

REPORT OF A MEETING OF THE FeRFA TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday 17 June 2015
 AT: Ibis Hotel, Dirft East Parklands, Crick, Northants

PRESENT: Mark Spowage Resdev (Chairman)
 Ian Perkins Flowcrete
 Dr Derrick Hulett John Lord
 Dr Malcolm Bailey Radlett Consultants
 John Wright Resdev
 James Wright Degafloor
 Simon Clark Sika
 Jonathan Prendergast Ronacrete
 Jonathan Baxandall Altro
 Rob Bentley BASF
 Susan Rogers Campden BRI
 John Green F Ball/DCP
 Shamshad Ali Instarmac
 Dr Lucien Gill Oceans ESU
 Helen McGachie FeRFA

APOLOGIES: Will Hoyle, George Guesford, Chris Orme, Stuart Whiteley

ACTION

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 4th February 2015

The Minutes were confirmed as a correct record.

2. MATTERS ARISING

2.1 5 Year Review of BS 8204-6

It was agreed that the recent changes to the FeRFA Guide to Specification and Application of Synthetic Resin Floors should also be included in the revision of BS8204-6, and members were requested to review the FeRFA Guidance and forward any comments and suggested amendments. All amendments would be discussed and agreed at the September meeting, for submission to the British Standards committee in October.

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2.2 Proposed Changes to EN13813

Malcolm Bailey advised that the agreed changes to EN13813 still needed to be ratified and that the process could take a year before changes would apply. John Prendergast welcomed the inclusion of resin bound/bonded systems and requested advice on how Ronacrete could have an input into the proposed changes. Malcolm Bailey advised that a letter should be sent by Ronacrete to BSI (CP300/BS 8204 Standards Committee).

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As the revised standard would now apply to both internal and external applications, Shamshad Ali noted that testing methods would need to include freeze/thaw.

3. NEW FeRFA GUIDANCE NOTES

3.1 FeRFA Guide to Taint Testing for Resin Flooring

Discussion took place regarding the method of testing, air to sample ratio and size of sample. Rob Bentley suggested that it would be of benefit to have clarification on defining the results, ie state at what time during cure is the product taint free. Further discussion resulted in an agreement to amend the brief for testing by Campden to 4 tests in total (1 x 6 cm x 6 cm sample uncured polyurethane, 1 x 20 cm x 20 cm uncured polyurethane, 1 x 6 cm x 6 cm sample uncured epoxy, 1 x 20 cm x 20 cm uncured epoxy). FeRFA would request Campden BRI to provide costings and details to undertake such tests.

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As noted in previous minutes, the results from the above FeRFA tests could not be used by the supplying resin manufacturer.

3.2 Proposal for FeRFA Guide to Resin Bound Systems

It was agreed that FeRFA should produce a guidance note for resin bound/bonded systems . John Prendergast agreed to assist with the drafting of an initial document, based on a template to be provided by FeRFA. FeRFA would consult industry to assist in producing this guide once the initial draft is available.

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4. RECYCLING SCHEME

4.1 A number of issues were raised regarding the service and support available from Countrywide Waste Management. Helen McGachie advised the meeting that these issues would be addressed with CWM, but also pointed out that each member now has the data collection template which can be submitted monthly to FeRFA to record waste collection/recycling data, irrespective of which waste management supplier is used.

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5. BREEAM Ratings for Resin Flooring

The project is progressing with initial data collection on Type 3 Epoxy High Build Coatings, a copy of which was circulated to the meeting. Rob Bentley agreed to assist with the required data for energy consumption, following which the information on the data template for this product would be submitted to BRE for comment before work commenced on the other product types.

RB/HM

6 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

As the topics discussed at the Technical Committee are becoming more diverse, it was agreed that it would be of great benefit to FeRFA and its members to form a dedicated Screed (cementitious) Technical Committee. Members involved in the screed sector would be invited to participate in this committee.

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7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 16th September 2015.

Following the meeting, Dr Lucien Gill of Oceans ESU gave a presentation on “Air Monitoring of Resin Flooring Installations for a retail client”.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

