



Severe weather bulletin – 24th December 2021

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)			
Where we have gritted in the past few days	Friday, 17 December 2021		Friday, 17 December 2021		Friday, 17 December 2021	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken
	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken
	Saturday, 18 December 2021		Saturday, 18 December 2021		Saturday, 18 December 2021	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken
	PM	• Selected priority routes treated	PM	• No action taken	PM	• Selected priority routes treated
	Sunday, 19 December 2021		Sunday, 19 December 2021		Sunday, 19 December 2021	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken
	PM	• Selected priority routes treated	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken
	Monday, 20 December 2021		Monday, 20 December 2021		Monday, 20 December 2021	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken
	PM	• All priority routes treated	PM	• All priority routes treated	PM	• All priority routes treated
	Tuesday, 21 December 2021		Tuesday, 21 December 2021		Tuesday, 21 December 2021	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken
	PM	• All priority routes treated	PM	• All priority routes treated	PM	• All priority routes treated
	Wednesday, 22 December 2021		Wednesday, 22 December 2021		Wednesday, 22 December 2021	
AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	
PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken	
	Thursday, 23 December 2021		Thursday, 23 December 2021		Thursday, 23 December 2021	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken
	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken
Countywide salt usage	• November 2021 - 2,554.20 tonnes		November 2020 - 731.36 tonnes			
Lowest temp forecasted	Tuesday, 21 December -2.7°C		Tuesday, 21 December -2.2 °C		Tuesday, 21 December -3.9°C	
Latest forecast	1-8 Day Outlook: THURSDAY: Outbreaks of heavy rain tomorrow afternoon. Cloudy and wet overnight with spells of light rain or drizzle. RSTs above zero. FRIDAY: A rather cloudy day with the chance of an isolated shower. Cloudy and wet overnight with spells of rain. Breezy. RSTs above zero. SATURDAY: Outbreaks of rain, with sleet over higher routes. A wet night with outbreaks of rain, perhaps wintry for a time during the evening over higher roads. Marginal RSTs expected over higher roads. SUNDAY: Light rain and drizzle dying out to leave a dry afternoon. A dry evening, but patchy rain or drizzle during the latter part of the night. RSTs expected to stay above zero. MONDAY TO THURSDAY: A rather unsettled spell of weather with mainly cloudy skies, along with showers or longer spells of rain. RSTs are currently forecast to stay above zero throughout the extended outlook period.					