

LANSDOWNE HOTEL, EASTBOURNE CELEBRATES 110 YEARS OF BEING OWNED AND RUN BY THE SAME FAMILY



The Lansdowne Hotel, Eastbourne has been celebrating being under the same family ownership for 110 years with an event to mark the occasion held on 24th September. It is believed that the Lansdowne is one of only a handful of hotels in the UK that have been owned and run by the same family for over a century.

Now in its fourth generation the property is run by Managing Partner Catherine Clifford with her uncle Mr E Lewis an active partner. Over time the Lansdowne has grown from a 36 letting bedroom hotel that was originally built in 1875 as private dwellings, to the property that it is today with 102 bedrooms.

The fascinating history has seen many changes and the hotel was even closed for 6 years during the Second World War when the property was requisitioned by the War Department for the billeting of troops forming a coastal battery of the Royal Artillery.

Attendees to the celebratory event included MP for Eastbourne Caroline Ansell, Eastbourne Mayor, family members, long-standing guests and local business people.

Catherine Clifford, Managing Partner comments:

'It was wonderful to have so many colleagues, friends, dignitaries and business associates help us celebrate such a special occasion. Over the past 110 years my family has proudly owned and run the Lansdowne Hotel and continues to take immense pride in the property today. The Lansdowne has always been here and will always continue to be.'

In keeping with the 110 year theme the event had a Babycham drinks reception, 3 course menu from 1912 and a swing band for musical accompaniment.'

For more information on the Lansdowne Hotel, visit www.bw-lansdownehotel.co.uk or call 01323 725174.

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Notes to Editors:

The Lansdowne Hotel, Eastbourne is located on Eastbourne seafront opposite the palm-treed Western Lawns. The property was built in 1875, originally as Lansdowne Terrace and was acquired and transformed in to a hotel in 1912. Today the hotel offers 102 bedrooms, large sea view lounges, function spaces, bar and restaurant. The Lansdowne is popular with leisure guests in particular with Eastbourne renowned as being the sunniest place in Britain.