



# PROVEN PERFORMANCE

TOPTINT EXPOSED. WICKSTEED PARK NORTHAMPTON  
THE OPTIMUM DECORATIVE CONCRETE FOR EXTERNAL  
APPLICATIONS

**TOPTINT**

**Product** TOPTINT EXPOSED  
**Client** NORTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL  
**Main contractor** JACKSON CIVIL ENGINEERING  
**Location** WICKSTEED PARK, NORTHAMPTON  
**Date of completion** JUNE 2014

***Toptint Exposed is a robust decorative concrete with a gravelled finish for a wide range of external uses.***

### **THE CHALLENGE**

To build a sandy beach out of concrete for Wicksteed Leisure Park. The client wanted to use a sand/buff coloured concrete, aesthetically pleasing, into which they wanted to insert “scottish beach” pebbles to obtain a rippled effect concrete finish. They wanted to use a colour that would be as close to the colour of natural sand as possible.

### **OUR SOLUTION**

Faced with this challenge, Tarmac, understanding local sourcing constraints for coloured materials and difficulty in placing pebbles into concrete in-situ, put forward their Toptint Exposed in Cotswold (colour) which offered a solution close to the original specification, guaranteeing an integral concrete (with no loose stone). Trials were done of the mix and samples made for the client, who approved the material for use.

### **RESULTS AND BENEFITS**

With Toptint Exposed, Tarmac were able to offer a concrete that was suitable for purpose, aesthetically pleasing and in addition, as the original specification would have been extremely expensive to produce (due to lack of materials that could be locally sourced), Tarmac were able to further value engineer the project by offering a cost saving to the customer with Toptint Exposed using locally sourced aggregate which helped to reach project sustainability targets as well.

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