

SCOTTISH GROCER FEATURE SYNOPSIS

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Shopfitting

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- *We're keen to have opinions, thoughts and predictions on the following topical issues as well as general market information such as market share, market trends and details of brand activity.*
- *It's always very useful to receive images – 300 dpi if possible. Good images include product shots, pictures of people quoted in the copy, and pictures of advertising and marketing activity.*
- *And please feel free to provide anything else you think is relevant.*

Many c-stores retailers have enjoyed a welcome uplift in sales over the course of the pandemic, which means there's money out there to spend on store improvements. In this feature we'll look at the current trends in shopfitting and ask firms to offer advice on the key considerations for retailers looking to invest in their store. We would welcome comments on the following:

- In your view, what are some of the current trends in c-store design and layout in stores – what's the driving force behind these trends and how do they benefit retailers?
- Why might now be the perfect time for retailers to invest in their store?
- How frequently should retailers consider refurbishing their store? What are some of the signs retailers should look out for that will let them know it's time for a refit?
- Energy efficiency continues to be a key consideration for businesses across all sectors. Are there any advances in refrigeration/lighting/air conditioning do you think retailers should be aware of? How can updated refrigeration/lighting improve bottom lines for a business?
- What are some key considerations for retailers who plan to refurbish their store or introduce a new franchise (Post Office, Subway, FTG counter etc.). What advice would you offer a potential customer who wants to make sure to get the most bang for their buck when investing in their store?
- What finance options are available for retailers looking to improve their store?
- How can retailers ensure minimum disruption to their business while work

is carried out in store?