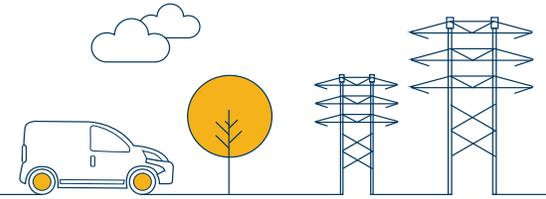
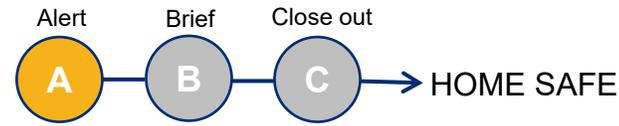


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Safety Gap Stops Secondary Collision



Date of incident	20th November 2025		Directorate	Customer Services	
Region	Strategic Investment	Location	Chippenham	Classification	PTBW

What happened

Whilst driving along the A46, on a non-work-related journey, our colleague's vehicle came to a stop due to traffic ahead. A third-party lorry travelling at around 20mph failed to stop in time and collided with the back of our vehicle. Our vehicle was not drivable and required recovery.

The impact from the collision caused our drivers vehicle to move forward. Due to the defensive driving good practices of our driver, there was enough space between our vehicle and the vehicle in front. This meant there was not any further collisions or damage.

Safe habits such as ensuring you can see **'tyres and tarmac'** of the vehicle in front when stopped in traffic, while they may not prevent incidents happening behind, they can avoid any potential damage in front of the vehicle.

NOTE: due to the nature of this Road Traffic Collision (RTC) Potential To Be Worse (PTBW) event and the concluded investigation, this will not be going to a Brief or Close Out stage.



Tyres and Tarmac

