CAST STONE DATA SHEET 2 - STOOLED CILL DETAIL

Cill protection is advised during construction

dpc

dpc as slip plane

Forticrete Cast Stone
stooled cill

mortar pointing

Window opening

Bedding
(dpc removed for clarity)

Stooled Cills should be bedded according to the recommendations of BS8000pt3 & NHBC i.e. the ends should be mortar bedded during construction, followed by the pointing of the remaining joint when the construction is complete.

For all Forticrete Cast Stone Products compressive grade (M2) designation (iv) mortar should be specified, but in no case should anything stronger than a designation (iii) (M4) be used. We would like to point out that this is likely to be different from that used in the surrounding brickwork. It is preferable that mortars containing lime be used as these can best accommodate movement within the structure and eliminate cracking of the Cast Stone. It is recommended that mortars are obtained from a reputable supplier e.g. CPI Euromix, Cemex and Tarmac Ltd who can supply matching coloured mortars for the majority of Forticrete products.

Helpful Hint: A recommendation to eliminate stress and differential movement, is to provide bed-joint reinforcement for two courses above and below all openings which should extend no less than 600mm either side of the opening. The dpc slip plane should be extended up the ends of the Cill to keep it separate from the surrounding brickwork.