

SECTION:

Access & Asset Protection (AAP)

SECTION SCOPE:

A company engaged in the UK manufacture, installers who manage and maintain and specifiers, to also include monitoring centres and distribution and/or UK assembly. In the design, development, manufacture, assembly, distribution, installation, specification, monitoring, management, and maintenance and distribution.

The Access & Asset Protection (AAP) Section represents companies engaged of professional access control technologies sector.

Membership is open to organisations that:

- Manufacture, assemble, or develop access control equipment, analytical software.
- Provide system design, installation, commissioning, and maintenance services.
- Operate monitoring centres or deliver managed access control services.
- Distribute access control equipment or provide technical support services.
- Manufacturers of hardware and software.
- Offer customer service, warranty support, or R&D operations within the UK.

AAP TASKS FOR THE INDUSTRY:

a. Market development/growth of the AAP sector

Environment and sustainability publication that was created for the section and how that document can be remodelled to other section members.

Standards that need to be made available to members

- **79_720e_CDV (1) Parallel vote - IEC 62820-1-1 ED2:** Building intercom systems - Part 1-1: System requirements - General – Voted approved/ with no comments on the 9th May 2025.
- **79_721e_CDV (1) Parallel vote - IEC 62820-1-2 ED2:** Building intercom systems - Part 1-2: System requirements - Building intercom systems using the internet protocol (IP) General – Voted approved/ with no comments on the 9th May 2025.

AI management standards wants and needs. Guide us and we will fight your fight through the BSIA from the members.

b. Consult and Support Industry Development

It was suggested that this point should include the AAP sector's role in shaping policy and standards through consultation.

Highlighting collaborative work with regulatory bodies, industry partners, and cross-sector associations (e.g., international counterparts) was recommended.

Consult and collaborate with stakeholders, government bodies, and international partners to shape and support the ongoing development of standards, regulations, and best practices within the AAP sector.

c. Promote the value and benefits of professional Systems

The AAP section members concerns of consumers buying equipment from amazon that is not accredited by a test house.

The cloning of credentials from access control cards, transmitter fobs, Presentation attack detection cheap biometric reader that clone's data from the devices.

Modifying escape doors by installing mag locks that are not UKCA or CE approved.

Promote the value, benefits, and proper use of installed maintained access control systems, reinforcing trust, transparency, and responsible application in both public and private sector environments.

d. Share specific sector knowledge/Information Dissemination

Building Safety Act and individual competency in building safety and evacuations etc.

Martyn's Law has an important impact on the access control industry.

Collaborating with the SSAIB aligning with industry regulators.

Share sector-specific knowledge and insight, including guidance on best practices, evolving technologies, ethical use cases, and interpretations of standards, to inform and educate stakeholders.

e. AAP sector advice and best practice – interpretation of standards and regulations

Best practice guidance out to members regarding access control systems around fire safety and installation regarding IoT Security and the PSTI Act around cyber security.

Provide expert advice and best practice documentation to support the interpretation and implementation of relevant standards, regulations, and legal frameworks such as NIS 2 directive and in Environment and Sustainability.

f. Information exchange and consult and promote with other organisations and represent the AAP sector at exhibitions

Collaboration with international bodies and representation at key industry events like forum events like the TSE in Birmingham, London Build (round table discussions with security consultants), regional forums etc.

Facilitate information exchange and collaboration with domestic and international organisations, including participation in exhibitions, industry events, and consultations, to represent and promote the AAP Sector globally.

APPLICABLE VALUE PROPOSITIONS:

(Please mark those applicable to the section in yellow highlighted text)

BSIA support for activities benefiting BSIA members

Knowledge/Information Dissemination .

Advice

Information Exchange

Affinity benefits

Special Services

Introductions

ACCESS AND ASSET PROTECTION SECTION VISION STATEMENT

To promote the UK Electronic Security Equipment Industry whilst developing knowledge within the section to improve global competitiveness.

Mission Statement:

We drive excellence across the AAP industry by advancing global standards in biometrics, cybersecurity, access control, and AI. We champion ethical and sustainable practices, fostering resilience in physical and electronic security. Through insight, innovation, and collaboration, we equip professionals to lead with confidence. Our work empowers inclusive leadership and eco-conscious design in every corner of the sector. With unity and purpose, we shape a brighter, more responsible future for security.

Vision

To lead a unified and forward-thinking AAP industry that is ethically governed, technologically advanced, and environmentally responsible.

Mission

We champion excellence by:

- Advancing international standards in access control, biometrics, cybersecurity, and AI
- Promoting ethical and sustainable practices across physical and electronic security
- Empowering professionals with the knowledge, tools, and recognition they need to thrive
- Innovating through collaboration, education, and regulatory readiness

Goals

- Increase global involvement in standards organizations to influence the development of future security technologies.
- Develop frameworks for ethical and transparent AI in security systems.
- Promote eco-friendly security solutions through sustainable design and procurement.
- Provide expertise to assist members in navigating new regulatory requirements.
- Promote diversity in security leadership and technical fields through mentorship and outreach.
- Collaborate with related sectors to develop comprehensive security solutions.

Key industry topics raised by section members as of August 2025 include –

- Labour shortages and skill levels.
- Creating a professional and nationally recognised career path in electronic security.
- Contribution to the BSIA Library offering bite sized documents/standards/guidance.

- Benchmarking that helps provide comparison on industry status on a regular basis;
- Providing Keynote speakers that are relevant to industry trends.

(to include updates from other BSIA section chairs and delivering AAP topics to other sections).

Collaboration

- Introducing new partners, e.g. Government departments, installers, distributors**
- Introduction to compliance partners (Intertec, TRAC, BRE, etc)**
- Facilitating cross section working (i.e. interoperability, IP)**
- Cloud based technologies**
- IoT based technologies**
- Special Services**

Knowledge/Information Dissemination

Inform members of environmental or manufacturing legislation. Take part in consultations on Industry policies both at a UK or European Level.

Produce change guides on legislative changes.

Advice members on :

- the interpretation of standards
- legal issues
- regulations
- Advice to end users on member's capabilities and products
- Information Exchange
- PR and marketing activities to promote the section's products including events and a useful web site
- Affinity Business Services (See BSIA website – under Added Value Benefits) Legal helpline