



SEVERN TRENT WATER BRANCH

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Change your Mind about Safety

*Ever wondered why people
do daft things when it comes
to their own safety...?*

MindSafety workshops are coming to a site near you so make sure you don't miss out!

Each workshop is around 3 hours long and there are morning and afternoon sessions to choose from.

Bookings will need to be approved by your Line Manager.
and will be confirmed by H&S training via email.

A message from Andy Smith
Director of Water services

Don't be Daft

Why do people, who obviously aren't daft, sometimes do daft things and hurt themselves?

We've improved our health and safety loads but people still keep hurting themselves.

Sometimes it's because something dangerous hadn't been sorted immediately. I've heard so many times 'I wasn't really thinking about what I was doing' or 'I've done it a thousand times before but this time I pulled my back'.

Why is that? What could have been done to prevent it in advance?

I often speak to people who have dug holes, turned valves, worked with electricity, operated treatment works for thirty years without injury.

What habits do safe people have that make them safe?

Find out on MindSafety. You'll learn about why people do the things they do. You'll learn what you, your workmates and bosses need to do to get better at keeping each other safe. It's going to take a team effort.

It won't be your normal safety course. Most of the people who have been on the programme rate it as one of the best they've been on.

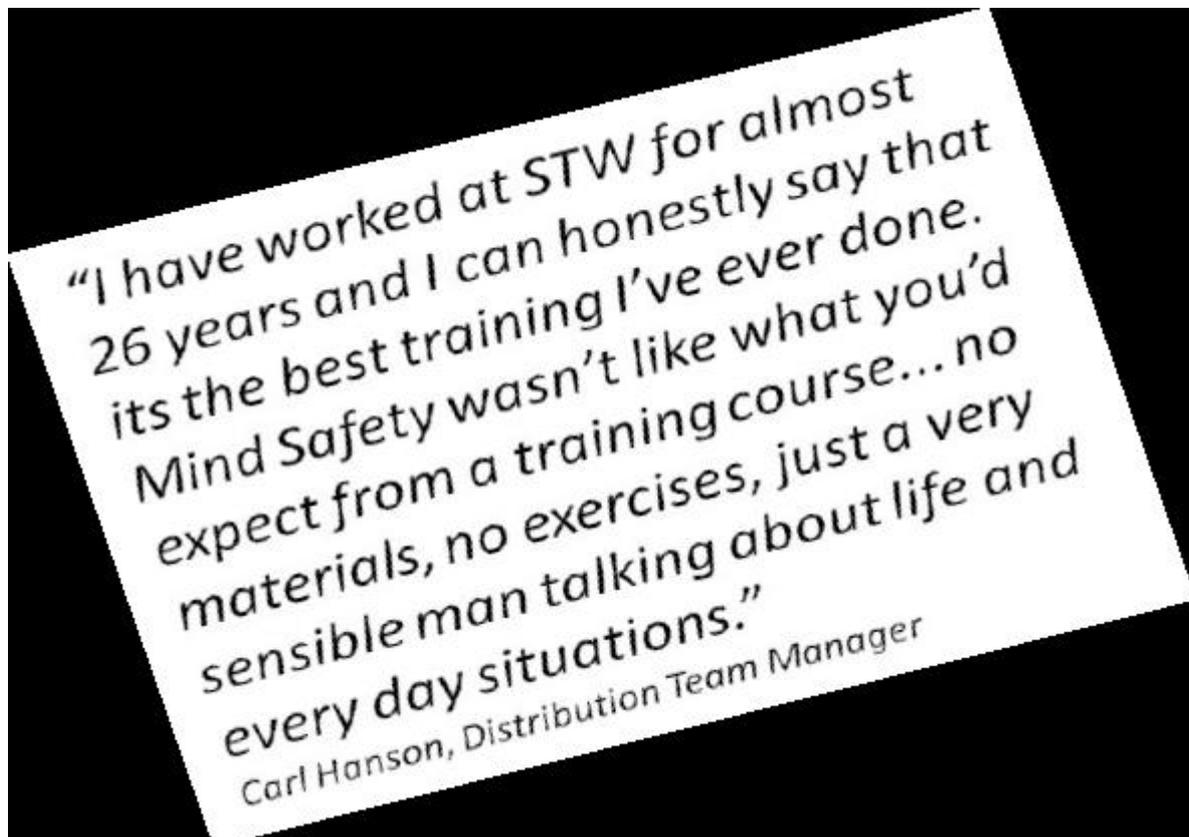
We've run a few pilots to make the course even better and to make sure it's OK for those of you who don't like sitting down in meetings.

The MindSafety sessions are around 3 hours long with lots of breaks. They will run at various sites from mid April through to July.

I'd really like everyone to attend so we can all know the same stuff and work together better. We need to do this together – managers can't do it all for you.

Book early – the spaces will fill up fast! If you don't go, you'll miss out!

*Many Thanks,
Andy*



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