



# **HEALTH, SAFETY & WELLBEING**

### SAFETY ALERT

# Be mindful of surroundings around EV Charging Bays

**EVENT DATE: 28/05/2025** 

**REFERENCE NO: 25-02** 

#### **DESCRIPTION OF EVENT**

While reversing into the EV car park, a team member observed another staff member walking directly behind his vehicle without looking or checking for moving vehicles. On another occasion, another staff member parked their EV in the second bay from the wall and left it plugged in for charging. An empty bay was left between their vehicle and the wall, creating a potential trip hazard with the charging cable extending into the space.

EV's are extremely quiet when moving, making them harder to detect by sound. Combined with



cables across empty bays, these factors increase the risk of collision or trips in shared car park spaces.

This incident ties in with one of our critical risks "Moving vehicles and machines".

### **ACTIONS/LEARNINGS**

This incident serves as an important reminder to remain alert and visually check their surroundings when walking in the car park. Be mindful that EV's emit little to no noise and may be moving even if they're not heard, ensuring charging cables are kept tidy and not creating tripping hazards, especially with parking in bays not directly next to the wall.

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