



HSQE Briefing

June 2018



Think Safe, Act Safe and Be Safe



Our Safety Vision:

- Our vision of “preventing harm to all” is at the centre of our Safety Strategy and is synonymous with our commitment to resourcing and working safely.
- We believe that our vision can be achieved if we all develop a safe mind-set, plan our tasks correctly and actively seek ways to prevent incidents. We also believe that behaving in a safe way will also lead to zero accidents. We have devised a set of rules that underpins our vision and are consistent with our mantra. **Think safe, act safe and be safe!**



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In this edition:

- Infrastructure Fatality



Action required:

After reading this briefing, you are required to respond, please click **“I have read and understood”** or email lmillard@resourcing-solutions.com with acknowledgement and any questions/suggestions

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Rail Worker fatality:

- On Tuesday 5th of June one of our Railway work Colleagues working for a company called Linbrooke was unfortunately involved in an accident around 10:00am on Tuesday 5th of June, resulting in him dying at Bearsden Station, Scotland.
- This incident is currently under investigation but there are a few details that we have been made aware of.
- He was working from a step ladder with a fellow worker footing the ladder.
- The worker was pulling communications cable, through overhead trunking connected to the platform canopy. The cable became snagged, and when he pulled harder it was released causing him to fall from the ladder.
- While there was an exclusion zone around the work area, it appears that he landed on top of some of the work equipment, causing a sever bleed that could not be stopped. He died on the Station Platform while receiving first aid from his work colleagues.

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Rail Worker fatality:

- Please take a few minutes to think about the friends and family of this young man (He was only 20 years old) and how a tragedy like this can affect numerous people.
- Be considerate of your own work environment, and raise any concerns that you, have.
- Ensure good housekeeping whenever you are working



**everyone
home safe
every day**



Safety Bulletin

A serious incident has taken place



Fatal accident – fall from height

Issued to: All Network Rail line managers, safety professionals and RISQS registered contractors

Ref: NRB 18/10

Date of issue: 08/06/2018

Location: Bearsden Station, Glasgow

Contact: [David Burgess](#), Principal Workforce Safety Specialist



Overview

At around 09:30 on 5 June 2018 a 20 year old member of a telecoms installation team working for a principal contractor died in a fall from height. The accident occurred at Bearsden Station, Glasgow during work to renew the public address system.

The colleague was fatally injured when he fell from a step ladder during a cable pulling operation. The cable drum had been deployed using a piece of metal conduit, which was left in the centre of the drum when the drum was on its side. The colleague struck the conduit and died from his injuries.

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Discussion Points

While we are investigating the incident please discuss the following with your team:

- How do you ensure that work at height is planned and the right equipment used?
- How do you decide what is the right equipment to undertake a work at height task (eg powered access, scaffold, podium ladder, etc)?
- Why must proprietary equipment, such as drum skids and A-frames be used to assist in the cable pulling or deployment rather than pipes or other bars?
- Which of our [lifesaving rules](#) could prevent a repeat of this accident if implemented in the planning stages and on site?

Has your team held a [Think RISK](#) session to help you better understand the approach and why it matters?



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