

Partners of roofing company bowled over for unsafe work

Both partners of a roofing company have been sentenced following out unsafe work on a Bowls Club in Salisbury.

Swindon Magistrates' Court heard how between 23 April and 7 May 2018 workers of CB Roofing were seen working on the roof with unsafe access, no edge protection and nothing to prevent falls through the fragile roof material.



An investigation by the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) found that the partners failed to ensure that the work at height was properly planned, appropriately supervised and carried out safely.

Philip Robert Stanley Spring of Blyth Way, Salisbury pleaded guilty to breaching Regulation 4 (1) of the Work at Height Regulations 2005 and has

received a six-month custodial sentence, suspended for 12 months, in which time he must undertake 250 hours unpaid work. He was also ordered to pay costs of £1836.31.

Christopher James Barham of Hughendon Manor, Salisbury pleaded guilty to breaching Regulation 4 (1) of the Work at Height Regulations 2005 and has received a six-month custodial sentence, suspended for 12 months, in which time he must undertake 250 hours unpaid work. He was also ordered to pay costs of £1836.31.

Speaking after the hearing HSE inspector Sue Adsett said: "Falls from height remain one of the most common causes of work-related injuries in this country and the risks associated with working at height are well known.

"Companies should be aware that HSE will not hesitate to take appropriate enforcement action against those that fall below the required standards."

Notes to Editors:

1. The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) is Britain's national regulator for workplace health and safety. We prevent work-related death, injury and ill health through regulatory actions that range from influencing behaviours across whole industry sectors through to targeted interventions on individual businesses. These activities are supported by globally recognised scientific expertise. hse.gov.uk^[1]
2. More about the legislation referred to in this case can be found at:

www.legislation.gov.uk/^[2]

3. HSE news releases are available at <http://press.hse.gov.uk>^[3]

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