

### Lost time injury whilst inspecting ventilation fan

#### What happened?

1. The IP (injured party) was inspecting the ventilation fan for thermographic records.
2. The fan grill was in poor condition, and in a cable gallery not often frequented. A Work Order had previously been raised for repair this had not been actioned.
3. The IP noticed the fan vibrating more than it should be and in an effort to identify the source of a vibration the IP placed their hand on the grill to “feel” the vibration
4. As a result the IP’s hand went through the hole in the mesh resulting in cut hand and fingers.
5. This resulted in stitches to the IP and lost time.

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#### What did we learn?

1. Personnel on site were aware of the condition of the fan, but had previously “walked past it” as a WO was in place and it wasn’t deemed “urgent”

“What we walk past is what we accept”.

#### What did we do?

1. The fan repairs were actioned immediately.
2. A guarding review was conducted across all sites with a recommendations for any similar repairs or upgrades identified.
3. A review of all aging Work Orders was conducted. Consideration or re-prioritising any work that could later result in a more serious outcome was actioned.

