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## Overview

On the 17<sup>th</sup> of June surveying work took place at Shawford. The worksite was controlled via NWR. At 00:00 the COSS for one of the groups arrived at the wrong assess point, he then managed to locate the Engineering supervisor at 00:30 along with three other COSS'S.

The possession time for this job was from 00:35 however due to NWR having issues with their strapping teams the road wasn't granted until 03:25.

During the investigation we were informed by the COSS that he didn't receive an ES brief however it was later discovered all four COSS'S received a brief in full. If this COSS did not receive an ES brief as stated he should not have started work until he had received one.

Due to the scale of the worksite, permits were issued along with a brief informing all COSS'S when the possession and isolation was in place, the ES will phone all COSS'S at their locations with the start time. In accordance to the rule book this is allowed.

At 01:10 the COSS made it around to his work group where he briefed them using a part filled isolation form and then proceeded to do his live line test. **At this point the possession and isolation had not been granted.**

After testing the third rail and it still showing as live the COSS did not inform the ES or query the result of the live line test.

A close call was then raised by a member of the group as to why the COSS had a part filled permit.

At 03:25 the ES phoned to inform state possession and isolation was in place. The COSS tested again to find the live line was isolated and safe to work.



## Actions Required

- All COSS'S must ensure that they understand the Engineering Supervisors brief, if there is something you are unsure about make sure you ask the ES to repeat the brief or clarify any concerns.
- All COSS'S must ensure they have a completed permit before briefing the group and performing any live line testing.