

Ecobuild

Wednesday 3rd March
Earls Court, London

Polymer Recovery from Polypropylene Carpet

Half a million tonnes of carpet waste go to landfill every year in the UK at a cost to businesses and local authorities of over £35m. Carpets are complex products made of valuable raw materials such as wool, polypropylene and nylon.

Recent research funded by Envirolink Northwest and carried out by Axion Polymers demonstrates that end-of-life polypropylene carpet can be reprocessed into a pellet with good physical properties. An estimated 6700 tonnes of suitable polypropylene carpet feedstock is available in the North West alone.

Carpet Recycling UK is hosting a seminar at Ecobuild in London, the world's biggest event for sustainable design, construction and the built environment, on 3rd March to disseminate the results of the trials. Come along to learn more about the results of the trials and to meet other companies who are interested in forming part of a supply chain for carpet recycling.

This seminar, supported by Envirolink Northwest, will be held between 10:30am and 12:00 noon in the Press Room at Ecobuild, and will be followed by further sessions on carpet recycling covering a variety of topics including global trends in recyclable tile backings, specification



Above Image

Green roof by Coronet Turf at Cardiff Castle
Wool-rich carpet is used as a partial peat replacement in green roof growing media

standards for sustainable carpets and soil stabilisation and fertilising benefits of wool-rich carpets. Timings for the day are subject to change so please check the Ecobuild programme on arrival.

There is no need to register, however if you would like to discuss your interests prior to attending or get further information please contact Kate Chappell of Carpet Recycling UK on **07787 160 169** or **kate@carpetrecyclinguk.com**.

Programme

Session 1 – PP Carpet Recovery (co-hosted by Envirolink Northwest)

10:30 – 11:30 **Polymer Recovery from PP carpet**
Jane Gardner, Axion Recycling

11:30 – 12:00 **Meet the Buyer - Plastics**
Networking

Session 2 – Policy Update

12:00 – 13:00 **Material Action Plans for Carpet and Carpet Tile**
Stuart Blofeld, BRE

13:00 – 13:30 **Meet the Policymaker**
Defra Clinic

Session 3 – Carpet Tiles

14:00 – 14:30 **Global Trends in Carpet Tile Backings**
Bill McWhirter, BMW Associates

14:30 – 15:00 **Specification Standards for Sustainable Carpets**
Kate Burnett, Milliken Contract

Session 4 – Land Applications

15:30 – 16:30 **Wool-rich Carpets or Rich-wool Carpets?**
Dave Clissold, Brintons Carpets

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