

# Wessex Route

Health, Safety and  
Environment  
Period Cascade  
for P13. 2018/19



# Content

Welcome to your Health, Safety and Environmental Cascade for Period 13 2018/19. Please discuss and share the items that are relevant to your teams and display any relevant Safety Bulletins or Lessons Learned on your notice boards.

Included in this cascade is also the **Front Line Focus Episode 84**

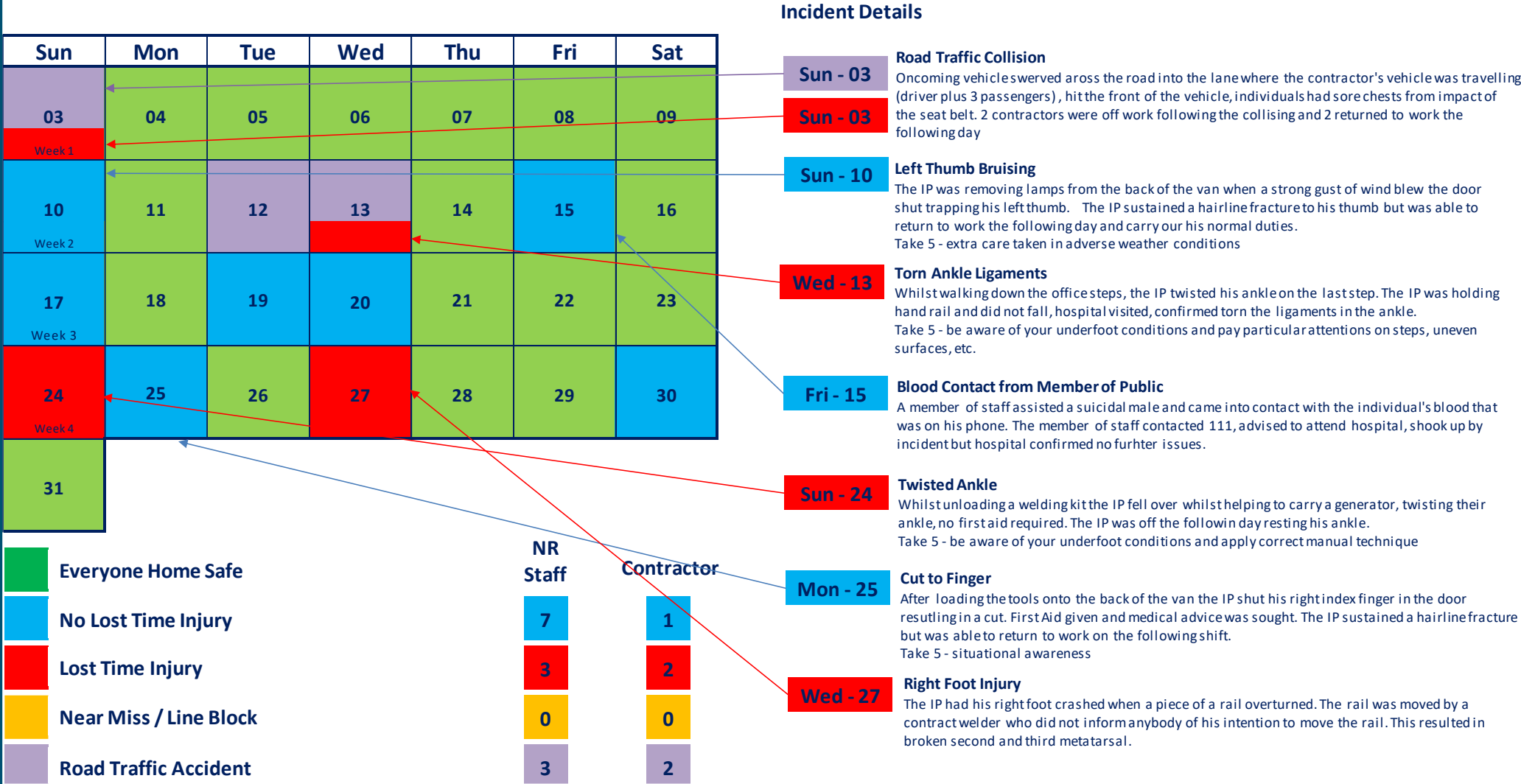
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# Significant Workforce Events



## Wessex Safety Calendar Workforce Incidents - Period 13, 2018-19



# ECRO recharged incorrect isolation

On 22 March an Appointed Person (AP) for an electrical isolation connected with a TFL Line Blockage at Gunnersbury (Item 167) contacted the Raynes Park ECRO and asked for a B1 isolation to be re-energised.

During the call the ECRO quoted all information on a B2 isolation document for a different and incorrect isolation (Item 157).

The AP agreed the details but clearly did not listen to the information quoted by the ECRO, which was totally wrong.

As the result a different worksite was re-energised, whilst staff were working within. Fortunately no one was injured.

Additionally, one of the short circuit straps placed to protect the worksite arc'd and blew off because it was not securely attached .

This incident is under investigation but in the meantime note;

1. Safety Critical Communications require people to listen as well as speak; actively listen to what the other party is saying.
2. Apply all short circuit straps (SCS) properly as per training and instruction otherwise, in the event of an inadvertent re-energisation of a worksite, the SCSs will not remain in place and the conductor rail will become live.

## Lack of attention can Kill

- You can challenge the 'lead' in SCC if the SCC is not clear.
- Confirm individuals involved in the SCC are the correct people.
- Ensure key details are repeated back.
- Question anything that was unclear.
- Use the phonetic alphabet.
- Keep SCC's professional, clear and concise, even if you know the person you are talking to.



# Application of short circuiting straps only

- Only staff who are certificated as competent as Level A (Authorised/Nominated) or Level B (Competent/Authorised) Persons may carry out this activity.
- Rubber gloves or gauntlets shall be worn throughout the application process.
- Before use of the short-circuiting straps check for any damage or wear and that all bolted connections are secure.
- The underside of the rails where the short-circuiting straps are to be applied shall be cleaned by the wire brush.
- Each of the clamps can then be fitted, ensuring they are all properly tightened.





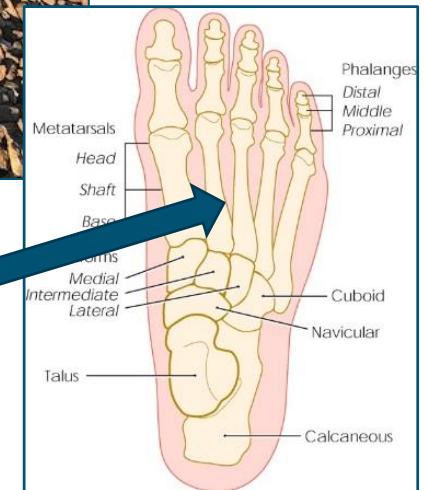
# Broken Metatarsal Bones

A serious accident occurred at Woodfidley LC on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 01:15 when a piece of rail trapped the IP's foot. The rail was moved by a member of the welding team from GPX without informing anybody of his intentions to move the rail.

The IP was immediately taken to the nearest A&E where it was confirmed his 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> metatarsals were broken. The estimated recovery time is 2 months.

This accident is still under investigation. Whilst the details are being confirmed, please discuss with your teams:

- The importance of remaining vigilant at all times and the importance of warning others in your work site when moving rails
- Any team manual handling should be properly co-ordinated and the person in charge should control all the movements



- There is a mandatory **Asbestos Training module on Oracle for all employees**... have you done yours?
- Some roles have been identified for additional training, ask your WHSEA if you are not sure.
- A suite of **Asbestos Guidance notes** have also been created to assist anyone who may disturb asbestos containing materials (ACM's) when working on our infrastructure. The guides must not be used in place of an asbestos survey. The link to the guidance notes is below, please note that these are grouped for ease of reference: [Asbestos Guidance Notes](#)
- To ensure the compliance with the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012 (CAR 2012) Network Rail has got the **Asbestos Risk Management System (ARMS)**.
- It is important to remember that as long as **asbestos is in good condition and is not disturbed or damaged there is a negligible risk**. However, if it is disturbed or damaged, it can become a danger to health.



# Range Finders

Rangefinders are by no means a 'new' tool, they have been available to our teams for a considerable time.

A rangefinder gives you the opportunity to 'check' the sighting distance available when setting up the SSOW rather than just accepting a best guess or placing a Lookout where he/she has always been.

Use of one can give additional confirmation that sufficient sighting distance is available for the group to reach the position of safety with the minimum of 10 seconds to spare before a train reaches the groups location.

Any additional measure to check the validity / suitability of sighting distance must be considered to be a good option and the use of a rangefinder to 'check' sighting distance does this.

The rangefinder can be used in conjunction with the methods of establishing sighting distance currently in use.





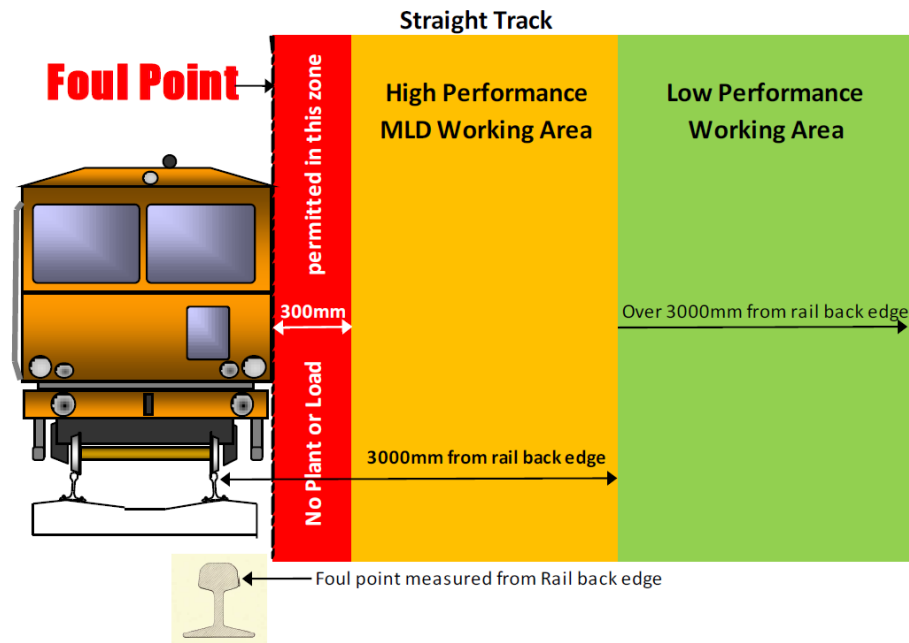
# Any Line Open COP0032 Guidance for ALO Planning

Where plant can foreseeably foul an open line, then the Guidance in COP0032 must be followed and controls put in place.

Link to RSSB: [COP0032.pdf](#)

## Appendix A

## ALO working Areas



If you or your team Plan, Operate or Control OTP, you need to consider ALO.

If you require a briefing or more information, contact: Keith Penn, RPSE

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There must always be a documented risk assessment in place if there is an open line when plant is operated on Network Rail managed infrastructure

## 2. Guidance for ALO planning

### 2.1 Plant that cannot foreseeably foul

- 2.1.1 A documented risk assessment should be completed which shows that the Plant at its maximum reach / gauge (including load and attachments) with an additional separation distance cannot physically reach the fouling point of an open line, even in the event of human error but not taking into account deliberate acts.

Note All that is needed for site is evidence (risk assessment) that you have assessed the distance from the fouling point of the open line and a method to ensure this does not reduce.

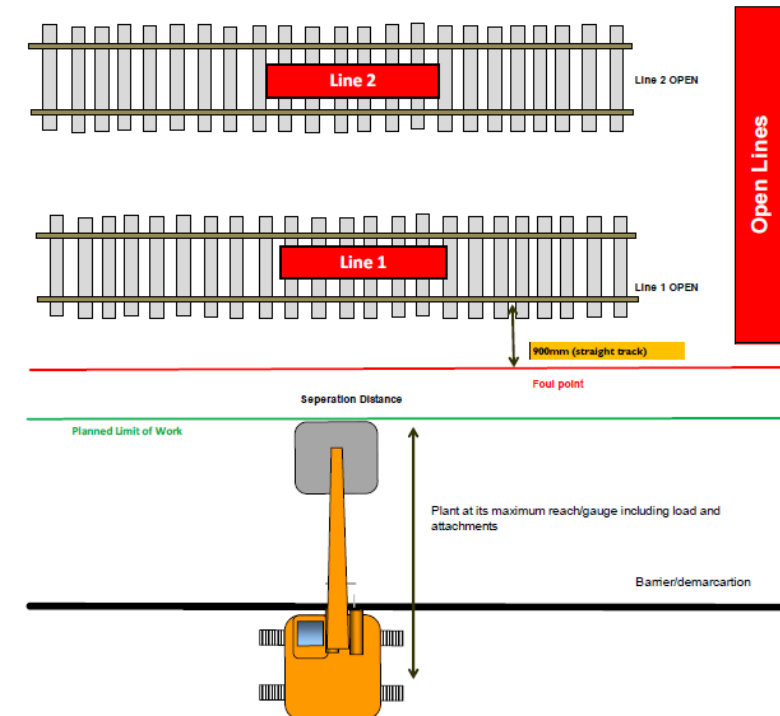


Fig 1 Diagrammatic view of plant working that cannot foul

## Handbook 15 States:

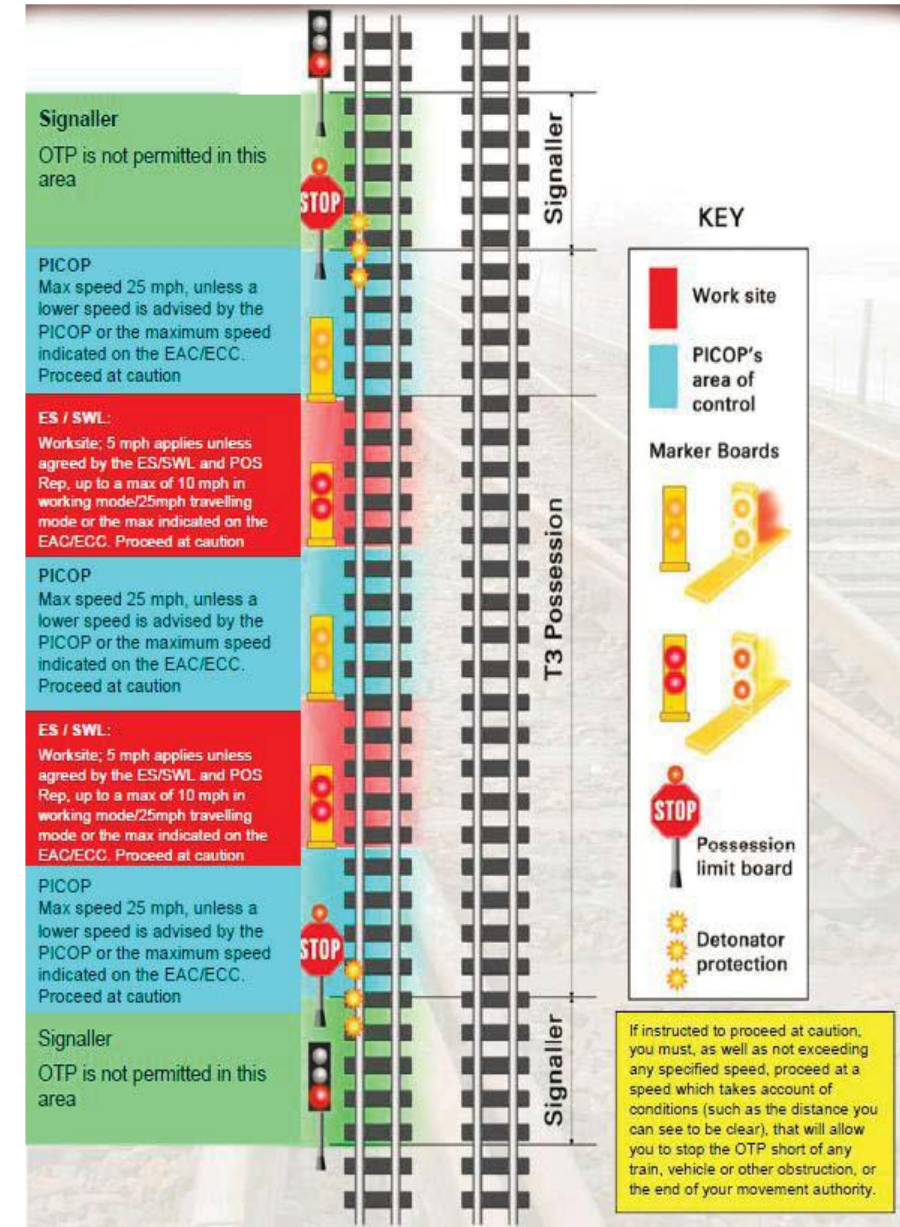
### 7.4 Speed of movements

The following movements are restricted to a maximum of 5 mph (10 km/h):

- over points
- anywhere within sidings
- controlled from the ground
- where speed has not been given by the ES or PICOP.

Other movements may be authorised by the ES or PICOP at a speed up to 25 mph (40 km/h).

OTP Movements authority and associated speeds within an engineering possession.



It has been more than a Year since the introduction of the Revised Standard 019.  
So what have these changes meant for you and what do we still need to do?

- Remind our people of the key changes and the purpose of the core roles of RM, Planner and PIC
- Continue to drive compliance to the 019
- Help our people to understand the benefits
- Review off the end to end planning process which was put in place for the 019 implementation
- Challenge the method of working during the planning stages to drive the use of Protection rather than Warning as the preferred method

A full presentation to be shared with your staff can be found on the link below:

[Standard-019-PDSW-One-year-on Wessex Route.pptx](#)

We will also be creating “ The best practice” Guide that will be shared in due course.



## Safety Bulletins, Alerts, Advice

- [Safety-Advice-NRA19-04-Rotameg-Rail-Lifter.pdf](#)
- [Shared-Learning-NRL19-03-Lifesaving-Rule-Test-before-Touch-rev-2.pdf](#)
- [Shared-Learning-NRL19-04-RIDDOR-Dangerous-Occurrence-Signalling-wrong-side-failure.pdf](#)
- [Shared-Learning-NRL19-05-Managing-the-risk-from-welding-fumes.pdf](#)
- [Wessex Route Cable Theft Bulletin - Update 20/03/19.pdf](#)
- [ESW Irregularity - Ops Alert NR\\_L3\\_OPS\\_050\\_F3.27A.pdf](#)
- [NR-L3-OPS 050 Carlton CCTV Operations Alert March 2019.pdf](#)
- [RIDDOR accident Broken metatarsals at Woodfidley LC \(Beaulieu Road\) 27 03 2019.pdf](#)

# Waste Classification



Mis-description of waste soils has become a growing problem for the Environment Agency. The letter below provides guidance and also acts as a reminder that ALL waste streams must be correctly segregated and correctly classified by the producer.



*'Due to the growing problem of land contamination caused by hazardous soil being deposited at 'inert' recovery sites, the mis-description of waste soil has become a national priority for the Environment Agency.*

*There is a widespread issue of some producers not sampling and testing to classify waste.*

- **Landfill Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC) testing cannot be used as a hazardous waste assessment**

*WAC are not relevant to hazardous waste classification and therefore a WAC test will not identify whether a waste is hazardous or non-hazardous.*

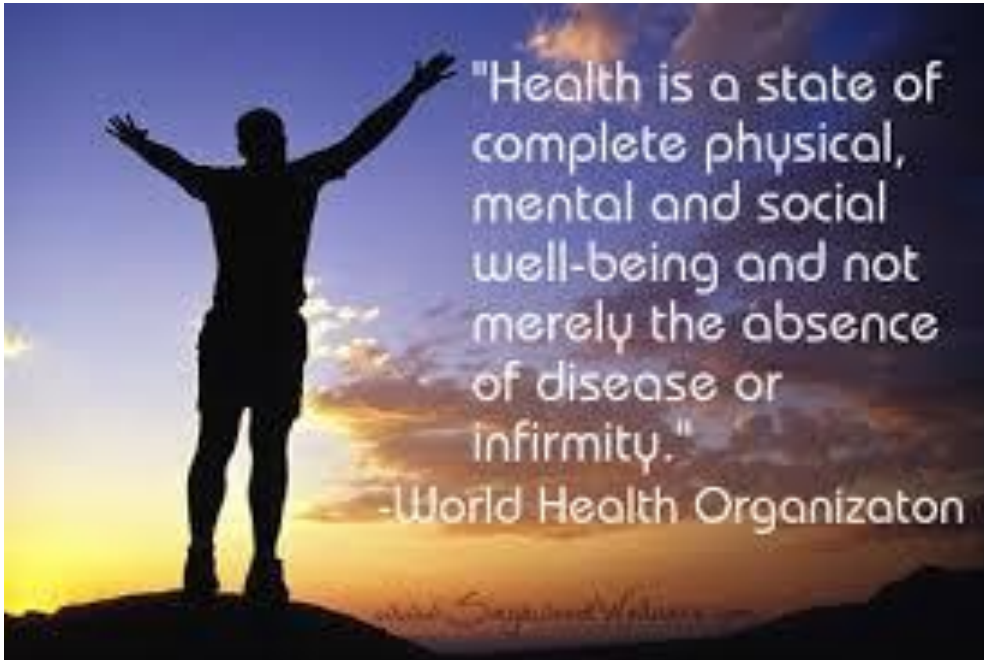
*Before it can be disposed of, waste soil must be classified as being either hazardous or non-hazardous, using the classification assessment and analysis described by the WM3 technical guidance. Chemical WAC testing is then to be undertaken if it is deemed appropriate (under the waste hierarchy) for waste disposal to landfill*

- **Inert does not mean 'non-hazardous'**

*Inert waste means waste that does not undergo any significant physical, chemical or biological transformations'.*



# Health



# OH Provider



## **OH Assist – Name Change to Optima Health**

On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019, OH Assist changed its name and began trading as Optima Health.

The Occupational Health contract with Network Rail is unchanged and the services provided will remain the same.





# Time to be active




## ACTION CALENDAR: ACTIVE APRIL 2019




MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>1</b> Commit to doing something active every day this month	<b>2</b> Have an outdoor meeting, instead of sitting down inside	<b>3</b> Listen to your body and be grateful for what it can do	<b>4</b> Go up and down the stairs whenever possible today	<b>5</b> Enjoy moving to your favourite music. Really go for it	<b>6</b> Go exploring around your local area and notice new things	<b>7</b> Get outside and plant a tree, flowers or some seeds
<b>8</b> Get natural light early in the day. Turn off lights in the evening	<b>9</b> Do a body-scan meditation and really notice how your body feels	<b>10</b> Join an activity club or class that you'll actually enjoy	<b>11</b> Eat only healthy & natural food and drink lots of water	<b>12</b> Choose to walk or cycle instead of going by car or bus	<b>13</b> Turn your housework or chores into a good form of exercise	<b>14</b> Have a day free from TV or screens and get moving instead
<b>15</b> Sign up for an activity challenge as a goal to work towards	<b>16</b> Make sleep a priority and go to bed in good time	<b>17</b> Choose to park further away and enjoy some extra exercise	<b>18</b> Do stretch and breathe exercises at 3 different times	<b>19</b> Take an extra break in your day and go for a 15 min walk outside	<b>20</b> Relax your body & mind with Yoga, Tai Chi or Meditation	<b>21</b> Make time to run, swim, dance, stretch or cycle today
<b>22</b> Arrange to get together with a friend to walk and talk	<b>23</b> Actively 'eat a rainbow' of multi-coloured vegetables today	<b>24</b> Spend less time sitting down today - get up and move more!	<b>25</b> Get out into nature. Feed the birds or go wildlife-spotting	<b>26</b> Recharge yourself. Avoid tech for 2 hours before bedtime	<b>27</b> Do something active and fun like air guitar or a silly walk :)	<b>28</b> Go out and do an errand for a loved one or neighbour
<b>29</b> Spend as much time as possible outdoors today	<b>30</b> Make time for doing your favourite sport or activity	 <p>"Movement is a medicine for changing our physical, emotional and mental states" ~ Carol Welch</p>				

### ACTION FOR HAPPINESS





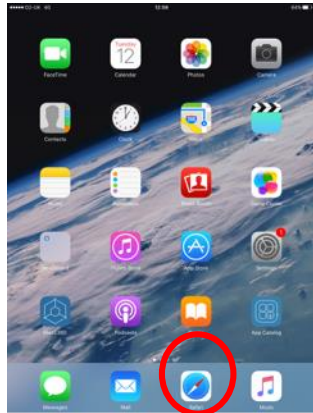


[www.actionforhappiness.org](http://www.actionforhappiness.org)

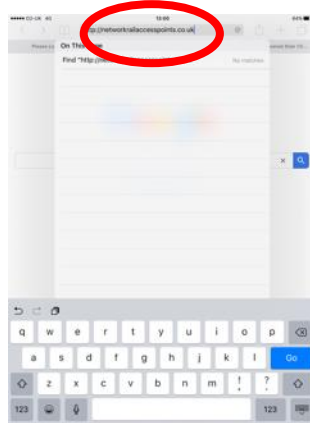
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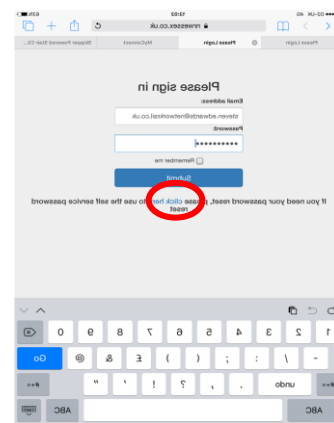
# Wessex Access Point App



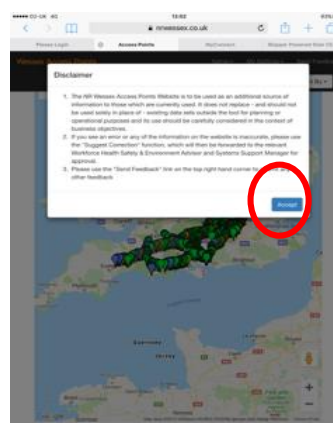
To install the Wessex Access Point app, click on the Safari icon on your I-pad



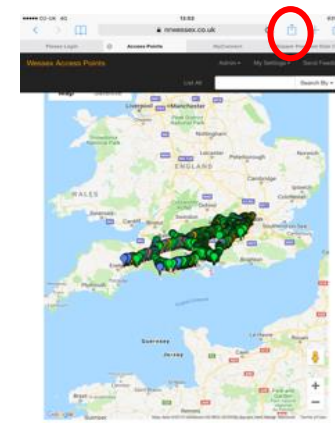
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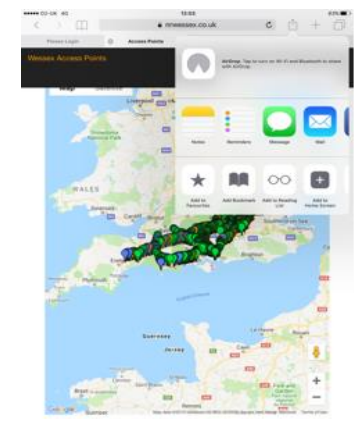
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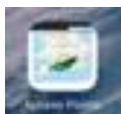
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Thank you and keep safe

