

# FeRFA E-Newsletter



## July 2020

### CORONAVIRUS (Covid-19)

Please find us on social media [@FeRFAResin](#) or go to our [dedicated webpage](#) to follow the latest in Coronavirus (Covid-19) updates. The information is constantly changing and we will keep you updated regarding all the latest information.

**We hope you all stay safe during these uncertain times.**

### FeRFA Best Practice Awards - Postponed

As reported in last month's e-news, FeRFA Council has taken the view that there is still insufficient clarity as to whether large scale indoor gatherings will be permitted or safe by the time of the planned date in November. It is also not clear whether FeRFA members, who understandably have other key priorities at this time, will have sufficient resources available to compile their entries in time for the judging process to take place.

To ensure a new date for the event, FeRFA has been working closely with the Celtic Manor Resort who have been very supportive in what is also a difficult time for the hospitality industry and we have agreed a date of **11th June 2021**.

Bookings for the new date will become available in due course and FeRFA looks forward to a different and successful Awards event in June 2021, the first FeRFA awards to be held in Summer since the event began in 2002.

## TRAINING NEWS



We have been working closely with our members, partners and CITB to get our training programme safely back on track as quickly as possible. As a result, we now have one training date confirmed, with other dates to be released in due course.

Upcoming training dates:

Resin 23 Module 14: 8-9th September, The Preparation Group (Lincoln)

Contact the [FeRFA office](#) for more information

## ASSOCIATE SPOTLIGHT

This month, FeRFA are highlighting three more of our Associate members. Associate members are companies who are involved indirectly with the manufacture, application and maintenance of resin flooring such as Surface Preparation Plant Suppliers, Chemical Suppliers to Manufacturer members, floor cleaning machinery suppliers, test houses etc.



NCC is a leading materials consultant who specialises in flooring and chemical products for the construction and building industry. Working in Partnerships with international manufacturers on an exclusive basis, NCC is able to offer solutions to specifiers and contractors, from specification stage through to material supply. Our exclusive partnerships include CONICA UK, Atako Systems and Emseal joint systems.

NCC has been established for



Preptec supply a wide range of surface preparation related products and services. The company provides services to many sectors including the industrial flooring, refurbishment and construction industries.

Preptec are main distributors for a number of leading machinery manufacturers and also supply high quality consumables, diamond tooling, spare parts, accessories and equipment repair services. Preptec also work closely with a number of



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## INDUSTRY NEWS



### Construction Talent Retention Scheme

The new scheme, designed to match job opportunities to individuals seeking employment and run by the Construction Leadership Council (CLC), went live last Friday (24 July). It's already off to a very promising start with 482 employers currently signed up to use the scheme, and over 240 vacancies posted, with more being added every day.

If you are a business or individual looking to find out more, please visit the Talent Retention Scheme portal [here](#).

CITB's Covid-19 Displaced Apprentice Project team will also be reaching out to apprentices impacted by the pandemic. They will work with them to find alternative employment where possible, or signpost them to other support services, including the Talent Retention Scheme.

Apprentices will also be supported by CITB with the more practical elements, such as developing CVs and interview preparation, to provide the best possible chance at securing employment. If you are an employer willing to take on an Apprentice that has been made redundant, [register with the Talent Retention Scheme](#) or get in touch with CITB – it's vital we don't lose these people from our industry.

### Have Your Say On Net Zero

The UK Government is legally bound to reduce emissions to net zero by 2050, which means we will need to change how we build. But how can you and your business benefit?

CITB is working with Government to understand what skills the construction industry needs to access the new markets involved and will publish recommendations later in the year.

This is a key opportunity to influence and help shape the support you need. Please complete our [online survey](#) which should take 10 minutes and closes on Monday 3 August.

CITB's [COVID-19 urgent messages page](#) is refreshed daily and includes updates on the full range of work they are carrying out.



### **National Infrastructure and Construction Procurement Pipeline 2020/21**

Build UK has published an [executive summary](#) of the National Infrastructure and Construction Procurement Pipeline 2020/21 to help the industry understand recent Government announcements on the delivery of £37 billion of economic and social infrastructure projects. It shows a breakdown of 340 public sector contracts by sector, together with when they will actually be awarded, and more granular detail on each contract can be found in the [pipeline workbook](#).

### **Extended Working Hours On-Site**

The Government has published [guidance on extending construction working hours](#) introduced in the Business and Planning Act. Companies are now able to request extended and flexible site working hours through a fast-track application process, with Local Authorities having 14 calendar days to make a decision otherwise the revised working hours will be deemed to have been consented to.

[Read more updates on Build UK's website](#)

## **MEMBER BENEFITS**

### **NEW! CONTRACT REVIEW SERVICE**



**CONTRACT AND LEGAL SERVICES**

FeRFA have partnered with BEB Contract & Legal Services so that as a member of FeRFA, you will get 10% off their Bronze, Silver and Gold packages for bespoke, robust contracts.



Contact BEB on 01604 217365 or email [info@bebconsultancy.co.uk](mailto:info@bebconsultancy.co.uk) and quote FeRFA10 to get started.

BEB are passionate about protecting businesses with watertight contracts. It's what they do, day in, day out. Their approach is hands-on so they'll find out as much as they can about what your business does, how you work and any problem customers you may have

had – because it's only when talking about those practical, real-life issues you've encountered that BEB get to really understand how to protect you from those things happening again, in your Ts & Cs.

BEB can help with:

- Terms and conditions
- Sub-contractor agreements
- Shareholder agreements
- Manufacturing and distribution agreements
- GDPR and privacy policies
- And much more

OR are you signing contracts you don't really understand? BEB offer a unique review service where they will check and confirm if the contract you've been sent:

- Protects you fully
- Is clear and unambiguous
- Contains clauses that could be risky for your business

[Click here for more information](#)

## COBRA Bespoke Insurance Service



COBRA Insurance Brokers have partnered with FeRFA for over 10 years, gaining specialist knowledge and an understanding of the protection needed for the resin flooring industry. The website, designed specifically to support FeRFA members and their business activity, is now available at [www.ferfainsurance.co.uk](http://www.ferfainsurance.co.uk). The website covers all aspects of insurance, risk management and guarantees, as well as a client login portal where you can view your policy documents. FeRFA members can also request free access to a vast library of resource material.

COBRA offer a free insurance health check plus no obligation quotes. Howard Collins can be reached on 07775 888933 or emailed at [howard.collins@cobrainurance.co.uk](mailto:howard.collins@cobrainurance.co.uk) or visit the [website](#).

FeRFA and COBRA are excited to offer a facility which gives all your resin floor protection with an **INSURANCE BACKED WARRANTY**. The scheme has been set up so that **all your customers** benefit from the **security** of an **Insurance backed warranty** once you are signed up. You pay an upfront premium based on your annual turnover and then simply register each resin contract online when completed.

[Read more.](#)

## H&S Advice and 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. 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.

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

Read more about Stallard Kane [here](#).

## FeRFA Recycling Scheme - are you taking part?



FeRFA partners **Reconomy** can assist you to reduce your total waste management costs, increase your landfill diversion, ensure compliance, under current Environmental Agency legislation, maintain consistency and best practice across all sites and back-office functions. Contact Reconomy on 0800 834 133/01952 211790.

If you are not already submitting your recycling data to FeRFA 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

More details on the recycling initiative are [here](#).

You can also read Reconomy's brochure [here](#).

## MEMBERS' NEWS

### WARMSCREED Insulated Floor Screed Launch New Products for the Floor



# Screed Industry

Warmfill has manufactured and supplied expanded polystyrene (EPS) insulation products to the insulation industry in UK and Ireland for over 20 years.

From their factory, based in the Port of Larne, Co Antrim, they can supply products to meet their customer requirements.

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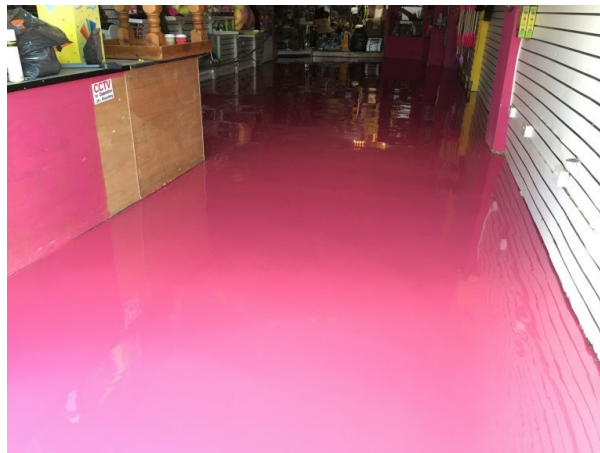


## CASE STUDIES

### Pink Seaside Gift Shop Provided The 'Wow' Factor!

A local seaside gift shop chose bright pink to achieve the aesthetic finish they required. Previously replacing vinyl each year following busy summer periods and heavy foot traffic, the client required a hard wearing floor with slip resistant entrance way. Materials were provided by Sika.

[Read more](#)



### Muvi Cinemas Head Office

In 2020, the company head office of Muvi Cinemas at Riyadh were expanded with a key requirement of the project being a heavy-duty, hygienic and decorative protective flooring system for specific zones.

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## Amazon-MSCP Belfast

Resdev recently completed a new MSCP installation in Belfast.

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## Zircon Flooring Travel to St Lucia!

This unique refurbishment project specified and completed by Zircon Flooring represents a totally new departure for our family-run company. This was a very special commission, entrusted to Zircon Flooring following months of negotiations, site reconnaissance and careful planning, breathing new life and bringing the highest standards of hygiene to a world leading food preparation area serving one of the world's most iconic lifestyle destinations.

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## MEETINGS & EVENTS

### FeRFA Meetings & Events

Council Meeting : 30th September 2020

Technical Meeting : 6th October 2020

### The Flooring Show Moves to 2021

The Flooring Show has announced that it is moving dates to 28 February - 2 March 2021 at the Yorkshire Event Centre (YEC) in Harrogate.

[Click here for more information](#)

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