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a quick guide to...

pumped mains



Connecting your property to the nearest mains sewer is the ideal option. It's low maintenance, environmentally friendly and the risk factor is relatively low. The only downside is that initial costs can be quite high.

how it works

If, as in the first picture, the mains sewer is below the level of the house, gravity is on your side and the connection is simple.

However, if the mains sewer is above the level of the property, as in the second picture, it gets a bit more complicated. You'll need a pump to raise the waste to the required level. Here, we'll install a chamber below the level of the house. Waste discharged into the chamber is then automatically pumped out into the sewer.

basic maintenance

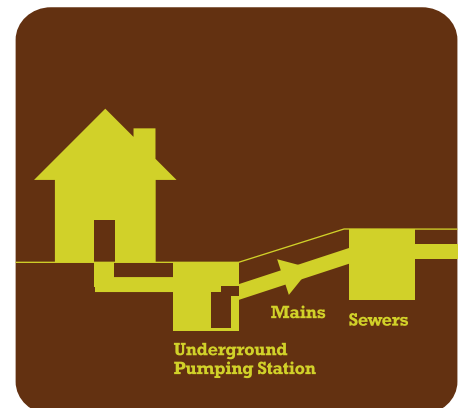
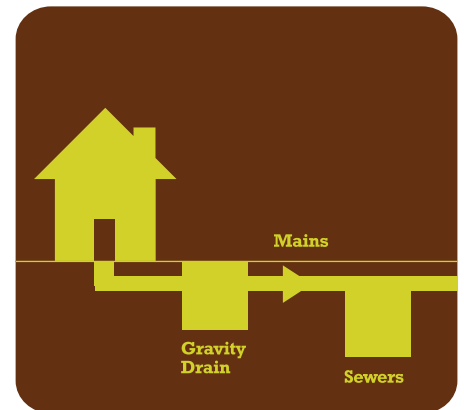
Pumped mains need to be serviced, desludged and jetted. Some debris will build up in the bottom of the chamber, so you'll need us to come and clear it from time to time. We'll also jet-wash the chamber to remove any build-up on the walls, float controls and the pump itself.

An alarm can alert you of any problems, but if you don't have one fitted it's best to take a quick look at the chamber every day. The electrics and mechanics will need to be kept in good working order too – we can easily check these for you.

when it all goes wrong

If you don't get the sludge removed, solids and grits can build up in the chamber and cause damage to the pump. The same goes for jet-washing – it's essentially for keeping the pump and float switches working properly. And if the equipment isn't serviced regularly, the pump itself could fail.

A pump that isn't functioning properly can be bad news. The pump chamber usually holds 24 hours' worth of waste, after which waste will either overflow or back up to the house. Pumps can be repaired or replaced without too much hassle, but you'll need tankers to take waste away until the system's back up and running.



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