Landfill Capping

All-in-One Capping, Pozidrain SKL, Sutton Landfill, Ashfield, UK





Project Description

Sutton landfill site is situated in the Ashfield district of Nottinghamshire, UK. The facility has, since the 1970s, fulfilled landfill requirements for residents and commercial contractors between Nottingham and Mansfield.

When licensed capacity of the landfill was reached it was important to efficiently manage the leachate. Leachate generation rates are primarily dependent upon the quantity of precipitation that enters the landfill through infiltration. Therefore, it was essential to install an effective cap that would intercept and drain rainwater in order to reduce leachate generation rate.

Landfill operator Sita UK (now Suez UK) approached Ceema Consultancy to design a final capping system for this landfill site.

The Challenge

Sutton landfill was required to be safely capped with a permanent geosynthetic capping system and 1m of soil cover in order to prevent ground water pollution. The requirement was to design a capping solution that would prevent the infiltration of water, enable fast installation and meet Environment Agency requirements. The geosynthetic capping solution required a high performance geocomposite drainage and capping barrier. The challenge was to produce a cost effective design that met environmental standards by providing an adequate barrier with drainage performance avoiding the use of multiple geosynthetic layers or drainage stone.

Project Information

Client	SUEZ UK (formerly Sita UK)
Contractor	STC
Consultant	CEEMA
Products	Pozidrain 6SKL250D/NW8
Quantity	42,000m ²
Benefits	 All-in-one drainage & capping barrier High flow capacity in all directions Specially adapted geocomposite with integral geomembrane overlaps Large rolls for fast installation



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The Solution

The designer worked with **ABG** to develop a geosynthetic solution that would provide the required drainage flow capacity and an effective capping barrier to ensure long term performance.

The unique all-in-one ABG Pozidrain 6SKL250D/NW8 geocomposite drainage and capping barrier was specified by the designer and approved by the Environment Agency. The geocomposite system comprised an impermeable back HDPE cuspated drainage core with extended flat selvedge for overlapping, and geotextiles bonded on both sides.

The geocomposite was installed on top of the 200mm of blinding material and covered with 1m of soil. The capping was completed without any stability problems and drainage performance was reported to be adequate.

The ABG Service

ABG provided design assistance. This included slope



Flat selvedge ensured easy overlapping and jointing



Large rolls enabled rapid installation



High flow capacity in all directions

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