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A man has broken his neck and will never walk again after a pallet of glass fell on him in 2016. And another man, Tawanda Chamwandayita, has died unloading a lorry when 17 panes of glass fell on him in 2017.

Directors of the firm's responsible have been fined or fined and given suspended prison sentences. The first victim and his family and the family of the second victim have their own sentences to live through – life sentences. It is criminal how long these cases have taken to come to court; and it is criminal how lightly punished the guilty have been. Both accidents were caused by bad practices and bad or non-existent training. At the site of the fatal accident, children (17-year-olds are still children in my eyes) were working with no training and no supervision.

They were working in the supply chain that serves this industry. We should all take an interest in where the products we sell come from. We should all put pressure on the suppliers above us to know what the suppliers above them are doing in the chain. And we should strive to make sure we are being responsible in the way we ask people to work for us and responsible for how our actions can affect others down the line.

500 Solar Panels Help Keep Doors Sustainable

I was pleased to learn that composite door manufacturer Endurance Doors has invested over £300,000 into 500 solar panels which have been installed on the roof of its main production facility. Slowly there is a build-up of companies in this industry that supply to installers who are upping their game so that installers can say, 'I buy from this firm in my supply chain and I do so because they have the environment and sustainability at the core of what they do'. Aligning yourself with such companies enhances your brand credentials. The Endurance Doors story is featured in our Doors Feature. Also take a look at our Cover Story which focuses on sustainability credentials.

193 Million Nuisance Calls And Unpaid £500,000 Fine Sees Director Disqualified

The head of a business selling windows & conservatories has been banned from serving as a director after his firm made 193 million nuisance calls and then failed to pay the £500,000 fine imposed on it by the Information Commissioner's Office. Ah! The rogues still operate in our industry. This story appears in News. There are lots of directors and companies getting big fines from the ICO because they flout the law. The Commissioner's Office has real teeth and I know I wouldn't want to be bitten by them.

And by the way, keep an eye out on TheInstaller.pro for the latest news about the number of people being tracked down for taking liberties with Bounce Back Loans. We will all be paying for their fraud for a very long time.

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