

Alert Bulletin

Reversing Near Miss

What Happened

On the 9th February a driver loading in Corby misjudged his approach and caught his secured trailer door on the edge of the working at height platform.

The driver stopped and inspected the situation. A second driver (from another vehicle) then approached and offered to assist in guiding the driver clear of the platform.

Although the Second Driver was sighted at all times through mirrors and the open trailer curtain, and a conversation had occurred between the 2 individuals, the driver reversed whilst the second driver was in a position of **potential danger and harm**.

The incident was **CAUGHT ON CAMERA** at the loading bay.



Key learnings:

If you cannot follow the normal procedure then:-

- 1) STOP the task
- 2) Make the area safe
- 3) Report to the Supervisor / Line Manager

Reversing

- NEVER reverse when someone is directly behind your vehicle
- Drivers should STOP and CHECK remember you are in control
- Pedestrians should BE CLEAR STAY CLEAR

Please brief Drivers and re-enforce these guidelines

Increasingly safety in loading bays is being monitored by CCTV cameras – BE SAFE and You will BE SEEN to be SAFE!!!