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TOPFLOW
PIGMENTED ARCHITECTURAL
A modern extension, basement and renovation to a georgian house in Hampstead.

THE CHALLENGE
McLaren Excell contacted Tarmac to provide a concrete to be used for feature walls throughout the renovation and extension of a georgian house in Hampstead. The client required a high quality boardmarked surface finish and was very particular about the tone of the concrete used. To add to the complexity many of the walls were only 150mm thick and heavily reinforced and it was intended to have the same boardmarked finish on the soffits.

OUR SOLUTION
Tarmac’s first step was to arrange a meeting with the architects, contractor and client on site to discuss the quality of finish required and show some Topflow/Toptint samples. Two trial walls were constructed in the garden using a pigmented Topflow Architectural. The finish was excellent and the client chose caterpillar grey as her choice of colour. 36m3 of Topflow were placed in 8 pours, each attended by a Tarmac Technician to test the consistency of the concrete was correct.

RESULTS AND BENEFITS
Walls and soffits were poured quickly and with the minimum of fuss. Tarmac’s Topflow Architectural faithfully replicated the grain and texture of the spruce boards used in the formwork and gave a finish with virtually no blowholes for both walls and soffits. The Architects liked the finish and service so much they requested that Tarmac’s Cambridge sector provide an identical mix for a job in their area. The self compacting nature of the Topflow mix used meant that the pours were completed quickly, quietly and safely, as no vibration was required, reducing noise for the neighbours and removing the risk of hand arm vibration from the contractors.

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