

# News

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## **Bookings being taken at Stockton Hampton by Hilton as building opens**

Project partners gathered on site recently to celebrate the completion and official opening of the new 128-bedroom Hampton by Hilton hotel in Northshore, Stockton on Tees.

The contemporary hotel located close to the town centre, will provide high-quality accommodation for both business and leisure visitors to Stockton. Teesside's first Hampton by Hilton has been delivered by urban regeneration specialists, Muse Developments and construction partner, Bowmer & Kirkland, for Stockton Borough Council, who have funded and will take ownership of the hotel.

The new Hampton by Hilton forms part of the wider £100 million mixed-use Northshore regeneration scheme, which Muse is delivering in partnership with Homes England and Stockton Borough Council. This incorporates riverside family housing, along with office space and leisure facilities adjacent to the town centre.

Simon Dew, senior development surveyor at Muse Developments, said: "We're delighted once again to join project partners on site to celebrate the completion of the Hampton by Hilton hotel, which is a key milestone in the Northshore regeneration programme and the renaissance of the town centre.

"This major investment complements the wider scheme, along with the council's progressive vision to rejuvenate the town centre and surrounding areas. Stockton is a town with real vibrancy and we look forward to continuing momentum at Northshore in 2019."

Councillor Nigel Cooke, the council's cabinet member for regeneration and housing, added: "The hotel could not have opened at a better time. We've got a thriving International Study Centre with hundreds of overseas students, an events programme featuring the likes of Stockton Calling that pulls in people from all over the country and next year, we'll have a restored 3,000 capacity Globe theatre too.

"That's in addition to the obvious demand from businesses in the area, and the demand brought by the Hilton Honors club and its 60 million worldwide members."

Marie Kiddell, head of public sector land, at Homes England said: "At Homes England we are working with partners to disrupt the housing market and deliver more ambitious plans and regenerate key areas for local people.

"The opening of this new hotel on the key gateway site into our Northshore development, will complement residential, commercial and leisure facilities on the site. This forms part of a wider £100m mixed use development in Northshore."

The hotel is currently taking bookings and is now open for business.