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ow is your bathroom and toilet looking? As the Barbican Estate is now quite mature, many of these rooms are looking past their best and need renovating.

White and chrome are definitely not the only way to go these days, so be adventurous and dare to dream.

These rooms are no longer purely functional and are fast becoming as personalized as all the other rooms in our home. So consider all the options out there and let your bathroom be turned into a gorgeous and inspiring space.

#### TRENDING MATTERS

We recently attended Milan's Salone del Mobile 2018 (a major design event), which provides designers with both obvious and subtle indications of forthcoming design trends. Here we can share some of the major bathroom elements that will be appearing in the year ahead.

#### Metallic finishes.

This area is rapidly expanding and chrome is no longer considered to be the dominant material. Brassware in gold and black are now appearing as major contenders, making bold statements. There were many warm matt industrial finishes such as black, nickel and bronze, followed by lovely red gold and stainless steel finishes by numerous suppliers.

#### **Luxurious Statements**

Gold, marble and black in various materials

There are fabulous tiles around too to compliment the new fittings.

Images CP Hart









Images: Above, CP Hart Warm Neutrals

Above right: West One  $\,$  If you thought that avocado, baby blue  $\,$ Bathrooms and pink suites were relegated to the past, think again, as they have been reintroduced but with a twist.

> Permeating the show were earthy beiges and putty tones bringing a sense of warmth and comfort to furniture, furnishings and room schemes. These soothing neutrals were perfectly paired with natural materials. With black being a common contrast adding a touch of industrial elegance.

### Image: SHAPES

West One Bathrooms Ovals and circles will be appearing in all manner of items and freestanding fittings are making a strong statement.

#### WATER CLOSETS

The type we particularly like are the Japanese "shower toilets" which have soft swirl flushes and act as bidets in one. They are quite unique, with push button and electronic functions, consider the Toto Brand.



# **Exciting new Finishes**

Waterproof wallpapers – which really can go into the shower areas and bathrooms generally Fabric surrounds – for baths and pedestals.

So there are exciting options all round

## If you would like to redesign your bathroom please get in touch.

We are happy to work on single or multiple room schemes, in a couple of ways:-

- A) Design a Room Scheme for a Fixed Fee (providing you with drawings, leaving you to source and use your own builders.
- B) Provide a complete service i.e. Design a Room Scheme, Source Items and Project Co-ordinate the works + handle Approvals.

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