



Client: Environment Agency

Main Contractor: VBA Joint Venture

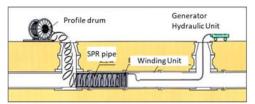
Location: Worsley, Manchester (Under

the Bridgewater Canal)

Requirement: Repairs to 6m of H2.7m x W3.1m arch brick culvert with structural failure under the Bridgewater Canal

Solution: Sekisui SPR ™ with newly constructed transition walls at each end of the repair to reduce flow turbulence

Duration: 4.5 weeks (including 2 weeks of silt cleaning)







A major breakthrough in culvert rehabilitation as the first culvert in the UK is repaired using spiral wound lining technology by Sekisui SPR^{TM} .

OnSite was tasked with the rehabilitation of a 6m section of arch brick culvert (2700mm wide by 3100mm high) running under an historic building. The culvert was suffering from serious structural degradation and deformation and was subject to a 4m red-carded exclusion area.

Issues:

- Excavation was not an option due to the building above and adjacent canal.
- The footings of the building were on railway sleepers, which intruded into the crown of the culvert.
- The nearest access points were either side of the Bridgewater canal; a manhole 30m upstream and a sluice gate 40m downstream.
- There was a heavy build-up of silt throughout the length of the culvert exacerbated by bends in the asset.
- The culvert shape, size and access constraints hindered the use of many traditional lining methods.

Solution - Sekisui SPR™:

Patented, spirally wound thermoplastic liner for gravity pipe rehabilitation.

- Applicable to ANY shape, in sizes from 150mm up to 5500mm.
- Truly no-dig with a low environmental footprint; all materials/equipment enter via manhole & are assembled inpipe.
- The process can be temporarily suspended by cutting the profile and reconnecting later should operational conditions dictate.

 Bypass or overpumping is not always required as lining can be undertaken without disrupting flow (depths <30% of the diameter). In this case, some overpumping was required which was conducted within the culvert.

Sekisui SPR™ was favoured in this scheme due to the following additional advantages:

- Health & Safety: OnSite could complete the rehabilitation without anyone having to enter the 4m red carded area.
- Minimal cleaning: The process of winding the pipe in situ meant that only a 12m section of culvert had to be cleared of silt as opposed to the full 70m between the access points.
- The maximum culvert capacity was maintained whilst allowing for the void & sleepers to be structurally supported.
- Construction Duration: The entire process (winding, bracing, grouting) took just over two weeks as planned.

A first for the UK:

Sekisui SPR™ has enjoyed tremendous success in Japan, USA, Australia and continental Europe. This scheme was the first in the UK.

Exclusive to OnSite

OnSite is the exclusive installer of Sekisui SPR™ in the United Kingdom.



