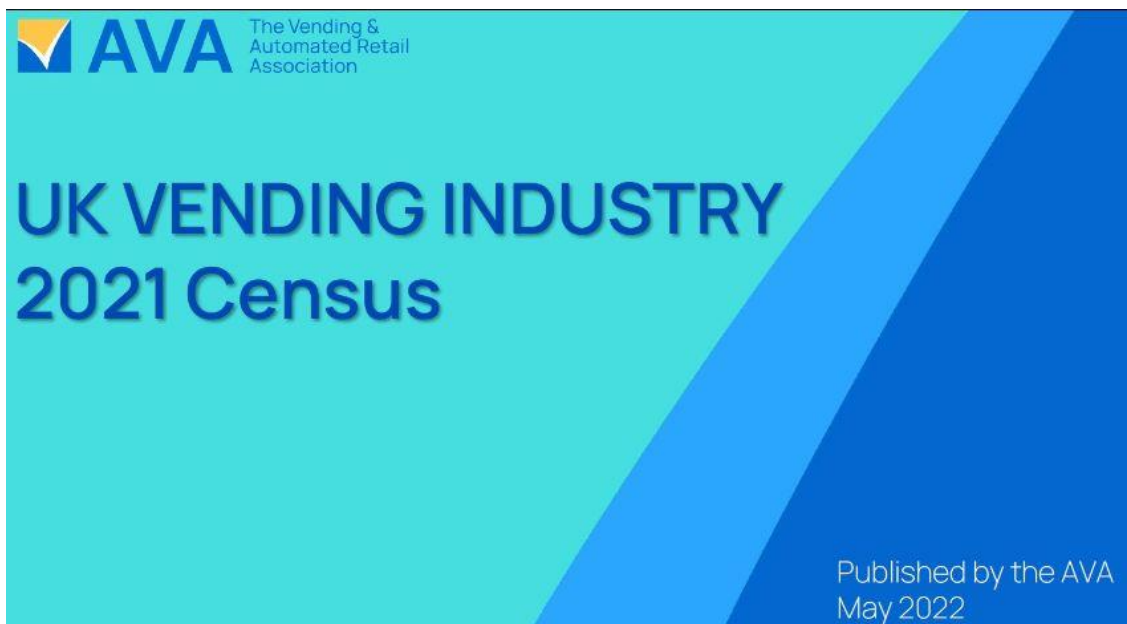


# AVA NEWSLETTER

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## AVA 2021 CENSUS REPORTS GROWTH IN VENDING



Over the years, the AVA census has mapped huge changes in the industry and in consumer preferences, reflecting new legislation, new trends in business and society as well as economic cycles. The Vending & Automated Retail Association's 2021 Census reports industry growth as shifts towards cashless vending and micro markets continue. According to the Census, the vending industry is showing signs of post-pandemic recovery, with 16% growth reported in the sector from 2020 to 2021. Findings from the AVA's annual census consists of submissions from the operators of 310,000 machines around the UK. To find out more about the 2021 results, head to the [AVA Members Area](#)

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## NEW AVA BOARD APPOINTMENTS

We would like to welcome back Jane MacDonald from Excel Vending, Graham Kingaby from Montagu Group and Adrian Pratt from Benders, to the Vending & Automated Retail Association Board for another term of office. In addition, we would also like to welcome as Operator representatives, Stuart Coutts from Connect Vending and Kelly Pugh from City Vending Services, who has also agreed to be co-opted onto the AVA board. Plus, Craig Jukes

from EVOCA UK Ltd as Machines & Components representative.

You can find out more about our board and how we support our members [here](#)

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## AVA LIVE: On the Road @ EVOCA



On 15th June, the AVA held one of this years **AVA LIVE: On the Road** events at EVOCA UK Ltd. It was brilliant to see AVA members join us in person again and we had a great day catching up with key suppliers and operators within the vending industry.

The day began with a session from Martin Coulston sharing details of the AVA 2021 Census, demonstrating the ways that the vending industry is 'growing back' in a different way post-pandemic. Ben Brookes, from EVOCA, put our Barista skills to the test – and helped with some fantastic improvements! Plus David and Adrian provided a slightly chilling update on the Cup Levy proposals around the UK.

We hope this is the first of many in-person AVA member events from now on!

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## SINGLE USE CUP LEVIES - LATEST NEWS



Each of the Home Countries, England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, are looking to implement a 'single-use cup levy' at consumer point of purchase. However, they all appear to be working to differing timelines. There are already proposals to ban certain single use items in Scotland and DAERA proposals to ban certain single-use beverage cups in Northern Ireland or instead, impose a 25p per cup levy at point of purchase.

To ensure that we can best support our members, the AVA has set up a separate Working Group of members to formulate strategy and actions to address this proposed legislation. This Working Group will continue to review the legislation and gather increased information on the potential implications for businesses – including impacts on personnel and employees. It is also helping to formulate a communication and lobbying strategy to ensure our industry is considered as part of the process.

To find out more about what this Work Group will do, if you would like to chat about the current legislation in place, or participate in some way, just give us a call on **03300 883 267**

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



### **AVA SOUTHERN GOLF DAY: 7th September 2022 @ CAMPDEN BRI**

The AVA Southern Golf Day is due to be held at Aspley Guise & Woburn Sands Golf Club. Book or find out more detail [HERE](#).

### **AVA TECHNICAL DAY: 14th September 2022 @ CAMPDEN BRI**

A must-attend for AVA Operator members – Senior Managers, Operations and Technical teams. With a roster of specialist speakers at Campden BRI, you can find out all you need to know to manage costs and impacts on your business.

You can find out more about the day [here](#).

### **AVA LIVE: On the Road @ Britvic Retail Centre: 5th October, 2022**

The vending team at Britvic Soft Drinks have arranged a special access to this unique venue at their Hemel Hempstead HQ. Usually restricted to national retailers such as Tesco or Boots, they have arranged a special tour as hosts of the AVA Regional Meeting. To book, email [penny.rowell@the-ava.com](mailto:penny.rowell@the-ava.com) or call **03300 883 267**.

You can find out more about the event [here](#).

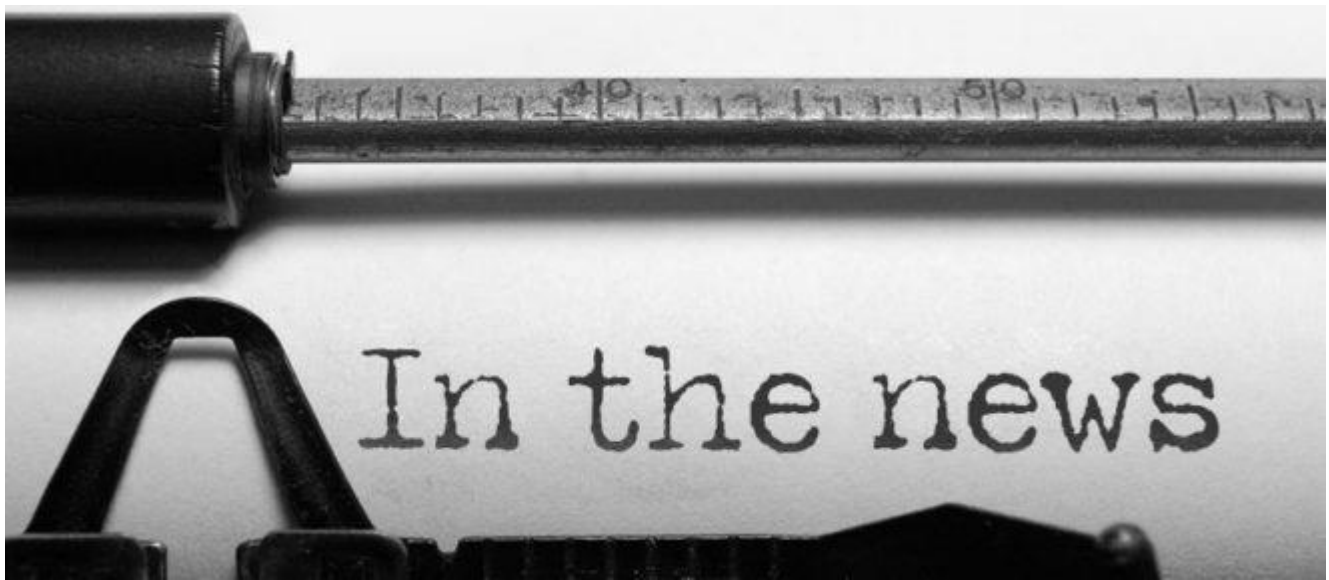
### **AVA CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON: 8th December, 2022**

Back in style at a fantastic Central London location. Get your places booked soon!

You can find out more about the event [here](#).

All AVA and many other Industry events can be found in our [AVA Events Calendar](#).

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### Planet Vending

- [Signs of Recovery a UK vending reports year-on-year growth](#)

### Vending International

- [The vending industry is showing signs of a post-pandemic recovery](#)
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