



## Severe weather bulletin – 11th December 2020

We do everything we can to keep traffic moving on priority roads and we are open about the fact we cannot grit every road in Lancashire. Even if we had the resources needed we couldn't grit them quickly enough to make a real difference.

No council does this. It is important people understand there are limitations to the service we can provide.

That is why we ask residents to take steps to make sure that when severe winter weather strikes they are prepared and able to manage.

### What we do

- The county council is responsible for over 4,300 miles of roads of which approximately 1,800 miles are part of Lancashire's 'Priority Road Network' for salting and snow clearing.
- It can take our gritters up to four hours to grit one route and even longer in severe weather conditions. This means sometimes we can't grit as often as we would like.
- When low temperatures are forecast we grit the roads as a precaution before the frost forms, usually during the evening or early hours of the morning. Remember weather forecasts are only a guide and our local knowledge and expertise is vital in deciding what to do.
- Despite our best efforts, winter weather can still make roads treacherous and there is no guarantee that roads will always be completely free of ice and snow. Take extra care.



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Update	North Lancashire (Lancaster, Wyre, Fylde)	Central & South Lancashire (Chorley, Preston, South Ribble, West Lancashire)	East Lancashire (Burnley, Hyndburn, Ribble Valley, Rossendale, Pendle)			
<i>Where we have gritted in the past few days</i>	<b>Thursday 10 December 2020</b>		<b>Thursday 10 December 2020</b>		<b>Thursday 10 December 2020</b>	
	AM	• no action taken	AM	• no action taken	AM	• No action taken
		• No action taken	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken
	<b>Wednesday 9 December 2020</b>		<b>Wednesday 9 December 2020</b>		<b>Wednesday 9 December 2020</b>	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken
	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken
	<b>Tuesday 8 December 2020</b>		<b>Tuesday 8 December 2020</b>		<b>Tuesday 8 December 2020</b>	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken
	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken
	<b>Monday 7 December 2020</b>		<b>Monday 7 December 2020</b>		<b>Monday 7 December 2020</b>	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken
	PM	• All routes treated	PM	• All routes treated	PM	• All routes treated
	<b>Sunday 6 December 2020</b>		<b>Sunday 6 December 2020</b>		<b>Sunday 6 December 2020</b>	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken
	PM	• All routes treated	PM	• All routes treated	PM	• All routes treated
	<b>Saturday 5 December 2020</b>		<b>Saturday 5 December 2020</b>		<b>Saturday 5 December 2020</b>	
	AM	• All routes treated	AM	• No action taken	AM	• All routes treated
	PM	• All routes treated	PM	• All routes treated	PM	• All routes treated
<b>Friday 4 December 2020</b>		<b>Friday 4 December 2020</b>		<b>Friday 4 December 2020</b>		
AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• Selected priority routes	
PM	• All routes treated	PM	• Selected priority routes	PM	• All routes treated	
<i>Countywide salt usage</i>	• Nov 2019 – 2,633.68 tonnes - Nov 2020 – 731.36 tonnes					
<i>Lowest temp forecasted</i>	4 <sup>th</sup> Dec -1.5°	5 <sup>th</sup> Dec -1.8°	7 <sup>th</sup> Dec -2.5°			
<i>Latest forecast</i>	<p><b>1-5 Day Outlook:</b> Cloudy and damp with patchy light rain/ drizzle on Friday afternoon; similar conditions overnight, with RSTs above zero. Similar conditions on Saturday too, but turning drier and clearer during the evening and overnight, allowing RSTs to fall marginal in places. A band of rain looks to push in from the west on Sunday, with further pulses of rain continuing through the evening and overnight. Staying unsettled and breezy with further outbreaks of rain or showers throughout Monday, and some clear spells possible overnight.</p> <p><b>6- 10 Day Outlook:</b> Staying unsettled with frequent bands of precipitation and showers pushing in from the south-west through this period. Temperatures will be above average, with a reduced risk of winter road hazards.</p>					