

# Connex Offsite supply 253 bespoke bathroom pods to the Axe Street Development

**Project Title:** Axe Street, Barking  
**Client:** Lindhill Properties/London Brough of Barking and Dagenham  
**Contractor:** Shapoorji Pallonji Europe Ltd  
**Sector:** BTR (Built to Rent)  
**Location:** Excel, London  
**No of Pods:** 253  
**Practical Completion:** Q3 2022

## Project Description:

The development by Lindhill Properties will replace the old Abbey Sports Centre in Axe Street, Barking. It includes 170 homes for rent, including one, two and three-bedroom flats, 60 of which are expected to be offered at affordable rent.

Cllr Darren Rodwell, leader of Barking and Dagenham Council, said: "It's great to see another exciting development get under way in Barking.

"It will provide affordable homes for local people, a new base for Care City to improve health services for our elderly residents, and together with a new Independent Cinema, will be another great addition to the borough."

Care City is a company which develops carers' skills. It is based in Linton Road.

Abbey Sports Centre, which opened in 1986, was replaced with the £14m Abbey Leisure Centre in Bobby Moore Way in 2014. The plan to demolish the old leisure centre and redevelop the site was approved by the council's planning committee in December 2018.

Lee Fitzpatrick managing director of Lindhill Properties, said: "It will provide much needed high quality residential properties and become a new destination development that the people of Barking can enjoy."

David Harley, head of regeneration at Be First, the town hall's regeneration arm, said: "This is a fantastic new development for the community and with the Independent Cinema, it will make a big contribution to making Barking a thriving town centre."

The two screen cinema includes a creative workshop area. It will be operated by Arthouse Crouch End, whose Sam Neophytou said: "We want to create a cinema for all in our community, which inspires creativity and engagement, celebrates Barking and Dagenham's industrious past and looks forward in hope to its creative future."



The development is due to be finished in June 2022 . Bespoke steel frame bathroom pods have been designed and manufactured by Connex for this project.

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