town of Kherson due to the war.

She welcomed three-year-old daughter Sophia via surrogacy in Ukraine in November 2019.

Last week Moscow's troops managed to capture the key port city after days of fighting as their advance slowly grinds across Ukraine.

The city, near Crimea in the south, is home to 300,000 people - and experts say it opens up the pathway for Vladimir Putin's troops to ramp up their advance.

Former Miss World Rosanna, 37, and hubby Wes Quirke offered to open their doors to the woman - who they consider part of the family - and her young daughter.

But sadly the young mum was unable to accept their offer as her location has no agreed evacuation corridor with Russia.

Rosie - who recently donated stacks of old baby clothes to help ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** - also revealed supplies are running low on the ground in the war-torn region.

She told The Irish Sun: "There's no real update on our surrogate's situation I'm afraid.

"She's in a city called Kherson down towards the south of Ukraine and it has been taken by Russian military and they haven't been granted an evacuation corridor as of yet.

"It's extremely worrying, supplies are running low from what she told me. I've been in constant touch with her, today and yesterday, just trying to see if there's anything I can do.

"It would be wonderful if we could get her to a border with her little girl and get her out of the country but so far it hasn't been possible."

Rosie encouraged people to donate what they could and posted online last week: "Sorting through piles of baby stuff, unsurprisingly we have quite a lot of stuff at home. Just for supplies to drop off to be sent to Ukraine tomorrow.

"Things like nappies, these I'd forgotten we had that are too small for them, lots of cotton wool, hygiene supplies, loads of blankets, bottle warmers, loads and loads of bottles that were never used as well.

"Gave them all even more cuddles than normal today after reading about some of the horrors happening to innocent families in Ukraine.

"Unbearable sadness." And Rosanna recently told how she and Wes wanted to do what they could to help and give back to their friend who brought Sophia into their life.

She told RSVP: "She has a little girl and she's sheltering with her family so she doesn't see a way out at the moment but we're really hoping that at some stage it will happen.

"We're obviously very worried for her safety, she's someone that is incredibly special to us because she gave birth to our daughter.

"Without her, we wouldn't have Sophia so we can't even imagine if something happened to her, it would be devastating."

Rosanna and Wes welcomed young Sophia via a gestational surrogate. This means the surrogate carries an embryo created using the parents' egg and sperm, but is not genetically related to the baby.

A year later, the daughter of Lady in Red singer Chris de Burgh naturally conceived identical twins, Oscar and Hugo.

The mum-of-three recently took to Instagram to mark the three-year anniversary of her surrogacy egg retrieval in Kyiv with a photo alongside her husband - just days before the conflict in Ukraine began.

Rosie has since been posting her support for the people of Ukraine and has mentioned Irish Families Through Surrogacy on her Instagram story.

The organisation has been liaising with families who are trying to get their surrogates to Ireland for refuge.

Some 400 surrogate mothers from the war-torn country could be given new homes in Ireland after the Department of Justice relaxed its entry requirements for Ukrainians.

It comes as Kherson mayor Igor Kolykhaiev confirmed the city's capture last week and begged the Russian invaders not to shoot civilians.

He posted at around 1am local time that "armed visitors" had stormed a city council meeting and imposed a curfew.

The mayor also asked the Russians to let crews gather up the bodies from the streets. He said: "I simply asked them not to shoot at people. We don't have any Ukrainian forces in the city, only civilians and people here who want to live."

The mayor said he made "no promises" to the invaders - but confirmed that a new curfew and restrictions on movement were imposed.

He wrote online: "We had no weapons and were not aggressive. We showed that we are working to secure the city and are trying to deal with the consequences of the invasion. We are having huge difficulties with the collection and burial of the dead, the delivery of food and medicine, the collection of garbage, the management of accidents."

He previously warned the besieged Ukrainian city faces a "humanitarian crisis" as he begged for a green corridor to help clear the dead.

A local rabbi, Yosef Wolf, added: "The city is crawling with hundreds of tanks and Russian soldiers, who have published notices forbidding movement of more than two people together in a car and demanding that people raise their arms when approaching checkpoint."

And Gennady Lakhuta, head of the regional administration, added in an online post: "The occupiers are in all parts of the city and are very dangerous."

Russian troops had reportedly been seen pulling down the flags from buildings in the captured town.

One resident told yesterday how shortages of medicine and food in Kherson have left vulnerable people waiting to die.

While shops in the city remain open, supplies are not getting through, according to a local man, who asked to be referred to as James.

He said: "What we have now is a catastrophe in terms of medicine delivery.

"People who struggle for life without medicine - that is the state of emergency right now."

Asked what such people are doing, he said: "I think they just wait to die, that's what they're doing."

James said there were also concerns about food shortages, and revealed there had been no indications from the Russians when supplies might be allowed into the city.

He said: "If some kind of delivery heads to Kherson it has to be guarded and from what I see the Russians are acting with hatred and they just kill for fun.

"This is not what I hear, this is what I see on the pictures - they just shoot at the cars.

"We in Kherson live like in a big aquarium where at any time they could just spoil the water or pump it away."

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**Graphic**

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Mr Wallace said: "He is a spent force in the world and I don't know whether he thinks that's a clever thing to be, but that diminishes his own country in the world and he has to take responsibility for that."

He argued that even if Putin did manage to take Ukraine he no longer had the capacity to occupy it forever.

Mr Wallace added: "He has exhausted his army, he is responsible for thousands of Russian soldiers being killed, responsible for innocent people being killed, civilians being killed in Ukraine." He said Western action was working on crippling Moscow, with Putin "reducing his economy to zero, because the international community has decided that it is absolutely unacceptable, what he's done". PM Boris Johnson yesterday told his Cabinet the UK was continuing to supply lethal defensive aid and equipment to bolster the Ukrainian forces' resistance in the face of the Russian onslaught.

He insisted the UK would be "as generous as we could" in its support for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, as a row engulfed the Home Office at the slow pace of aid for women and children fleeing Putin's war machine.

The PM promised "we will do more in the coming weeks" amid a Whitehall row over restricting which Ukrainians can come to the UK Last night, Mr Johnson called Zelenskyy a "great statesman". He said: "In a great European capital now within range of Russian guns, President Zelenskyy is standing firm for democracy and for freedom."

In a rare show of complete Commons unity, Labour leader Sir Keir Starmer said: "Every one of us has been moved by the bravery, the resolve, and the leadership of President Zelenskyy.

"Invading troops march through his streets, shells rain down on his people and assassins seek his life.

"No one would have blamed him for fleeing but, instead, he has stayed in Kyiv to lead the Ukrainian people and to fight. He has reminded us that our freedom and our democracy are invaluable." Lib Dem chief Sir Ed Davey even urged the Queen to give Zelenskyy a knighthood.

lPOLAND last night gave all of its MIG-29 fighter jets to a US air base to help Ukraine fight Russia and urged Nato allies to follow suit. The old Soviet-era planes ? which Ukranians know how to fly ? form part of a swap with the Americans, who have offered replacement jets. Defence Secretary Mr Wallace warned the move could antagonise Russia and put Nato allies at risk of being dragged into the war, too.

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The question for us now is to be or not to be? Oh no, this Shakespearean question. I can give you a definitive answer. It's definitely yes ...to be We do not want to lose, the same as you once didn't when the Nazis started to fight your country and you had to fight for Britain

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Inspiring ... Zelenskyy's speech to MPs yesterday

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FRANSISCAN Brothers are selling art, furniture, pews and a billiards table to help upgrade ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***' accommodation.

More than 800 ecclesiastical items, worth a total of (EURO)200,000, come from the Franciscan College in Gormanston, Co Meath, and friaries in Athlone, Co Westmeath, and Clonmel, Co Tipperary.

Friaries are being converted to house refugees.

The collection includes the mahogany billiards table worth (EURO)2,000, brass, pews and school benches.

Also for sale is a 19thcentury oil painting called The Inquisition, a marble fire surround and a marble statue of St Joseph and a child. Persian and Afghan rugs are expected to fetch (EURO)2,000.

The online sale is on May 16 and 17. Niall Mullen, who catalogued the lots, said: "This is the finest selection of ecclesiastical items to come on the market in years."

**Graphic**

Up for grabs . . painting

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SOME 33 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** were forced to sleep rough at Dublin Airport on Friday night.

The 33 Ukranians, all single men, were turned away from the Citywest Reception centre and had to kip at Dublin Airport.

It's understood no women or children were turned away.

Minister of State Martin Heydon admitted the Government is struggling with the numbers arriving in the country.

He said: "We are talking about 60,000 people who have come to our shores this year ... that compares to 7,250 this time last year, the equivalent of the population of Waterford City."

**Graphic**

Struggling ... Heydon

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***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** could be housed on a second cruise ship on the Clyde, it is claimed.

The Scottish Government is said to be considering chartering the ship and asking the Army to put up refugees in vacant military digs. It comes after ministers halted their "super sponsor" scheme for three months amid accommodation shortages and a surge in visa applications.

The MS Victoria, docked in Leith, Edinburgh, is already being used to house refugees.

The Scottish Government said no formal request had been made to the MoD but it was "exploring all options."

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[*TRUCKER CAMERON IN AID TO UKRAINE*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:651J-H6W1-DYTY-C2PV-00000-00&context=1519360)

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[*Refugees are great addition for Riley*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:67SR-YJC1-DYTY-C3YW-00000-00&context=1519360)

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COUNTDOWN star Rachel Riley says that hosting ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** is "so rewarding" and the four living with her are "like family".

The maths whizz, 37, added that her young daughters "absolutely love" a little boy they treat as their brother.

She was speaking just over a year after Russia's invasion of Ukraine forced millions to flee the country to safety.

Rachel, married to Russian dancer Pasha Kovalev, 43, told BBC Breakfast: "It is so rewarding and it's working for us.

"Our girls absolutely love having this little boy. It's like they've got an extra brother and he's got sisters to look after.

"He's just turned eight years old. He's really a young man who's had to grow up before his years. We're getting on like one big family. It's a brilliant thing to be able to do."

**Graphic**

Hosting ... Rachel

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OVER 1,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have had to move out of student digs as colleges in Ireland prepare for the new academic year.

The refugees were moved out of colleges in Galway, Sligo, Dublin and Waterford. Some were to be moved to Gormanston military barracks while the Government seeks a longer term solution.

Options include new rapid-build units, hotels, community housing and further tented facilities.

One of those helping with the move, Irish Red Cross secretary general Liam O'Dwyer, said: "It's challenging for the organisations doing the moves and for the refugees and pledgers."

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USING grace-and-favour Government residences as sanctuaries for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** is a no-brainer.

If more than 150,000 ordinary Brits can find space in their homes and hearts for those fleeing Putin's slaughter, then sprawling official estates such as Chequers should also play their part.

There are a few London pads recently vacated by Russian oligarchs that could surely house more worthy occupants too.

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MATT Hancock will be living with seven ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who have fled the warzone from the end of this week.

The ex-UK Health Secretary is bringing the family to his Suffolk pad under the Homes for Ukraine scheme.

He has come to the aid of a constituent and her relatives. The Tory MP will host the family for six months after a "challenging" visa process.

Boris in Kyiv - P12 & 13

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AS more Russian forces mass on their borders, the war is far from over for the people of Ukraine.

But if Vladimir Putin is mad enough to mark the first anniversary of his murderous invasion this week with a fresh offensive, he can be sure it will be met with the same steely resolve and courage with which Ukrainians have faced every previous assault.

Putin thought his annexation of their country would be swift.

But it has been a year of humiliation for the tyrant and his overrated military, and a year when Volodymyr Zelensky and his people have shown immense fortitude and heroism.

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***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** in Dublin are gifted bikes that have had a refit thanks to gardai.

The bikes are unclaimed property and have been made roadworthy by youngsters trained by a mechanic at the HAY youth diversion project in

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Garda Supt Martin Mooney said the idea was "a suggestion by one of the guards here".

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***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** have received hundreds of free tickets to attend Wimbledon.

The freebies are designed to help welcome them to their new homes.

They were dished out at a tennis-themed afternoon tea in the tournament's borough of Merton, South West London. More than 100 families in the borough have rehomed at least 400 Ukrainians fleeing the war.

Wimbledon Foundation head Paige Murphy said: "To be able to provide a unique day when they can hopefully have a bit of respite and really get some enjoyment out of it is incredibly inspiring for us."

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WELL done Colchester who are donating ALL gate receipts from their game against Forest Green Rovers to the British Red Cross to help ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who are fleeing Vladimir Putin's barbaric invasion of their country.

Every ticket will be priced at £10 regardless of concessions and the team will wear the Ukraine national colours of yellow and blue. The kit will also be auctioned to raise more.

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NICOLA Sturgeon yesterday defended housing ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in a disused cruise ship.

The First Minister hit back after critics voiced fears over cramped conditions and a shortage of essential services.

She insisted: "The safety of the vessel and people who'll be temporarily accommodated on it is absolutely the priority of the government."

But Scots Tory Miles Briggs claimed the Nats government had failed to provide "sufficient" accommodation resources.

Ms Sturgeon admitted housing pressures after 7,000 people sought refuge here - despite early plans to support 3,000.

MS Victoria was rented to house some 700 Ukrainians in Leith, Edinburgh.

**Graphic**

Rented ... MS Victoria

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A MOVE to axe a popular military history event because of the Ukraine war has been slammed as "woke tosh".

The annual show has seen 20,000 visitors in previous years but organisers say it would be "incredibly insensitive" to hold it given the Russian invasion.

They added that local ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** may also be upset. But fans of Wicksteed at War, in Kettering, Northants - which features re-enactments and ex-military vehicles - hit back.

One posted: "You didn't cancel for other wars. In short, you're hypocrites."

Another fan added: "What an absolute load of woke tosh."

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A NEW Russian tank captured by the Ukrainians was stuffed with a French company's technology, it was claimed last night.

The T-90 Vladimir was taken at the end of May during a battle in the south of the country.

Ukrainian MP Alex Goncharenko found it was kitted out with equipment branded by French company

Thales. There has been an embargo on European manufacturers supplying Russia with arms since 2014.

Mr Goncharenko said: "The French people opening their doors to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** should be aware they are fleeing a war aided by their country's own firms."

**Graphic**

Enemy kit ... Thales stamp in tank

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PEOPLE who open their homes up to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** won't have social welfare payments cut.

Minister Heather Humphreys will bring forward legislation on the issue.

She said: "Take for example, a pensioner who is in receipt of the living alone allowance and also the fuel allowance.

"So, if they take a Ukrainian into their house it won't effect their social welfare payments.

"It's something that had been raised by a number of older people who were concerned their payments would be reduced, but that will not be the case."

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MICHAEL Gove suggests that Roman Abramovich's £125million home should be converted to shelter ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Good. It may require a change in the law but what a beautiful irony it would be to see those fleeing Putin's murderous regime housed in mansions bought by oligarchs with his blood money.

It's hard to see, however, how the refugee problem will be solved by the Homes for Ukraine scheme. Entirely voluntary, it will depend on an extraordinary level of generosity from Brits.

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The 34-year-old mum saw her husband and 12-year-old daughter murdered, then she and her baby were imprisoned in a dark cellar, where she had to sleep standing up, while other captives died around her.

But she is a survivor - and she and one-year-old daughter Varvara are now making a new life in Britain, where they have been given refuge.

In an exclusive interview, Viktoriia told The Irish Sun: "When I finally arrived in Britain I felt such comfort. I felt safe at last. Half of my heart died with my family and half lives for Varvara, so I will celebrate Christmas and make her happy."

In the new year Viktoriia plans to make a complaint of war crimes against Vladimir Putin's forces for the trauma that ripped apart her family.

Ukrainian and United Nations investigators have concluded that Russia has committed war crimes, and they have made the investigation of human rights violations a priority.

Viktoriia is one of many victims.

Her ordeal began when the family - she and husband Peter, their 12-yearold daughter Veronika and little Varvara, who turns two next month - tried to flee the Russian invasion.

On March 5, near the village of Yahidne, their car was forced to a stop by large rocks blocking the road. But as Peter got out to move them, Russian soldiers opened fire.

Viktoriia said: "I didn't see them. It came from nowhere. I think it was a sniper. We were in the line of fire."

Bullet holes

Their car windows shattered and she was showered by shards, leaving her hair covered in blood.

Viktoriia said: "I had Varvara in my arms and Veronika was sitting next to me. Veronika opened the door and started to get out, and I followed.

"I didn't see what happened, but as I got out of the car I realised my daughter was on the road and she had no head."

Still under fire, Viktoriia clambered into a roadside ditch, using her body to shield her baby.

She continued: "I saw my husband in the car and he wasn't moving and I realised he had died.

"I couldn't see the blood as the airbag had gone off and I could only see his leg. The car was on fire."

Viktoriia lay there for several minutes as shots rang out around them, then ran for shelter in an abandoned car riddled with bullet holes.

She then found the courage to run a further 100 metres, while shielding her baby, with bullets still firing around her, to a deserted government building that had previously been used by Ukrainian troops.

There was no running water, heat or electricity, but they did find discarded tins of meat and partly-drunk bottles of water left by troops.

Viktoriia said: "At night the shelling was going on around me and the building shook and windows smashed.

"It was cold, we were alone. I didn't have nappies or clothes as they were burned in the car. I had long hair and I cut it off as it was so matted with blood."

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She said: "I couldn't cry. I was numb. I was ready to die too. Varvara was my saviour. She is my reason to live."

Viktoriia asked Russian soldiers to recover her husband and daughter's bodies so they could be buried. They agreed on March 12. She said: "A different group of Russian soldiers helped me from the ones that held us. I went to a forest with three of them.

"They took the bodies of my relatives into a forest. There were two crosses. When we were in the forest firing started. They ran, as there was shooting.

"One of the Russian soldiers put me to the ground and he protected me. In Yahidne there were around 2,000 soldiers and some soldiers killed people, some helped." Around three weeks later, the Russians began their retreat from the north of Ukraine and Viktoriia was able to flee.

Her husband's parents, who lived three miles away, found her and she then travelled on to Lviv, where she was introduced to British entrepreneur Derek Edwards, co-founder of UK charity Nadiya.

Selfless people

The charity has helped nearly 200 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** into the UK with approved visas, and promised to do the same for Viktoriia and several of her relatives.

But first, she had to get new passports for herself and Varvara, due to problems with her visa application. And that meant she had to return to the flat where the family had once happily lived. She said: "I walked around the flat and my mind refused to believe that this is now my reality.

It was still standing. I thought, 'Why has my daughter died and my flat is OK?'

"I felt like a child who wants a miracle to happen, to turn back time, for someone almighty to return my loved ones to me."

Further paperwork problems meant she was trapped in limbo from May 2 until last week, when Derek himself drove to the Polish- Ukrainian border to fetch her and Varvara, along with Viktoriia's brother Yuri, 35, his wife Tamara, 28, and their children Sasha, eight, and Olga, three.

Viktoriia said: "I couldn't believe there were selfless people like Derek. I had such emotion at what people have done for us in Britain and also for other Ukrainian people."

Viktoriia arrived in Britain on Saturday, and is now living in Kent, in a home provided by the Diocese of Canterbury.

Derek said: "I found out about Viktoriia's harrowing ordeal and I was determined to help her. After weeks of phone contact I met her for the first time on April 24 and I was struck by what an amazingly resilient woman she is. She has suffered unimaginable horror.

"I sobbed when they opened the door to their new home. It means the world to me that they are finally safe. But there's thousands of other Ukrainians who aren't." It is now more than six months since the Government's Homes For Ukraine scheme launched, in which British people offered to accommodate Ukrainians for at least six months. As a result, many refugees have come to the end of their sponsorship period.

Figures released this week show more than 2,000 Ukrainian families with children in Britain, as well as 900 individuals, have registered with local councils as having nowhere to live.

With no credit history and without guarantors, many find it hard to find property in the private sector, even if they have a job.

Nadiya is trialling a 100-home project around Milton Keynes in Bucks to offer assistance as guarantors, help with deposit payments, and three months rent paid up front.

Derek added: "But we also have 200 people still waiting in Ukraine for sponsorship with people in the UK. We desperately need sponsors for them.

Viktoriia's family sponsor, Rev Julian Staniforth, of the Diocese of Canterbury, said: "They've been through things we simply can't imagine, but we hope that in some small way we can make life feel a little bit safer and a little bit happier for them."

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Her dress resembled a plastic bag with a goldfish in it. Perhaps she won it at the fair. lROD

Stewart has rented and furnished a home for seven ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** fleeing the war with Russia. He gives us all reason to believe there are still good folk out there.

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**Byline:** Rod Liddle

**Body**

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They don't like the fact that we have opened our doors to as many as want to come.

We didn't do that with the Syrians, they say - racist Europe!

No, not racist. The vast majority of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** are women and children fleeing a war zone. The men have stayed to fight.

The vast majority of refugees from the Middle East are young men. They are not refugees, but economic migrants.

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RETIRED mum Theresa Britton says she has been trying for weeks to open up her home to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Theresa, 56, spoke with husband Ronnie, who works for a drilling firm, and the pair agreed they could house a family fleeing from war.

With son Connor, 22, having recently moved out, she said: "I am heating the house for two when I could be heating it for eight. I could be making a pot of soup for ten instead of two. "I just want to welcome those poor kids running from war and give them somewhere they feel safe."

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RAHEEM STERLING scored his first Chelsea goal in Kalidou Koulibaly, a £35million signing from Napoli, made his first start for the Blues while N'Golo Kante and Mason Mount were also on target.

Eddie Howe admits NEWCASTLE are unlikely to sign another forward before next weekend's Prem opener.

After Chris Wood's goal secured a 1-0 victory over Atalanta, the Toon boss said: "I wouldn't have hoped to be in this situation."

EVERTON fan Paul Stratton came on as a last-minute sub and scored a penalty in front of the Gwladys Street Stand against Dynamo Kyiv - the Toffees won 3-0.

Stratton, who kissed the badge after his strike, has been delivering supplies to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

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**Byline:** DAVID YOUNG

**Body**

A LETTER written by the President's wife has been described as a "slap in the face" for refugees who have come to Ireland.

Sabina Higgins wrote to The Irish Times last week saying fighting in Ukraine would go on until the world persuades Vladimir Putin and Volodymr Zelensky to agree to talk.

Fine Gael Senator John McGahon has called on Michael D Higgins to clarify if he was aware of the contents of the letter.

Mr McGahon said: "I think the comments that she has made is a slap in the face to the 47,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who have come to this island."

The President's office has been asked to comment.

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**Byline:** MARK MAY

**Body**

THE Government must incentivise holiday home owners to open up their properties to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, a Fine Gael senator has claimed.

Housing spokesman John Cummins said: "Around 16,950 people fleeing Ukraine are seeking accommodation from the State. In the last Census, 62,148 housing units were iden- 'Incentivise'... John Cummins tified as holiday homes. If we accessed ten per cent of those, 6,000 properties would be available for 18,000 refugees.

"As part of an incentivisation scheme between the State and a holiday home owner, a 12- month lease could be agreed with rent of between (EURO)800 to (EURO)1,000 per month."

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AS the Government asked us last week to offer up rooms in our homes to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** now fleeing Russian invaders, many contemplated answering the call.

Phones 4u billionaire John Caudwell went one step further and vowed to make available a whole cottage, with food and utilities all paid for.

Granted, the man does have an entire estate in Staffordshire - and a spare two-bedroom coach house in the grounds that he is offering - but I nonetheless do admire his generosity of spirit.

**Graphic**

PLEDGE ... Caudwell

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THE Government will consider a proposal to lease Dublin's Citywest Hotel for two years to accommodate ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** fleeing the war.

The hotel and conference centre is currently holding 2,300 people fleeing Russian President Vladimir Putin's war.

Bosses at the Tetrarch Capital-owned facility, have been in discussions with Ministers about a long-term lease.

Minister for Rural and Community Development Heather Humphreys is seeking Cabinet approval for (EURO)10.5m in funding.

About (EURO)5million will be invested in the Ireland for Ukraine Fund, (EURO)5million will be used to support local development companies, and (EURO)500,000 will support volunteer centres that have an increased demand for their services.

**Graphic**

Haven ... Citywest

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Almost 6,000 gaffs were put forward to the Irish Red Cross to put up some of the 23,000 people who have fled here so far.

Secretary general Liam O'Dwyer said: "We focused on vacant houses initially and what we found is that there is about 16 per cent who when contacted have just decided to change their minds. Then there is another 44 per cent who aren't contactable, in the sense that they have been rung three times."

**Graphic**

Red Cross ... Liam

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**Body**

EVER wonder why the Home Office has for so long been political kryptonite for any Cabinet minister appointed to lead it?

The latest insight into the day-to-day priorities of the department's floundering civil servants may offer a clue.

Staff working on immigration services have been ordered to end all emails by declaring whether they are a man, woman or non-binary - which ironically has resulted in complaints that the Home Office is breaching the Equalities Act.

Is it too much to hope they might worry less about policing pronouns - and more about processing the visas of desperate ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***?

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[*NO WAY, HOME; Tuesday, April 12, 2022 ............... 15 Clemmie Moodie*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:656N-MK11-DYTY-C4RS-00000-00&context=1519360) [*clementine.moodie@thesun.co.uk*](mailto:clementine.moodie@thesun.co.uk)

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[*Refugees move out from unis*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:665Y-XCC1-DYTY-C4CB-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** GRAINNE NI HAODHA

**Body**

SIMON Harris has said ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will soon begin to leave student accommodation.

They'll move out on a phased basis over the next few months as the State continues to grapple with housing pressures.

Around 5,700 college bedrooms were offered up and Harris said: "About 3,000 of that is coming back, kind of now, as we speak."

The Higher Education Minister revealed other refugees would remain in student accommodation until the winter.

The Government last month said it was out of State accommodation for arriving refugees and had to temporarily house them in Army tents.

It also faces a lack of affordable student gaffs, with Harris admitting the State faces a balancing act to meet the needs of various groups.

**Graphic**

Minister ... Harris

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**Body**

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He said: "It couldn't have been better."

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He has now rowed 44 out of a planned 100 miles and has raised £8,000 for Children on the Edge, which helps ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

He added: "The Ukrainians need every help they can possibly get. But it's not all about money. It's about putting smiles on people's faces."

**Graphic**

Start . . Mick yesterday

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[*Refugees ferry plan slammed*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6600-RFY1-DYTY-C1W1-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** DAN VEVERS

**Body**

THE SNP Government has been blasted by a UK minister over its plan to house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** on a ferry.

Lord Richard Harrington called for an official probe to ensure the Estonian ship is "seaworthy and has appropriate accommodation".

In a letter, the refugees minister said stays on the vessel for people fleeing Russia's invasion should be "as short as possible".

The peer also asked why UK Government permission wasn't sought before the boat and its crew were allowed to berth at Leith, Edinburgh.

It comes after Nats ministers announced up to 700 Ukrainians would stay there temporarily.

Tory MSP Miles Briggs said: "UK ministers were left in the dark." But the Scottish Government insisted: "No immigration rules have been broken."

**Graphic**

Blast ... Harrington

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[*UK VISA U-TURN*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:64YV-RJD1-DYTY-C2K1-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** JONATHAN REILLY ;NATASHA CLARK

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**Graphic**

Exodus ... Ukrainians enter Poland

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[*'Refugee welcome still warm'*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:66XF-8W41-DYTY-C15B-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** MARK MAY

**Body**

TAOISEACH Micheal Martin has appealed for people to continue to "warmly" welcome ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** in their communities.

Mr Martin said there should be consultation with communities about accommodation, but that the country is dealing with a "very significant" migration issue.

His comments come after residents in East Wall, Dublin, held a protest on Saturday over housing for refugees in the area.

Mr Martin said: "First of all, we have an unprecedented number of people having to flee Ukraine because of the brutal war Putin is raging. And Putin wants these type of issues to arise in societies.

"He is weaponising migration, Russia are bombing infrastructure ... to, in many ways, provoke more people to leave Ukraine."

He added: "And that's clearly the agenda over the winter period, as well as the weaponisation of food and the weaponisation of energy, which has led to the energy prices increases and the energy crisis more generally.

"So as a society I would appeal that we hold this together."

**Graphic**

Protests ... East Wall

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[*Help refugees*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65N7-XV51-JCBW-N3JB-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

A NEW system to make it easier for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** to register in Ireland has been announced.

Currently, the tens of thousands fleeing the war in their home country must sign up for necessities in Dublin.

But under new plans, regional hubs will be set up to welcome those arriving in through different counties.

A reception area has already been set up in Rosslare Port for Ukrainians with similar hubs in Limerick and Cork. And soon they will be able to help them sign up for a PPS number and State aids.

Although those fleeing the war surely do not wish to be here, it's vital every effort is made to ensure things are made as easy as possible for them here.

They have been through more than enough already.

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[*Illness is 'in order' at centre*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6585-F151-DYTY-C08C-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** MARIJA VOZNUKA

**Body**

THE mystery illness outbreak at a Cork refugee centre is "under control" after 30 people had reported feeling unwell.

Some 46 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** fleeing war are currently based in an emergency rest centre in Banteer, north Co Cork.

They had reported symptoms such as headaches, dizziness, nausea, fever and coughing.

HSE medics rushed to the centre to help.

A Cork consultant today confirmed that the situation was "under control", and added that a Ukrainian family who were taken to hospital have been discharged.

Dr Jason Van Der Velde said that "everything is in order now". He said an outbreak was inevitable when a large number of "vulnerable people" were displaced from their homes.

**Graphic**

Outbreak ... refugees

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[*'NO ROOM FOR REFUGEES'*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:66RJ-XP11-DYTY-C1VJ-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** AOIFE HORAN

**Body**

THE Ukrainian Ambassador to Ireland is warning people fleeing the Russian invasion that the Irish Government cannot guarantee them accommodation.

Larysa Gerasko said that she is advising Ukrainian people to consider taking refuge in other countries due to the housing crisis here.

Speaking to RTE News, the Ambassador "underlined" her gratitude to the Irish Government and Irish people for their welcome of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** fleeing "under such horrible circumstances". But she said the Embassy are aware of the struggles to get accommodation.

She said: "We shared on Ukrainian media and on our social media of our embassies, the information that the Irish Government cannot guarantee accommodation for Ukrainians because of lack or absence of such accomodations. And I asked Ukrainians to plan their visits, transfer or fleeing the war might be to other countries."

The warning to citizens planning to come to Ireland to escape the Russian invasion was shared on the Embassy's social media pages.

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**Graphic**

Ambassador . . Larysa

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[*Hancock to host 7 Ukraine refugees*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6567-PGY1-JCBW-N47T-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

MATT Hancock will be living with seven ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who have fled the warzone from the end of this week, we can reveal.

The former Health Secretary is bringing the family and their four dogs to his Suffolk property under the Homes for Ukraine scheme.

He has come to the aid of a female constituent whose mum, two sisters, niece, nephew and his partner along with her nephew's gran are heading to the UK.

The Tory MP will host the family for six months after calling the visa process a "challenge".

He told The Sun on Sunday: "I got into this by instinctively making an offer to a constituent whose family was in desperate need."

Boris in Kyiv - P12&13

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[*Jack art's £7.5k for refugees*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:66NM-22B1-DYTY-C2DG-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** GEORGE MAIR

**Body**

A UNIQUE work of art donated by Jack Vettriano has raised £7,500 for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

The artist, 70, gave his painting Still Life to the United Nations agency UNHCR, which is helping people displaced by the Russian invasion.

He completed it in the 1980s after he'd started using his mum's maiden name instead of his real surname Hoggan. But he misspelled it "Vettrano".

Jack, from Methil, Fife, told how he believes it's the only 'still life' piece he has ever produced.

He said: "It was in my studio for 30 years but I think it's a lovely little painting. I think this is a good time to let it go."

He added: "We have all been moved by the plight of the ordinary Ukrainian people caught up in the fighting and forced to abandon their homes."

The work went under the hammer at Bonhams in Edinburgh this week.

**Graphic**

Donation ... Vettriano

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[*Aslan to release Ukraine song film*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65S1-J591-DYTY-C302-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** CLAIRE HEALY

**Body**

ROCKERS Aslan will feature in a documentary to commemorate their charity single for Ukraine.

The show follows the band as they work with a choir of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** and the Irish Red Cross to record a new version of 1968 hit This Is.

The song - This Is For Ukraine - is on sale from June 29 with funds raised helping charities in Ireland and Ukraine to support those affected by Russia's invasion.

Virgin Media will broadcast the documentary on the same night at 9pm. The one-hour programme will also tell the stories of newly-arrived Ukrainian immigrants.

Aslan members Christy Dignam, Alan Downey, Joe Jewell and Billy McGuinness and band manager Denise McCormack said: "We have met so many amazingly brave people from the Ukraine and to hear their experiences is heartbreaking."

**Graphic**

This Is ... Aslan

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[*Tintanic solo row by Major Mick, 81*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:660M-MWD1-DYTY-C46S-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Graphic**

Start . . Mick yesterday

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[*Out of service*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:660D-NW31-DYTY-C2K5-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

TWO weeks ago we found out ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** arriving in Scotland will be housed on a disused cruise ship.

Those fleeing their war-torn country will be forced to live in cramped conditions with real concerns over their living standards and access to services.

Now, no one can question the Scottish Government's desire to help with their "super sponsor" scheme. But, a fortnight on we are still no clearer on how long refugees will have to live aboard a vessel docked in Edinburgh, whether children will be able to access education or what services they will have.

So the question this SNP administration must answer is, why weren't resources in place before they announced the scheme? And how could officials not have foreseen the "pressures" it would put on services.

Simply defending their willingness to help does not make the problems go away.

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[*Labour's homes to refugees legal bid*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:658V-5DX1-DYTY-C10N-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** ADAM HIGGINS

**Body**

LOCAL authorities should be given the power to force owners to rent out their empty homes for ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, the Labour Party says.

The Government is struggling to find places for the number of people who are coming to Ireland to escape the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Over 25,000 Ukrainians have arrived, with Government predictions saying 33,000 may seek accommodation by the end of May.

Labour Senator Rebecca Moynihan said: "I am calling on Government to bring in temporary compulsory rental powers to get more houses into supply.

"Almost every community in Ireland can point to vacant homes simply not in use and needed now more than ever.

"It is our obligation to ensure refugees are supported and protected when they arrive."

**Graphic**

Rule call ... Moynihan

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[*Govt gaff delivery's 'too slow'*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:657B-CRG1-DYTY-C4NV-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** BARRY MORAN

**Body**

AFFORDABLE housing needs to be delivered quicker than it is being done, Sinn Fein insists.

Housing spokesperson Eoin O Broin said it's essential after official stats reveal gaff prices have soared 15.3 per cent since February 2021.

He said: "This unsustainable rise is another symptom of a broken housing system - a housing system that needs fundamental reform, and this Government's housing plan just doesn't cut it.

"In light of a shrinking rental sector and a rising housing need, including the housing needs of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, the Government must now accept its housing plan's been overtaken by ever growing housing need.

"The Government must prioritise the delivery of good quality, affordable homes more quickly."

**Graphic**

Speed call ... O Broin

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[*Edward in Duke birthday title joy*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:67RP-3J81-DYTY-C37C-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** MATT WILKINSON

**Body**

KING Charles has named Prince Edward the new Duke of Edinburgh.

He gave the title to his youngest brother on his 59th birthday yesterday.

Edward's 15-year-old son James takes on his father's former title as Earl of Wessex.

And Edward's wife Sophie, 58, is promoted from Countess of Wessex to Duchess of Edinburgh.

But there is no change in titles for their daughter Lady Louise, 19, who is studying at St Andrews University.

Edward, who is 13th in line to the throne, takes on the dukedom almost two years after the death of his father Prince Philip, who was given the title in 1947.

However, it is not hereditary so when Edward dies it could go to another senior royal.

It is a prestigious title but does not come with land or income. Edward will, however, take over the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme.

Buckingham Palace said yesterday: "The new Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh are proud to continue Prince Philip's legacy of promoting opportunities for young people of all backgrounds to reach their full potential."

The new Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh were in the city yesterday, top. They celebrated its efforts supporting ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** a year after the invasion.

**Graphic**

Legacy ... Philip

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[*Fears for trafficked Ukraine refugees*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:653G-3361-JCBW-N1VH-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** CRAIG FARRELL

**Body**

HUMAN trafficking checks in Ireland need an urgent overhaul to help protect ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***, it has been claimed.

Charities in the sector have lobbied Justice Minister Helen McEntee TD over the National Referral Mechanism, which they say is not fit for purpose.

Immigrant Council of Ireland's CEO, Brian Killoran, said: "Over the coming months, thousands of extremely vulnerable Ukrainian women and children will enter the country - we must do all we can to protect them.

"But the current NRM - in particular the identification system - will not be able to deal with an increase in victims."

They requested that Minister McEntee urgently consults with civil society organisations on the subject.

Mr Killoran added: "We need a robust system which will allow us to identify victims."

**Graphic**

Minister McEntee

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[*MANSION FOR REFUGEES*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:66ST-SC41-JCBW-N4T8-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** DARRAGH McDONAGH

**Body**

A GROUP of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** look to have landed in the lap of luxury in this (EURO)2million Georgian mansion after fleeing war in their home country.

Around 35 Ukrainians will be housed at Ballinafad House in Co Mayo.

The historic manor in Belcarra boasts its own chapel, theatre and function rooms.

The main house has 37 bedrooms and 16 bathrooms over four floors, while an adjoining priest's house has ten bedrooms and eight bathrooms.

The property was built in 1827 and was once part of a 1,000-acre estate but it fell into disrepair in the 1970s.

It was purchased by Australian Bede Tannock who began renovating it in 2014, with the work featuring on RTE's Great House Revival in 2018.

The refugees' arrival was delayed pending the outcome of a fire safety risk assessment, but the council said this issue has now been resolved. The number of refugees living in the pad is expected to rise "in due course".

**Graphic**

SWANKY PAD The renovation of the rooms at Ballinafad House featured on Great House Revival

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[*BRAIN DRAIN BID*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6514-JJ81-DYTY-C0RP-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** JONATHAN REILLY

**Body**

BRITAIN should set up a fast-track visa scheme to spark a brain drain from Vladimir Putin's Russia, a leading think-tank has said.

It would boost the UK while hitting Mad Vlad's war effort, The Adam Smith Institute argued.

Russia and Belarus should get target nation status that eases immigration hurdles but stops migrants sending cash home, it says.

The institute's Daniel Pryor said: "We should rob Putin's regime of its brightest by doing more to attract highly skilled Russians and Belarusians - who have been vetted."

It comes as thousands of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** could arrive in the UK next week before necessary checks on housing are carried out.

Refugee minister Lord Richard Harrington told MPs some might have to be put up into hotels.

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Wales v Ukraine Tomorrow, 5pm

WALES will bank almost £10million if they qualify for the World Cup.

Gareth Bale and Co bid to make history in Cardiff tomorrow by defeating Ukraine and ending their 64-year finals drought.

Welsh FA chief executive Noel Mooney revealed: "There's £8m on offer for teams that qualify for the World Cup - that's great.

"On top of that, we have sponsorships that kick in, some around £1m.

"There is a briefcase sitting on the halfway line worth somewhere like £10m to the winners."

***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** will be given 100 tickets by the FAW for the sold-out play-off final.

Wales' First Minister Mark Drakeford said: "I am sure the game will be very competitive - there is a big prize to be won."

Wales special - P72, 73

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BALE ... historic match

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AN emergency housing summit will be held next week as the Government struggles to find accommodation for the 32,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** expected to arrive here by the Easter weekend.

It comes as Ministers were warned the war in Ukraine is a threat to the Government's Housing for All Strategy.

The Cabinet was yesterday told the estimated cost of housing Ukraine refugees in hotels and short-term accommodation Arriving will cost (EURO)500m for every 10,000 people.

Around 580 people from Ukraine are arriving in Ireland every day with 81 per cent seeking State accommodation.

The Department of Housing will hold an emergency summit next week with construction industry figures and estate agents to develop a long term plan. It's believed the Government will issue a nationwide call for buildings that can be revamped. Ukrainians

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Arriving ... Ukrainians

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MORE than 100 companies have pledged to hire ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** when they arrive in the UK.

The initiative, launched by Emma Sinclair, of software corporation Enterprise Alumni, has seen firms as diverse as pharmaceutical giant AstraZeneca and food producer Bernard Matthews get ready to offer jobs to those fleeing the war zone.

Among the largest hirers is Aldi, which has 8,000 jobs on offer. Kelly Stokes, recruitment director, said: "We stand by the people of Ukraine and want to offer employment opportunities for those seeking refuge in the UK.

"By working with the Government, partners and other employers, we hope to help as many people as possible and provide much-needed stability and security in their lives."

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THE first ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have arrived in Scotland. We welcome them and salute their courage.

Scotland and the rest of the UK has a rich heritage in sheltering those in need of sanctuary. These are families just like us, yet they have been forced to flee unimaginable horrors, their worlds turned upside down by barbarism.

We also know the path of Ukranians attempting to reach our shores has not been smoothed by the UK Government.

As we told this week, the response of Priti Patel's Home Office has been shameful. That must change, immediately. In the meantime, we hope Scots will welcome refugees with open arms.

Already, we have shown huge generosity in raising funds and providing vital supplies for the people of Ukraine.

In their hour of need, our solidarity and hospitality is the least we can offer.

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Further paperwork problems meant she was trapped in limbo from May 2 until last week, when Derek himself drove to the Polish- Ukrainian border to fetch her and Varvara, along with Viktoriia's brother Yuri, 35, his wife Tamara, 28, and their children Sasha, eight, and Olga, three.

Viktoriia said: "I couldn't believe there were selfless people like Derek. I had such emotion at what people have done for us in Britain and also for other Ukrainian people."

Viktoriia arrived in Britain on Saturday, and is now living in Kent, in a home provided by the Diocese of Canterbury.

Derek said: "I found out about

Viktoriia's harrowing ordeal and I was determined to help her. After weeks of phone contact I met her for the first time on April 24 and I was struck by what an amazingly resilient woman she is. She has suffered unimaginable horror.

"I sobbed when they opened the door to their new home. It means the world to me that they are finally safe. But there's thousands of other Ukrainians who aren't." It is now more than six months since the Government's Homes For Ukraine scheme launched, in which British people offered to accommodate Ukrainians for at least six months. As a result, many refugees have come to the end of their sponsorship period.

Figures released this week show more than 2,000 Ukrainian families with children in Britain, as well as 900 individuals, have registered with local councils as having nowhere to live.

With no credit history and without guarantors, many find it hard to find property in the private sector, even if they have a job.

Nadiya is trialling a 100-home project around Milton Keynes in Bucks to offer assistance as guarantors, help with deposit payments, and three months rent paid up front.

Derek added: "But we also have 200 people still waiting in Ukraine for sponsorship with people in the UK. We desperately need sponsors for them.

Viktoriia's family sponsor, Rev Julian Staniforth, of the Diocese of Canterbury, said: "They've been through things we simply can't imagine, but we hope that in some small way we can make life feel a little bit safer and a little bit happier for them."

l To donate to Project Nadiya, which is fundraising for Viktoriia's family and other refugees, or to inquire about becoming a sponsor, see homesfor [*www.ukraine.org*](http://www.ukraine.org).

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Further paperwork problems meant she was trapped in limbo from May 2 until last week, when Derek himself drove to the Polish- Ukrainian border to fetch her and Varvara, along with Viktoriia's brother Yuri, 35, his wife Tamara, 28, and their children Sasha, eight, and Olga, three.

Viktoriia said: "I couldn't believe there were selfless people like Derek. I had such emotion at what people have done for us in Britain and also for other Ukrainian people."

Viktoriia arrived in Britain on Saturday, and is now living in Kent, in a home provided by the Diocese of Canterbury.

Derek said: "I found out about

Viktoriia's harrowing ordeal and I was determined to help her. After weeks of phone contact I met her for the first time on April 24 and I was struck by what an amazingly resilient woman she is. She has suffered unimaginable horror. "I sobbed when they opened the door to their new home. It means the world to me that they are finally safe. But there's thousands of other Ukrainians who aren't." It is now more than six months since the Government's Homes For Ukraine scheme launched, in which British people offered to accommodate Ukrainians for at least six months. As a result, many refugees have come to the end of their sponsorship period.

Figures released this week show more than 2,000 Ukrainian families with children in Britain, as well as 900 individuals, have registered with local councils as having nowhere to live.

With no credit history and without guarantors, many find it hard to find property in the private sector, even if they have a job.

Nadiya is trialling a 100-home project around Milton Keynes in Bucks to offer assistance as guarantors, help with deposit payments, and three months rent paid up front.

Derek added: "But we also have 200 people still waiting in Ukraine for sponsorship with people in the UK. We desperately need sponsors for them.

Viktoriia's family sponsor, Rev Julian Staniforth, of the Diocese of Canterbury, said: "They've been through things we simply can't imagine, but we hope that in some small way we can make life feel a little bit safer and a little bit happier for them."

l To donate to Project Nadiya, which is fundraising for Viktoriia's family and other refugees, or to inquire about becoming a sponsor, see homesfor [*www.ukraine.org*](http://www.ukraine.org).

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**Graphic**

HOPE ... Viktoriia nowKEEPING TALLY ... captives count off days on a door in school basement and inset, children's artAT PEACE ... Peter's graveSLAUGHTERED ... 12-year-old Veronika was killed in the Russian attack

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PART of Dublin's iconic music venue, Vicar Street, is being made available to help ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Fine Gael Senator Mary Seery Kearney said an 8,000 sq ft area is available for use to assist the response effort for those forced to abandon their homes in Ukraine.

And a link has been posted on Facebook where organisers can pitch ideas for the space to be used for the likes of coffee mornings and fundraisers. Senator Kearney said: "I want to particularly thank Harry Crosbie, Peter Aitken, the Promoter, and all artists at Vicar St for dedicating a 8,000 sq ft space at this exceptional venue.

"It is great to have access and use of such a location at the heart of the city. Harry said that the 'the loading dock' can now be used for events such as giant coffee mornings, art shows and fundraisers of all kinds."

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THE Defence Forces have set up emergency tent accomodation at Gormanston military camp in Co Meath to host refugees fleeing the Ukraine war.

The facility will be able to host up to 320 people in shared spaces in the event that there is a shortage of rooms in hotels or houses.

More than 12,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have arrived in Ireland since the Russian invasion began just over four weeks ago.

Temp accommodation facilities are also being planned for the Green Glens Arena in Mill Street, Cork and the National Show Centre in Swords, north Dublin.

Senator Ger Craughwell said the emergency tent village made sense as we enter summer but should only be used short-term.

He told The Irish Sun: "Even in summer weather can change rapidly and the tented village will be nowhere for young children."

**Graphic**

Accommodation plan ... work at Gormanston camp

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SOME people can never win.

David Cameron has just driven to Poland in a lorry to deliver supplies to ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Forty-eight hours earlier, the former PM posted a photo, above, of him volunteering at a local food project - one helping low-income families - which he's quietly been doing for the past two years.

"Low-income families are just crying out for butternut squash and shallots", sneered the #bekind mob.

Others remarked on the borlotti beans, and radishes.

I'm fairly sure those knocking him haven't been helping their local communities, let alone flogging 1,500 miles in a truck delivering nappies.

Short of running into a burning Kyiv orphanage and single-handedly plucking out child after child, I'm not sure what more the man can do.

**Graphic**

HELPER ... Cameron

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MORE than 100 companies have pledged to hire ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** when they arrive in the UK.

The initiative, launched by Emma Sinclair, of software corporation Enterprise Alumni, has seen firms as diverse as pharmaceutical giant AstraZeneca and food producer Bernard Matthews get ready to offer jobs to those fleeing the war zone.

Among the largest hirers is Aldi, which has 8,000 jobs on offer. Kelly Stokes, recruitment director, said: "We stand by the people of Ukraine and want to offer employment opportunities for those seeking refuge in the UK.

"By working with the Government, partners and other employers, we hope to help as many people as possible and provide much-needed stability and security in their lives."

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MORE than 2,500 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have arrived in Ireland so far, including over 800 kids.

But Justice Minister Helen McEntee said she expects that number to rise in the coming days.

The Government has simplified the process for people seeking refuge from the war here.

Ukrainian arrivals will be immediately issued with a PPS number, allowing them immediate full access to supports provided by the State.

Speaking alongside Social Protection Minister Heather Humphreys at Dublin Airport, Ms McEntee said two-thirds of those arriving were female - many of whom left husbands and fathers behind in Ukraine.

A processing facility has been set up at the airport, which includes toys and food for kids.

Ms Humphreys said it is a "very difficult situation" for people who have escaped Putin's bombs.

She added: "We want to make sure that when they arrive here, they get all the support they can."

**Graphic**

Support ... McEntee

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He has accused Putin of using Russian energy supplies for "blackmail".

Mr Johnson added: "As long as the West is economically dependent on Putin, he will do all he can to exploit that dependence.

"And that is why that dependence must ? and will ? now end.

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"I donated everything I had but I am willing to go the extra mile to help.

THE HABIJANECS, SLOUGH, BERKS

CHILDMINDER Virda Habijanec, 29, said: "What's happening in Ukraine is awful.

"It's devastating to see families and kids going through such terror.

"I think we all have an obligation to try and help where we can in any way possible.

"If that means finding some space for a refugee in our house, then I'm all up for it."

Virda, from Slough, Berks, added: "I live with my husband, Dario, and our two young children.

"Not only would we be helping somebody in need, but I'm sure we'd benefit having someone in the house with us just as much as the person we took in.

"There's so much to learn about people from other countries and cultures.

"Giving someone a safe space to rebuild their life would be the ultimate privilege."

FRAN BOWHAY, LLANELLI, WALES

FOSTERER Fran Bowhay is offering help after being inspired by the love she had from taking in a rescue dog.

Fran, 65, said: "We British love our dogs. And if we can save dogs then we should do all we can to save people.

"This is so close to us. There are people out there suffering beyond words. The least I can do is to help someone escape from this nightmare."

Single Fran, from Llanelli, Carmarthenshire, said: "I retired last year and have two spare bedrooms, a lot of clothes and a lot of respect for these people."

I can't hold my tears every day. I'll go the extra mile. I'll cook for them & they can share anything I own We converted garden cabin into a spare room just before Putin cemented his place in hell

**Graphic**

'Safe havens' ... Mr GoveSafe ... refugee cradles a child after crossing the border into Poland

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A PENIS-headed statue of Russian tyrant Vladimir Putin has been installed in the village of Bell End.

It commemorates the war-mongering leader as "Bellend of the Year" in protest against the invasion of Ukraine.

The effigy appeared yesterday morning in the centre of the Worcestershire village - alongside eggs which passers-by can throw at it.

The organiser of the protest, who wished to remain anonymous, said: "I needed to award somebody with the Bellend of the Year award and I thought there was one person who has universally been a bellend this year - and that's Vladimir Putin.

"You could just throw eggs at the statue, which people did so willingly.

"It's been very well received. One person said, 'I thought it was my boss for a second.'" Miniatures of the statue, made for the co-ordinator by two artists, will be sold in aid of a charity supporting ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

The organiser added: "I've seen over the course of the year the devastation that has happened in Ukraine and that so many lives have been displaced as a result of the war.

"So I thought, 'I really want to help out and try to raise some money.'" [*alex.west@news.co.uk*](mailto:alex.west@news.co.uk)

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The Nationwide building society worker, from Bournemouth, said: "I don't have a spare room but I have a living room I am more than happy to make into a bedroom.

"I am happy to cook for them to share anything I own."

"I donated everything I had but I am willing to go the extra mile to help.

THE HABIJANECS, SLOUGH, BERKS

CHILDMINDER Virda Habijanec, 29, said: "What's happening in Ukraine is awful.

"It's devastating to see families and kids going through such terror.

"I think we all have an obligation to try and help where we can in any way possible.

"If that means finding some space for a refugee in our house, then I'm all up for it."

Virda, from Slough, Berks, added: "I live with my husband, Dario, and our two young children.

"Not only would we be helping somebody in need, but I'm sure we'd benefit having someone in the house with us just as much as the person we took in.

"There's so much to learn about people from other countries and cultures.

"Giving someone a safe space to rebuild their life would be the ultimate privilege."

FRAN BOWHAY, LLANELLI, WALES

FOSTERER Fran Bowhay is offering help after being inspired by the love she had from taking in a rescue dog.

Fran, 65, said: "We British love our dogs. And if we can save dogs then we should do all we can to save people.

"This is so close to us. There are people out there suffering beyond words. The least I can do is to help someone escape from this nightmare."

Single Fran, from Llanelli, Carmarthenshire, said: "I retired last year and have two spare bedrooms, a lot of clothes and a lot of respect for these people."

I can't hold my tears every day. I'll go the extra mile. I'll cook for them & they can share anything I own

**Graphic**

'Safe havens' ... Mr GoveSafe ... refugee cradles a child after crossing the border into Poland

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[*PUTIN IS VILLAGE BIG NOB; Willy-head statue*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:673J-JWD1-DYTY-C0SD-00000-00&context=1519360)

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A PENIS-headed statue of Russian tyrant Vladimir Putin has been installed in the village of Bell End.

It commemorates the war-mongering leader as "Bellend of the Year" in protest against the invasion of Ukraine.

The effigy appeared yesterday morning in the centre of the Worcestershire village - alongside eggs which passers-by can throw at it.

The organiser of the protest, who wished to remain anonymous, said: "I needed to award somebody with the Bellend of the Year award and I thought there was one person who has universally been a bellend this year - and that's Vladimir Putin.

"You could just throw eggs at the statue, which people did so willingly.

"It's been very well received. One person said, 'I thought it was my boss for a second.'" Miniatures of the statue, made for the co-ordinator by two artists, will be sold in aid of a charity supporting ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

The organiser added: "I've seen over the course of the year the devastation that has happened in Ukraine and that so many lives have been displaced as a result of the war.

"So I thought, 'I really want to help out and try to raise some money.'" [*alex.west@news.co.uk*](mailto:alex.west@news.co.uk)

**Graphic**

Vlad jibe . . statue

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[*REFUGEES FACE CRUISE SHIP STAY AMID CRISIS; Sponsor scheme 'paused'*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:65X3-0J51-DYTY-C1JC-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** coming to Scotland on the SNP's "super sponsor scheme" will be forced to live on a cruise ship.

Ministers said the three- month arrangement is because the "temporary accommodation sector is at capacity".

The Scottish Government has chartered a ship to be docked in Leith, Edinburgh, with 739 rooms for short-term stays. Refugee minister Neil Gray said yesterday: "The number of applications naming the Scottish Government as sponsor has increased considerably in recent weeks.

"For this reason we have taken the difficult decision in pausing our scheme so we can provide support and care to everyone who has already been granted a visa."

But Lib Dem MP Wendy Chamberlain, said: "Putin is not going to pause his assault on Ukraine for three months while Neil Gray irons out the bureaucratic kinks.

"This will put lives at risk."

Since the scheme launched on March 18, 21,256 visas have been issued naming a Scots sponsor.

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**Graphic**

Pressures ... Mr Gray

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[*LEISHMAN 'PRIDE' AT VITAL AID MISSION*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:655K-SWG1-DYTY-C0FX-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** GORDON TAIT

**Body**

Chief Reporter

HERO ex-footie boss Jim Leishman has told of his pride after he arrived in Poland from Scotland with an aid convoy for desperate ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

The 68-year-old former Provost of Fife and manager of Dunfermline Athletic, joined eight other volunteers on the 3,200-mile trip from Lochgelly, below.

The crew left on Monday morning and arrived in Torun yesterday lunchtime with four vehicles packed with supplies including shoes, prams, wheelchairs, sleeping bags and clothes.

They will head back to Scotland this morning after staying overnight to meet refugees.

Grandad Jim said: "I wanted to come because I've seen the horrendous coverage on the news and I wanted to help my friends from my local area. It's the grandchildren and the mothers and the sisters and daughters that need help.

"They might never see their family again. They are leaving with nothing so we have tried to collect everything for them they need."

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[*REFUGEES' ALPACA AID*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:653G-3361-JCBW-N21V-00000-00&context=1519360)

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MICHAEL Gove suggests that Roman Abramovich's £125million home should be converted to shelter ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

Good. It may require a change in the law but what a beautiful irony it would be to see those fleeing Putin's murderous regime housed in mansions bought by oligarchs with his blood money.

It's hard to see, however, how the refugee problem will be solved by the Homes for Ukraine scheme. Entirely voluntary, it will depend on an extraordinary level of generosity from Brits.

A relatively small number of kind souls will have spare rooms and the means to afford to open their doors.

But the vast majority of ordinary families are already under huge pressure from rising living costs and the £350 a month incentive is unlikely to make any real difference to them.

Boris Johnson says Britain is ready for thousands of refugees.

With no sign of any other scheme on the horizon it begs the question: Where will they all go?

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[*Sutton: I'll take in a family of refugees*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:64YV-RJD1-DYTY-C2SM-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** STUART MacDONALD

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FORMER Celtic star Chris Sutton has offered to take in a family of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** fleeing their wartorn country.

The Hoops hero and ex-England international said he was happy for them to live with him and his family at their Norfolk home.

But he slammed delays in the visa application process which mean low numbers of Ukrainians have so far been allowed entry. Thousands have struggled to book appointments at British visa centres across Europe.

EU countries have lifted their visa requirements for Ukrainians and offered them the right to work and live in the country for a period of up to three years.

Sutton, 49, now a media pundit, wrote on Twitter: "We are a s\*\*tshow of a country making things so tough for the suffering Ukraine people who want to come to our country.

"We have offered to take a family in but are told it could be days, weeks or months more."

**Graphic**

Offer ... ex-Celt Chris

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[*REFUGEE HOMES BOSS FORCED TO STAY HOME; Suspended amid probe*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:665Y-XCC1-DYTY-C549-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

A COUNCIL boss finding ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** homes is understood to have been suspended amid a probe into the scheme.

Sources at Aberdeen Council claim housing chief Neil

Carnegie has been told to stay at home while the investigation takes place.

It is claimed he will be investigated over conduct relating to the rehoming project he has been overseeing. The drive is bringing empty council homes up to scratch for around 1,000 Ukrainians who escaped the war.

More than £7million could be spent in total on the flats.

And as a senior official, it is thought Mr Carnegie would be able to sign off on work on the project. A council insider said: "It is being kept quiet about why Neil has been suspended.

"There is some suggestion that it could be about contracts being allocated to contractors.

"The union guys seem to know what's going on but they are not telling anyone what it's about."

A spokesman for Aberdeen City Council said last night: "We do not comment on individual staffing matters."

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**Graphic**

Probe ... Neil Carnegie

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**Body**

***UKRAINIAN*** ***refugees*** in Ireland are calling for a ban on a string of "offensive" rallies due to take place this weekend in support of Russia.

A parade is due to go ahead in Dublin's Phoenix Park on Saturday, as well as an auto event in the Midlands. They're being organised by a group who held a pro-Russian car demo in the capital last month.

The gatherings are billed as a remembrance event for Victory Day, which is one of the most important holidays in Russia, marking the surrender of Nazi Germany in 1945.

But Ukrainians say organisers are hijacking the event and using it as a way to show their support for Mad Vlad's invasion of Ukraine.

The Association of Ukrainians in Ireland said they were "saddened" to learn that this rally will "support Putin and help him justify his barbaric invasion of Ukraine".

The statement continued: "Russia is deliberately distorting historical facts and using this day as a nationalist political tool to demonstrate the power of 'mother Russia'.

The Taoiseach has urged Russians not to hold Victory Day marches.

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[*REFUGEE BAH GUM; NOWT SO UNCLEAR AS FOLK Migrants get lessons in Yorkshire phrases*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:654Y-W3P1-JCBW-N0CY-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

A PROJECT to teach refugees in Hull the Yorkshire lingo has been given £120,000.

Teenage arrivals from Syria and Iraq are learning local phrases such as "Larkin out" (playing out) and "Giz a skeg" (Can I have a look?).

Other sayings, which they are taught to pronounce in a Yorkshire accent, include "Codheads" (slang for locals), "twagging" (playing truant) and "Pattyslapper" (female fish factory worker).

Some 35 youngsters, mainly 15 and 16-year-olds not in mainstream schools, are taking part in the Hullitage programme.

The latest funds from the National Lottery mean it can continue as ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** arrive in the county - home to cricket icon Geoff Boycott, below. Executive director Anna Grzybowska said: "The aim is to make them feel at home and to grow and get to know more about the city. It's almost second nature for someone who has lived here all their life but if you are new here, you need help and support to do that."

make thee a silver cavalier..

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[*WFH WHITEHALL OFFICES 'EMPTY'*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6585-F151-DYTY-C0H3-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

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**Byline:** ADAM HIGGINS

**Body**

VLADIMIR Putin is deliberately creating a humanitarian crisis in Europe by "bombing people out of Ukraine", the Taoiseach's claimed.

Micheal Martin spoke as refugees are set to be placed in emergency accommodation centres, with the Government running out of hotel space for those fleeing the war.

The Taoiseach met with Ukrainian Prime Minister Denys Shmyhal yesterday at Shannon Airport.

En route to the UK, Mr Shmyhal briefed the Taoiseach on the massacre of 490 civilians in Bucha.

Mr Martin later slammed Putin's "crimes against humanity".

He said: "Very clearly, the strategy of the Putin regime is not just to kill people but also to cause huge international instability around energy and around food.

"For example, the largest grain silos in Ukraine have all been levelled. So there is a clear strategy there to create a food crisis on top of the energy crisis that has been created as well as raging an immoral, unjust war on Ukraine."

The Taoiseach said Ireland will back Ukraine's bid to join the EU and will push for further curbs on Russia. He later confirmed more than 25,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** have come to Ireland and the housing situation is "very challenging".

**Graphic**

Meeting ... Shmyhal & Martin

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[*FAI calls on clubs to host refugees*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:656W-M221-DYTY-C3NG-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Byline:** SHANE O'MAHONEY

**Body**

THE FAI has called on clubs and affiliates to use their buildings to help house ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***.

It says in a statement it backs the Government's call for sport bodies to provide short-term accommodation for refugees.

Some 21,000 people fled from Ukraine to Ireland since the invasion by Russia began last month.

And the FAI has asked all member clubs and leagues to allow facilities able to hold 50 or more people to be used by refugees in line with the government's request.

FAI President Gerry McAnaney said: "The situation's quite drastic for the next eight weeks or until other state bodies and institutions can release accommodation.

"The ask from Government will not be feasible for many clubs but there are so many other ways Irish football can help.

"Members may consider acting as host families. They may have access to residential or non-residential units that can help. Every little bit will make a difference.

"We're to play Ukraine in the UEFA Nations League so let's continue to show solidarity."

Thousands of people are being housed in hotels, hostels and Airbnbs.

**Graphic**

'Drastic' . . McAnaney

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[*MONSTER CRUNCH; EXCLUSIVE: FRY AND MIGHTY Dad's whopping six-inch crisp*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:653X-1B51-JCBW-N0F1-00000-00&context=1519360)

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A DAD opened a bag of crisps for a midnight snack - and pulled out a ridged six-inch mutant.

Michael Langford, 44, stared in wide-eyed wonder at the mammoth munchy, which was almost the length of the entire packet.

He suspected something unusual was in the bag of Snackrite's ridged thick-cut cheese and onion as he grabbed it late last week.

Savouring the moment, Michael said: "I remember the packet feeling particularly bulgy.

"I put my hand in the bag and clasped on to the first crisp I could find. It was the first one to come out and it kept going and going. I couldn't believe my eyes,

I thought to myself, 'We've got something unbelievable here'."

He added: "Friends and family now call it the 'Mutant Crisp'."

The online shop owner from Poole, Dorset, plans to auction it and give some of the proceeds to charities supporting ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. His is the latest giant crisp find, with two-year-old Charlie Richards, of Exeter, last month pulling a 5.5in Hula Hoop.

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Salty goodness gracious ... bag-sized crisp

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[*'Over 40k refugees by end of next mth'*](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:652D-CRH1-JCBW-N3PT-00000-00&context=1519360)

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**Body**

OVER 40,000 ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** are expected to land in Ireland by the end of next month, Tanaiste Leo Varadkar's revealed.

It comes as Ministers scramble to put in place accommodation plans - with the Government in talks with religious orders to use monasteries and convents as housing.

Some 10,147 Ukrainians have arrived in Ireland so far, but Leo yesterday told the Dail: "We expect that number will rise to 20,000 by the end of the month.

"It's reasonable to assume that it will probably hit something around 40,000 by the end of next month."

Some 7,326 PPS numbers have been issued to Ukrainians so far.

And child and family agency Tusla has been asked to take care of 22 kids who arrived without a parent or guardian.

At the moment, 4,710 refugees are living in accommodation provided by the State, mainly in hotels, with 2,200 rooms in use at the moment.

A further 20,000 people have offered to open their homes to Ukrainians. But this is unlikely to be enough to meet demand.

Some 500 buildings have been identified by councils for emergency housing.

**Graphic**

Ukrainian help ... Leo

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DANCING With The Stars' four remaining celebrities have told how they want to get their hands on the Glitterball trophy tonight. Paralympian Ellen Keane, singer Erica Cody, Irish rugby ace Jordan Conroy and retired jockey Nina Carberry are preparing to battle it out on the dance floor this evening.

They may find their bones weary after 12 weeks of intense training.

However, the stars will need to make one last push to outclass their rivals in the final episode of the glitzy RTE show.

But who will triumph? Judges Brian Redmond, Loraine Barry and Arthur Gourounlian admit they're unsure who will win the series.

The panel stressed that DWTS is a popularity contest as much as a dance show - with fancy footwork not guaranteeing success.

Head judge Loraine, 57, told The Irish Sun on Sunday: "It's a dancing entertainment show.

"So if I put my hat on of being a judge on the dancing, I don't have a favourite. I just want the best on the night to win, whoever gives that greatest performance.

"And then the entertainment value will come in, and then the public will vote on it."

But the punters can grow to love contestants as the series goes on.

Radio presenter Lottie Ryan, 36, triumphed in 2020 despite being in two previous dance-offs.

Armchair experts have also said Dubs never win RTE reality shows.

But Finglas presenter Mairead Ronan, 41, won DWTS in 2019.

Tough-talking critic Brian, 45, said: "You have people in it this weekend, like Jordan, who has been in dance-offs.

"Erica has been in dance-offs too and some may think they probably won't win it. So, who knows? I've got no idea in that regard."

New judge Arthur, 41, hailed the final four as "amazing finalists" and told how "they really deserve to be there".

He added: "Whoever wins - hallelujah! It's all about the public but, to be honest with you, they are literally all winners for me. Yeah, I love them all."

RTE expect a massive audience for tonight's final that sees each of the remaining finalists take to the dance floor twice - as they bid to win the title which could lead to lucrative sponsorship deals.

They will first perform their 'judges' choice' - one of the panel's favourite dances from earlier in the series. Then the fab four will be back for their 'show dance'.

Here, we talk to the final four standing - and see what odds the bookies are giving them.

NINA CARBERRY - 4/9 Favourite Nina Carberry will be dancing a Viennese waltz as her judges' choice dance tonight with pro Pasquale La Rocca.

She told us: "We got three tens the first time we did it, so it's probably a good choice."

The ex-champion jockey missed visiting Cheltenham this year but claimed dancing live each Sunday helped her regain the excitement she used to get from racing horses.

Meath native Nina, 37, explained: "It's the same adrenalin rush you get dancing on stage.

"It reminded me of what I had been missing after I retired from racing two years ago. It's lovely to have that feeling back again."

And Nina admits that while she would be "delighted to win" it's the "whole journey she has enjoyed".

She added: "I watched my first dance the other day and it was just so bad. My show dance tonight will demonstrate how far I have come on. And that's what it's all about."

But Italian pro partner Pasquale, 32, is desperate for triple success, after the win last season with Lottie - and lifting the Glitterball trophy on Belgium's DWTS.

He told us: "If I got my third consecutive win, it would be a dream. But Nina is a very special lady who has all my admiration." Given their age, Nina's daughters, Rosie, four, and Holly, two, won't be in studio - but will be proudly watching her at home on TV.

JORDAN CONROY - 12/1 Rugby player Jordan's judges' favourite with pro Salome Chachua is a paso doble.

He told us: "I got three nines when I did that before so it's one of the most memorable dances for me.

"Winning would be the icing on the cake but whatever happens. I'm just glad to have gotten to dance every week and meet all these lovely people."

The 27-year-old raised eyebrows when he revealed how his inbox exploded with racy messages when he started on the RTE show.

But he boasts even wider support in his hometown of Tullamore, Co Offaly, which he visited this week with 31-year-old partner Salome ahead of the final.

Jordan said: "I wanted to say thank you to everyone down there for the support. I was expecting a few people to turn up but the numbers were incredible."

But the sportsman's biggest fan remains his mum, Jennie, who will be in the audience tonight, as she has been for all of the 12 weeks.

Mammy's boy Jordan said: "Mum is my lucky charm. I'll be dancing for her. I know it's the final, but I still plan on enjoying myself whatever happens."

ERICA CODY - 4/1 Singer Erica Cody considered herself "an underdog" when she signed up for DWTS.

But the Dubliner is putting her faith in same process which got her through the past 12 weeks - including some tough dance-offs - to lift the Glitterball trophy tonight.

Erica told us: "Being an R&B singer and not as well known, I did feel like an underdog. So to get to the final is an achievement in itself. Now I just have to trust in the same process that got me through week after week."

Despite her doubts, the Baldoyle woman was thrilled to find out she had so much support from voters all over Ireland.

She said: "At the end of the day, it's a popularity contest so the fact that there were so many people picking up the phone and voting for me each week is huge. I still can't get my head around it."

Her pro partner, Ukrainian Denys Samson, 32, has also garnered huge support, memorably breaking down in tears as he spoke about family back home in his war-torn country.

A Ukrainian triumph on DWTS would send a clear message of support to the embattled state - as well as hearten thousands of newly arrived ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** who recently arrived in Ireland.

However, Erica will be depending on recreating the success of some of her most memorable dances - including a samba to Anne-Marie and Little Mix's Kiss My (Uh Oh) which got her highest scores so far.

Tonight she'll dance a Charleston as her judges' favourite and declared: "It would be nothing short of amazing to win."

ELLEN KEANE - 8/1 Paralympic gold medallist Ellen Keane has already made history with her participation this season. But the 27-year-old, who was born without a left arm, said she wanted to be judged on her dancing rather than her disability.

Ellen told us: "I rarely addressed my disability too much because I didn't want it to be seen as me trying to get sympathy votes.

"That's not what the show is about, which is pushing yourself. The only time I felt I needed to address my disability was for my contemporary ballroom where the story was myself and my arm."

While aware of what she has achieved so far, East Wall-based athlete Ellen said she feels "no pressure" to win and said, for her, participation was everything.

She said: "Of course I would be absolutely delighted to win. And I know that would be a big thing for me to win with a disability.

"But my whole purpose in doing DWTS was to be visible. To get a conversation going at home.

"Because I know there will be little kids watching who have never seen somebody with a body like mine. They will ask their parents questions and that is a really good thing."

But swimmer Ellen revealed she had no idea how difficult it would be when she signed up. She said: "I completely underestimated the impact of gravity and my lack of co-ordination on land.

"The stability I would need to balance on my legs. But the bal- ance I have now is incredible." The wonder woman also had to adjust to dancing with replacement Ervinas Merfeldas, 19, after partner Stephen Vincent, 32, got Covid. Still, she survived a dance-off.

She will dance a paso doble in tonight's final as her judges' choice, channelling her inner Beyonce to hit Run the World (Girls). Ellen told us: "It was my favourite dance of the lot and so empowering." lTHE final of Dancing With The Stars airs tonight at 6.30pm on RTE One.

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Panel ... Brian, Loraine and Arthur

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IMAGES of ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** forced to sleep on chairs and on the floor at City West accommodation centre were shocking.

More than 42,000 Ukrainians have fled the war to come here, yet we have run out of places to give them shelter. The government has tasked the army with building four tent encampments, which speaks to the scale of the crisis.

We can't even house Irish people adequately, so it was always going to be problematic to find places for the thousands upon thousands of Ukrainians coming here. Instead of putting them in tents, maybe those in power could think outside the box. There are hundreds of state buildings lying idle around the country that could be repurposed to house not only Ukrainians, but Irish people who can't find a decent place to live.

Now the government is on holiday until sometime in OCTOBER, maybe Dail Eireann, which also lies empty, could be used to house the desperate fleeing war. Leinster House is a huge building that could easily accommodate a couple of hundred of the world's most vulnerable people.

As a gesture, it would be hard to match.

But that would require a political imagination that none of the current crop that govern us have.

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LEO Varadkar and his boyfriend have registered to put ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees*** up in their home.

Over 8,300 Ukrainians have come to Ireland since Russia's invasion began - with numbers arriving here looking set to hit 20,000 by the end of the month.

But the Tanaiste, inset, admits that accommodation is an issue. He last night said: "We don't have own-door accommodation for 20,000 people."

The Fine Gael leader said the Government is looking at using Army campuses for group accommodation.

And Leo said partner Matt Barrett has signed up with the Irish Red Cross to offer a room in their Dublin pad. He said: "Matt, who owns the house - I don't own it - registered us with the Red Cross about three weeks ago.

"We wouldn't have been able to do that in the past, but we have a house now and a spare room."

Leo was visiting Dublin Airport where a one-stop shop is set up to provide people landing from Ukraine with info they need.

There he met a number of refugees, many of whom are arriving via Poland.

Stats show an average of 396 Ukrainians arrived here each day since February 25.

But in the past week the daily average is 605.

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As an Oxford University maths graduate who has blonde hair and hails from Essex, Rachel Riley knows only too well what it's like to be underestimated. "When I was younger, people would be surprised when I said I was studying at Oxford," she says. "I was known as a 'blonde Essex Girl' - but it's not always a bad thing, because you can use it to your advantage and surprise people in a positive way. It says more about them for having those misconceptions in the first place.

"I think it's really important to show you can be blonde, wear make-up and whatever clothes you want and also be a mathematician or scientist. You don't have to fit an outdated stereotype."

It's a lesson that Countdown's resident maths genius Rachel, 37, is keen to pass on to her daughters Maven, three, and 18-month-old Noa, who she shares with husband Pasha Kovalev, 43, the Strictly Come Dancing pro she was paired with while competing on the show 10 years ago. They got together in 2014, shortly after Rachel separated from her first husband, millionaire Jamie Gilbert.

In the early stages of the relationship, however, Pasha was insistent that he didn't want to be a dad.

"He said he was a lone wolf and definitely

didn't want children. But loads of my friends started having babies? Then, we were on holiday and decided we'd run out of places we wanted to travel to, so it was a case of: 'If you can't beat 'em, join 'em!' Let's have some children!" says Rachel.

"And seeing that nurturing side of Pasha with the girls is so cute. We're both really enjoying being parents."

Their household expanded further last summer when Rachel and Pasha, who is Russian, took in four ***Ukrainian*** ***refugees***. The war is deeply personal to Rachel and Pasha - along with many other

Russians, his brother was forced to flee his country to avoid being conscripted, and is currently living in exile in Turkey. The refugees - a woman, her young son, aunt and mother - shared the couple's London home for more than a year, before recently returning to Ukraine to try to rebuild their lives. "The girls loved it," says Rachel. "It was like having loads of extra aunts, and the eight year old was like a big brother to them.

"They were from occupied territories in the east so they can't return home, but they're going to try and settle in western Ukraine. Life has been so hard for them here doing cleaning jobs, travelling across London on the bus and without the language skills to give themselves the comfortable life they had back home.

"They have family fighting, which puts into perspective how lucky we are."

It's not the first time Rachel, who is Jewish, has taken action for causes close to home. After calling out the Labour party and its then-leader Jeremy Corbyn for antisemitism in 2018, she found herself on the receiving end of troll attacks, including death threats, after which she was given extra security at Countdown's Manchester studios. It's clear how bruising the whole experience was for her, as she visibly shakes when talking about it.

"I think part of my personality must be argumentative," she says, half-joking. "For

me, it was incredibly personal. I did loads of research before speaking out, because I didn't want to wade into something I didn't know enough about. But I was also brought up knowing what happens when good people say nothing, so it was something I needed to do."

'Social media became unusable'

Rachel has since started working with the Center for Countering Digital Hate (CCDH) to campaign for better protection for social media users, and was awarded an MBE for helping raise awareness of the Holocaust and combating antisemitism earlier this month. Guided by the CCDH, she uses the "block" button more liberally on social media, rather than challenging online abuse directly.

"They target you because they want you to retweet and say: 'Look at this person, isn't this awful?' because it grows their following," says Rachel.

"We don't have to listen to this stuff. I don't see anything like as much of it as I used to, which is good, because it was like a swamp. I can 'bigger picture' it now without having to get in the mud with the pigs."

She says, for a time, her social media was so toxic it became "unusable", but she will continue to stand up - Rachel has also spoken in support of JK Rowling, who

has come under attack from trans activists for her stance on women's rights.

"You have to fight for your freedoms and speak out," she says. "Be aware of rights being eroded incrementally - we have to be vigilant. I want to bring up my girls to be strong, vocal women and they definitely are so far - they're going to be trouble!"

Pasha has been by Rachel's side throughout the ordeal of the last few years. The pair recently celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary, having married in Las Vegas while she was pregnant with Maven. In typical Vegas style, the budget ceremony was fairly spontaneous - they decided to

do it just a few days before their trip to the States, and only told their families once it was signed, sealed and delivered.

"We'd had a couple of days in New York before flying to Vegas. As we got on the plane to Vegas, my mum sent me a jokey message saying: 'Have a good flight. If you get married there, I'll come back and haunt you!' But we'd already bought the dress - it was a brilliant day, such a lot of fun."

The pair are heading for dinner after today's photo shoot - a rare date night, which Rachel says won't be a late one, not with the 5am starts Noa is so fond of at the moment. Sleep often revolves

around their youngest daughter, as Rachel is breastfeeding and has no plans to stop yet.

"For me, it's just easier. It gets her back to sleep, it's healthy and she's happy. It feels normal. I find it weird when places have signs saying: 'Breastfeeding welcome'. I don't need a sign - I'll breastfeed anywhere!" She adds: "At one point I was feeding both girls, one on each boob, as I didn't want to kick Maven off when Noa arrived and for her to feel resentful. So that was interesting! When they were little, they could come to the TV studio and I could feed them

between shows. I was lucky."

Countdown has been Rachel's "home" for nearly 15 years, but she ended up on the telly almost by accident after her mum noticed that Channel 4 was recruiting to replace numbers whizz Carol Vorderman. Rachel had just graduated and applied on a whim, never expecting to get the job and knowing she had her degree to fall back on if it didn't work out.

Over the years, she's hosted alongside several anchors, including Jeff Stelling and Nick Hewer - and former Radio 1 presenter Colin Murray since he joined last July.

"Colin is so competitive. He plays every single round and dissects it all with the contestants. He's a massive nerd and makes me and Susie [Dent in Dictionary Corner] look really cool! But he brings so much enthusiasm and he's very quick with a pun or references to bands or lyrics, which he'll weave into his next link. It's fun and everyone's enjoying it."

It sounds a bit different from the days of Anne Robinson, who was rumoured to have created a frosty atmosphere on set before quitting the show last year.

"It is very different," Rachel says carefully. "Each presenter has their own style and you don't always gel with everybody that you work with."

In the past, Rachel has diplomatically described Anne as "not the cuddliest". "Well, you're not going to get a sympathetic shoulder to cry on from Anne," she says today. "But she might make you cry!"

Besides Countdown, Rachel works with organisations and charities, such as National Numeracy, and is passionate

about encouraging more women into STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) careers. Just 24% of the UK's

STEM workforce is female,\* and research shows that 60% of girls aged 12 feel maths and science are "too difficult" to learn and are better suited to boys.\*\* "So much of it has to do with confidence, because women and girls are more susceptible to external pressures and what people tell them. National Numeracy found that the biggest indicator of whether someone will improve their numeracy is if they believe they can. Believing in yourself has a huge effect on outcomes, so we need to change the narrative," Rachel says.

"If you look back over the years, women were denied education, so the people who have made all the advances in science and maths are men. I went to a space museum in Moscow and they had glass cabinets filled with photos of cosmonauts from the 1960s to present day. You had to get all the way to the final cabinet before you saw two female faces. Without representation, it's hard to see yourself fitting into a group.

"A huge part of the solution to the climate problem is going to be STEM and it's where employment is going to be. We need more numerate-literate, scientificallyliterate and technologically-minded people - and we need women at the table."

Climate-conscious Rachel and Pasha switched to an electric car last year and the whole family is vegan. It's why she's fronting a campaign by Hello Hydrogen to raise awareness of hydrogen as a future energy source for UK homes.

Rachel's quieter house is about to get even more so, as Pasha heads on a nationwide tour with dance musical La Bamba!, meaning long spells away from home until November.

"The pandemic meant a lot of his work was cancelled, so we're used to having him around. And we've had the Ukrainians living with us like a big reciprocal family, so there's always been someone there to watch the girls if I've needed to nip out. We really need to sit down and map it all out-" Does it feel like 10 years since Strictly brought them together?

"They gave us a bottle of champagne

with Strictly written on it and I've still got it in the cupboard. I should open it, as it's been 10 years, although it's probably turned to vinegar by now! It's a long time, isn't it? Four years married and two little girls- I did a podcast with Sophie Ellis-Bextor, who was on Strictly with me and we said: 'Ten years - how has that happened?!'" Rachel supports hydrogen as an energy source for the home ([*www.Hellohydrogen.com*](http://www.Hellohydrogen.com)).

PARENTING CLUB

Most embarrassing parenting moment? I took the kids to a festival at our synagogue and there was storytelling for the little ones. It was really

quiet when Maven said: "I want some ham!" I had to hurriedly point out it was vegan ham!

Best advice for a new mum? You don't need new baby clothes! Look for children's charity shops - they have everything you could possibly want. The stuff is next to new and you're giving money to charity, too.

Best parenting hack? My friend had a cot called a Snoo, where you secure them in, so they're coddled on their back. If they start crying, it responds with different levels of rocking and soothing sounds.

Who's your parenting inspo? Sophie Ellis-Bextor.

She has five boys between four and 18, and everyone does their own thing. It's just really nice.

Biggest parenting win?

When they tell you they love you.

'I know what happens when good people say nothing' 'Ten years since Strictly? How has that happened?!' 'You're not going to get a shoulder to cry on from Anne' 'I don't need a sign - I'll breastfeed my girls anywhere!'

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PHOTOGRAPHED FO R FABULOUS BY MARK HAYMANRachel collecting her MBE with PashaRachel with husband Pasha and their two daughters; dancing together on Strictly in 2013

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