



<b>Contract Title:</b>	Framework Agreement
<b>In the role of:</b>	Strategic and Implementation Partner (Client Rep.)
<b>No. Of units involved:</b>	8000 (25000 in total across the Framework)
<b>Location of Service:</b>	London Borough of Newham
<b>Contract dates (Start and End):</b>	2006 - 2011
<b>Value of Commission:</b>	Capital works: £65million. Fee Value: £1million

### Contract Description/Scope of Works

mmbi have been working with Newham Homes since 2006 on Decent Homes Improvements and were recently awarded a four year Framework Agreement as a Strategic and Implementation Partner which includes a Client Representative role amongst others.

Newham Homes has a multi-million pound investment programme to improve Newham's council housing. This covers aspects such as building structures, kitchen and bathroom facilities, and environmental and security works. This is planned to meet the government's official 'Decent Homes' standard by 2010, but to go beyond it by providing what they have called 'Modern Homes'.

mmbi's role on the Framework as a Cost Consultant (in addition to roles of Employers Agent, Project Managers/Client Representative, Clerk of Works and Quality Monitoring) involves negotiating, monitoring and managing the unit costs and project costs within the Framework.

### Benefits Obtained

From the inception of the Framework we have been working in partnership with Newham Homes and fellow contractors and consultants on both strategic and implementation delivery. The initial benefits that we have obtained have been through the allocation of units by geographical area. Each consultant and contractor are allocated units in one area as opposed to several dotted around the borough – delivering:

- Expenditure that can be monitored locally and directly against outcomes
- Client relationships can be developed on the estates: through road shows and open-days.
- Increased knowledge of estates and homes by the Framework Team
- Increased efficiency for the Framework and less disruption for residents
- We have also been able to fast-track the procurement to achieve the expenditure required by the client
- The product requirements and through this bulk purchasing discounts are achieved – with multi-contractor purchases.