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**Traffic Management Incident**

An incident occurred on the 19th May involving a third party vehicle attempted to gain unauthorised access into a temporary traffic management area.

At the time of the incident, a works gang were assisting the local Policy with the installation of a road closure following a serious road traffic accident.

After the installation of the road closure a third party vehicle attempted to drive through the barriers. After being informed that access was not possible, the vehicle driver ignored this instruction and drove the vehicle onto the footway in an attempt to obtain access. In mounting the footway, the vehicle came into contact with the two traffic management operatives. Fortunately no serious injuries were sustained.

The driver the vehicle was spoken to by the attending Police Officer and it is believed further investigations are being

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are being conducted.

Whilst this type of incident is rare within our business it highlights the risks that we may face whilst working on the highway.

If faced with such a situation employees are reminded to:

* Not put yourself in a position of danger; for example do NOT attempt to block the vehicle
* Remain calm and do not be drawn into an argument
* Capture details of the event including vehicle registration, witness details etc.
* Report the incident immediately to your supervisor

We operate zero tolerance towards such behaviours and will constantly support our employees and our supply chain partners to provide a safe working environment.