Important message for EU, EEA and Swiss nationals living, working and studying in Stratford on Avon District Council

The deadline to apply for the EU Settlement Scheme (also known as 'Settled Status') is fast approaching and you have until 30 June 2021 to submit an application if you haven't already done so. The EU Settlement Scheme is the new immigration system which will allow for EU, EAA and Swiss nationals living and working in the UK, to continue to stay in the UK post Brexit.

All eligible EU, EEA and Swiss citizens and their family members who were resident in the UK by 31 December 2020, should apply without delay at <u>www.gov.uk/eusettlementscheme</u> so that they can continue to work, study, and access free healthcare and benefits in the UK after 30 June 2021.

Applications must also be submitted for children of any age, and parents applying on their behalf are encouraged to link their applications.

Irish citizens do not need to apply but may do so if they wish.

A range of support is available online, by email and over the telephone to help EU, EEA and Swiss citizens and their family members apply to the EU Settlement Scheme.

The **EU Settlement Scheme Resolution Centre** continues to provide support seven days a week by telephone and by email. For questions about their application, EU citizens can call 0300 123 7379 from inside the UK or +44 (0) 20 3080 0010 from outside the UK (Monday to Friday, 8am to 8pm and Saturday to Sunday 9.30am to 4.30pm).

Assisted Digital offers additional support for those who do not have the appropriate access, skills or confidence to apply online. https://www.gov.uk/assisted-digital-help-online-applications

The Home Office have also translated material into 26 EU languages, including Welsh. <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/eu-settlement-scheme-factsheet</u>

If you, or anyone you know, needs help with making an application to EUSS a range of support is available including over-the-phone advice to more tailored one-to-one support. View all the support services here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme</u>

You can also find details in the link below of how to contact the 72 organisations across the UK to help support EU, EEA and Swiss citizens, and their family members to apply. <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/eu-settlement-scheme-community-support-for-vulnerable-citizens</u>

Two of the charities helping and advising citizens are also listed below:

Settled <u>https://settled.org.uk/en/</u> Here for Good <u>https://www.hereforgoodlaw.org/</u>