

## Tarmac shows support for GLAA Construction Protocol



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Tarmac strengthened its commitment to safeguarding employees within its business and the construction sector by becoming the first organisation in its sector to sign up to a public initiative aimed at eradicating modern slavery and labour exploitation.

Launched by the Gangmaster and Labour Abuse Authority (GLAA), the Construction Protocol is a joint agreement between the public body and some of the industry's biggest organisations to prevent and protect workers from abusive or exploitative practices.

By signing up to the Protocol, construction companies, labour suppliers and contractors commit to working with the GLAA and the other partner organisations to highlight any ill-treatment and ensure that employees are safeguarded against abuse and exploitation for the future. Dr Martyn Kenny, sustainability director, Tarmac, said: "Raising awareness of labour exploitation to eradicate abuse and protect employees in the construction sector is critical, and supporting the GLAA's Construction Protocol is part of our continuing commitment to helping the industry address this issue. Every industry must come together to eliminate modern slavery, and ensure safety and wellbeing of all workers.

"Construction offers exciting and diverse career opportunities, so it is important that we continue to build an industry that attracts the best talent the UK has to offer in a safe and ethical environment. We look forward to working with the other organisations in the partnership to promote the cause, and we will be encouraging other employers in the sector to sign up."