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Refurbishment completed of former Ministry of Defence housing



A former Ministry of Defence housing estate in the town has been revitalised but the homes will not be available to rent as the council's previous administration had hoped.

Real estate firm Annington has refurbished 53 two and three-bedroom properties in Cavalry Crescent which had previously been used by armed forces personnel and their families.

Back in September, Windsor and Maidenhead council held discussions over whether to buy the land for £22 million.

Former council leader Andrew Johnson said he wanted to see the 'dilapidated' homes returned to a good standard and rented out to residents struggling to afford open market prices.

But a spokesperson for Annington said this week the company was not aware of interest from the council in the site. All homes will instead be available to buy, with prices for two-bedroom properties starting at £465,000.

On Tuesday, May 23, the Mayor of Cllr Christine Bateson carried out her final formal engagement by visiting the revitalised properties for a tour.

Council chief executive Stephen Evans joined her alongside Clewer East's Lib Dem councillors Amy Tisi and Karen Davies and social housing champion Cllr Helen Taylor.

David Tudor-Morgan, chief operating officer at Annington, said: "By completely refurbishing these properties, which have until now served the extremely important purpose of housing armed forces personnel, we believe we have found a sustainable way of reviving and re-purposing existing homes."