DECK WATERPROOFING, A DESIGNER/CONTRACTOR PERSPECTIVE

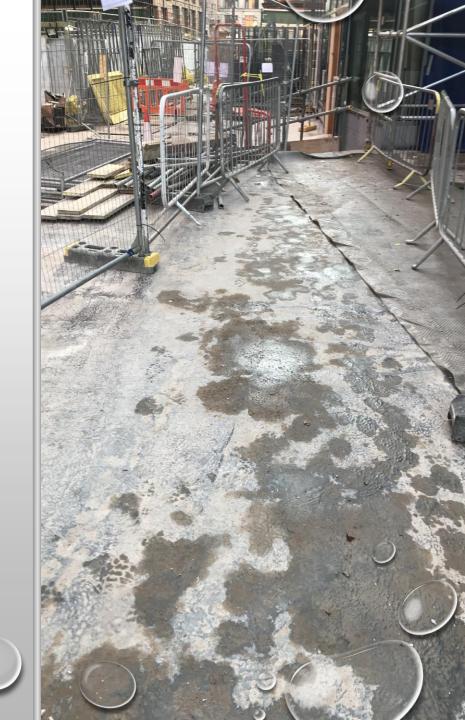




- VERY SPECIFIC DIFFERENCES FROM BASEMENTS (NO TYPE C TO MITIGATE DEFECTS).
- LOTS TO CONSIDER, HOWEVER PRINCIPAL IN MY VIEW:

• MATERIALS:

- CRITICAL IN DECK WATERPROOFING.
- ROBUSTNESS OF MATERIALS, SOME REDUNDANCY AGAINST POOR SITE MANAGEMENT / DAMAGE TO MATERIALS (EXAMPLE FROM TIER 1 M.C. PROJECT).
- FEASIBILITY OF INSTALLATION (WEATHER).





- DIMENSIONAL STABILITY (NEW CONSTRUCTION):
 - THE SCOPE FOR MOVEMENT AND IMPLICATION UPON BONDED WATERPROOFING MATERIALS I.E. THEY BREAK.

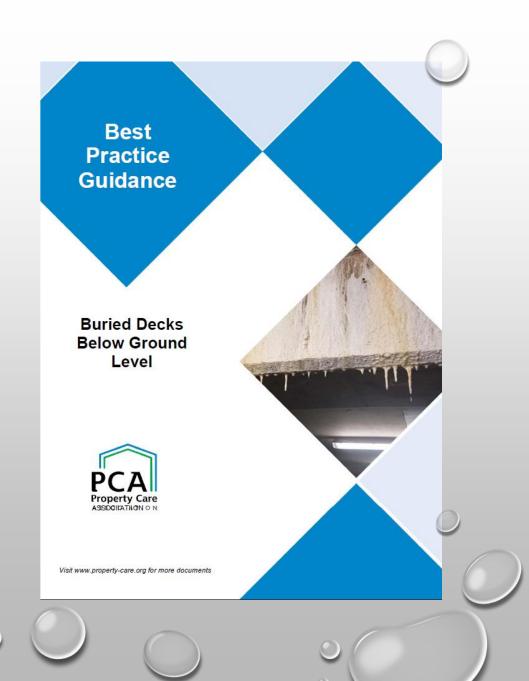
 - DESIGN AND <u>DETAIL</u> SUCH THAT WATERPROOFING ACCOMMODATES THE STRUCTURE.

- <u>DIMENSIONAL STABILITY (EXISTING STRUCTURES):</u>
 - NOT EVERY DECK IS NEW-BUILD, MANY OF US ARE ASKED TO DEAL WITH THE EXISTING, WHERE NO-ONE WILL CONFIRM REAL WORLD MOVEMENT.
 - DESIGN GUIDE PREFERENCE FOR BONDED SYSTEMS (PREVENT LATERAL MIGRATION OF WATER) BUT DECOUPLED
 MEMBRANES CAN DESIGN OUT IMPACT OF MOVEMENT, SO ARE OFTEN REQUIRED FOR SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME.
 - NECESSITY FOR INTEGRITY TESTING AND PERMANENT LEAK
 DETECTION SYSTEMS BY IMPLICATION?



• **DESIGN GUIDANCE:**

- LACK OF SPECIFIC DESIGN GUIDES AN ISSUE BUT IMPROVING.
- LABC GUIDANCE WHILST TECHNICALLY NOT A
 DESIGN GUIDE STILL VERY USEFUL AS A 'DESIGN
 GUIDE' FOR INFLUENCING DESIGN TEAMS (THANK
 YOU)!
- PCA W.I.P. GUIDANCE VERY WELCOME.







PREDICTIONS.

- 1. THE FOCUS ON STRATEGY FOR REPAIR IN LABC DOC AND REPAIRABILITY IN PCA GUIDANCE DOC WILL ENCOURAGE INCORPORATION OF PERMANENT LEAK DETECTION SYSTEMS.
- 2. DESIGN GUIDANCE PROMOTES REINFORCED CONCRETE DECKS, MIGHT THIS EXPAND TO COVER OTHER STRUCTURES / EXISTING STRUCTURES?



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