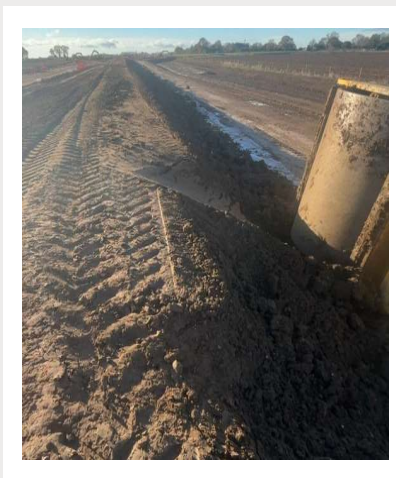


Overhead Image of the roller



Top of bund

What Happened?

On Friday 22nd November at the Long Stratton Bypass project, a 20-tonne articulated roller, came off the top of a soil bund whilst completing the finished level. The machine was tracking backwards along the edge of the bund when the roller element started to slide down the bank. To stop the slide, the operator attempted to counter-steer the wheels which resulted in the roller sliding down the embankment, and once at the bottom, tipped onto its side. There were no injuries sustained, and only minor damage was noted on the machine. The investigation has commenced, and more details will be shared as the investigation unfolds.

What we know

- The risk assessment clearly specifies that the roller must not be taken within 0.5m of any leading edge.
- There was no edge protection bund in place as the works were at finishing layer and no other control was in place to prevent proximity to the edge.

Actions taken

- Investigation commenced.
- A review of the risk assessment was undertaken which highlighted that this risk at this stage wasn't considered.
- Projects with Earthworks identified and given advanced warning.
- Our Supply chain partner is exploring improvements to current working methods i.e. introducing marker poles along edge of embankments to highlight their visibility to mitigate this risk in future.

What you must do

- Ensure that all the STOPThink! Fundamentals are in place prior to undertaking any works.
- Specifically ensure that SSoW and RAMS are reviewed, updated, understood, and adhered to.
- Daily point of work risk assessment where there is a changing risk including increased supervision of plant operation and movement

