

Welcome to the latest edition of the FeRFA enews



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LATEST NEWS

CHANGES TO FeRFA SECRETARIAT

As announced in the April issue of FeRFA e-news, the FeRFA Secretariat is now being handled by Smart Marketing Works.

So who is Smart Marketing Works?

Smart Marketing Works was founded in 2009. The company has been located since its formation in the Staffordshire town of Stone, in the heart of the Potteries. It provides a full marketing service to a number of big brands, mainly but not exclusively, in flooring sectors. The team of eight staff also has experience of working in a secretariat role for leading trade associations.

Key contacts for FeRFA members are Heather-Jayne Edwards for membership services, training and general enquiries, Jayne Green, for financial matters and Andrew Ross for FeRFA e-news, press releases and general promotion.

Please note, there will be no change to the FeRFA phone number 07484 075254 and all existing email addresses will be rerouted. The new address for FeRFA will be: PO Box 3716, Stone ST15 9EU.

NEW FeRFA MEMBER

This month we are delighted to welcome Anderson Specialist Contracting Ltd.

Formed in 2007, Anderson Specialist Contracting is based in the town of Forfar, Angus and was established by Ian Anderson who has been involved in the industry for over 30 years. Anderson's has proven experience in all types of specialist repairs and building maintenance including industrial flooring, waterproofing, structural strengthening, car park decks, concrete repairs and coatings.

146 Castle Street, Forfar, DD8 3HX /
www.andersonspecialistcontracting.com / 01307 477 844



EVENTS

FeRFA ANNUAL EVENT 2017 - FOR YOUR DIARY!

The FeRFA Annual General Meeting and Dinner 2017 will be held on: Friday 17 November at the Belfry Hotel in the West Midlands.

Following the success of the new format last year, we will again have a shorter afternoon annual general meeting, with time for networking, so that guests can get ready for the evening entertainment and allow couples to travel together.



The Woodlands Suite at the Belfry provides a spacious setting in which to host this popular event and we look forward to welcoming members and their guests in November.

Full details and booking forms will be issued later in the year, but meanwhile please get the date in your diary.

FeRFA GOLF DAY - Friday 16 June 2017



This year we will be returning to the Erewash Valley Golf Club for this year's event on Friday 16 June 2017.

Situated in Stanton By Dale, Ilkeston, the golf club fully deserves its reputation as a top class venue with a well maintained 18-hole course along with a welcoming clubhouse. The excellent and scenic use of natural features provides enjoyable year round golfing and will test the skills of all standards of golfer.

The event is open to all members, and you are welcome to bring along customers and colleagues for the day.

Meet at 9.00 for bacon butties and refreshments, with a first tee-off time is 09.30 for a Stableford 4 balls competition. Play will be in teams of four, so ideally participants are encouraged to put together their own teams but we will of course be able to make up teams if this is not possible for you.

The cost for the day's golf including breakfast and prizes will be £35 per player. Details are on the form, but players are requested to pay the fee of £35 per player to Tom Dossett on the day of the tournament. Please complete the [booking form here](#) to hold a place for your team.



TRAINING NEWS

APPRENTICES TAKE SELF-SMOOTHING MODULE



Apprentices from Resin Flooring group 17 spent two days at Resdev in Elland this month. They were studying module 12, Self-Smoothing Resin. Classroom theory was combined with practical workshops to demonstrate the applications, key factors, testing and control methods and much more.

The group will continue on to study Modules 14 and 13 at Instarmac and Resdev respectively before commencing their assessment period.

Apprentices in group 17 are: Gary Ashby (Polydeck Resins), Jake Brown (Central Flooring Services), Simon Murphy (Ultrasyntec), James Murray (Surtech) and Charles Abel (Hart Site Services), Daniel Moreland.

NEWEST GROUP OF FeRFA APPRENTICES TAKE PART IN THEIR SECOND TRAINING SESSIONS AT ARTURO

Group 19 resin flooring apprentices travelled to Arturo in Rugby for modules 4 and 5. This, the second block on their training scheme, provided them with a comprehensive introduction to resin flooring systems and was followed by sessions on work practice and project planning on the second day.

The apprentices were also given time to get familiar with FeRFA's on-line elearning portal and went through the health and safety module with all passing the on-line test.

Apprentices in Resin 19 are: Liam Griffin (Britannia Industrial Flooring) Neil Garnon (F & G Industrial) Mitchell Cross (Orchid Flooring) Luke Oliver, Adam Oliver and Nicholas Lancaster (Polydeck Resins) Ben Tanner and Stefan Mordecai (TPS360) and Gregor Eckert (Veitchi Industrial)



UPSKILLING COURSES

FeRFA's Upskilling courses are subsidised for members and cost just £50 per person and are eligible for grant funding (for CITB levy payers). FeRFA can organise upskilling days on a range of topics and, if you have at least six to eight staff members, they can be run at your premises (or another suitable venue) at a time to suit you.

Topics include:

- Decorative Stone & Quartz Systems
- Flowable Screeds
- Self Smoothing Static Dissipative & Slip Resistant
- Polyurethane screeds & coving
- Work Practice & Project Planning
- Surface preparation to receive resin floors
- Grinding & Polishing
- Specifying and Selecting Resin Flooring
- Recycling Waste Management Training Course - [see below](#)

For more details on all the upskilling courses that are available please visit the [Upskilling page of the website](#).

CAREER DEVELOPMENT NVQs

If you are looking for career development, then consider enrolling on the NVQ level 3 in Occupational Work Supervision.

It is a 10 day course which takes three months and consists of 9 Modules (which are taken over 10 days as off-site training). The cost for the course per candidate is £2520 payable in three instalments, and the current CITB grant is £2,225 (plus 10% if levy paid in time). This includes all the training plus food and accommodation for the training days. For more information click on this link, which gives details on the modules as well: www.ferfa.org.uk/pdf/Training/SupervisorTrainingInfo.pdf

To take your career to the next level there is the NVQ level 6.

The course includes 12 days, in two day sessions around 6 weeks apart, in the classroom and at the same time candidates

will work, using on-line workbooks, to gather a portfolio of evidence during that time. The process will be fully explained at the first sessions. Once the programme is complete and enough evidence has been gathered candidates will achieve their qualification.

The cost is £2,800 and grants are available for CITB levy payers totalling £1,900. Hotel accommodation can be booked locally to the course if required, at £50 + VAT per person, per night and includes breakfast but no evening meal.

ASSOCIATE SPOTLIGHT

Each month we have a special focus on FeRFA Associate members who provide specialist services and products into the resin flooring and screeding markets. This month we are shining the spotlight on Innoveo and Schluter Systems.

Full details on all Associate Members are available in the [FeRFA Associates' Catalogue](#).

EPMS Supplies Ltd

EPMS Supplies Ltd offers a bespoke service to the construction industry. The company operates nationally via a network of strategically located distribution centres. EPMS prides itself on its friendly reliable service, technical know-how and customer support. Working closely with all the major specialist manufacturers in the industry, the company has more than 100,000 items held in stock, covering a very wide range of product groups, from resin flooring to coatings and from sealants to concrete repairs. EPMS is therefore a partner who can be trusted to offer its customers the best cost-effective solution.



The company also offers a free estimating service and full technical support. All the company's staff have excellent technical knowledge and vast practical experience.

Unit 1, The Moorings, Waterside Road, Stourton, Leeds, LS10 1RW / www.epms-supplies.co.uk / 0113 276 0037 / Distribution Centres: Northern 0113 276 0037 / Midland 0115 986 2414 / Southern 01622 963 000

Component Developments

Component Developments designs, manufactures and supplies stainless steel drainage systems, access covers and surface protection products. The company has 30 years experience of providing a rapid and efficient service from design through to installation.



The company utilises the most modern manufacturing techniques, including the latest design software, laser cutting and CNC bending. It uses bright annealed (mirror polished) stainless steel as the standard material for its drainage channels.

These hygienic and durable finishes inhibit the growth of bacteria and are easy to clean, leaving a bright chrome-like finish. The products are ideal for a range of applications, especially in commercial and manufacturing sectors where hygiene is critical, such as food production, pharmaceutical and health.

Halesfield 10, Telford, Shropshire, TF7 4QP / www.componentdevelopments.com / 01952 588 488

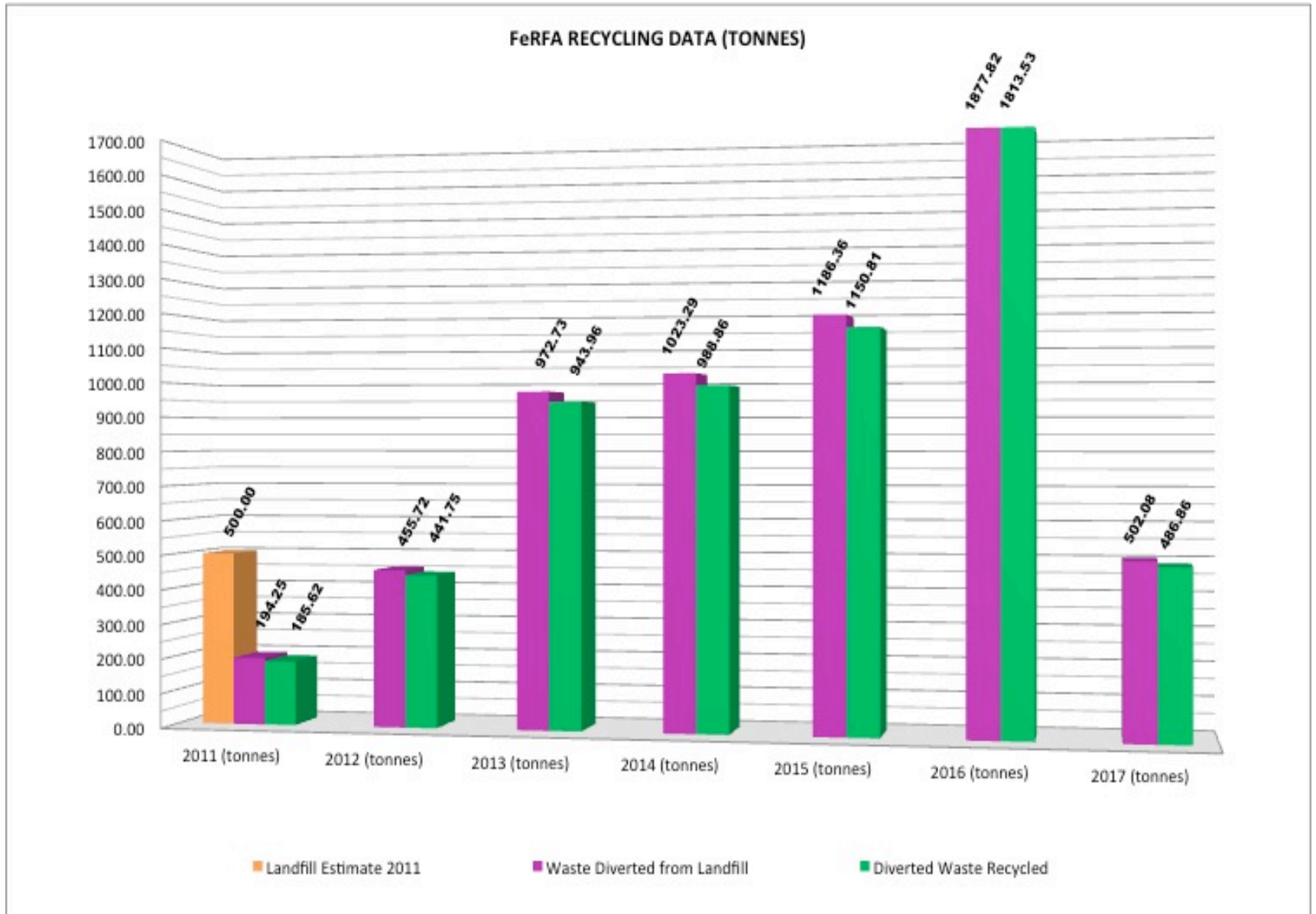
FeRFA's RECYCLING SCHEME

RECYCLING SUCCESS - ARE YOU TAKING PART?

If you are not already submitting your recycling data in 2017 please start doing this now to qualify for the recycling logo

within your FeRFA website entry.

It is easy to do using the datasheet (if not using Reconomy) - only two figures are needed per month - total weight collected and total weight recycled or recovered. This is information that should be provided by your waste collector. If it isn't then ask them why not. The spreadsheet includes a graph, automatically generated from your figures - which you can show to prospective clients.



Discover the benefits of using the Reconomy Portal to manage your construction waste

Did you know that the Reconomy Portal will give you round-the-clock access to your key waste documentation and data - across all your construction sites? We would like to show you how to gain:

- control over the waste streams generated on each construction site you manage
- the ability to create detailed reports on your waste management with ease.

By giving you an in-depth insight into the handling of waste across all your building sites, with dynamically updated information, the Reconomy Portal offers an unrivalled opportunity to gain control over your waste management.

Arrange a free Reconomy Portal demonstration today:

[Click here](#) or Call - 0800 834 133

FeRFA's partners in the recycling scheme are:

- [Reconomy](#), can assist you to reduce your total waste management costs, increase your landfill diversion, ensure compliance, under current Environment Agency legislation, maintain consistency and best practice across all sites and back-office functions. Contact 0800 834 133 / 01952 211790
To see Reconomy's National Rates for FeRFA members please [click on this link](#).
- If you are a manufacturer, [Protech Plastics Containers](#) can supply containers in various sizes to suit your product range, which are now produced from **40% recycled material**. Call Protech on 01827 314615.

If you would like to improve your company's sustainability and learn more about effective and efficient waste management, why not register your interest in a one day Upskilling course. The course will cover the following topics:

- Pre project planning for waste
Identify the waste streams produced

Potential risks
Recycling and disposal options

- Managing Wastes on Site
Segregation
Maximise Recovery/Recycling
- Overview of the waste regulations, including hazardous waste streams
Duty of Care
WM3 legislation
- Cost of Non-Compliance
- Benefits of Best Practice of Managing Waste Efficiently



FeRFA MEMBER BENEFITS

NEWS FROM COBRA INSURANCE BROKERS

In view of the recent cyber-attacks on businesses across the world, it is now a real threat that your business could be targeted by criminals with a view of corrupting your electronic files. There is no better time to seriously consider the need for Cyber Insurance Cover; COBRA help you assess the cyber risks faced by your company and organise Cyber Insurance.

Cyber Insurance is very inexpensive and starts from as little as £100 + Insurance Premium Tax for an annual policy.

View these two useful guides from Cobra:

Cyber Risks & Liability: Cyber Security Tips for Small Businesses. As a small business owner, you face unique risks in today's cyber environment. Learn helpful tips to protect your assets from a cyber attack with this article. [Download here.](#)

Cyber Risk Exposure Scorecard: This easy-to-use scorecard/checklist can help you assess the severity of cyber risks facing your business. [Download here.](#)

If you have not spoken to Howard Collins before, or it is sometime since you reviewed your insurance needs do get in contact with him, for a FREE insurance health check and a no obligation quote, call 07775 888933 or visit www.cobrainsurance.co.uk

H&S UPDATE PLUS BUSINESS SHIELD FROM STALLARD KANE ASSOCIATES

Stallard Kane Associates Ltd provide a support service to SMEs for both Health & Safety and Employment Law. FeRFA members can access its services for free via the Business Shield - detailed below.



The latest news from SKA looks at:

➤ Council Fined After Apprentice's Fingers Crushed

Nottingham Crown Court heard how the 22-year-old worker was on site at Seagrave Primary School, when the lawnmower he was using became blocked. [Read more...](#)

➤ Considering Weather Conditions

When devising a safe system for working at height you must take into account the weather conditions and plan for these accordingly. A company that didn't, ended up in court. What happened? [Read more...](#)

➤ Other news stories from SKA on current issues [are available here.](#)

Business Shield - free to FeRFA members - ensures you are always up to date.

SKA understands that busy management teams don't always have the time to keep up-to-date with changes in

workplace legislation and health and safety policies, which is why FeRFA has supplied FeRFA Business Shield as a key member benefit

All FeRFA members have FREE access to the Business Shield service giving you:

- **FREE** access to the FeRFA Business Shield online portal
- **FREE** and unlimited use of the 24hr hotline
- **FREE** one hour review of your daily activity and associated risks
- **FREE** one hour review of your existing employment contracts

Further details on the service are available in the [brochure here](#).

All FeRFA members are supplied with a unique username and password for the FeRFA Business Shield and can speak to an advisor to answer any queries that you may have regarding the service.

In the meantime, members can access the advice line on 0345 076 6485.

The dedicated FeRFA Business Shield Account Manager is Barry Nicol, please call him on 07854 938693 for more details.



OTHER NEWS

BUILD UK ACCIDENT SURVEY 2017 - LIVE NOW

The 2016/17 BUILD UK Accident Survey is now live for FeRFA CONTRACTOR MEMBERS to submit accident statistics for the last 12 months from 1 April 2016 – 31 March 2017 via the following link:

[Accident Survey 2016/17](#)

The deadline for responses to this year's survey is **Friday 1 September 2017** - but please don't wait until the deadline to complete it as we will send regular reminders until it is completed. It should only take a few minutes to do, and if you have had no reportable accidents it will be just seconds as all you need to give is number of employees for that period, then click NO to accidents and it is done.

Please note that providing annual accident statistics is a requirement of membership for contractors.

A good response to the survey is vital as the information can be used to demonstrate to clients and others that the safety record of members is better than non-members. It can also help to identify accident trends in order to produce guidance which can reduce the risk of similar incidents in future.



CITB HEALTH, SAFETY & ENVIRONMENT TEST: updated revision materials

Revision materials for the CITB Health, safety and environment test will be updated from 1st April 2017. Candidates taking the CITB test from the 1st June should revise from the new version of the revision material.

Candidates taking tests before 1st June can continue to use the 2016 version. [Read more](#)



BUILD UK NEWSLINE

The latest edition of the Build UK Newsline is available at builduk-newsline.org.uk where you can find more on:

- Fair Payment
- Health and Safety
- Image

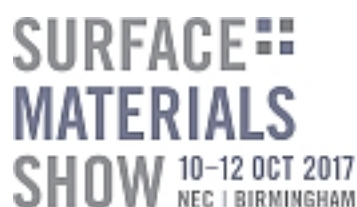
- Pre-Qualification
- Training & Skills and
- Other News



MEETINGS, SEMINARS & EXHIBITIONS 2017

EXHIBITIONS & EVENTS 2017

- [VISION 2017](#) June 6-7, Olympia London
- [FACILITIES SHOW](#) June 20-22, Excel, London
- [LANDSCAPE SHOW](#) September 12-13, Battersea Park, London (Exhibitors include: Star Uretech)
- [100% DESIGN](#) September 20-21, Olympia London
- [SURFACE & MATERIALS SHOW](#) October 10-12, NEC Birmingham



FeRFA is an event partner for the [Surface and Materials Show](#) to be held at NEC Birmingham from 10 - 12 October as part of UK Construction Week. FeRFA members are being offered enhanced packages and discounts on stands. For more details contact Jessica Visser on 020 3225 5364 or [jessica.visser \[at\] media-ten.com](mailto:jessica.visser[@]media-ten.com)

APPRENTICESHIP SCHEME DATES 2017

Resin 16	In assessment period
Resin 17	MOD 14: Sep 13-14 at Instarmac, Tamworth MOD 13: Oct 24-26 at Resdev, Elland
Resin 18	MOD 11: Jun 28-29 at Sika Welwyn Garden City MOD 12: Oct 11-12 at BASF, Redditch
Resin 19	MODS 6-9: Oct 4-6 at TAC, Nottingham MOD 10: Dec 5-6 at The Preparation Group, Lincoln
Prep 9	MODS 4-5: Jun 27-28 at The Preparation Group Lincoln MODS 6-8: Oct 4-5 at TAC, Nottingham MOD 10: Nov 28-30 at The Preparation Group, Lincoln

FeRFA MEETINGS AND EVENTS 2017

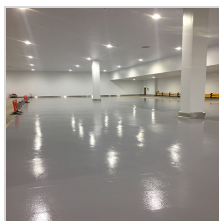
FeRFA Technical Meeting: Thursday 15 June at Smart Marketing Works, ST15 0HG
 FeRFA Golf Day: Friday 16 June at Erewash Valley Golf Club
 FeRFA Council Meeting: Wednesday 28 June at Smart Marketing Works, ST15 0HG
 FeRFA AGM and Awards Dinner: Friday 17 November at the Belfry Hotel



FeRFA MEMBERS' NEWS

FerFA members can add news stories via the Members Area of the website. For more information on how to access this facility contact FerFA.

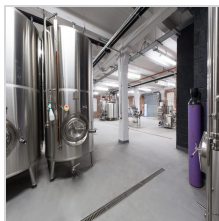
Use the following links for more [COMPANY NEWS](#) or you can go to specific [CASE STUDIES](#) and [GALLERIES](#)



[**Mapefloor i302 Installed at Morrisons Gadbrook**](#)

Respol has installed Mapei's Mapefloor i302 at the Morrison's Supermarket food processing plant in Northwich, Cheshire to provide a safe and durable solution on time for its scheduled opening date. [Read more...](#)

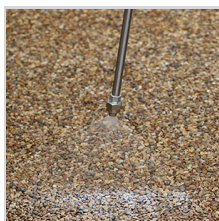
Respol Ltd & Mapei (UK) Ltd



[**71 Brewing**](#)

IFT was approached by 71 Brewing to give advice and proposals for the flooring element on the conversion of an existing industrial warehouse in Dundee city centre into a new brewing facility [Read more...](#)

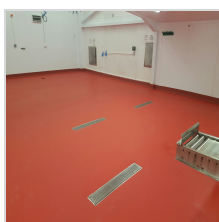
Integrated Flooring Technologies



[**Apollo Construction Solutions Launches Drive Restore \(A1398\)**](#)

Apollo Construction Solutions (APCS) is excited to launch Drive Restore (A1398), a unique and cost effective solution for rejuvenating resin bound surfaces. [Read more...](#)

Apollo Construction Solutions



[**Ultrasyntec provides the perfect floor for a growing food business**](#)

A successful olive and Mediterranean food business, and long-standing customer of UltraSyntec Ltd, needed to create an extension for its ever expanding company. [Read more...](#)

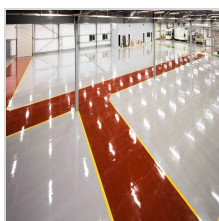
Ultrasyntec Ltd



[**Husqvarna revs up to develop the global floor grinding industry**](#)

The future looks bright for concrete floor grinding. With the global development of the industry still in its early years, Husqvarna has acquired two other leading players in the field – HTC Floor Grinding Solutions and Pullman Ermator. [Read more...](#)

Husqvarna Construction Products



[**New Start for Alco Valves Group**](#)

Ultrasyntec has recently finished a new flooring project for Radcliffe Construction at Alco Valves new state of the art facility at Brighouse, West Yorkshire, which went live for the start of 2017. [Read more...](#)

Ultrasyntec Ltd



[**Mortlake Crematorium**](#)

Total Protection provided a serene and safe environment for the external areas at Mortlake Crematorium. [Read more...](#)

Total Protection (Great Britain) Ltd



[**Looking for work in the Resin Flooring Industry?**](#)

See the latest vacancies in the resin flooring industry

Visit the FerFA Situations Vacant page [here...](#)

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