

## Maintenance and Inspection Critical for Cornwall Highway Soakaways

Managing highway surface water runoff as part of a much-needed development of affordable housing in rural Cornwall, UK has been assured with a Stormbloc® geocellular soakaway system from Hydro International.

Maintenance and regular inspection were key considerations in a Sustainable Drainage System (SuDS) that required two soakaways to be built to manage surface water from Bassett Road as part of Coastline Housing's 49-home development in the village of North Country near Redruth.

As the ground conditions in Cornwall are usually favourable for infiltration of excess surface water, Cornwall Council promotes the use of soakaways as the preferred option for surface water drainage in the county. Consultant Engineers Nijhuis H2OK Ltd specified Stormbloc® with a Stormbloc® Inspect system to ensure



regular inspection and maintenance of the soakaways and comply with local authority highways and drainage guidance with a view to adoption by the council. Stormbloc® Inspect's inspection chambers and access tunnels in the soakaways are fully integrated within the modular block system to ensure simple installation and connection to the surface water drainage system, as well as easy access for ongoing maintenance.

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# Haymarket Transport Hub – Newcastle upon Tyne

Nexus, the Passenger Transport Executive for Tyne and Wear who own and operate the Tyne and Wear rapid transport system have established a partnership with Closegate Developments Limited, acting on behalf of 42nd Street Realty Limited for the redevelopment of the Haymarket Metro Station to create a new landmark building 'The Hub'.



The Haymarket Hub has rejuvenated this historical northern gateway into Newcastle City Centre. The exciting design of the 'Metro Station' space has provided new leisure, commercial and retail opportunities and re-emphasises the area's importance as a major



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