STOPThink! Object Fall from Height







6-inch bolts that were found on the Waterloo Station concourse



What happened?

On Thursday 30th May at 16:00, at London Waterloo Station concourse, a member of station staff reported a close call where it is alleged that two metal timber fixing bolts fell from the elevated deck from bay 14 and were found on the concourse floor near the ticket machines.

The bolts that were found was part of the infrastructure and were being removed as part of the roof refurbishment works. There were no injuries to any member of public or staff. This incident is now under investigation.

Impacts

- All works and teams have been stood down.
- All areas have been inspected for any openings, loose materials and no issues were identified.
- Material falling from height can potentially strike people and can cause serious injuries.

Please remember the following points

- Remember, all activities that involve working at height must be undertaken safely with tools and equipment always secured.
- 2. Ensure when working at height there are suitable edge protection and all materials stored at height or on the scaffold must be suitably contained.
- 3. High level of housekeeping must be maintained in all areas to ensure safety of anyone affected by our works.
- 4. All areas must be formally inspected with daily checks pre and post shift.
- 5. Ensure compliance to the risk controls and associated procedures for the works being undertaken.
- 6. Octavius STOPThink! Fundamentals must be in place before works starts.