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Sheffield Square shining after £330K upgrade

New windows and doors, painting of communal areas and repairs to concrete are among the major improvements completed at Sheffield Square on Malmesbury Estate last week.

The £330,000 works, funded by the council and carried out by Tower Hamlets Homes, have improved the look and feel of Sheffield Square in Bow.

Tower Hamlets Homes Chief Executive, Gavin Cansfield said the works, which started in 2008, have brought significant improvement to the area.

Mr Cansfield said: "On top of the painting work and concrete repairs, residents will also benefit from a cleaner masonry, which was originally covered with graffiti and water stains.

"By the end of the week, they should have also received new doors, double-glazed windows and better communal walkways. Tenants will also be provided with fans in their bathroom and kitchens."

He added: "The work shows that we are making progress and demonstrates our real commitment to delivering decent neighbourhoods for all our residents."

Tower Hamlets Council's Cabinet member for Housing and Development, Cllr Marc Francis, commented: "These improvements are what tenants have a right to expect in the 21st century. We're working closely with Tower Hamlets Homes to ensure that thousands more people across the borough benefit from the £7 million we're investing this year in local council homes."

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Notes to editor:

1. Tower Hamlets Homes (THH) is an arm's-length management organisation (ALMO) managing approx. 22,000 tenants and leasehold properties on behalf of the Tower Hamlets council. Tower Hamlets Homes, which went live on 7 July 2008, is a not-for-profit and 100% owned by the TH Council. www.towerhamletshomes.org.uk

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