

## Welcome

Dear Member,

I would like to welcome you all to the third edition of the Batched on Site Association's Newsletter.

Again much has gone on since our last newsletter. Meetings have continued with VOSA's Policy Department but on the face of it, things appear to have now stalled (please see briefing note on VOSA negotiations – to follow after AGM).

We decided to hold off running the second edition of the Code of Practice to print until VOSA agreed the amendments. Unfortunately that moment has not come but we are now planning on producing the updated version and this should be ready just after the AGM in November.

The Association's principal objective is still to justify why batched on-site machines should continue to be treated as special case.

It is in this regard that we must all stick together to provide a united and strong voice to present our arguments to Government. The membership is steadily growing but the more members we have, the better our position is with VOSA. It is in all members' interests to try and generate membership numbers as together our voice will be louder.

Our AGM is due to take place on 19 November at 12noon at the Corby Holiday Inn. We hope this centralised location helps attract more of our Southern members. We look forward seeing you at the AGM and hope you all have a good winter.

Tom Baker  
Chairman

## UPDATE ON VOSA SITUATION

This will be provided at the AGM with a briefing note to follow.

## Dates to Remember

### BSA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday 19 November 2009 – 12noon start

Location: Holiday Inn Corby - Kettering A43,  
Geddington Road,  
Corby, NN18 8ET  
(Tel: 01536 401 020)

## British Aggregates Association

The British Aggregates Association (BAA) has recently made contact with the BSA to see what common ground we have and whether we can be of mutual assistance to each other. The BAA is an association of independent quarry operators. This may well be of interest to some our members and if anybody has any thoughts or comments on the matter then please forward them to Jared Dunbar at [jd@dynesolcitiors.co.uk](mailto:jd@dynesolcitiors.co.uk).





### Tell us about it!!!!

During our phone campaign to recruit new members we tried to have a short conversation with each operator we contacted to tell them a little of what we are trying to achieve and where we are at the moment.

It was interesting to hear some of the concerns and problems a lot of operators are experiencing. One operator had been told his drivers need a CITB card whilst others are told they will soon need an Operator's Licence. A lot of people are not sure of the legal status of their operation. It seems sometimes the various departments we all have to deal with make up and change the rules as and when it suits them.

Please get in touch with us to get clarification on any problems you may be having or to keep us informed of any precautions you may have coming up. We, as an association, can't fight the case for you but with our wealth of knowledge we can advise and tell you who we think the best people are to fight it for you.

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### Meeting the Experts at Armcon

Armcon held its Annual Open Day in the summer enticing visitors to meet the experts.

A team of leading industry professionals, including Dyne Solicitors and Tom Baker of Eastern Concrete, assembled to present a series of seminars throughout the day.

Topics included Volumetrics and the Law, Quality Assured Concrete and a revolutionary software package designed to co-ordinate the dispatching and delivery management of volumetric mixers... and if this wasn't enough an ensemble of associated manufacturers including the likes of Kramer, The Belle Group, financial experts and cement suppliers also took stands alongside the latest range of Armcon mixers.

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