

Thameslink Programme Health & Safety – Good Practice 010

Track Emergency Response Stations at KO2

Overview/Description

In response to a close call being raised on a Balfour Beatty site, it became apparent that emergency and fire fighting equipment were not always available at track level.

Steve Dunn and Colin Beatty, who both work as part of the logistics team at the KO2 Gemini site access thought up the idea of having fixed “Track level Emergency Response Stations” at various locations on the worksites.

They developed a self-contained smart “sentry box” unit painted in Balfour Beatty colours and positioned these at strategic worksite access points.

A couple of locations where these have been deployed are shown below:

Emergency station at Spa Road:



At Ewer Street



At New Cross Gate



Benefits

Each emergency station provides instant “one stop shop” for first line emergency equipment including Spill kits, a First aid kit, Eyewash bottles and Fire extinguishers.



The emergency response stations can be readily deployed to any location where the need arises.

The idea and initiative by Steve and Colin to build these emergency units is commendable as it is a well thought out fix for several potential problems – a potential life saver when it matters.