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Arco Warehouse in Hull

Clugston Construction has been awarded a contract for a £25m extension to a large warehouse in Hull.



Arco's National Distribution Centre Workwear and safety equipment supplier Arco is adding a 20,439 m² extension to its National Distribution Centre, doubling its current warehousing and logistics capacity.

The new facility, set for completion in summer 2019, will be linked to the existing building and have a 19m high internal storage capacity, enabling it to store around 40,000 pallets.

The design team supporting Arco and Clugston includes Alan Wood & Partners from Hull and HBPW civils. Clugston Construction managing director Steve Radcliffe said:

“Following several months of preparatory work with the designers and planners, we are delighted that the on-site works are now starting, and once again to be working with Arco, for whom we previously built an earlier extension to their National Distribution facility.”

UK Launch for composite roof tiles

A Canadian-made composite roofing slate is being launched in the UK market.

Fake slate Enviroshake claims that its Enviroslate composite roofing tiles offer ‘the look of natural slate at half of the installed cost’.

Enviroshake has been making composite roof tiles in Canada since 1998 and is now looking to spread from the North American market to the UK and Ireland.

The Enviroslate is sold with a lifetime warranty for residential projects and a 50-year warranty for commercial projects.



Enviroshake will be exhibiting at the National Homebuilding & Renovating Show at the NEC, Birmingham, 22-25 March

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Brick-laying robot to be used in UK

A UK start-up company has secured exclusive

distribution rights to the US-made SAM 100 brick laying robot.



Grant van Wyk, a South African national living in Surrey, has set up Future Construct & Automation Ltd, to distribute US building automation equipment in the UK.

“We are at start-up phase and are very excited about the prospects of the products as they are the first of their kind commercially available worldwide,” he said.

The SAM 100 (Semi Automated Mason) is a bricklaying robot for onsite masonry construction, said to be capable of laying 250 to 300 bricks per hour. The machine is made New York-based Construction Robotics.

It does not eliminate the mason but assists with the repetitive and strenuous task of lifting and placing each brick. The mason continues to own the site setup and final wall quality.

Case studies are claimed to show savings on time and reduce the effective cost per brick laid while also improving health and safety on the job.

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Excavation Warning

A construction safety organisation has identified a spike in unsafe excavation work on UK construction sites.



The Building Safety Group (BSG) has reported a 16% rise in ‘excavation work’ breaches on construction sites in the fourth quarter of 2017. BSG’s figure is based on approximately 11,000 independent inspections that it conducted for the construction industry over a six-month period, comparing Q4 with Q3 in 2017

Injuries resulting from excavation trench collapses can often be severe and sometimes fatal.

Paul Kimpton, managing director of the Building Safety Group,

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