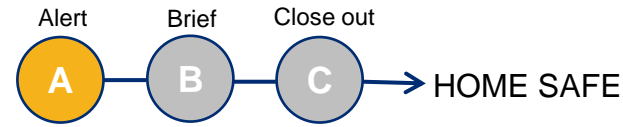


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MEWP Failure



Date of incident	5 th July 2024		Directorate	Operations SEPD	
Region	Works Delivery	Location	Abingdon	Classification	RIDDOR
What happened ?					
<p>Whilst operating a spider MEWP for tree clearance works, the base of the boom failed. Fortunately, the metal fractured slowly, meaning it was a gradual failure. The boom fell into the mature hedge the team were reducing under the line, which has significantly reduced the severity of the impact. The operative was wearing appropriate fall arrest equipment and managed to escape without any injury. Spill kits were deployed to absorb a small amount of hydraulic fluid from one of the hoses. Full investigation ongoing.</p> <p><u>Things to Consider</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to complete daily plant checks • How familiar are you with the plant you are using? • Ensure all plant being used is within LOLER inspection dates 					

