

9. GLOSSARY OF TERMS

The following glossary provides definitions of the key terms used in this document that may not be in common use or may be used in an unfamiliar context. It is not intended as a complete glossary of all technical terms used.

Block Large independent elements sometimes referred to as Nidger or super nidger in

Scotland. For the purposes of this blocks have a minimum depth of 150 mm and

a plan area varying between 320 - 1200 cm²

Bogen An arch based laying pattern common throughout Europe. Name is derived from

the German for arch that is bogen

Channelisation Term used to describe traffic flow on a restricted width pavement. Pavement

deterioration can be greatly accelerated as a result of channelisation because all

of the wheel loads are concentrated in a narrow area of the pavement.

Cropping Term used to describe the process of mechanically breaking rock into elements

for use in pavements. Resulting elements usually have considerable size and

shape variation and course surface texture.

Cube Nominally equi-dimensional elements. Most common form of element in

Europe, becoming more popular in UK

Flagstone Large tabular elements with a minimum thickness of 50mm and plan area

varying from 900 - >2000 cm²

Flexible Construction Natural stone pavement construction using granular materials as bedding and

joint infill. Pavement is stabilised through a combination of friction, element

interlock and bedding support.

Rigid Construction Natural stone pavement construction in which the surface elements are bound

together with some form of grout or other binder and bedded onto cement

stabilized or other form of bound aggregate bedding.

Segmental Arc See Bogen

Sett Traditional name for stone elements in UK. For the purpose of this guide setts

have a minimum depth of 100 mm with their length normally greater than their

breadth or depth.

Stretcher Bond Traditional "brickwork" laying pattern used with setts, blocks, flags and tiles

sometimes shortened to Stretcher

Stone Element Basic building blocks of natural stone pavements that come in a range of shapes

and sizes, See block, cube, flagstone, sett and tile.

Tile Small tabular elements with a minimum thickness of 30mm and plan area of

250 - 650 cm2. Rarely used in streetscapes.

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