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NEW ARRIVALS HATCH A PLAN TO PREVENT IVA VIDEO TESTING AT ANDOVER TRAILERS

After being chosen as the first UK trailer manufacturer to trial the DVSA's new IVA video testing procedure, Andover Trailers has now successfully completed four tests, with a fifth put on hold after the discovery of a family of robins nesting beneath the plant body deck.

Set to be delivered to Paragon Tool Hire, the 32-tonne Volvo FM 8x2 rigid features both Andover Trailers' pioneering fold flat ramps and its trademark low-profile deck, which seemingly also doubles as a solid and secure nesting site.

Harry Scarffe, Manager at Paragon Tool Hire says: "As reasons go for delaying the delivery of a new vehicle to our fleet, this is certainly a new one! We were delighted to hear that the IVA tests were now able to take place, but after hearing about the nest our first thought was of course to ensure any new chicks were kept safe and sound; we all agreed that the test can wait."

The discovery was made whilst Andover was prepping the truck for the company's latest IVA test. Using Microsoft Teams and a smartphone, a member of staff at Andover is able to walk through the entire test, evidencing safety compliance, confirming all dimensions and showcasing the company's celebrated build quality to the DVSA representatives as if they were on site.

Tim Wright, Managing Director at Andover Trailers says: "It was vital for us as a business to get the IVA testing moving again, particularly on the completed trailers and plant bodies we have sitting in our yard. What we didn't plan for was a family of robins moving in! Though it has put a much-needed smile on all our faces."

With Paragon Tool Hire's plant body remaining off limits, Andover is still able to carry out at least one test per day, which roughly matches the number of tests the DVSA would expect to complete from its single fortnightly visit to the site.

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