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A sound solution from SE Controls for The Recording Rooms student accommodation

he Recording Rooms, one of Birmingham University's newest student accommodation blocks, is using an integrated smoke and heat exhaust ventilation system from SE Controls to provide smoke free escape routes for more than 250 students.

Located in the Selly Oak area of Birmingham near the university campus, the £12.5 million building was designed by Glancy Nicholls Architects and incorporates 267 bed spaces in five different room styles including cluster en-suite, studio apartments and even a penthouse, as well as a gym and communal lounge.

Within the Recording Rooms, which takes its name from the recording studio that was originally located on the site, there are three individual zones, ranging from three to seven storeys high, with each having a dedicated smoke control system linked to the building's master BMS and fire protection system.

The SE Controls system is designed to



protect the building's four stairwells and corridors on each floor, by keeping them free of smoke and enabling clear escape routes to be maintained in the event of a fire.

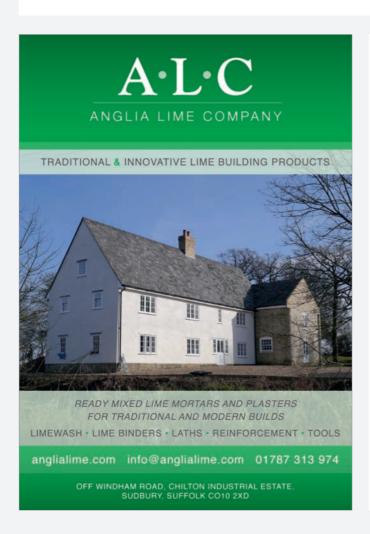
Two of the zones, which are three and four storeys high, each has an escape stair core protected by automatically operated side hung windows on each floor and automatic opening vents (AOV) at the head of the stairs. The systems in each zone are operated by SE

Controls OS2 SHEVTEC Controllers linked to the OSLoop Control System.

The seven-storey zone incorporates two escape stairs, which combine a mechanically ventilated smoke shaft with natural smoke ventilation, incorporating automatically operated smoke doors, and side hung windows, as well as AOVs at the head of stairs and tamper proof MCPs.

Michael Scrimshaw, Business Development Manager for SE Controls explained: "The design of the building meant that it was essential to provide effective smoke control in each of the different multi-storey zones. We have a significant amount of experience in code compliant and fire engineered solutions for student accommodation. By combining both mechanical and natural smoke ventilation, we were able to deliver a solution that fully utilises the advantages of both technologies to provide a safe environment for students."

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Cistermiser-Keraflo appoints building products specialist to drive its marketing



Cistermiser-Keraflo, a leading intelligent washroom controls and water efficiency specialist, has appointed Mark Schlotel as Marketing Manager. Mark has 34 years' experience, directing strategic B2B and B2C communications for a range of businesses operating predominantly in building products and associated technologies. Having worked for UK industrial groups such as Norcros, Novar (now Honeywell) and IMI plc, Mark is adept at delivering successful launches for new products. Employing a mix of traditional and digital marketing techniques, he has devised and driven integrated campaigns for a well-known shower manufacturer, for differing window system companies and for a global beverage dispense and cooling equipment supplier. He has also overseen the market positioning of a major fire detection and alarm business, which led to an expansive multi-branded role marketing a highly diverse 'intelligent building systems' group. He said: "I just love getting to know technical products in detail, to fully understand their engineering advantages; I'm passionate about it. Then working out the best ways to gain as much visibility as possible across target market sectors".

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Framework Directive for energy-related products



In October 2009, the European Commission published a framework Directive for energy-related products, thereby extending the scope of application to products that use, generate, transfer and measure energy. The energy-related products directive has already been implemented for washing machines, TVs, kettles, gas boilers and a number of other products and the new regulations will be applying to warm air heaters from January 2018. To enable the heaters to be placed on the market they must be fully compliant with the regulation. Appliances in the supply chain after the implementation date, can still be sold but they must be covered by an order, written or verbal. Orders would need placing for the non-condensing ranges of warm air heaters, the Hi-Spec and Economaire, by the end of December 2017 to comply with the new regulation. Providing these orders are in place, Johnson & Starley are able to sell these two models of heaters up until 26th September 2018. The company is so confident in its products that it is extending the guarantee period for the Economaire and Hi-Spec heaters from 1 to 3 years.

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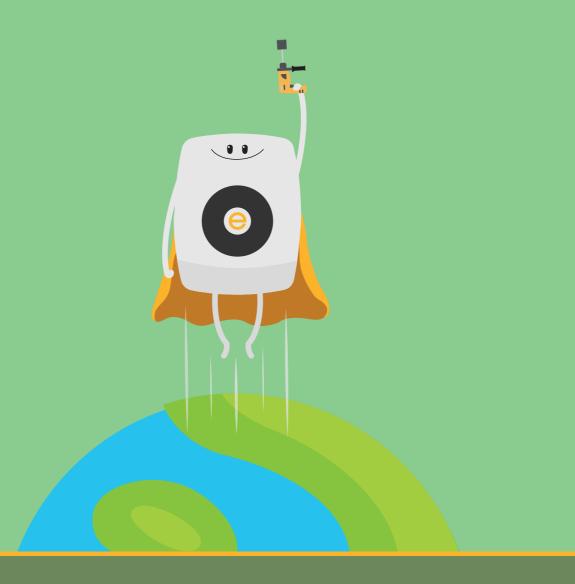


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Anyone for Half a Million Mugs of Tea?

aunched in 2017, the Newton Membrane Recycling Service is the first recycling scheme in UK water-proofing. Now, with the release of Newton's first annual recycling report we can see just how much HDPE plastic was recycled in 2017, and how Newton saved enough energy to make 519,690 mugs of tea...

Why Recycle Waterproofing Membrane?

One of the primary forms of structural waterproofing, cavity drainage membranes are manufactured from HDPE and designed to last for the lifetime of a building. However



each year the waterproofing industry sends hundreds of tonnes of off-cuts to landfill, as there was previously no service available for collecting and recycling the material.

With the environmental credentials of many new projects coming under increased scrutiny by assessments such as BREEAM, the ability for any company to trace their waste is therefore a valuable asset when undergoing sustainability assessments.

How Does It Work?

Available through Newton's Specialist Contractors, the service collects the waste membrane on delivery backloads from across the UK and processes it at Newton's Kent headquarters. From Newton, it is recycled by a third-party and manufactured into new construction products, therefore achieving a fully 'closed-loop' process.

Most important however, is that the service is transparent and traceable, making it possible to see where the waste is generated and produce reports for participating companies on how much they are recycling and how much energy they are saving.

What Have Been The Results?

As a result of Newton's efforts to ensure the sustainability of their operations, in 2017 a total of 3.255 tonnes of membrane was collected for recycling. There are also several other measurements that we can convert this into to make it a bit more quantifiable:

- Newton have avoided the release of 3.74 tonnes of Carbon Dioxide equivalent (CO2e) into the atmosphere
- This is the equivalent of burning 1,702 litres (1.24 metric tonnes) of petrol
- These are both equal to generating 14,616
 Kilowatt Hours (kWh) of energy
- Enough energy to make 519,690 cups of tea!

Finally, it is also hoped that this innovative new service will motivate other construction suppliers to consider their own processes and how they too can improve their environmental credentials.

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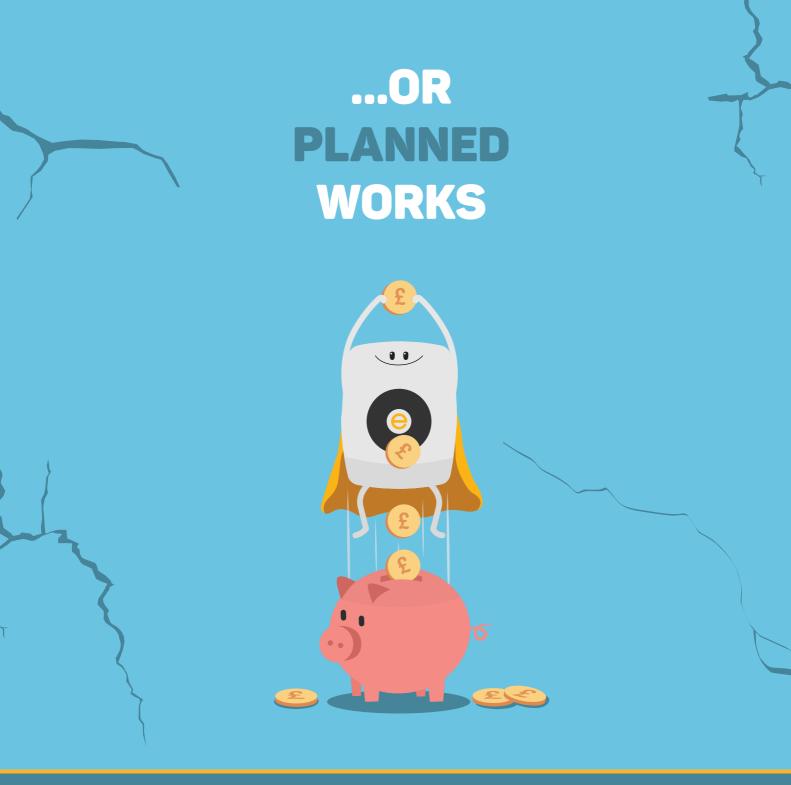


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Red Grandis™ lands at Lathams

ne of the UK's biggest independent timber and panel products distributor, James Latham, is now offering Red Grandis™ directly from stock through all eight of its nationwide timber depots.

Ethically sourced and plantation grown in Uruguay by forestry and logging giant Urufor, Red Grandis is one hundred percent FSC® certified and fully complaint with EUTR legislation.

Offering exceptional durability and stability, this high-performing, versatile hardwood timber - which comes from the Eucalyptus family - is also easy to machine and stain, plus, because it is plantation grown, it offers continuity of supply.

James Latham's Technical Timber Sales Development Manager, Justin Hayward explained, "We are really excited to be able to offer this product and I am confident that it will quickly become a popular choice with our customers. Red Grandis is ethically sourced; environmentally friendly and readily available and this, coupled with outstanding levels of performance in stability and



durability, ensures that it ticks all of the boxes not only for us, but for our customers."

Typical uses for Red Grandis include all types of joinery such as windows, doors, conservatories, mouldings and cladding. It is particularly well suited to large projects such as door frames as it is supplied in long engineered lengths so it is less likely to bow and warp, this in turn reduces the need to overlap and finger joint frames.

Mr Hayward added, "James Latham has a long history and expertise in bringing new and innovative products to market and Red Grandis fits perfectly within our extensive timber portfolio which boasts one of the largest and most varied ranges of joinery quality hardwoods and softwoods available in the UK."

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Offsite education projects handed over



The McAvoy Group handed over the £20m Lynch Hill Enterprise Academy in Slough 17 weeks ahead of programme, allowing the school to benefit from earlier occupation. The project is one of the UK's largest ever modular

schools. It demonstrates a number of new innovations which contributed to its early completion and reduced the programme by around six months compared to site-based construction. Gillian Coffey, Executive Head Teacher at the Lynch Hill Enterprise Academy said, "The facilities are terrific and the children are enjoying a fantastic new learning environment and the benefits of cutting edge design."

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'1000 Companies to inspire Europe'



Offsite Solutions, has been recognised as one of the London Stock Exchange Group's 1000 Companies to Inspire Europe. The report is a celebration of the most dynamic, high-growth businesses across Europe. To be included in this prestigious

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- White Grey Suedette Matt

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colours have matching Egger MFC boards.

RENOLIT ALKOREN Clay Grey Suedette Matt

Clay Grey Suedette Matt creates a sophisticated muted tone which works well with White Craft Oak 1. MFC Co-ordination: EGGER U201 ST9 Pebble Grey.

RENOLIT ALKOREN Onyx Grey Suedette Matt

Onyx Grey Suedette Matt is a versatile colour which creates a sultry atmosphere with its darker character. Add rich tones with Dried Date Suedette Matt, add urban chic with Chicago Concrete 1 or add a modern design element and depth with Fleetwood Lava. MFC Co-ordination: EGGER U960 ST9 Onyx Grey.

RENOLIT ALKOREN Pearl Grey Suedette Matt

Pearl Grey Suedette Matt is a modern light grey. For a trendy fresh look combine with Peak Yellow Supermatt or mix with Silver Liberty Elm 19 to add an imaginative



style statement. MFC Co-ordination: EGGER U763 ST9 Pearl Grev.

RENOLIT ALKOREN White Grey Suedette Matt

White Grey Suedette Matt is a light only just grey. To create a fresh and bright interior mix with Fern, and combine with the latest EIR (emboss in register) designs such as ENDgrain Delight or ENDgrain White. MFC Co-ordination: EGGER U775 ST9 White Grey.

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Offsite solutions expands range



Offsite Solutions, one of the UK's leading bathroom pod manufacturer, has expanded its range of GRP composite pods with the development of a hybrid design to offer an enhanced level of finish for higher specification student accommodation, hotels, and

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Polyflor launches Polysafe Quattro PUR



Polyflor, has just announced the launch of their new Polysafe Quattro collection. This innovative safety flooring range offers barefoot and shod sustainable wet slip resistance with a stud-free finish for enhanced comfort underfoot. Polysafe Quattro has been specifically designed to provide a high degree of slip resistance in continually wet

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New Conglomerate tile flooring at Gatwick Airport is plane sailing



A major project to lay around 7500m² of new conglomerate flooring and screeding at Gatwick North Terminal has been completed by National Federation of Terrazzo, Marble and Mosaic Specialists (NFTMMS) members DMC Contracts and In Opera Group. According to Federation spokesperson Brian James, this is a perfect example of NFTMMS members successfully completing a project in a high profile, high footfall area. To ensure both the quality of the installation and that testing was undertaken at all stages, DMC Contracts introduced Inspection and Test Plans which were administered for each bay of work that was completed. The tile chosen for the flooring by the client, Gatwick Airports Ltd, was manufactured by fellow NFTMMS member, In Opera Group, and has been used at Gatwick for more than 15 years. The installation processes involved screeding, incorporating movement joints, applying adhesive and laying the tiles. Throughout the installation the floor was thoroughly checked to ensure that there were no sudden irregularities, undulations, steps, ridges, bumps, ripples, rocking or lipping. The main contractor for the project was Balfour Beatty.

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Encasement's simple solution to conceal fire sprinkler system pipework

here fire sprinkler systems are being installed or retro-fitted in tower blocks and flats, Encasement's 'Versa' pipe boxing range provides the perfect cost effective solution for concealing sprinkler pipework.

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Encasement's Managing Director, Martin Taylor, commented "Our fire sprinkler boxing has already been installed on a large number of number of high rise refurbishment projects, where pipework and sprinklers need to be



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Balustrade in service at new fire station



Improving accessibility is a recurring theme in the specification of Neaco's products and so it proved again when the company's balustrade was called into service for entrance ramps at the new cutting-edge Hull Central Fire

Station, designed by Jefferson Sheard Architects. Jefferson Sheard Architects' Project Lead, Mark Fannon commented: "Health and safety and accessibility are always key drivers on all of our designs. Neaco's balance of form and function enabled us to fulfill our brief with a cost effective solution, whilst achieving the desired aesthetic."

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Hambleside launches new roofing underlays



Roofing ventilation and accessories specialist **Hambleside Danelaw** has launched two new vapour permeable underlays for slate and tile roofs, the middleweight Danelaw LR135 and the premium Danelaw LR180. Both can be used for warm and cold roof applications, either unsupported, draped over timber rafters or counter battens or fully

supported over timber sarking and rigid insulation. LR135 and LR180 have been independently tested by the BRE for wind zone suitability and come with full BBA approval.

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Architectural Copper Awards Winners Announced

The results of the 2017 European Copper in Architecture Awards 18 have been announced. The Maersk Tower research complex in Copenhagen, designed by C.F. Møller Architects and characterised by its grid of copper fins, was the outright winner. Two infrastructure projects were Commended and the Hydropolis water sculpture pavilion in Wrocław, received the Public Choice prize.

The eighteenth iteration of these biennial architectural awards recognises the growing influence of copper and its alloys in modern design. But it also exposes to a wider international audience inspirational projects, some of which might otherwise go unrecognised. The 2017 judging panel consisted of four architects, all recipients of previous Copper in Architecture Awards: Ebbe Waehrens (BBP ARKITEKTER, Copenhagen), Maxime Enrico, (LAN, Paris), Ville Hara (Avanto Architects, Helsinki) and Craig Casci (GRID Architects, London).

The Award winning projects were assessed from 35 entries from photographs, drawings and architects' descriptions. Overall architectural design, response to programme and context, importance of copper to the scheme and copper treatment were all considerations. The judges initially selected a shortlist of 8 projects that stood out from the rest and then went on to choose the overall Winner and two Commendations. In addition, registered copperconcept.org visitors voted on-line for their favourite shortlisted entry, resulting in a clear Public Choice Winner.

A unanimous judges' choice, the Maersk Tower research complex in Copenhagen, designed by C.F. Møller Architects, was the clear Winner. A major landmark building prominent on Copenhagen's skyline, it nonetheless delivers on many other levels as well. The conceptual development of its complex programme offers a fresh, more openly interactive research building typology



enabling interdisciplinary functions to work across and between floors and departments. Its response to urban context is impressive with a gentle curved form making it slim, elegant and sympathetic to its surroundings. And its qualities extend to exceptional detailing throughout with an innovative use of gently animated copper fin facades that moves in response to the solar gain and defines the building.

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The right surface drainage channels for the job at T2 Trafford Point

rituated near to the M60 and M62 motorways, T2 Trafford Point is a newly developed distribution facility on the edge of Trafford Park, Manchester. The 7712m² warehouse has upwards of 1440m² associated office space including an under-croft and reception area. The facility features cycle parking, a 91 space, 3500m2 office car park/access road and a 7400m² service yard for manoeuvring, parking, loading and unloading Heavy Good Vehicles' (HGVs).

Surface drainage required at T2 Trafford Point office car park access road and service yard required the specification of high capacity and very robust channel systems capable of withstanding the daily passage of cars as well as the massive twisting forces exerted by the tyres of manoeuvring HGVs.

Hauraton RECYFIX® MONOTEC 200/450 channels were installed in the asphalt car park. With a nominal grating width of 200mm (Channel internal



dimension) and an overall height of 450mm a channel provides a cross-section of 746.1cm², so the 134 metres of channel installed in the car park has a total water capacity of just over 9996 litres and a loading category of up to Class D400. The MONOTEC one metre long channel component is of a sturdy monolithic design where the HEELSAFE grating and the tongue and groove linking system are integral to the tough, virtually unbreakable polypropylene (PP) moulding.

In addition to the car park drainage, two

sizes of RECYFIX® HICAP® channels were also installed in the concreted service yard; 78 metres of HICAP 150 and 120 metres of HICAP 300. Both PP moulded channel sizes were supplied with factory fitted 28mm wide slotted ductile iron gratings for Class F900 loading category. The 198 metres of channel installed in the service yard has a total water capacity of just over 24156 litres.

With a maximum channel weight of 23,4kg per unit, both the RECYFIX® MONOTEC and HICAP channels were well within the weight limitation for manual lifting so made the contractors job on site just that little bit easier. For a given area to be drained, these ranges of high capacity channels also mean fewer channel runs, less excavation work, reduced foundation concrete needed and substantially less after care; benefits appreciated by the groundwork contractor, PP O'Connor and site manager.

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The silence of international design



Setter Architects have designed stunning new offices for several international companies, including Palo Alto Networks. The link between these projects is the way their interiors all benefit from high performance acoustic ceilings manufactured by Troldtekt in Denmark. Palo Alto Networks is a company involved in developing cyber defence solutions. Located on the 24th floor of a complex of multi-storey office towers in a colourful and historical part of Tel Aviv, the design inspiration is the introduction of eclectic low-tech external elements to the interior. These include steel window profiles and garage doors, exposed bricks, old textured glass to divide public spaces and historic artefacts. Palo Alto benefits from stunning aesthetics and controlled environments which absorb the sounds and reverberations from hard surfaces and the natural echoes. The superior acoustic performance of the ceilings is combined with different forms of lighting, air-conditioning and amplifiers. Apart from high sound absorption, other benefits include durability and natural breathability coupled with low cost performance and sustainability as documented by Cradle to Cradle certification at silver level.

Lindapter's extended product range is now CE Approved

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A true reflection of Neaco quality



Reflections in Chesterton, by HC Moss (Builders) Ltd, won Best Small Development in the Cambridge News Property Awards to become the latest in a long list of awardwinning projects to feature Neaco products. Paul Ursell of HC Moss (Builders) Ltd explained the benefits of using Neaco's

structural glass: "We incorporated frameless bi-fold doors and needed to match this with frameless glass balustrade affording a seamless outlook over the river. Every detail needed to be very high-end so we specified a stainless steel top rail to cap the structural glass."

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Kalwall® creates a flight of fancy



Kalwall® translucent cladding from Structura has been used in a stunning project at Rayleigh Durham Airport in North Carolina designed by architects Clark Nexsen. The brief was to transform/refurbish the aging 1981 Terminal 1. Nicknamed the 'blue box', the original rectangular building was constructed using blue corrugated metal making it dark and uninviting while the inside was haphazard with a poor passenger flow. In a £50m scheme, a stunning new terminal has emerged from a complete redesign with everything from the curbside to the interior space. On landside arrival, a Kalwall canopy system provides shelter and links access points while a Kalwall translucent facade is utilised to clad the main terminal building. Its unique ability to diffuse natural daylight into the interior means the new TSA screening facility now has complete privacy for the sensitive areas while bathing the interior with natural, glare-free light. Kalwall is frequently specified for this type of prestige project where high-end performance and quality need to be coupled with aesthetics, practicality and a long life-cycle.

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High capacity channel system drains main car park at Castlegate Business Park

he 107 space car park at the new Costa, KFC outlets, Castlegate Business Park, Dudley, West Midlands is drained with 44 metres of Hauraton's RECYFIX® MONOTEC high capacity channel drainage system. The Castlegate Business Park is already home to restaurants including Frankie and Benny's and Pizza Hut, as well as a Showcase Cinema and offices.

Hauraton Limited introduced the MONOTEC, system in January 2016. The Castlegate development joins numerous installations successfully completed in the United Kingdom.

The RECYFIX® MONOTEC channels installed in the car park's red block / asphalt surfaces have a nominal grating width of 100mm, an overall height of 380mm and a cross-section of 355.5cm². Having total water capacity of just over 1566 litres the channel runs drained an area of over 1233m².

All RECYFIX® MONOTEC one metre long channel component is of a sturdy



monolithic design where the HEELSAFE grating and the tongue and groove linking system are integral to the channel moulding. The whole unit is made of tough, virtually unbreakable polypropylene (PP) formulated to be very resistant to daily temperature fluctuations from frost conditions to strong sunlight, including the Ultra Violet (UV)

spectrum. PP is naturally resistant to de-icing salt. Complying with the requirements of EN 1433, the PP is given its UV resistance by adding just sufficient stabiliser so that the structural strength of the material is unaffected and a consistent appearance is maintained. The MONOTEC channels have a loading category of up to Class D400.

Peter Dicken, Hauraton's Project Manager for the Midlands comments; "With a maximum weight of 10.4kg the groundwork contractor, E.Terry, found the MONOTEC channels supplied easy to handle and install with no breakages reported during the installation process. Matching Trash Boxes and End Caps were also supplied. All Hauraton surface water drainage systems' comply with European Standards (hENs) and carries the CE mark".

For RECYFIX® MONOTEC product specifications visit Hauraton's website.

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Cladding makes a difference in Caerphilly

Freefoam Fortex Double Shiplap PVC-U Cladding has been utilised to great effect on homes on the Lansbury Park estate in Caerphilly. Installed as part of a £2 million investment package to improve energy efficiency and transform the appearance of the estate the extensive refurbishment programme was commissioned by Caerphilly County Borough Council and fitted by contractor Eon Energy. The works were undertaken through the Energy Company Obligation (ECO) initiative, which is a government energy efficiency scheme to help reduce carbon emissions and tackle fuel poverty. Under the scheme, larger energy suppliers deliver energy efficiency measures to homes and are given targets based on their share of the domestic gas and electricity market. The development previously featured white PVC cladding but the refurbishment gave the opportunity to bring colour to the properties. Eon Energy chose a variety of subtle shades from the Fortex range including Cappuccino, Colonial Blue, Misty Grey and Argyl Brown to compliment the new exterior finish. PVC cladding is a cost effective option saving expensive and time consuming ongoing maintenance. With Freefoam's ten year guarantee on the majority of the colour range Caerphilly Borough Council will still be seeing the benefits in many years to come.

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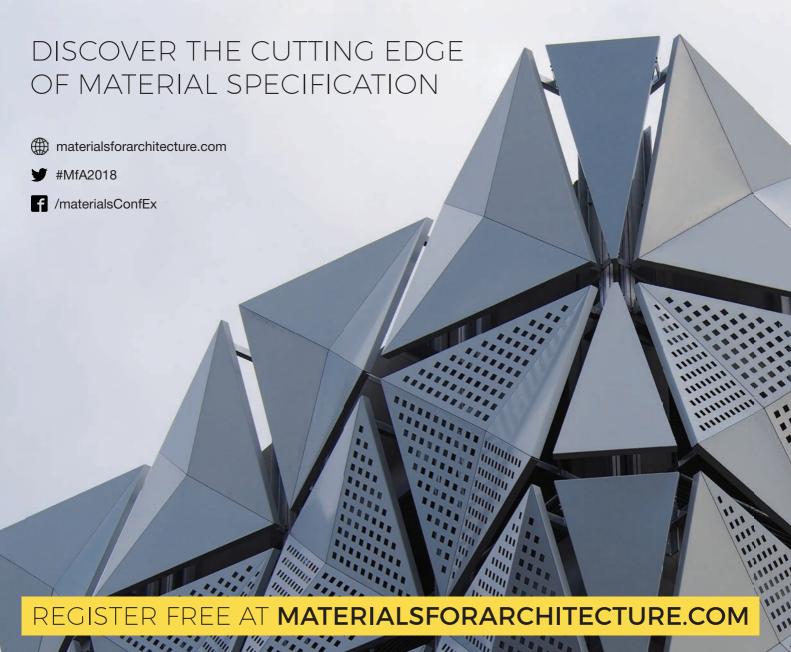
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