

# STOPThink!

## Fire in the site compound



### What happened?

A 20-litre petrol Jerry-can caught fire on at of our projects due to unsafe behaviours from one of our supply chain gangers. The fire was contained and put out by the site staff using Fire extinguishers but had subsequently caused heavy heat and smoke damage to the buildings guttering and the doors of the nearby COSHH container, There were no Injuries and the site was stood down and the investigation has commenced.

### Impacts

- The fire damaged one section of a nearby buildings guttering, and there was heat and smoke damage to the COSHH container and some new signs which had just been delivered.
- The emergency services were called, the Fire Brigade arrived at the site compound and tested the work area and COSHH Store, they ensured that it was safe. They advised the site team to stay away from the area for 1 hour until it had dried out.
- The project has been stood down until the investigation is complete and actions to prevent reoccurrence are in place.



### Immediate action

1. The immediate area around the COSHH store was cordoned off.
2. The whole site was secured and plant was returned to the compound.
3. The team was stood down and briefed on the incident.
4. The incident was escalated as per the reporting procedure.
5. A member of the SHE team attended site and started gathering the investigation information and interviewed those involved.
6. Site team to replenish Fire extinguishers and absorbent granules used.
7. Fuel Bowser parked near the COSHH container was moved.



### What you must do

1. Review the number of trained Fire Marshals on site.
2. Fire Risk assessment to be completed.
3. Posters to be displayed on Fuel can identification.
4. Fire drill and Fuel Spill drills to be undertaken.
5. Weekly TBTs to take place on basic site safety.

