CLAIMS

1. A formwork assembly for moulding an upwardly extending building feature, the formwork assembly comprising: at least two surface forming elements for forming a side of said building feature; and a removable connecting element positioned between the two surface forming elements, wherein each forming element comprises a rectilinear frame, a planar board member and a border extending about a perimeter of the board and beyond a pair of opposing edges of the frame to form a pair of flanges, wherein the connection element comprises a cap for location between the flanges of adjacent surface forming elements, a cover plate, and a body between the cap and the cover plate which is shaped to substantially fill the void behind the flanges and between the frames of the forming elements, and wherein in use, adjacent flanges of the surface forming elements abut against the cap of the connecting element such that the resulting formwork assembly forms a single, continuous casting surface, and the cover plate of the connecting element extends behind the two surface forming elements, and the connecting element is separately releasable from the formwork assembly once a concrete surface has been formed.

2. The formwork assembly of claim 1, wherein the connecting element is so sized and shaped as to create, via removal of the connecting element, a space between adjacent surface forming elements sufficient to provide access or clearance to pry the surface forming elements away from the concrete surface.

3. The formwork assembly of claim 2, wherein for each surface forming element the rectilinear frame is secured to one side of the planar board member, and wherein, in use, the other side of the planar board member forms at least a part of the continuous casting surface.

4. The formwork assembly of claim 1, wherein for each surface forming element the border forms the continuous casting surface along with the planar board member.

5. The formwork assembly of claim 4, wherein the border is made of a material with greater wear resistance than the material of the planar board member.

6. The formwork assembly of claim 1, wherein the connection element is an elongate element comprising a cross-sectional shape which is substantially constant throughout a length of the elongate element.

7. The formwork assembly of claim 6, wherein the connection element is formed by extrusion.

8. The formwork assembly of claim 1, further comprising at least one of dowels and bolts configured to extend through aligned holes in a pair of adjacent surface forming elements, and the cover plate of their respective connecting element, to secure the adjacent surface forming elements and the corresponding connecting element together.

9. A method for moulding an upwardly extending building feature using a formwork assembly, comprising at least two surface forming elements for forming a side of said building feature, and a removable connecting element positioned between the two surface forming elements, wherein each forming element comprises a rectilinear frame, a planar board member and a border extending about a perimeter of the board and beyond a pair of opposing edges of the frame to form a pair of flanges, wherein the or each connection element comprises a cap for location between the flanges of adjacent surface forming elements, a cover plate, and a body between the cap and the cover plate which is shaped to substantially fill the void behind the flanges and between the frames of the forming elements, and wherein in use adjacent flanges of the surface forming elements abut against the cap of the connecting element such that the resulting formwork assembly forms a single, continuous casting surface, the method comprising: moulding the upwardly extending building feature using the formwork assembly; and then, when the concrete has cured sufficiently, removing the connecting element to create a space between adjacent surface forming elements, wherein the space provides sufficient access to pry the surface forming elements away from the concrete surface.

10. The formwork assembly of claim 1, wherein the connection element comprises a number of apertures extending through each of the cap, the body and the cover plate thereof, spaced apart along its length.