

AVA NEWSLETTER

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EPR - What will it cost?

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) is the lead of the four principal environmental legislation interventions being enacted after an initial Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (Defra) consultation in 2021.

The AVA has held many presentations regarding various new legislative proposals, however we understand that not all our members have been able to attend. To cater for those who have not made it, the AVA has produced a summary of the AVA environment committee, and the new proposed legislation that is being discussed. Items on that agenda are the Single Use Plastics Tax, Packaging and Packaging Recycling Notes (PRN) Reform, Mandatory Cup Takeback and Deposit Return Schemes. More detail can be found [HERE](#)

Both the laws and the responses are always evolving. As demonstrated by Scotland's DRS, be sure to keep an eye out for the AVA News section, our monthly Newsletters, and the many AVA events that take place throughout the year.

Scotland DRS scheme held back by 10 months!

Scottish government have recently announced that the proposed DRS scheme, originally scheduled to go live in August 2023, will be delayed by up to 10 months. Whilst any delay with any legislation is never ideal, these extra 10 months will allow vendors throughout Scotland more time to prepare for the DRS scheme, and make sure they have the sufficient processes in place for when it does go live.

Scottish First Minister Humza Yousaf said he wanted to 're-set' the Scottish government's relationship with business. He explained: "We will use that additional time to work with businesses, and Circularity Scotland, to address concerns with the scheme and ensure a successful launch next year."

For more information on how the Scottish DRS scheme will affect you, visit www.the-ava.com

Machines & Components Representative Board Election



Thank you to everyone who cast a vote in our recent Board election. The voting was close, but Richard Brinsley, Managing Director, Westomatic, will be taking on the role from next month.

We would also like to thank Jason Vincent of Aeguana for putting his name forward for the position and look forward to working with him in the future.

Looking back on the James Cropper visit



The AVA recently held AVA Live: On-the-Road at the James Cropper recycling and paper production plant, located in the stunning Lake District. The visit gave AVA

members a chance to connect, network and discuss ongoing challenges and opportunities we face in the vending sector.

These topics of discussion included cup recycling and the varied proposals for further levies in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Also covered was Defra's proposed Mandatory Cup Takeback scheme. We hope those who attended found it as fascinating as we did!



AVA Activity Day: Thursday 15 June - Sponsored by EVOCA



We would like to invite AVA members to the AVA Activity Day, sponsored by EVOCA on 15 June. This exciting day will take place at Adventure Sports, Wedgock Lane in Warwick.

The day is limited to 35 places, with attendees divided into teams of seven to compete in a range of wild, yet exciting activities.

Starting at 10:00am to 4:30pm for £125 (+VAT) per person. The day will entail a wide range of activities, (none of which are golf related!) such as:

- Reverse Steer Snooker
- The Digger Challenge
- 4x4 Off Road Driving
- Pistol & Rifle Targets
- Archery

The day is ideal for a range of ages and abilities with lots of prizes up for grabs and a BBQ lunch for all to enjoy.

More details [HERE](#)

WELCOME TO NEW AVA MEMBERS

EAST MIDLANDS VENDING LTD



The AVA welcomes East Midlands Vending as they become AVA members!

Established as the UK were climbing out of lockdown, East Midlands Vending was the creation of Rak Ladva, Simon Barnett and Nicola Hill. Each with a background in workplace refreshments, they saw a gap within the East Midlands to provide exceptional customer service.

“With years of knowledge and experience, East Midlands Vending focuses on micro-markets and vending to provide workplace refreshments to suit every situation and

location. It's strengths are great communication and excellent customer service, ensuring it's service is always smooth, hassle-free service to its customers. East Midlands Vending is a completely cashless business and embraces all the latest technology so its customers can enjoy the most innovative solutions, offering a modern bespoke service tailored to their workforce."

www.eastmidlandsvending.com

THE Vending Industry Awards **VENDIES** 2023

We are excited to be attending this year's Vendies Awards! Taking place on 7th June at the Grand Connaught Rooms in London. We expect yet another brilliant day.

The shortlisted finalist details can be found [HERE](#) and you can book your ticket [HERE](#)

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