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Press Release

LAVENDER COURT CELEBRATION EVENT

WEDNESDAY 20TH JUNE 2007

A great day was had by all as Chevin Housing Association celebrated the official opening of Lavender Court in Kendray, Barnsley on Wednesday 20th June 2007.

The day started at 12.00noon with Mr Chris Cotton, Chair of the Chevin Housing Group Board welcoming everyone to the celebration event leading to the introduction of The Worshipful the Lord Mayor of Barnsley, Councillor Len Picken who officially opened the scheme and unveiled the plaque. Mr Martin Farran, Executive Director of Adult Social Services then gave a short speech about the facility and its services. A buffet lunch followed. Planned activities were ongoing throughout the afternoon for residents including visits from Gillian Banks Theatre School, Hunningley Lane Primary School and Chequers band playing live music throughout the day. There was also a raffle, bingo, quiz, sing a long time and afternoon tea and scones provided by Age Concern.

Chevin Housing Association Ltd in partnership with Bramall Construction, Berneslai Homes, Barnsley MBC and the Housing Corporation are proud to have completed the first extra care scheme to be built in Kendray, Barnsley

Lavender Court has 19 two bed and 25 one bed apartments in the main building plus 8 semi detached 2 bedroom bungalows in the surrounding grounds offering the same benefits as the apartments.

Extracare housing schemes link accommodation with care and are seen as the way forward to provide older people with their own high quality accommodation, with access to housing related support and a personal care package that is close at hand. The main aim is to give older people the support they need in an environment that promotes independence, whilst providing a real alternative to residential care.