

Newton Park pool takes the *plunge!*

"Kenzan Tiles went out of their way to assist by giving us good service and recommendations. We needed a ribbed non-slip surface to the pool surround, with bull-nose edges and tiles which were suitable for the inside of the pool. The tiles we wanted were imported."

Andrew Thomson (Thembela Architects)



The old open-air Newton Park Olympic-sized swimming pool has been upgraded by the Metro to the huge delight of the Eastern Cape swimming community. This pool has not only been enclosed, it is now heated and has been deepened to meet international standards. The main pool now has a rim flow and the building is mechanically ventilated.

The imported tiles were used inside the pool, which first had to be stripped, altered and the original expansion joints re-done. A special bull-nose tile was selected for the perimeter of the pool, and the non-slip ribbed surface tiles were used selectively on the pool surround and on the stairs.

Brick paving was chosen for the general pool deck as this would

allow access to water reticulation pipes should plumbing problems occur around the pool.

This public amenity has now been brought into the 21st century and will help to nurture future swimming champions in this region. ■

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