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Comments: I was unsure about making comment on this matter however I feel that the residents of Buxton and the surrounding areas may suffer if the previous halls of residence are used for refugees. One of my first jobs was in Buxton and regularly I would see homeless people carrying everything they own with them, looking for a sheltered space. I feel that the building could be put to better use that would help the locals, such as affordable rental property for low income families or single occupancy, or shared office spaces to encourage new businesses to the area. While my heart goes out to anyone who is in need of support, I feel that turning the halls into a refugee centre will have a negative impact on the current residents of Buxton. To myself and many others Buxton has always been a haven for the elderly and for tourists wishing to visit the beautiful Peak District, it would be devastating if the older generation felt unsafe in their towns, and that tourists no longer wanted to visit.

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