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Generation Infrastructure

Albert Dock, Liverpool
Technical Case Study

Savills Management Services, Liverpool Albert Dock

Liverpool's world famous Albert Dock is a site of significant importance for the city. Attracting thousands of visitors each year, the estate is managed by Sean Morrison of Savills Management Services.

In 2013, Mouchel Architects of Knowsley - who had used Flexi-Pave successfully on a number of other projects - recommended KBI UK to Sean. KBI UK were advised that there had been repeated problems with the tree surrounds on the dock, caused by the inflexible resin bound material cracking and splitting the surface. As a result the existing trees were dying.

With a new tree planting programme scheduled for 2014, they needed a durable surfacing product that would encourage tree growth by being both porous and flexible, as well as having an attractive appearance. Due to its popularity, the site was experiencing an increasingly high footfall, and the use of light maintenance machinery on site also had to be considered. KBI Flexi™-Pave was accepted as the ideal material for the project, and KBI were instructed to install 72 tree pits around the site in 2 phases.

"The team at Savills is delighted with the results", said Sean. "KBI Flexi™-Pave is a great product that will prove to be very cost effective and I am already looking at using it for other applications at Albert Dock."





Car Tyres Used → 243

Colour Scheme → Black & Gold

Duration → 4 Days

“The site is synonymous with Liverpool, representing its heritage as a major port and its development into a thriving modern day city. This project was particularly prestigious for KBI UK and the company is thrilled with the results. The site looks fantastic, but more importantly the trees themselves will now be able to flourish without the estate team having to be concerned about the material surrounding them.”

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