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BROXAP ANNOUNCES STRATEGIC ACQUISITION OF TOWNSCAPE PRODUCTS LIMITED

Broxap Limited, the UK's leading manufacturer of street furniture, canopies, shelters & cycle parking, and outdoor play & fitness equipment, are pleased to announce the acquisition of Townscape Products Limited, a Nottinghamshire-based specialist manufacturer of Hostile Vehicle Mitigation (HVM) Street Furniture and CT blocks.

Since 1974, Townscape has been recognised for the design and manufacture of traditional and contemporary street furniture across a variety of materials and finishes, including Corten steel, valued for its

long-term durability and distinctive patina, and precast concrete. Their HVM range, featuring bollards, seating, planters, and concrete blocks, will become even more important following the introduction of Martyn's Law (the Terrorism [Protection of Premises] Act 2025), which received Royal Assent in April 2025.

"We're delighted to welcome Townscape Products into the Broxap family," said John Boyle, Managing Director of Broxap. "In 1997, when I first joined Broxap, one of my earliest trading partners was Townscape Products. Nearly three decades later, bringing our companies

together is an exciting milestone, and together we will deliver even greater value to our clients, from local authorities and transport operators to commercial developers in the UK's construction sector. This acquisition underlines our appetite for growth, as well as a shared commitment to enhancing the way people experience and interact with public spaces."

Yvette Gay, co-owner, director and outgoing shareholder of Townscape Products, added: "This partnership represents a significant new chapter for the future of our family business. By joining forces with Broxap, in addition

to their complementary product portfolio, we gain access to expanded resources, wider markets, and enhanced technical expertise. Broxap is a great home for the business my father founded as a startup in the mid 70's."

The integration will create new opportunities for product innovation, sustainable manufacturing, and international growth, reinforcing Broxap's leadership in the street furniture and public realm sectors.

ABOUT BROXAP LIMITED

Founded in 1946, Broxap Limited is a family-owned business with over 75 years of experience in manufacturing, including the supply of street furniture, shelters, canopies, cycle storage, timber playground areas, and outdoor gym equipment. Committed to quality, sustainability, and enhancing public spaces across the UK and beyond, Broxap continues to set the standard in creating resilient, attractive, and future-ready environments.

Employing around 250 people, Broxap has supplied products and services

to illustrious events and clients such as the QVM monument outside Buckingham Palace, London 2012 Olympic Games, 2013 Commonwealth Games and Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships, as well as transport initiatives such as TfL (Transport for London), TfGM (Transport for Greater Manchester) and rail networks such as Centro.

ABOUT TOWNSCAPE PRODUCTS LIMITED

Townscape Products Limited, founded in 1974, specialises in Hostile Vehicle Mitigation (HVM) solutions and premium street furniture. With a reputation for design excellence and durability, Townscape has the ability to take a traditional concrete product and combine it with premium innovative materials, most recently such as Corten steel, to offer aesthetically pleasing and bespoke solutions for its clients.

Townscape is trusted by local authorities, transport networks, and private sector organisations for its robust, innovative, and design-led solutions. Both their Counter Terror blocks and bollards meet

PAS 68, a British Standards publicly available specification that sets the criteria for testing and rating vehicle security barriers, forming part of on-going research to prevent vehicle born improvised explosive device (VBIED) attacks.

Their Counter Terror products are installed at many high-profile public and private buildings across the UK, including Birmingham NEC, 20 Fenchurch Street in London, Titanic Centre Belfast and a number of airports. Townscape have also completed major projects overseas, including the Facebook HQ in San Francisco, USA, The Edmonton Oilers Ice Hockey Stadium, Canada, and AMMROC in Abu Dhabi.

To enquire about Broxap products that can help your project, visit your local Keyline branch today.

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PROTECTING TREES, PROTECTING COMMUNITIES

Geoworks has launched The Root Cause campaign to raise awareness of the hidden but vital role of tree root protection in new housing developments. Trees are more than landscaping – they shape communities, improve wellbeing and add long-term value to homes.

Our survey of 2,000 UK buyers found that 78% said mature trees and green spaces would influence their decision to purchase a home, and over half would pay more for greener surroundings.

Yet construction often puts trees at risk from compaction, excavation and contamination. The Root Cause highlights both the risks and the solutions, showing

how developers can protect trees and avoid costly setbacks.

Geoworks' ProtectaWeb™ system provides a proven no-dig approach, creating a stable, permeable surface above root zones that keeps trees healthy while supporting access roads, paths and driveways.

Protecting trees means protecting communities – and ensuring developments thrive for generations.

For more information about The Root Cause campaign from Geoworks, talk to the team at your local Keyline branch.



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POWERING THE FUTURE: TRACEY CONCRETE'S NEW POWER & INFRASTRUCTURE GUIDE

Tracey Concrete is proud to introduce its new Power & Infrastructure Brochure, highlighting a comprehensive range of precast solutions for the communications and utilities sectors.

Leading the way are Tracey Concrete's innovative Precast Communication Chambers branded as "Super Comms," alongside their advanced Cable Trough Systems.

These intelligent systems are engineered to safeguard and optimise utility services, offering a robust and efficient alternative to traditional in-situ chambers and buried service lines.

Designed for rapid installation, these solutions enhance contractor efficiency while ensuring long-term durability and service security.

The expanded range of Communication Chambers now spans internal sizes from 900x900mm to 3000x3000mm, demonstrating Tracey Concrete's capability to meet projects of any scale.

All chambers can be fully customised with a variety of ducting configurations to suit a wide range of infrastructure requirements.

For more information, visit your local Keyline branch today.

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STORMFORCE – THE END-TO-END SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT SOLUTION



From consultation and design to manufacture, supply, installation and warranty, StormForce is the single-source solution to surface water management, delivered by trained experts in soakaway and attenuation tank planning and construction.

Wavin takes care of everything. They consult and advise on site, value engineer the optimum design, deliver the products to your schedule, install through fully-trained StormForce partners and warranty the build.

Armed with the next generation of AquaCell geocellular units, StormForce can deliver faster builds, reduced risk, greater sustainability and total compliance.

With one supplier, one contract and one expert team, StormForce delivers to Wavin's renowned standards on every project.

You can have total confidence in the quality of every contract – underpinned by BBA approved products and a 5- year warranty on the installation.

Speak to your local Keyline branch today who can put you in touch with Wavin's technical specialists.

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PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT

GETTING WINTER READY

Heidelberg Materials produces a range of packed products that allow builders and contractors to keep working through the worst of the British weather.

During the wet, cold, winter months, stock up on products such as Quickcem, 40N concrete, Drive Repair Asphalt, Fast Set High Strength PostFix and Multicem.

"We offer a number of different heavy building materials with rapid setting properties," said Jack Vincent, National Account Manager for Keyline.

"Quickcem and Fast Set High Strength Post Fix, for example, allow projects to be completed quickly, even in poor weather conditions,"

"We also produce many of our products in weather-resistant or waterproof packaging to ensure they are able to be used on site throughout the year."

Heidelberg Materials' core lines can be supplied to Keyline branches as part of a mixed load delivery, helping to minimise vehicle miles and maximise stockholding.

To learn more, visit your local Keyline branch today.

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KEYLINE SUPPORTS MADDIE ROSE CAMPAIGN

In September, we shone a light on a cause close to our hearts.

Here at Keyline, we're proud to support the Maddie Rose Campaign – an initiative created in memory of Maddie Rose, a former Marketing Executive and passionate advocate for young people in civil engineering.

Maddie believed that civil engineering was more than just a career path, it was a space full of opportunity, often overlooked by the next generation. She made it her mission to change perceptions, inspire others, and highlight the wide range of roles within the industry.

Set up in 2022, the Maddie Rose Campaign carries that mission forward, opening doors and raising awareness for the future of construction and civil engineering.

Join us in making a difference. Find out how you can get involved and support the Maddie Rose Campaign today:

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KEYLINE BECOMES THE FIRST UK CIVILS MERCHANT TO ACHIEVE PAS 2080 ACCREDITATION

Did you know we are the first civils merchant in the UK to achieve PAS 2080 accreditation?

This accreditation, which applies to all new infrastructure and retrofit projects, is a global standard for effectively managing and reducing carbon emissions throughout the lifecycle of projects.

What does that mean? It's a major milestone in driving down carbon across the entire construction value chain. PAS 2080 gives us a clear, consistent framework to help deliver real impact.

Discover how this helps shape a more sustainable industry:

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