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Government Installs new Public Toilets

The Government has recently installed seven modern and automated public toilets. This initiative forms part of the Government's extensive programme of improving Gibraltar's public amenities and urban renewal. These modern public conveniences which can be found in major cities worldwide like London, Edinburgh, Rio de Janeiro, Moscow, Helsinki and Dubai to name a few, will be available for public use as from Saturday 2nd April 2011. The Deputy Chief Minister, the Hon J J Holliday who has been leading on this project will officially commission them on Wednesday 30th April 2011.

The seven automatic toilets have been installed in the area of the Frontier, Winston Churchill Avenue, Waterport Road, Eurotowers, Commonwealth Parade Car Park and Grand Parade.

The toilets are designed so that users will find the same standards of quality and hygiene they would expect of their own bathrooms at home. The choice of materials and advanced technology delivers an experience which is comfortable, well lit and easy to use with revolving/rotating self cleaning floors to ensure impeccable cleanliness.

Each user will find an entirely clean, dry floor and there is sufficient internal space to accommodate wheelchairs and prams. Natural daylight enters through the skylight, while a central ceiling light provides artificial light.

Safety is also of paramount importance and the users can access from within the toilet a manned call centre that will operate 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The staff at the call centre are trained to provide immediate help and advice. In addition mid and low level emergency buttons are directly linked to the call centre to ensure instant assistance is always within reach.

The fee for the use of the toilet is 50p or €1. However, in order to allow members of the public to view them, use on Saturday 2nd April 2011 will be free of charge from 10.00 am to 3.00 pm. Attendants will be on hand at each of the sites during these hours to assist.

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