

# Fast Flexible Strong Smart

## CASE STUDY

### Highton Ridge Estate

#### Project Snapshot

**Date**

April 2009

**Project Name**

Highton Ridge Estate – Stage 1

**Contractor**

Draper's Civil Contracting Pty Ltd

**Products Used**

HardiePipe® concrete pipes

## Streamlined procedure enhance installation success to meet deadline.

The construction of a premium residential subdivision in fast growing Geelong showed how running things smoothly guarantees success from the ground up.

**Location, location.**

Highton Ridge, on the hills of outer Geelong, is a significant housing estate with significant views. Overlooking a panorama of Corio Bay, the city and the mountains, this location is sought after by home buyers looking to build. Developers of the land promote the joys of proximity – close to schools, shops and the newly complete Geelong Bypass. Walking tracks and riverside reserves beckon, while the large home sites encourage grand designs and a desirable lifestyle. It's an area in demand. So much so in fact, that Stage 1 – consisting of 67 house lots – required a fast turnaround.

Contractors assigned to the task were Geelong-based Draper's Civil Contracting, family owned and operated and with over 35 years experience in the industry. They knew only too well the need to have everything run smoothly on site to ensure the deadline was met.

**Order of merit.**

Engineering manager Peter Ficca and project engineer Paul Kleijn at Draper's Civil Contracting explain the situation. "Planning for all construction materials was critical to the project," says Ficca.

When it came to a pipe solution to service the entire subdivision, there was one clear choice that met the needs of speed, availability and reliability – HardiePipe™ concrete pipes.

“Communication of pipe orders and deliveries with James Hardie internal sales and dispatch were great,” says Kleijn.

**“ The product was delivered on time and complete.”**

With so many other variables on any site, James Hardie understand the importance of service guarantees and reliability in supplying its products to the destination. While delivery times will depend on location and availability, generally orders placed before 2pm in metro areas will be available the following day.

From Draper’s perspective, the fact that the product was both competitively priced and available in full and on time was a huge advantage. Coupled with HardiePipe™ concrete pipe’s lighter weight (making delivery easier) and longer lengths for faster installation, it was the natural choice.

**Heightened success.**

“Speed of construction, product availability and delivery made for a smooth project program,” explain Ficca and Kleijn. With other ‘above ground’ pieces of the subdivision puzzle awaiting the completion of pipe infrastructure, their team was able to finish the project on time and with little fuss.

Draper’s Civil Contracting are well placed to play a role in further development stages and other future quick-turnaround site projects.

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**Paul Klein - Project Engineer and Peter Ficca - Engineering Manager at Draper’s Civil Contracting**



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