

Box Bathrooms Programme

This project is one of our most challenging and involves the eventual renewal of nearly 750 box bathrooms in St Helier. Sutton Housing Partnership has been working with residents to find ways to increase production and to improve both the original design and the value for money we get. We expect to complete the project in 5 years but only if we receive the full funding allocation from the Government.

If you have a box bathroom the work will be carried out in the same year as we plan to do any other internal works in your home such as a new kitchen, electrical work or heating system. Check your copy of the 5 year Decent Homes Programme for details of when we expect to work in your street

If you have difficulty with every day tasks such as bathing, we can help by asking an occupational therapist to carry out an assessment of your needs. The new bathroom can be supplied with any extra equipment that they recommend.

The installation only takes a matter of hours.

The following pictures give you an idea of what to expect.

Don't forget that you can get involved with this project or any of our other Decent Homes projects by getting in touch with our Customer Care Team on **Freephone 0800 195 5552** or from your mobile on **020 8915 2000** (*call charges may vary depending on your network*).



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Step I - Consultation

The contractor's representative will visit your home and explain what needs to be done and when prior to the installation of the bathroom.

About a week before the new bathroom is delivered; two aluminium piles will be drilled into the ground. These support the new bathroom.

At the same time the contractor will remove the concrete tiles on your old bathroom to reduce the weight and other small parts and put them in a bag. The bag will stay in your garden until the day the crane arrives about a week later.

We will also carry out any works to upgrade your heating or electrical system which will need to be in good condition before we install the new bathroom.



You can see the bag at the top of the picture on a wooden pallet. The aluminium piles are sticking out of the ground.

Step 2- Installation



The crane will arrive at about 8.00 in the morning and the equipment and any support vehicles will arrive too.



The crane will extend its arm over your home. While lifting takes place you may be asked to leave your home for a few minutes.



Before your old bathroom is lifted away a bag is placed round it to stop any small bits falling onto cars or gardens.



This picture shows the old bathroom being lifted away safely across the rooftops.

Step 3- Make ready for installation



Once the old bathroom has been lifted away the contractor will fix a steel bracket against the back of the house. This supports the bathroom and takes about half an hour to install.



In the meantime the new bathroom has arrived and is being lifted ready to swing into position.



The new bathroom is slowly lowered down onto the support brackets and the new piles



The new bathroom is connected to water and drainage immediately and is ready to use in a matter of hours.

Step 4- Finishing off

During the next few days we will finish the walls with brick tiles, finish the gutters, install the steps and finish off inside your home.

