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SMARTPLY THE DURABLE CHOICE FOR MULTIMILLION POUND GRANDSTAND AT BATH RACECOURSE



SMARTPLY SITEPROTECT was specified to withstand the worst of the elements to provide durable, aesthetic protection during construction of a multimillion pound grandstand at Bath Racecourse, Britain's highest flat racing venue. Located 230 metres above sea level, the course is often affected by strong winds, making SMARTPLY SITEPROTECT the ideal choice as a long-standing safe hoarding for public and site workers alike.

Bath Racecourse's new grandstand is designed to transform it into a premier sporting, leisure and business venue. Overlooking the track's final furlong it will include a bar, restaurant and conference facilities to stage corporate and social functions on non-race days. The grandstand will have capacity to seat 400 people with an aim to provide the best sporting hospitality experience in the region. With the grandstand required to be complete for the start of the flat racing season in May 2016, sub contractors Wyatt Fencing looked to SMARTPLY SITEPROTECT in order to supply a hoarding which was quick and easy to install and provided a protective surround to the construction site.

SMARTPLY SITEPROTECT is a highly engineered OSB3 pre-primed timber panel specifically designed to save both time and money in the most demanding hoarding applications. A total of 160 2.44m x 1.22m SITEPROTECT boards were specified to cover a 50m² area of Bath Racecourse. The hoarding will be required to stand for seven months, which is the grandstand's estimated construction time.

Due to SMARTPLY SITEPROTECT being coated with a smooth, heavy duty, cross-linked polymer surface treatment, sub-contractor, Wyatt Fencing, was easily able to pre-paint the boards prior to delivery to site. This not only sped-up the installation process and ensured the hoarding was installed to the client's six-week deadline; it has given the boards a smart, uniform look.

As with all SMARTPLY Products, SMARTPLY SITEPROTECT comes with unrivalled quality and environmental certification. It is manufactured from a locally-grown sustainable forest resource in an energy efficient process which ensures it has a lower carbon footprint than many types of plywood.

SMARTPLY delivers proven performance and extremely low environmental impact. In addition, the system offers a fully certified alternative to softwood plywood and boasts FSC Chain of Custody certification – a key requirement for low carbon construction. It is manufactured in accordance with the requirements of EN 300 and CE marked in accordance with the harmonised standard EN 13986

James Abel, Commercial Manager at Wyatt Fencing, commented: "We specify SMARTPLY SITEPROTECT for most of our projects because of its consistent quality. Its FSC certification ensures we are working with a sustainable product whilst its polymer coating means we can paint boards, pre-installation which saves time and money. It ensured we installed a hoarding which suits the grandstand's corporate image. SMARTPLY SITEPROTECT is most definitely our hoarding of choice."