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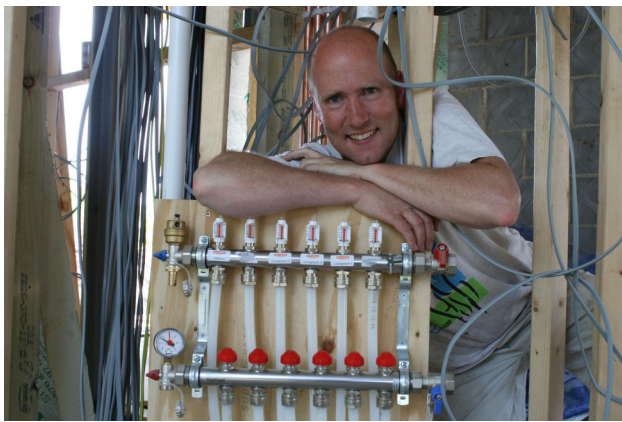
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Myson's Spirit Of Collaboration Warms Stefan's Project From Top To Bottom



Myson's Underfloor Heating team is helping a North East businessman to heat the dream home he is building in Northumberland – under the scrutiny of a top TV show.

Almost 15 years ago, Stefan Lepkowski first saw the building, an old mill on a country estate, which he thought could be transformed into his dream home. However, at the time, its owners were not willing to sell.

He finally bought the site in Castle Morpeth Borough in 2005, when a chance look in the property section of his local newspaper

brought its availability to light.

Now, with the help of the Underfloor Heating team at Myson's Gateshead headquarters, a major building project is underway.

In 2006, he began the process of rebuilding the cottage attached to the mill, starting with two years of reclaiming the original stone from the ground and drawing up his own plans and wish list, featuring a host of environmental considerations, which he then worked with architects from Reid Jubb Brown to achieve.

Channel 4's Grand Designs programme are following marketing boss Stefan's endeavours, which are due to come to completion in September, with transmission of the series scheduled for Spring 2010.

Stefan, managing director of Newcastle-based Karol Marketing, said: "It took a year to work out what I wanted to – and what I could – achieve, and due to the size of the rooms and my wish to be environmentally friendly, I knew I needed underfloor heating.

"I also chose UFH to ensure a stable temperature and to free up wall space, particularly for larger windows to bring in more natural light.

"I talked to a number of companies and felt that the commercial aspect of most outstripped the customer service element of their business, but that wasn't the case with Myson, who were totally different in the way they behaved. They were interested in what I wanted to achieve and willing to work with me to get there. They have been excellent."

Myson's team laid much of the UFH in the building, but having worked with them, Stefan has been able to lay sections himself.



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Myson's technical manager David Pittilla said: "This has been an exciting project to work on. Stefan's vision of rebuilding the cottage, using the original stone but with a very modern interior, is both environmentally and visually minded and our underfloor heating system is an ideal fit."

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