



Wednesday 3rd April @ Scobie McIntosh

Guide Bridge, Ashton Under Lyne, OL7 0HU

Timings 11:30 to 16:00



Generously hosted by Scobie McIntosh

- **Bridging the gap:** As technology advances, vending operators are confronted with many challenges, including *How to bridge the gap between legacy equipment and the ever-evolving demands of a technology-driven society?* Join us as we discover innovative solutions and next steps to integrate the latest technology into all vending machinery including “**How smart are 'smart machines'?**” Over the past five years, Micro Markets have expanded by 500%, igniting an interest in smart fridges within the vending industry. But within this surge, a critical question arises: just how smart are these 'smart / connected'?

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machines? Join our panel of industry experts to explore available options, the benefits of these machines and mapping out the trajectory of this dynamic market.

- In 2020, cash transactions accounted for 17% of all transactions in the UK, but this figure has steadily declined each year. Vending operators are left wondering, is cash dead? Are we on the brink of a cashless society? From the appeal of cash to the convenience of card payments, we'll explore the changing landscape and discuss the advantages of both options.

AGENDA:

- 11:30 Coffee/Tea & Lunch
- 12:00
 - Welcome, David Llewellyn
 - Mark Stevens – site introduction & Scobie Update
- 13:00: Break into Groups: Site Tour
- 14:00:
 - Current legislation update, David Llewellyn
 - Market & Equipment Developments: Mark Stevens
 - DISCUSSION PANEL:
 - How smart are smart machines?
 - Is cash dead?
 - Discussion Panel: Mark Stevens, Mark Parry (Vianet), Jeff Veres (365 Retail), Robin Turver (SB Software), Lewis Zimble (Nayax), Sue Sproston (Paycomplete)
- 16:00 Close

To book one of the limited places email Penny.Rowell@the-ava.com

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