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OFFICIAL INAUGURATION OF THE JOHN MACKINTOSH WING; JOHN MACKINTOSH HOME AND JOHN MACKINTOSH FLATS

HM Government of Gibraltar is pleased to announce that the extensive renovation works to the John Mackintosh Wing of the old St Bernard's Hospital have been completed and today sees the official inauguration of the premises as an elderly residential home and an assisted living facility. The building now offers 54 residential beds and 5 assisted living flats, each flat with its own allocated parking space. The building was partially opened last year.

Residents of the residential facility are able to participate in recreational and therapeutic activities and avail themselves of the chiropody and hairdressing services which are available. The opening of a snoozlen room is also imminent. On the second level there is a terrace which has planted and seating areas where residents are able to socialize and enjoy the panoramic views of the Bay of Gibraltar.

Ministers Dr John Cortes, Minister for Health, Environment, Energy and Climate Change and Samantha Sacramento Minister for Tourism, Equality, Social Services and Housing have stated: "The Care Agency, Gibraltar Health Authority and the Housing Department have worked closely for the purposes of delivering this new service to the community. This project is indicative of our continued commitment to improve elderly services and fulfils yet another manifesto commitment; furthermore, it shows how good working partnerships can achieve the completion of a project to a high standard. We wish to thank everybody involved who enabled to make this project possible."