



*Ashford International Truckstop*

# AIT News

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## Refurbishment Update

This year has seen us embark on a major program of investment and refurbishment of the site and its security systems.

Some of the investment for these improvements has come via the European Commissions' SET-POS program set up to assist existing sites with upgrading the safety and security of Freight Service Facilities across Europe. We are currently the only site in the UK to benefit from the program with the site owners investment equal to or above that received from the EU.

The bulk of this investment to date has been in upgrading both the internal and external CCTV system with both fully operational at the



**Ashford's Diesel Station  
Due for refurbishment during 2008**

beginning of April 08.

Improvements have also been made to the park entrance involving the complete resurfacing of the area around the Security barriers.

Planned works over the

next few months include additional lighting in the parking area, replacing card readers and pumps at the diesel station and upgrading departmental IT equipment and staff personal security systems.

## Security Manager Appointed

February saw us welcome Slawomir Skrok as our dedicated Security Manager.

Familiar to many of our customers as a member of the Sight & Sound Security team, his experience and knowledge will be invaluable in raising the already high standard of security provided by Sight & Sound.



**Slawomir Skrok  
Security Manager**

## Staff Development

Over the past three years we have supported our employees through various vocational qualification programmes, ranging from Level 2 NVQ's to Diploma level Professional Awards.

This year has once

again seen employees keen to develop new and existing skills embark on a variety of long term training.

All of our staff have been offered the opportunity to study for relevant qualifications and at present there are 12

on work based NVQ programmes ranging from Level 2 to Apprenticeships.

Additionally, 2 of our Management team are near to completing day release courses with another 2 due to start in the next few months.

Slawomir also becomes the main point of contact for subcontracted cleaning and maintenance services.

To date he has overseen the refurbishment of the entrance road and CCTV systems and he will be instrumental in minimizing disruption to our customers during future refurbishment programs.