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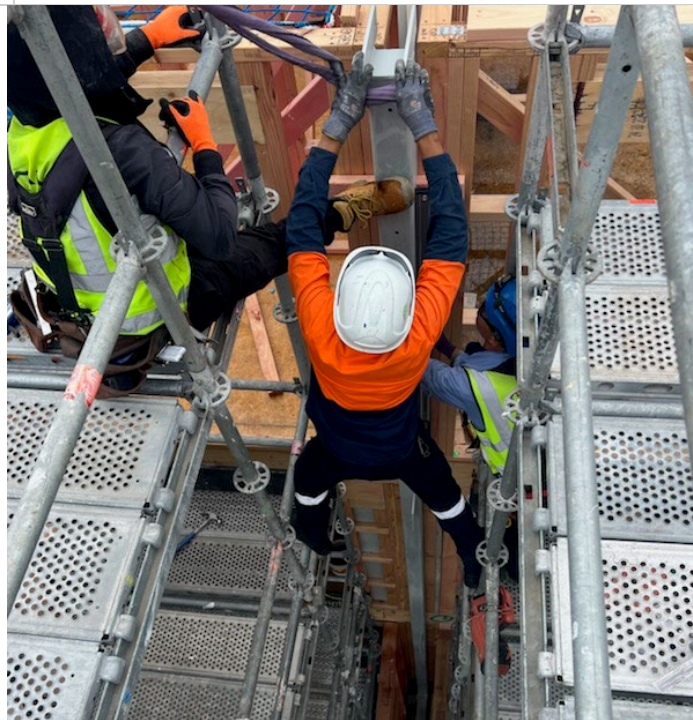


	Outline the Scene	Incident	Steel worker climbing through scaffold rails
		Subject	A0/P4 Fall from Heights
		Incident Date	27/08/2024
		Business Unit	Fletcher Living - Central Branch

What happened



The steel fabricators used a Hiab to lift and secure the post in place. One worker was seen climbing over the safety rails on the third level of the scaffold, positioning himself between the scaffolds to detach the lifting strop from the post. This placed him directly above a three-level void. Another contractor noticed this and instructed the steelworker to return to the safety of the scaffold. The worker did not comply right away, finishing the task of releasing the strop first, and the project manager was subsequently informed.



We believe all injuries are preventable, here's some of our Learnings:



- The carpentry team, steel installer and Hiab operator were not able to directly communicate with one another due to language barriers. During pre-start meetings, we need to ensure we use translators or apps to translate to ensure everyone understands what is required of them. Pre-start meetings also to be documented moving forward.
- When tasks are not progressing as planned, contractors to pause and re-assess before continuing

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- Crane operator to ensure he positions himself to have full visibility of the operation or alternatively use a qualified dogman.
- We've commended the contractor who reported the incident to management to encourage others to speak up when they see something that is unsafe.

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