

QUARTZDEK REDUCING SLIP ACCIDENTS FOR WATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL



Local Councils have a duty of care to provide safe, slip free surfaces - if this is breached, and an accident occurs, the financial consequences can be crippling. Help is at hand, however, says solutions specialist Acrypol Products, manufacturers of a highly cost effective, tried and trusted slip resistant coating – Quartzdek.

Watford Borough Council, like many other Local Authorities, is highly aware that by not ensuring a slip resistant surface is present at entrances, exits or within public amenity facilities, injury claims could run into millions of pounds, so positive action had to be taken.

By installing 1300 Sqm of Quartzdek to potentially dangerous pedestrianised stairways within four busy car parks, Watford Borough Council has dramatically improved the safety of its residents – by preventing slips before they happen. In addition, the product has achieved a high degree of improved aesthetic appearance, whilst also waterproofing and protecting the surface deck at the same time.

Interior stairs at the Charter Place, Gade, Sutton Road and Church Street low rise, multi storey car parks were coated with Quartzdek in light grey. The edges of the steps were coated in Quartzdek in yellow for added visibility during low light levels.

In recent testing, the Building Research Establishment (BRE) officially rated Quartzdek as having a low potential for slip when wet and an extremely low potential for slip when dry.

It is a major vote of confidence for the many specifiers and building owners who have regularly depended on Quartzdek to prevent walkway or balcony accidents, especially in public or highly foot trafficked areas.

Quartzdek means there's an easy way to combine high performance waterproofing with the safety of a slip resistant surface. It is fast to install and perfect for the refurbishment of balconies, walkways, exterior stairs, risers and roof gardens.

The secret behind Quartzdek is real quartz granules which are applied over an incredibly tough, flexible polyurethane waterproof resin, all sealed and bonded together with a final layer of resin. Quartzdek can be used over concrete, cement, asphalt and even quarry ceramic tiles.

A choice of three aesthetic colour mixes means pedestrianised walkways can be transformed, brightened and can again look like new.

Acrypol has a proven track record of developing some of the most advanced waterproofing solutions – each one created to give superb performance, manufactured from high quality materials that few can match.