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Townscape Supplies Anti-terrorist Protection to Belfast

TOWNSCAPE Products Limited is helping to safeguard one of the UK's highest profile new visitor attractions against the threat of terrorism.

Townscape is supplying 47 Counter Terror (CT) Blocks, designed to stop vehicle-based attacks, to Titanic Belfast, one of Northern Ireland's signature tourism projects in a deal worth more than £100,000.

Titanic Belfast enables visitors to re-live the Titanic story, from her birth in Belfast to the fateful maiden voyage and eventual discovery on the seabed. The museum is expected to attract 425,000 visitors annually and opened on 31 March 2012.



Townscape CT Blocks protecting the Belfast Titanic Centre and providing seating for visitors

Townscape's CT Blocks, which it manufactures at its Sutton-in-Ashfield factory, each weigh in at 2.2 tonnes and are made using a special mix of aggregates designed for ultimate strength. The CT Blocks only require minimal groundwork due to their low profile foundation, making them cost effective to install without compromising on security.

CT Blocks are positioned where a building is vulnerable to vehicular incursion and meet the PAS 68 Standard for vehicle immobilisation.

Jonathan Goss, managing director of Townscape Products, said: "Visitor safety is of utmost importance and we worked closely with the architects and Harcourt Construction, who built Titanic Belfast, to supply Counter Terror blocks that are a proven, tested defence against vehicle based terror attacks.

"The CT Blocks we have supplied to Titanic Belfast are made from charcoal coloured aggregate which is sympathetic to the fabric of the building itself and contributes aesthetically to the destination overall. We were also able to incorporate visitor seating in a nautical theme into each block, giving them a practical use for visitors on top of enhanced security."

Townscape Products has supplied CT Blocks to many of the UK's major airports, including Manchester and Cardiff, and they also protect The Tower of London and numerous other visitor destinations nationwide.

Jonathan added: "The owners of any venue where there will be a volume of people have a duty of care to protect their visitors. CT Blocks provide a solid, secure perimeter barrier which vehicular based terrorists would be unable to penetrate.



"Vehicle defence is definitely a growing market for us and we have a number of other high profile leisure, destination and retail projects in the pipeline."

Townscape Products also manufactures a wide range of street furniture, log onto www.townscape24.com for more information.

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About Townscape Products Limited

Townscape Products was established in 1974 and is a UK manufacturer and supplier of street furniture and paving. Townscape manufactures and supplies bollards, seats, planters, litter bins, tree grids and guards, cycle racks and shelters, barriers and rails, paving, and security products. Townscape street furniture can be made from steel, stainless steel, aluminium, cast iron, concrete, polymer, and timber.

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