



## **Press Release**

### **FM Conway paving the way to a greener Dover Harbour**

FM Conway has won a prestigious three year contract with Dover Harbour Board to reconstruct and resurface the port's busy access routes and large vehicle parks within the port.

The contract has been awarded to FM Conway after a lengthy tender process and one of the major factors for this contract being awarded was the company's strong green credentials.

The contract is based around small and large individual paving projects within the Eastern Docks, which can range in time scales from three weeks to six months. The first phase of work, which started in early May, was to fully reconstruct 50 per cent of the B Park, a vehicle parking area in the Eastern Docks with a combination of HBM Sub-base and three layers of flexible paving, comprising of HDM base course & SMA binder and surface course.

Further works were scheduled at the Eastern Docks throughout 2011, including the resurfacing of the Car Inward Lanes, Police Station Road and the first phase of reconstruction works to D Park. The first phase of the E Park reconstruction works are programmed to commence in early January 2012.

Multiple divisions will work in tandem to complete these contracts within the port over the next three years and the Structures Maintenance, Surfacing, Lining and Cleansing divisions will all have a specific role to play in these ongoing reconstruction and maintenance works.

Currently FM Conway's workforce at the port consists of a full time contracts manager and 10 operatives, made up of foremen, machine operators, skilled and general operatives, who work on these projects and the Small Works Term Maintenance projects within the Eastern & Western Docks. Long life surfaces will be installed which are more sustainable and environmentally friendly, with the existing block paving area being replaced with either asphalt or reinforced concrete paving.

FM Conway invests heavily in recycling technologies and aims to recycle all waste arising from the ongoing works at Dover Harbour as locally as possible. All waste will be recycled by local company Ovendens to recycle all waste from this project which will minimise the transportation distance for materials. At present, FM Conway reuses or recycles up to 95% of its waste and aims to achieve zero waste to landfill by 2012.

In November 2011 the company marked its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the official opening of its Asphalt Plant in Erith, and a completely new Thames-side Jetty. These two new additions to the Conway portfolio now enable the company to supply asphalt products, increase its recycling capacity and take deliveries of aggregates by ship. The Jetty will receive more than 250,000 tonnes of aggregate per year, removing approximately 15,000 truck movements off the road every year and saving 1,025 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> annually.

All the main roadways at Dover Harbour are being constructed with concrete paving and the vehicle parks being surfaced in asphalt. This will greatly reduce future maintenance to the areas and will also make this maintenance easier to undertake, minimising the amount of maintenance time and disruption to the ports operations. This will also help in reducing the quantity of raw materials used and the amount of waste produced.

Nigel Digweed, Project Coordinator and Senior Contracts Manager for FM Conway, said: "FM Conway are very pleased to have been awarded this three year project with Dover Harbour Board. Resurfacing the harbour's docks whilst keeping the port open will be a complex challenge, but by programming these schemes at an early stage we hope to minimise disruption to the port's operators and customers."

Nigel Bodell, Projects and Development Manager for Dover Harbour Board, said: "We awarded FM Conway the three-year contract as they have strong green credentials. We are keen to improve our sustainability and be more environmentally friendly, and their asphalt surface will minimise the maintenance needed which can affect the running of the port's operations."

The Principal Paving Projects contract between FM Conway and Dover Harbour Board will run until 2013, with an option for a one year extension.

## **ENDS**

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**Notes to Editor:**

FM Conway Limited has a strategic goal – zero waste to landfill by the end of 2012.

A leading multi-disciplined service provider, FM Conway operates from its head offices in Dartford, Kent, with strategic business centres across London and the South East.

The company provides a comprehensive range of highway maintenance, civil engineering and construction services, as well as professional services and structure and building maintenance. It has been able to develop a reputation for delivering cost-effective and high-performance solutions across both the public and private sectors.

Its new Asphalt Plant is now up and running and open. It produces asphalt with a high recycled content. Situated at the company's Thameside Wharf, the Asphalt plant offers the full range of British and European standard coated products.

Designed to incorporate the latest energy saving initiatives throughout its operations, including using cleaner fuels in the heating and drying processes, the new Asphalt Plant increases FM Conway's green credentials and is complimented by their established recycling facility located at Dartford.

FM Conway's Aggregates and Asphalt department is focused on providing high quality products and the highest level of customer service and efficiency within the London and South East markets.

Chief Executive Officer Michael Conway and his team have built on the company to be one of the country's foremost innovators in wet waste and aggregates recycling.

Since its foundation in 1961, FM Conway has continued to grow and today employs a workforce of more than 1800 people. Their staff play an important role, and as their slogan says – great people, great work.

FM Conway is a member of the British Safety Council, the Civil Engineering Contractors' Association, the British Association of Landscape Industries and the Quarry Products Association, as well as being BSI registered for environmental and quality management.