



Vehicle Incidents

Within December, these 2 vehicle incidents have occurred within the SPD area, thankfully with no injuries:

- A SPEN HGV was pulled into a ditch after a wheel caught the grass verge.
- A SPEN employee driving a car collided with a bridge coming to rest in a verge.

These incidents serve as a reminder of the risks involved when operating vehicles and the importance of safe driving.

Vehicle & Plant movement continues to be one of the top 3 hazards in SPEN.



Single vehicle HGV RTA



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Recommendations and action points

- Everyone to be reminded of the risks of driving and the potential damage and harm that can be caused.
- Adhere to speed limits.
- Adjust your driving according to the road conditions.
- Complete vehicle defect checks before first daily use of a vehicle.
- Load, position and secure items that are being transported appropriately.
- Don't drive tired, consider the number of hours you've worked or other factors that may be affecting your alertness.
- All drivers to be aware of and comply with the content of the [Driver's Handbook](#) (internal).
- Line Managers to ensure staff are competent to drive allocated company vehicles, arrangements are in place to become familiar with vehicles, and sufficient monitoring arrangements are in place with a focus on less experienced members of staff.