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## Upper Town Link Project and Engineer Lane Car Park

The Chief Minister, the Hon Fabian Picardo officially inaugurated the escalator to the upper town on Friday 2nd August. This project will greatly improve the Upper Town area by making it easier for both residents and visitors to access the area. The escalator will be operational at all times and is expected to contribute to the urban regeneration of the upper town.

The Upper Town Link project has been co-funded by HM Government of Gibraltar and the European Regional Development Fund.

To coincide with the opening of the escalator, the new Engineer's Lane Car Park will also be opened to residents of the area. HM Government of Gibraltar has adapted the original design to include a planted roof as part of its commitment to improving our environment wherever possible.

This planted roof, which is completely covered in vegetation, has already been seen to attract migrating birds and has the added benefit of providing oxygen and reducing pollution in an urban setting. It is also in context with adjacent planted garden areas.