

Press Release

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Work begins on new public toilets in March

Work is now underway on the construction of new public toilets in March, marking another step in the town centre regeneration.

The new facility, being built along the western edge of Grays Lane, is expected to be complete in the autumn.

The old toilet block was demolished as part of the regeneration works in February 2023 as they were no longer fit for purpose and to open-up the view of the riverside.

Replacing them was not originally included in the regeneration plans, but following feedback from the community, Fenland District Council decided to bring forward proposals for a more modern facility that better meets local needs.

The new toilets, being delivered with the Council's March Future High Streets funding, will feature enhanced disabled and family changing facilities and a CCTV system installed on the outside of the building for improved security.

The design of the new block also pays tribute to architectural features of the previous structure, including a pitched gable wall, a distinctive roof turret and reclaimed roof tiles. There will also be stone arched lintels above two doorways inscribed with the words 'Ladies' and 'Gentleman'.

Cllr Chris Seaton, lead member of the March Future High Streets steering group, said: "It's great to see this much-requested facility now under construction, showing how community feedback has helped shape the improvements to March.

Cllr Jan French, deputy leader of Fenland District Council, town and district councillor for March, and member of the March Future High Streets steering group, added: "People told us they wanted to see the old toilet block replaced, and we listened. The design of the new facility is a nod to the character of the old toilet block, while meeting today's expectations for accessibility and comfort."

Cllr Steve Count, district councillor for March and member of the March Future High Streets steering group, added: "This is a great example of practical regeneration. It's a smaller project in the bigger regeneration scheme, but one that will have a big impact on the daily experience of those living in or visiting March."

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