# SHE ALERT

## Oil Loss due to Security Breach

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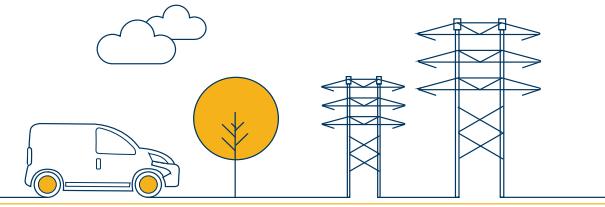

| Date of incident which is raised in days | 14th July 2026 | | Directorate | SEPD | |
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| Region | SEPD South | Location | Wimborne | Classification | Serious Environmental |

What happened ?

Unauthorised access discovered at a substation. Intruder removed a panel from a 11kV transformer, releasing ~786L of oil (lost to the ground) and a specialist contractor has been engaged for clean-up. Internal components were removed from the transformer.

This is a good reminder of what to do for any Security incidents in SSE:





Following this incident, please **continue to check and report** any signs of unauthorised access, damage, or interference, particularly at sites containing redundant or legacy assets.

If you witness an incident, **do not engage with intruders**. From a place of safety, observe and report what you can (e.g. descriptions, vehicles, direction of travel).

**Report** any suspicious activity immediately to the **Police on 999**, then notify your line manager and the **SSE Alarm Receiving Centre (ARC) on 02392 278 010**.

Please **report** concerns promptly and **submit** a 30 Minute report 0800 107 3207 where applicable.

Information provided by staff plays a key role in **protecting** Members of the Public, our people and assets: particularly as Police have highlighted increased criminal activity targeting infrastructure.

SSEN staff or contractors are reminded of the **Void Substation** (apparatus that is redundant but has not been permanently disconnected) procedure Void Substations and the need to ensure that our security is **ESQCR compliant** whenever we leave substations.