

Lady Provost cuts the ribbon at refurbished city hostel



The Lady Provost is Edinburgh's champion for the homeless. She has raised thousands of pounds for homelessness charities in the city. She joined Heather Arni, Chief Executive of Four Square, representatives from funding partners LandAid, The St James's Place Foundation, and Canmore, and current tenants of the hostel earlier today to cut the ribbon on the refurbishment of a city hostel.



The Four Square Stopover Hostel provides emergency accommodation and support for homeless and at risk 16 to 21 year olds. Tenants can stay up to three months, or longer if they need to.



Stopover is more than a place to sleep, and staff offer training, education and employment opportunities to tenants plus the chance to take part in social activities.

Following a £60,000 four-floor upgrade – funded thanks to the property charity LandAid and the Society of St James – the Lady Provost marked the completion of refurbishment works at a ribbon-cutting ceremony.



The refurbishment has allowed Four Square to upgrade all bathroom and kitchens in the hostel, and create a unique training centre where tenants can learn cooking, cleaning and budgeting skills.

Those who stay at the refurbished hostel will live in a fully furnished self-contained flat with three other young people, and Foursquare will provide help and support to get tenants longer term accommodation.

[Four Square](#) is Edinburgh's homelessness charity. All donations received are spent in Edinburgh, for Edinburgh.