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Successful Paving Jointing on a Wet November Day, Dartmouth, Devon

GftK Products Used: GftK vdw 850 plus

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## **Case Study**

In 2015, Heavitree Brewery redeveloped and expanded the old George & Dragon Pub in Dartmouth, which included adding a large beer garden paved with natural limestone slabs, and granite setts for the entrance and drop kerb to the road. The project had been delayed by many months for structural issues, requiring extensive strengthening and underpinning. As a result, the scheduled summer opening was not possible, and the new target was a VIP Opening Night in late November, to be open for the full Christmas period. This required the contractors to accelerate all the external works, but this left just 2 days for paving jointing, despite the cold wet November conditions.

These conditions made any normal cement-based jointing work impossible, even the modern wet-slurry types. However, the engineers spoke to NCC Streetscape and found the ideal solution to be GftK vdw 850 plus paving jointing mortar, which is the only truly wet-weather paving jointing that can be applied quickly and easily in the cold and wet November weather, even in the pouring rain. GftK vdw 850 plus then hardens quickly to a tough, durable joint that can safely withstand and accommodate frequent pedestrian and vehicular traffic, plus for this location, resistant to frequent spillages of food and drinks, as well as being fully resistant to frequent, jet-washing, daily in the summer. Using GftK vdw 850 plus, this 200m² of jointing was completed in less than 4 hours, hardening overnight, all secure and ready for the VIP Opening next evening. Today, it is still going strong, more than 10 years later!





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