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348. Safety Clearance Envelopes

The HSE has issued the following photographs to the industry. It clearly highlights the lack of an adequate clearance envelope around the devices. This serves as a useful reminder to Inspection Bodies and Controllers that consideration must be given to spectators as well as passengers when defining adequate safety clearance envelopes.



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Barry Baker HM Principal Inspector of Health and Safety said:

“I’ve attached 2 photographs taken over the previous weekend with two to come (to cut down on the size of the message) in a separate email. Two show yet another example of appalling passenger segregation from the moving part of the ride, and the other two very poor access arrangement that involves the public having to climb over a bench on a pier to gain access to other areas. These were taken by an EHO, and I have no doubt if HSE had visited the rides would have been at the least prohibited. In the event of an accident a prosecution would have been inevitable.

I know that many of your members take this seriously and are working hard, but clearly there are some who aren’t. Sooner or later a member of the public is going to be seriously injured when they are struck by the moving part of a poorly guarded ride or injured due to inadequate clearance distances with the inevitable consequences.”



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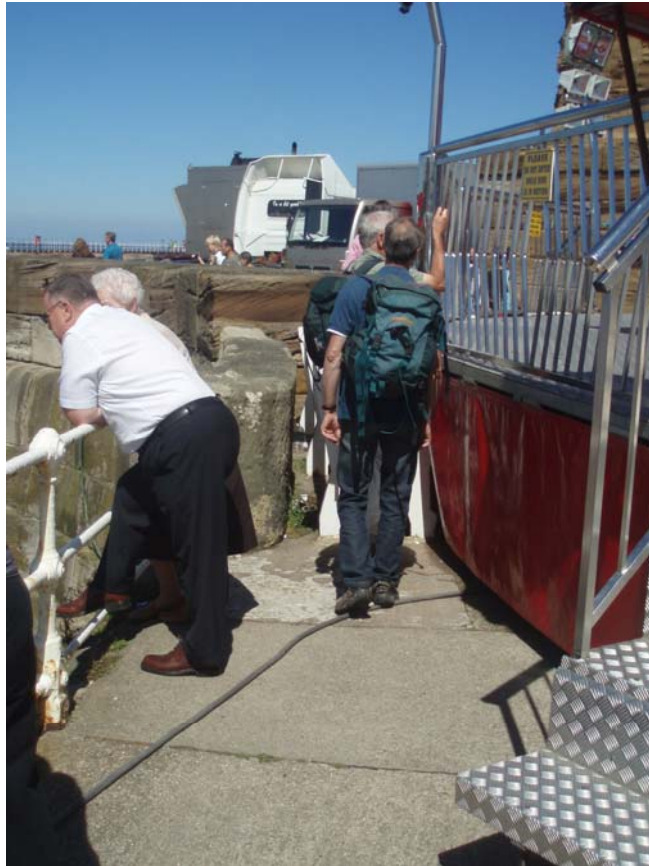


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