

## Scaffold Safety

Recently, GIS has had a near miss involving scaffolding. When erecting, maintaining or working on scaffolding regardless of the type please remember these safety tips:

- System scaffolding should be designed and erected in accordance with the manufacturers' or suppliers guidelines by a competent person.
- Any proposed modifications or alterations, should never be completed without the manufactures' and company approval.
- Inspection of designed scaffolding should be carried out by a competent person.
- Scaffolding should be clearly signed to indicate when they are not in use.



### Remember:

- Are all uprights provided with suitable basses to prevent slipping or sinking?
- Are all uprights, ledgers, braces and struts securely in position?
- Are there adequate and appropriate guard-rails and toe-boards in place?
- Are there effective barriers or warning notices in place to prevent people from using incomplete or unsafe scaffolding?