# Key Questions from programme

1. Why is this system only to be used by Network Operations and not contractors working for IP?
   1. Because at this point only Network Operations has addressed the risk. Network Rail is in consultation with the wider industry about how they deal with the risk of runaway.
2. Why would we only apply it in a T3 Possession?
   1. We can only use the Vortok Rearguard in a Possession as that is what it has a product licence for. We could use other techniques in a line blockage if we were concerned about the risk of runaway within that line blockage.
3. How does a watchman work at night?
   1. This is not an exact science; in that, we have a duty to take reasonably practicable steps to reduce the risk of exposure to runaways; that could include the use of worksite marker boards or other lights positioned so that their disturbance indicated the presence of a runaway.
4. How does the system protect a long worksite from the risk of runaway?
   1. This is not an exact science; in that, we have a duty to take reasonably practicable steps to reduce the risk of exposure to runaways, that could include the use of the Vortok Rearguard in tandem with Watchmen. That is, place the rearguard kit at the higher extremity of the work site and place watchmen to look out for it’s activation further into the site.
5. How do we manage late changes to plans?
   1. The person who authorises a late change to the plans needs to think about how that late change will impact upon the other works in the possession, and make sure that the ODM team are informed so that they can inform the PICOPs and ES’s involved.
6. How do we protect Patrollers from the risk of runaways
   1. We can’t use the Vortok Rearguard, so we have to revert to first principles. Such as:-
      1. Can the patrol or the work which exposes the patrol to the risk of runaway be done at another time and thus remove the risk?
      2. Can a feature within the infrastructure be set in such a way as to protect the patroller from the work item that presents the risk of runaway?
      3. Can we deploy a watchman to walk with the patroller and can we vary the patrol so that they are walking uphill towards where a runaway may come from?
      4. Can the patrol be done in the hours of daylight?