

Environmental Information Regulations – Response - 26965

Oil/diesel spill that occurred on Saturday 21st February around 10-11, Constitution Hill, Ipswich Suffolk. This was from a Cadent Gas HGV. Customer's reference number 1147102681

Customer would also like to make FOI requests for some further information

1. Customer would like to know the assessment of risk when this had been reported through.

The customer reference number given is not a Suffolk County Council (SCC) one and is likely to be that given by Cadent Gas who were responsible for the spillage and the works in the area.

Any assessment of risk is in line with Suffolk County Council's Highways Maintenance Operational Plan (HMOP) section 4 Risk Management

2. Customer would like to know the procedures that took place to determine the risk assessment.

Report reference 56578 was received by SCC and resources were dispatched in line with Suffolk County Council's Highways Maintenance Operational Plan (HMOP) section 4 Risk Management. On arrival at 10:31 on the same day the highways service installed precautionary "Slippery Road" signage to ensure the safety of road users while the area it was observed that Cadent Gas were managing the incident, so additional resources and assessments were not required.

3. Customer would like to know what level this risk was ranked at due to put the signs and sand out.

Suffolk Highways' involvement was limited to monitoring the highway for safety and putting appropriate signage in place. No cleaning or treatment of the diesel spill was carried out by Highways. During attendance, Suffolk Highways followed standard procedures for safety monitoring and provided signage in line with best practice while the site remained under Cadent's control. Cadent, as the statutory undertaker operating under a road closure from 14 February 2026, is responsible for managing the site, carrying out any remediation and ensuring the highway is made safe. This incident was not managed by Suffolk County Council, and we do not hold the information requested.

4. Customer would like to know how it has come that the incident was seen to be an okay risk as it has been left for 4 days.

This incident was not managed by SCC; we do not hold the information requested under the Environmental Information Regulations act

5. Customer would like to know what the outcome to resolve this is going to be.

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6. *Customer would like to know why the follow-up works were given the assessment that it was.*

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