Case Study

Duodrain® DD25 Drainage Composite

Location:
New Apartments, Great West Road, Brentford, TW8

Client:
Barratts (West London)

Project:
Creation of New Apartment Blocks

Contractor:
Elite Landscapes

The Great West Quarter is the premier regeneration scheme in Brentford, Middlesex on the fringes of Chiswick, Hammersmith and Richmond. It is a redevelopment of former industrial ground surrounding the ‘Art Deco’ Wallis House just off junction 2 of the Great West Road (M4).

The development comprises over 800 new homes set among piazzas and green open spaces, with a variety of shops, offices, restaurants and an iconic 30 story hotel tower. The project team needed to find a product that would act as a horizontal drainage medium underneath the open spaces, piazzas and recreational areas of the development. Lots of these areas are raised docks with parking or maintenance space below them. The product needed to fulfil a number of requirements:

- Large coverage per roll: To speed up installation
- Small roll size: Limited on site storage space
- Light weight: To enable easy handling on site
- High compressive strength: To cope with surcharge material
- Long design life: To satisfy the consultant/client
- High capacity flow rate: To cope with estimated run-off
- Competitive price per m²: Large quantity required

The Duodrain® DD25 satisfied all the requirements of this specialist application, as well as being available immediately from stock. The project ultimately utilized over 10,000m² of Duodrain® DD25, all delivered on schedule. When compared to a traditional drainage solution (graded aggregate layer surrounded in geotextile) the Duodrain® provided significant savings to the contractor and in due course to the client.

The benefits of using Duodrain® DD25 in this case were:

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