

New Build Retail

Bestway, Intercity Way, Leeds

**Client:**

Bestway (Holdings) Ltd

Value:

£1.08 million

Size:

17,000²ft

Duration:

26 weeks

Completion:

October 2006

Procurement:

Design and Build

Architect:

GMI Construction Group

Structural Engineer:

3E Consulting Engineers

Bestway Cash & Carry contacted GMI for proposals on how best to develop a spare plot of land left over from the construction of their Leeds store.

GMI's proposal to provide a simple terrace divided into four units of various floor plates to give flexibility for future users was accepted by Bestway as the ideal solution.

The site required extensive cut and fill. However, the site investigation showed the site to be a former clay pit which had been filled with very large boulders. Therefore, as the dug material was unsuitable for use as fill, GMI negotiated with a local supplier of re-cycled aggregates to remove the boulders, crush them and return the material to the site for use as fill.

The site was then vibro-compacted prior to the construction of the foundations.