

BRMCA News Update October 2014

British Concrete Standard (BS 8500)

The drafts for public comment of the British Standard for Concrete (BS 8500 Parts 1 & 2) have been published. It is available for review and comment online via the BSI British Standards Draft Review system (DRS) as <http://drafts.bsigroup.com>. Registration is free and takes less than a minute. Once registered just enter 'Concrete' in the search box and both parts of the standard will be near the top of the list.

In addition you may also like to send comments directly to Chris A Clear at chris.clear@mineralproducts.org using the CEN standard template, available from <http://boss.cen.eu>

The European Concrete Standard (EN 206)

In the October edition of Concrete Alasdair N Beal of Thomasons pressed the question 'Concrete specification and testing - is BS EN 206 fit for purpose', and once again Chris A Clear BRMCA, Technical Director responded with an appropriate response. A copy of these articles will be made available from the BRMCA website [downloads](#) in October 2014, along with the previous articles.

Roller Compacted Concrete

A newly formed MPA Working Group met for the first time on 23 September 2014 to consider roller compacted concrete, where there will a strong representation from BRMCA. The main issues concerned with production, transport, laying and testing were identified and the Group continue to support the Highways Agency to develop its specifications for the use of RCC in pavement construction.

Chris A Clear, 28 October 2014