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Title: A3 Road Traffic Collision Injury: Shock & back, neck & shoulder pain

Incident

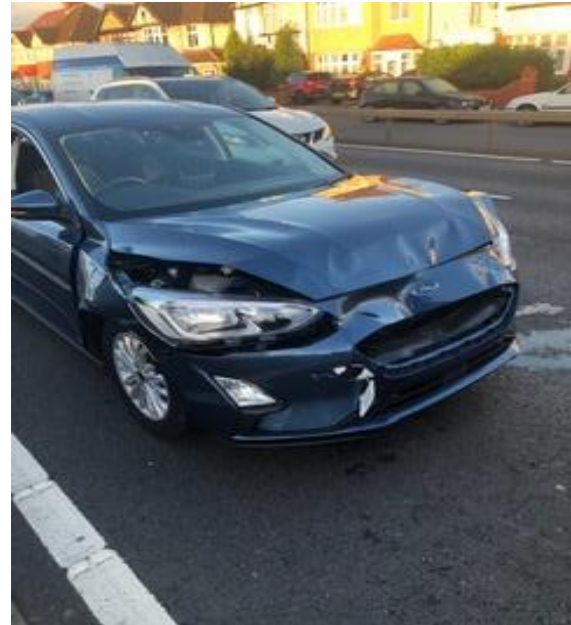
On the morning of the 12th of September, at approximately 08:00, a Network Rail hire car was involved in an RTC on the A3.

The vehicle was being returned to the hire company after the Driver had reported feeling vibrations through the steering wheel, the day before.

The vehicle was being driven on the A3, at approximately 50mph. A 3rd party vehicle, 2 cars in front of the NR vehicle suddenly braked. The vehicle directly in front of the NR hire vehicle also engaged their brakes. The NR hire vehicle drove into the back of the car immediately in front and the airbag failed to deploy on collision.

The Driver suffered shock and pain to the neck, back and shoulders.

The NR hire vehicle was a 2019 registration plate!



The occupant of the vehicle was extremely fortunate.

Items to consider

- **If you think that there is a problem with your vehicle, don't drive it. The hire company can collect it, it's not worth the risk.**
- **Seatbelts save lives, the evidence is above.**
- **Don't mistake new for good, just because a vehicle is new, there could still be problems with it. Do your checks before you set off.**