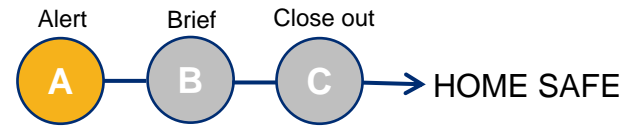


# SHE ALERT

## Tower Fall



Date of incident	26th February 2024		Directorate	Operations SEPD	
Region	Works Delivery	Location	Alton	Classification	Dangerous Occurrence - HiPo

### What happened ?

SSEN-D colleagues erected a scaffold tower at one of our sites to facilitate some communications. After the scaffold had been erected for a week, there was a period of inclement weather and as our Subcontractor was opening the gate early on Monday morning the tower fell approx. 2m from them. Fortunately, there were no injuries and the circumstances around this event are under investigation.

In the meantime, we want to remind everyone who uses any form of scaffolding of these points:

- The requirement for working at height should be assessed in accordance with hierarchy of control – Working at height risk standard RS-SHE-105.
- If scaffold is required, the erection of this must be carried out by a trained and competent persons. Within SSE, the minimum standard is they must hold a PASMA ticket.
- Scaffolding must be inspected on a 7-day frequency.
- When scaffolding is erected, consideration for the time and capability (i.e. wind loading) must be considered and factored in.
- If in any doubt STOP, use your licence. If it's not safe, we don't do it!

