Green-tech supplies Green-tree Topsoil in North East’s £150m Trinity Square Project

**Location:** Gateshead  
**Client:** Northumbria University

**The Project**
Trinity Square is a new £150m mixed-use commercial development that has created a new town Centre in the heart of Gateshead. The redevelopment includes a large 150,000 ft² Tesco extra superstore with a new basement car park providing over 700 underground car parking spaces. Above the store is a rooftop student village for Northumbria University with accommodation for over 900 students, offices, apart-hotel, a PCT health facility and a 9 screen multiplex cinema, along with a beautiful landscaped area covering 1200 sq.m. Sustainability and green credentials were essential to the development of Trinity Square and Green-tree was employed to supply over 1,400 bulk bags of the lightweight Green-tree Intensive Roof Garden Substrate and Green-tree Amenity Tree Soil that makes up the central landscaped area of the development.

**The Solution**
The Green-tree Roof Garden Substrate was specifically selected due to its workability, lightweight qualities and good water holding capacity; all variables that contribute to a successful roof garden planting scheme. The Green-tree Amenity Tree Soil was installed to provide an excellent start for the planting scheme, ensuring that the trees and plants that make up this development establish themselves quickly.
As a growing media and topsoil manufacturer, Green-tree was considered best placed to fulfil this high profile project as the on-site restrictions and access considerations were complex. Deliveries were made at timed intervals due to the heavy duty lifting equipment required, Green-tree dealt with this factor with ease and ensured correct quantities were delivered on time every time. Green-tree worked closely with City Roofs the onsite green roof contractor to ensure all expectations were met and project was executed expertly for the client.

The Outcome

Matthew Hoddinett, Commercial Director City Roofs commented:
“The roof garden area at Trinity Square Gateshead has been an excellent project to work on and resulted in a beautiful outdoor area for the students of Northumbria University to enjoy. The Green-tree Roof Garden Substrate and Amenity Tree Soil was supplied over a period of 6 months and was of the same consistent high quality throughout the project. It was delivered to specific criteria that was accommodated by the team at Green-tree and overall aided the smooth running of this project.”