

# New partnership with UKNAR to prevent asbestos exposures

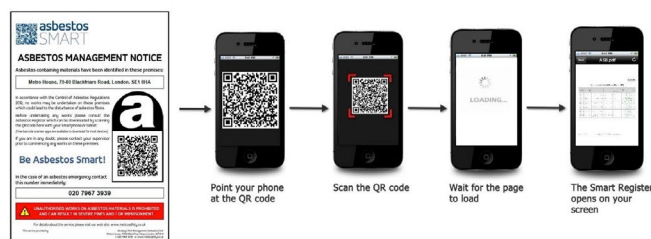
Mesothelioma UK has announced a new partnership with UKNAR (UK National Asbestos Register) to support fundraising, whilst highlighting the danger of disease resulting from exposure to asbestos.

UKNAR is a new social enterprise which helps dutyholders to manage asbestos simply and safely, while better informing and educating those at risk. UKNAR

operates via its Asbestos SMART system, which allows 24/7 access to the UK National Asbestos Register. The UK National Asbestos Register aims to identify all known asbestos threats in UK buildings and can be immediately accessed via a mobile phone or tablet, by simply scanning a unique site-specific QR code.

UKNAR will donate five per cent of its license fees to Mesothelioma UK, as well as raising awareness of the charity's aims in support of key beneficiaries.

Andrew Paten, UKNAR Co-Founder said: "We are thrilled to be joining forces with Mesothelioma UK. UKNAR exists to make information visible, in order to save lives, by protecting people from unnecessary and potentially deadly exposure to asbestos fibres. Two million UK workplaces, schools, hospitals and homes still contain asbestos. Despite improved legislation, there continues to be thousands of accidental disturbances and exposures to asbestos every year.



"With our joint dedication to asbestos awareness and prevention, we are truly excited to offer practical support to the Mesothelioma UK cause."

Liz Darlison, Head of Services at Mesothelioma UK commented: "We are delighted that UKNAR is keen to fundraise for Mesothelioma UK through the introduction of Asbestos SMART.

"Having become very familiar with the Register, I am amazed how practical, incredibly easy and affordable the Asbestos SMART system is. It's a wonder that we haven't had something like this before in the UK, a national register to protect people against the dangers of asbestos, and sincerely, putting aside the potential income generation for the charity, preventing exposure to asbestos is something that everyone at Mesothelioma UK is delighted to support."

Andy Brown, UKNAR Co-Founder, added: "Our main focus this summer is getting the UKNAR message out to UK schools, sadly an alarmingly high-risk sector. Our pilot programme with UK schools is due to launch in the next few weeks and we are looking to onboard 50 schools initially to take part in our Asbestos SMART trials."

If you know a local school that might be interested in taking part in UKNAR's Asbestos SMART school pilot programme, please contact Stuart Towers, UKNAR Head of Research & Sales at [stuart.towers@uknar.org](mailto:stuart.towers@uknar.org) or visit <https://uknar.org/schools-and-education> for more information.