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**Cold asphalt solution to tackle UK pothole problem**

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An asphalt company has acquired exclusive UK rights to distribute a cold asphalt solution which could help tackle the country's pothole problem.

Red Stag Materials – a company made up of infrastructure and highway maintenance experts – will roll out asphalt solution EZ Street across the UK.

Unlike traditional means of pothole repair, EZ Street doesn't require heavy plant to

install, and can be bulk-bought and stored for up to 12 months. It is also faster to install.

Red Stag Materials managing director Grant Shewan said the company “wanted to provide something that offers a higher-quality and less-expensive alternative, but crucially, one that’s also greener and more sustainable as well”.

He said securing the UK rights provides the “tremendous opportunity to offer local authorities as well as private companies an efficient alternative to traditional hot asphalt materials”.

He added: “Despite the product being new to the UK, it has a tried and trusted history in America, Canada and Australia, where it has become a staple product in both the private and public sector.

“EZ Street is unique in that it substitutes the diesel found in many cold asphalt solutions, with biofuel, making it more sustainable and less fossil fuel reliant.

“Red Stag Materials are confident that our products and methodology will be similarly embraced in the UK and are excited to work with local authorities to help them get the best results out of our products and our experience.”

Last month, before the nationwide lockdown measures were introduced, [Chancellor Rishi Sunak announced a £2.5M fund to tackle deteriorating local roads, pledging to fill 50M potholes across the country.](#)

Meanwhile, construction SME Roadmender Asphalt told *NCE* last week [its road surfacing technologies could allow clients such as Highways England to continue mending potholes across the country while keeping to social distancing regulations.](#)

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