

RADLETT NHS TRUST CASE STUDY

Interserve working with **NHS Trust** Radlett Mother & Baby Unit



Sanibest Pro

British company Interserve is one of the world's largest support services and construction companies, operating in the public and private sectors in the UK and internationally.

In Hertfordshire the company has recently worked with the NHS Trust on a number of health service projects, one of which was the refurbishment of a former mental health unit on a sprawling site in Radlett. The renovated property has been transformed into a much needed home for vulnerable mothers and babies from the area and the unit shares its location with a number of specialist NHS support services that can be accessed by the residents.

The renovation was completed by T Clarke, a subcontractor and specialist supplier for mechanical and electrical work and plumbing and heating services. The project included a conversion of office space to 8 en-suite bedrooms and to help with waste water drainage a total of 9 Saniflo units have been installed, 8 into the en-suite bathrooms plus a further unit to discharge grey water waste from a clinical sink.

The project consultants and the team from T Clarke chose heavy duty Sanibest Pro macerators to discharge waste from the showers, basins and w.c's and have cleverly hidden the units from sight behind walls – which have easy access for routine maintenance. From here the units pump waste up in to the roof space, across the void and down to the original soil stacks. Had the contractor opted for traditional drainage they

would have had to dismantle existing underfloor heating that runs right through the ground floor building to accommodate new drains. The Sanibest Pro macerators provided a cost-effective, reliable and practical alternative; enabling the retention of the existing heating provision.

A Sanicubic – which is housed in a cupboard in the pram storage area – is connected through the wall to a clinical sink in the adjoining utility area. This also pumps waste water to an existing soil stack.

John Russo was the Project Manager for the scheme;

“ Although different Saniflo units were originally specified by the original project consultants we recommended switching to the Sanibest Pro and the Sanicubic after talking with our supplier PTS. They had liaised with Saniflo's Areas Sales Manager, Mark Newton, who carried out a site visit to ensure the best product was chosen for the job.

The Saniflo units are enablers – they minimised inconvenience, helped us to meet the tight deadline for the refurb and we've never had any problem with them at all. They are not noisy, as some people think and they are the best choice when bespoke drainage systems aren't possible. I cannot fault them.”