

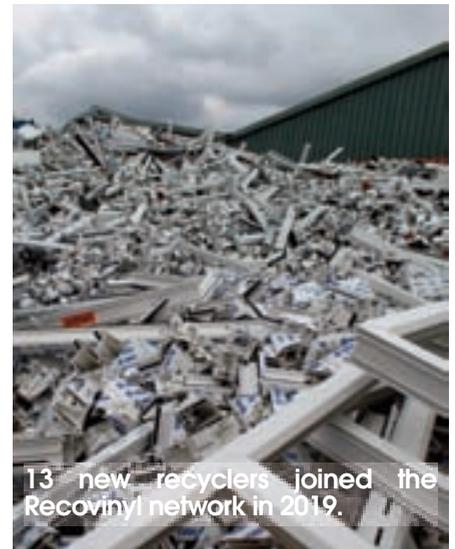
# PVC-U Recycling Reaches New High

According to the latest figures, the UK and Ireland collected and recycled a total of 143,428 tonnes of waste PVC across all PVC recycling formats in 2019. Window profiles and related building products account for 47% of the total PVC recycled across Europe.

Recovynyl was the largest contributor to this total, registering a total of 769,233 tonnes of PVC waste entirely recycled in Europe in 2019.

Industry concern continues

over changes to the Basel Convention, which will come into effect from 1 January 2021. Simon Scholes, MD of Veka Recycling says that while the legislation will mean more paperwork, it also forces the industry to be more professional and offer a reliable and sustainable service to companies handling waste PVC. He comments: "As an industry, of course we will overcome these future hurdles. We've invested too much time, money and passion not to make it succeed." **i**



13 new recyclers joined the Recovynyl network in 2019.

## New Technical Project Manager

Jonathan Crohill has joined the technical team at Garnalex as Sheerline Project Manager. He will be responsible for overseeing and delivering new Sheerline products, expanding on the current window and door range.

With 25 years' experience in the industry, Crohill started his career aged 17 on the shop floor fabricating conservatory roofs, which sparked his interest in product design and development. Having undertaken lead design roles at both Synseal and Eurocell, he has a vital understanding of product design and development.

Crohill says: "The research and investment Garnalex has put behind Sheerline is exactly what aluminium needed. The substantial manufacturing facility also shows a real commitment, giving a great deal of confidence to fabricators and installers. I'm excited to be joining at such a key phase of growth for the company as I have no doubt it will be a success." **i**



## Thermoseal Rises To The Challenge



**Thermoseal Group has invested significant additional funds in the extensive reconstruction of a building to accommodate a raft of new equipment to further increase automation and production of its Thermobar and Thermoflex Warm Edge Spacer.**

The new site on Challenge Way, Martland Park in Wigan, which is a stones-throw from Thermoseal Group's other main manufacturing and warehouse sites, will now be the Group's 'Centre for Innovation and Manufacturing'. With Brexit imminent, it has also become a primary site to house increased stockholding of raw materials and finished goods.

MD Gwain Peterson says: "In conjunction with the purchase of this new building, we have also taken on a new Production Manager Mauro Asciona to oversee Thermoflex Production, as well as additional warm edge production staff." **i**