

December 2024

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UKCPI meetings

AGM

Thursday 5 December
By video conference

Council

Thursday 5 December
By video conference

Advocacy, Regulatory & Communications Committee

Wednesday 29 January
By video conference

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Events calendar

International Soap, Detergent and Cosmetics Conference

9-11 March 2025
New Delhi

Cleaning Products Europe

1-2 April 2025
Prague

Clean & Tidy Home Show

18-19 October 2025
London

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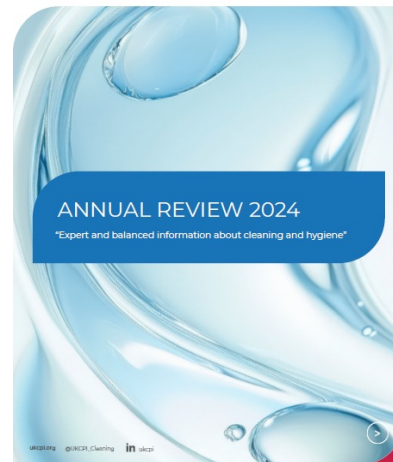
The UKCPI members newsletter is available

UKCPI 2024 Annual Review now online

UKCPI has published its 2024 Annual Review, documenting the wide range of work carried out by the association and its committees over the year. Please [download a copy here](#) and share with your colleagues.

Writing in the introduction, Ian Croft, Chair of UKCPI Council, commented: "I am a firm believer that you get more value out of an organisation the more you put in. I would like to thank my colleagues who give their time and expertise to our committees and working groups and would encourage others to do so. You will not only benefit yourself and your company, but also contribute to the excellent work that UKCPI carries out on behalf of us all."

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Formal notice calling the UKCPI AGM

The 2024 UKCPI AGM will be held via Teams on Thursday 5th December, from 11.45am – 12.00pm. Members wishing to attend are asked to contact the [Secretariat](#) for the Teams link.

IFRA Safe & Sustainable by Design webinar

UKCPI members are invited to IFRA's webinar on Safe & Sustainable by Design (SSbD) and a presentation of the IFRA SSbD case study.

The webinar is online on Wednesday, 22 January 2025 14:00-15:30 CET. [More details and registration.](#)



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Defra update on EPR

Pending parliamentary approval, Defra aims to appoint the EPR Scheme Administrator in December 2024, with the regulations coming into force on Wednesday 1 January 2025. [Read more.](#)

In the news



Unilever invests to build fragrance expertise in-house

Unilever will invest €100 million to grow its own fragrance design and creation capabilities for personal care and household cleaning brands.

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UKHSA issues health and hygiene advice to families

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) is reminding parents of the simple steps they can take to reduce the spread of stomach bugs and winter illnesses. UKHSA is urging parents to encourage good hygiene habits in their families, such as handwashing and using a tissue to catch coughs and sneezes. It also advises that if parents or children have diarrhoea and vomiting, washing hands with soap and warm water and using bleach-based products to clean surfaces will help stop infections from spreading.

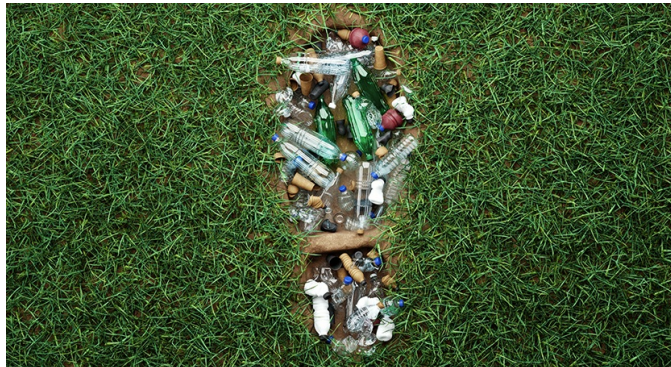
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Advent, Apollo among potential bidders for Reckitt's homecare assets

Private equity groups Advent International and Apollo Global are among firms considering a potential buyout of consumer goods company Reckitt's homecare assets, Bloomberg News reported, citing people familiar with the matter.

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SC Johnson achieves packaging goals ahead of schedule

The company achieved two key milestones – reducing virgin plastic and incorporating recycled materials into packaging – a year ahead of the 2025 commitment.

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Profits climb 380% at cleaning products manufacturer

Astonish has reported soaring pre-tax profits in its latest accounts. The household and personal care brand has reported pre-tax profits of £14.4m a 380% year-on-year increase on 2023. Over the same period, turnover rose by 32% to £57.7m.

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Unilever and Nufarm partner to replace fossil fuels with plant-based ingredients in cleaning products

Unilever announced the launch of a new partnership with Australia-based biotech company Nufarm, aimed at replacing petrochemical-based ingredients in its cleaning products with plant-based oils through the development of a new variety of sugar cane.

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HSE guidance for the chemical industry

Guidance for businesses based in Great Britain and Northern Ireland is on the following HSE webpages:

- [Biocides - Authorisation of biocidal substances and products](#)
- [CLP - Classification, labelling and packaging of substances and chemicals](#)
- [PIC - Prior informed consent](#)
- [PPP - Pesticides or Plant Protection Products](#)
- [REACH - Registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals](#)
- [Detergents Regulations - Manufacturing and placing detergents on the GB and NI markets.](#)

Sincerely, Charlotte Salter, UKCPI

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