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the address for the Open University is

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Walton Hall Milton Keynes this is Walton

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Hall it's a very small building on a

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very large campus dan what's the story

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behind this building well it dates back

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to about 1201 also in the first building

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foot here but they've bent the front

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dates from the 1830s and it was a

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private house for many years until the

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Second World War when wrens

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from the local Bletchley Park were

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stationed here so they could go and work

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on the computers there and after the war

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it was taken over by a number of bodies

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and then in 1969 the Open University

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this is particularly useful for

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university because although they got its

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Royal Charter in April of 1969 had no

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campus it needed a place and this was it

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and this is opened you can see by the

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Earl Mountbatten of Burma who had an

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indifferent education and then went and

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fought in the First World War and became

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later a adult learner and mature student

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and supported international student

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bodies were for much of his career so

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it's particularly significant and

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interesting that he was the person who

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laid this stone and what happens here

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now well it's the centre of the campus

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which is where module materials are

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written and the videos are often made

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and the audio is produced for all the

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courses which can go out to university

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students around the country and around

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the world

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you

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