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## Take a look inside this newly restored homeless shelter in Stowmarket

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Councillor Jil Wilshaw at the official opening ceremony of The Foyer in Stowmarket Picture:  
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A restored homeless shelter in Stowmarket has officially re-opened, more than doubling the amount of council-funded accommodation for vulnerable people in Mid Suffolk.



The Foyer in

Stowmarket, which has been restored by the council for use as homeless accommodation Picture: BABERGH AND MID SUFFOLK DISTRICT COUNCILS

The Foyer on Hill Rise, previously owned by Flagship Housing, was purchased and repaired by Mid Suffolk District Council (MSDC) in an effort to transform the site into a place of security for vulnerable people.



One of the double

rooms at The Foyer Picture: BABERGH AND MID SUFFOLK DISTRICT COUNCILS

The building was officially re-opened by Jill Wilshaw, MSDC's cabinet member for housing, and members of MSDC's homelessness team at a special ceremony on Monday, September 10.



One of the twin rooms

at The Foyer Picture: BABERGH AND MID SUFFOLK DISTRICT COUNCILS

The facility, which has been unused for over a year, will now provide accommodation for 17 struggling families and individuals while the council investigates their housing requirements.



The kitchen at the

homeless shelter in Stowmarket Picture: BABERGH AND MID SUFFOLK DISTRICT COUNCILS

MSDC said it will provide a mix of single, double and twin rooms and enables the council to avoid overcrowding by placing larger families in multiple rooms.



A bathroom in the newly restored facility Picture: BABERGH AND MID SUFFOLK DISTRICT COUNCILS

The pictures show a bright and clean interior, complete with a range of bedrooms, kitchen and washing facilities.



The Foyer will house 17 families in a mixture of single, double and twin rooms Picture: BABERGH AND MID SUFFOLK DISTRICT COUNCILS