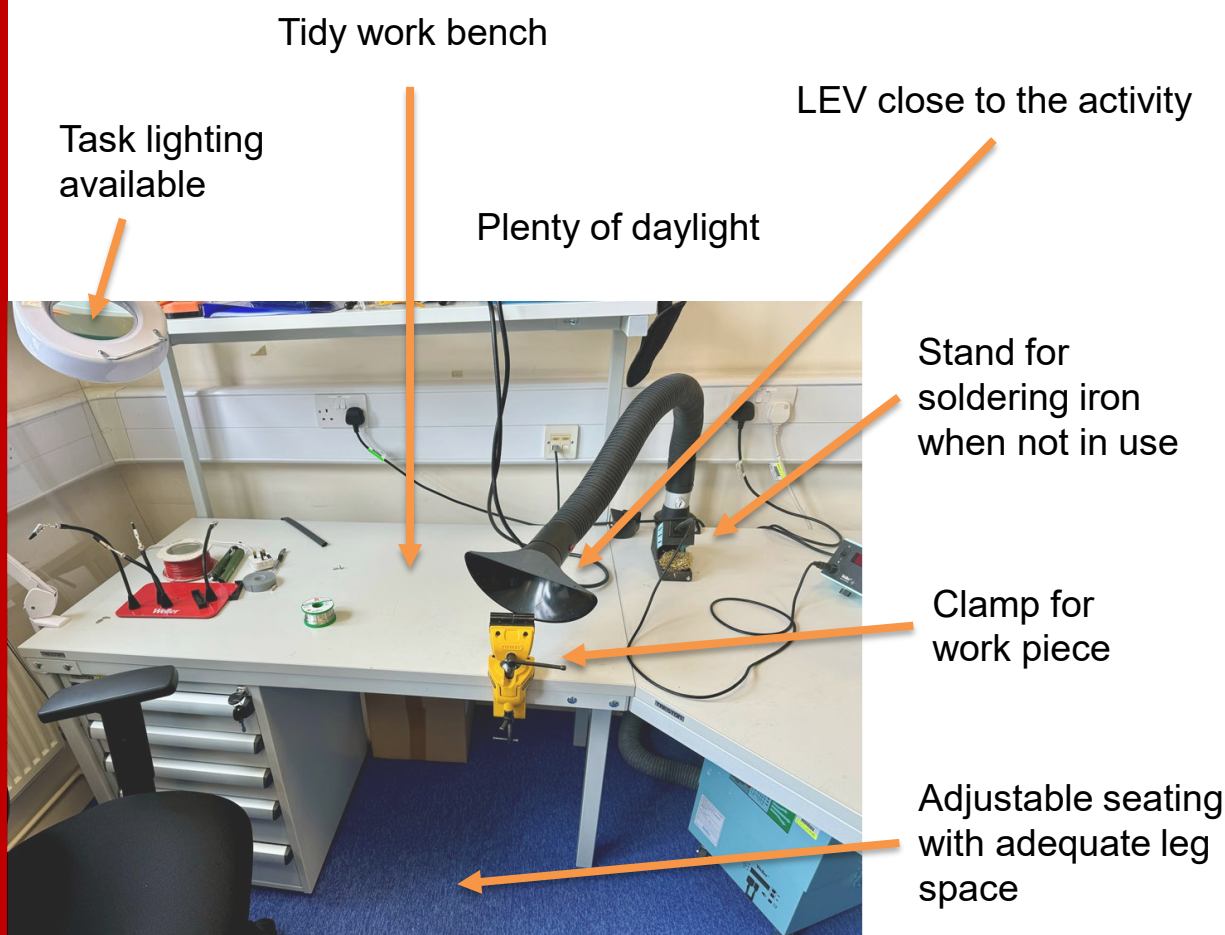


Good Soldering Practices



Other control measures to be in place:

- Ensure individuals are trained in using the soldering equipment
- A completed COSHH assessment - avoid using lead solder or solder containing (colophony based) rosin and if unavoidable then ensure the use is justified in the assessment
- Inspect soldering iron and cables before use and check it is PAT tested
- Ensure LEVs are registered and have been subject to a statutory inspection
- Maintain/replace LEV filters according to manufacturer's instructions
- Wear PPE such as safety specs. Gloves may also be necessary if using rosin solder as it can cause contact dermatitis.
- Allow soldering iron to cool before changing or cleaning the tip
- Take regular breaks – give your posture and eyes a rest
- Consider using heat protection matting on bench top and floor
- Wash hands after soldering tasks

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