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## EXPLOSIVE CASUALTY EPISODE FILMED IN BRISTOL & YATE TO AIR THIS WEEKEND

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BRISTOL, Thursday 9 August 2018: One of the biggest and most expensive episodes ever made for BBC One's Casualty is due to air on Saturday, after filming in Bristol and Yate earlier this year.

Fans of the long-running BBC medical drama will know that Saturday's episode will feature a catastrophic motorway explosion which is set to leave at least one life hanging in the balance. The dramatic crash scene features a petrol tanker turning on its side with disastrous consequences for the paramedic crew of the Holby Emergency Department.



The unmissable explosion stunt (pictured) was filmed on 10 May on a unique stretch of 400m of unused carriageway in Yate, known as the 'Road To Nowhere', which is offered to filmmakers by South Gloucestershire Council.

The location has hosted filming for a range of other high-profile shoots in the past, including *Broadchurch* and *Skins*.

Casualty (c) BBC / Alistair Heap

In April and May, Bristol Film Office assisted with filming at Bristol locations that also feature in the episode. Scenes were shot at Flax Bourton Mortuary, Carolina House in Stokes Croft and upon a lowloader driven along the M32 in the Newfoundland Road area. **Natalie Moore of Bristol Film Office** says: "Bristol was home to Casualty for 25 years and this longstanding connection makes it a production that remains close to the city's heart. It was great to welcome the show back earlier this year for the making of these dramatic scenes, expertly executed by the show's skilled cast and crew."





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Watch the dramatic episode on Saturday 11th August at 9.10pm on BBC One.

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## **NOTES TO EDITORS**

## **Bristol Film Office**

Bristol Film Office, a division of Bristol City Council, is a free service to all productions planning to film in the city. Dedicated to making film, television or commercial photography shoots run as smoothly as possible when on location in Bristol, it is the one-stop-shop for all filming enquiries. It can assist at all stages of production, from initial location and crewing advice to recces and logistical support. In 2016-17, Bristol Film Office recorded a strong total of £18.3 million inward investment from productions working in Bristol and registered more than 1,000 location filming days in the city.

Bristol Film Office is leading delivery of a programme of activity to celebrate the permanent UNESCO City of Film status Bristol was awarded in 2017. <a href="https://www.filmbristol.co.uk">www.filmbristol.co.uk</a>

