



Part installed Slimline Side Entry shower cubicle

The new facilities are popular with residents as they can now shower themselves in the comfort and privacy of their own homes, and the design of the shower ensures all safety aspects are covered. Enhanced features include a textured floor surface; grab rails and a flat padded shower seat that can be fixed at any height to suit the user.

Residents are also benefiting from two Concept 2000 baths that have replaced a standard bath and shower to allow communal bathing, using the easy transfer

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seat, which can be raised and lowered in three easy movements, gently lowering the user into the water with the use of a safe, pneumatic handset.

Dennis Dorman the Building Maintenance Manager for South Derbyshire District Council which controls 1166 houses in over 44 schemes says: "We are continually looking to enhance the level of care that can be provided at home". Dawn Dawson, Advice Liaison and Sheltered Housing Manager at South Derbyshire adds: "We are continually looking to improve our services and the way we deliver them. Partnering with Chiltern Invadex has enabled us to continue working to this philosophy"

National Projects Manager Ian Tomlinson has led the partnering initiative at Chiltern Invadex. He says: "We are really quite unique in our marketplace because we are able to offer the breadth of service through specification, installation and service. Our knowledge and expertise of the disabled adaptations market means that we can provide the necessary one point of contact that makes a Partnering agreement work, ensuring economy, efficiency and effectiveness remain at the forefront of each project".

Through the partnering scheme, Chiltern Invadex ensured that the



project at Willoughby House was managed from conception to completion. A programme of works issued to South Derbyshire District Council, provided confirmation of start and completion dates, and agreed specification for each adaptation, supporting drawings/plans, detailed estimates, and customer satisfaction levels along with regular progress updates.

This was important in keeping residents up to date with developments as they continued to live in the properties whilst the adaptations were being made.

Chiltern Invadex has project management arrangements with numerous Housing Associations and Borough Councils including:

- North British Housing
- Housing 21
- London Borough of Barking & Dagenham
- Ipswich Borough Council

Chiltern Invadex has worked closely with other Borough Councils including:

- Guildford Borough Council
- Dacorum Borough Council, Herts
- Staffordshire Borough Council
- Macclesfield Borough Council


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Showering and Bathing Case Study

Chiltern Invadex partners South Derbyshire District Council in the provision of bathing adaptations for the elderly

Chiltern Invadex, leading manufacturer of showering and bathing equipment for hospitals, care homes and the community, has recently formed a partnership with South Derbyshire District Council.

Chiltern Invadex has been responsible for enhancing the bathing facilities at Willoughby House, a sheltered housing scheme in Swadlincote, providing elderly residents with access to their own private showering facilities.



Willoughby House sheltered housing scheme

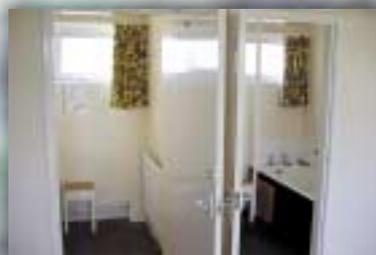
South Derbyshire District Council recognised the need for an enhancement to the existing bathing facilities at Willoughby House after consultation with residents and the contract to supply and install fully adapted showering and bathing facilities was awarded to Chiltern Invadex following a successful tender.

Twenty accommodation units have been equipped with new shower cubicles, while two communal bathing facilities have been modified to accommodate the Concept 2000 easy transfer bath, increasing accessibility and safety for elderly residents.



Part completed installation of the Concept 2000 bath with rotating seat

The installation of new facilities followed a demonstration at Willoughby House, whereby Chiltern Invadex agreed to erect and display its Slimline Side Entry Shower Cubicle for review by the schemes elderly residents. The product was extremely well received and residents voted overwhelmingly in favour of the proposed bathing adaptations.



Communal bathing facilities prior to modification

The 20-unit contract valued at circa £100k involved installation of the Slimline Side Entry, part of Chiltern Invadex's extensive Shower Cubicle and Toilet range.

The cubicle, which fits neatly into



Removal of all fittings prior to installation

the smallest of spaces, took the place of a cupboard that was removed from each accommodation unit. It was easily and quickly fitted, removing the need for tiling or re-decorating. Minimal disruption allowed residents to continue living in their property whilst the bathing adaptations were being completed.