

Secretary of State announces name for new UK hub

The Secretary of State for Scotland, David Mundell announced today that the name for the new UK Government office at Waverleygate is Queen Elizabeth House.

This is 190,000 square feet of ultra-modern office which will become home to 3,000 civil servants who work in various UK Government departments. The biggest department will be HM Revenue and Customs along with the Competition and Markets Authority, the Office of the Secretary of State for Scotland, the Office of the Advocate General for Scotland, the Office for Statistics Regulation, the Information Commissioner's Office, the Health and Safety Executive, the Office for Statistics Regulation, the Government Actuary's Department, the Cabinet Office and HM Treasury.

Mr Mundell took delivery of the keys to the building on 13 June and the move from Melville Street will begin next spring. The government has a 25 year lease on the building developed by Artisan Real Estate Investors. Construction partners McAleer and Rushe worked to a design by Allan Murray Architects.

[New Waverley Aerial Video](#) from [New Waverley Edinburgh](#) on [Vimeo](#).

Mr Mundell said: "I am absolutely delighted that Her Majesty has agreed to the naming of the new UK Government Hub in Edinburgh as 'Queen Elizabeth House'.

“The Royal title is hugely fitting, given the Hub will be the focus of the UK Government’s work in Scotland, hosting 10 UK Government departments.

“The building will contain a dedicated Cabinet room, the first of its kind outside of London, and I very much look forward to inviting the Cabinet to meet in the building once it is open for business.

“I am very grateful to Her Majesty for acknowledging the importance of the building by conferring the Royal title.”

The government says that it is showing support to Edinburgh’s economy with the move into a new office and remind us that the Edinburgh and South East Scotland Growth Deal is still ongoing. This promises £1.3 billion investment to Edinburgh and the surrounding areas.

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