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The good, the bad and the ugly ...

All construction work must be properly managed from outset

A Lincolnshire-based property management company has recently been fined a total of £90,000 and ordered to pay £25,000 costs, by Exeter Crown Court, after pleading guilty to a total of eight charges, laid by both HSE and the Local Authority, for breaching both Regulation 9(1) of the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2007 (now superseded) and Regulation 4(1) of the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015.

The prosecution follows a visit by the HSE, in March 2015, to the construction site at Falcon Park, Devon, where "serious health and safety failings" were observed, after being alerted by the Local Authority that unsafe construction work was taking place. Both the HSE and Torbay Council investigators found multiple safety failings, including a general failure to take reasonable steps to manage the construction work, without risk to the health and safety of both workers and residents, who were being put in danger, from a risk of falling, with nearby walls creating drops of up to 4.5m without any edge protection.

Enforcement notices issued

The HSE has added 45 construction sector enforcement notices to the Public Register. Of particular note is the increasing number of notices concern wider the CDM (2015) issues including:

-  establishing a fully trained workforce;
-  securing effective site management of key risks;
-  client compliance with project management duties; and
-  action by small builders to ensure basic H&S requirements are being met.

The majority of notices issued concern work at height, welfare, good order, silica dust, and asbestos.

New on-line training platform

Following on from the workforce training issue, identified by the HSE and continuing concerns about asbestos, you can now do something about both, in a very time and cost-effective way.

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Duration 65 mins*

As well as informing you about the risks of working with asbestos, the course will deliver a lot more information about:
Recognising asbestos, where it's used, minimising the risks and the legislation about working with asbestos.