



Severe weather bulletin – 31st 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)			
<i>Where we have gritted in the past few days</i>	Friday, 24 December 2021		Friday, 24 December 2021		Friday, 24 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, 25 December 2021		Saturday, 25 December 2021		Saturday, 25 December 2021	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• Selected priority routes treated
	PM	• Selected priority routes treated	PM	• Selected priority routes treated	PM	• All priority routes treated
	Sunday, 26 December 2021		Sunday, 26 December 2021		Sunday, 26 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
	Monday, 27 December 2021		Monday, 27 December 2021		Monday, 27 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
	Tuesday, 28 December 2021		Tuesday, 28 December 2021		Tuesday, 28 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
	Wednesday, 29 December 2021		Wednesday, 29 December 2021		Wednesday, 29 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, 30 December 2021		Thursday, 30 December 2021		Thursday, 30 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
<i>Countywide salt usage</i>	• November 2021 – 2,554.20 tonnes		November 2020 – 731.36 tonnes			
<i>Lowest temp forecasted</i>	Saturday, 25 December 0.6°C		Saturday, 25 December -0.3 °C		Saturday, 25 December -0.5°C	
<i>Latest forecast</i>	<p>1-5 Day Outlook: FRIDAY: Bright spells tomorrow afternoon, although the chance of an isolated light shower. A dry evening, but rain during the latter part of the night. RSTs well above zero. SATURDAY: Rain turning more showery by the afternoon. Rather breezy for a time. Cloudy and wet overnight with spells of heavy rain. RSTs well above zero. SUNDAY: A cloudy, wet day with outbreaks of rain. Cloudy and wet overnight with spells of rain. Breezy. RSTs should stay above zero. MONDAY: A cloudy, wet day with outbreaks of rain. A wet night with outbreaks of rain, perhaps sleety later over high routes. RSTs may fall close to marginal territory.</p> <p>6-10 Day Outlook: TUESDAY: Turning dry and cold with sunny and then clear skies, and RSTs likely to fall below zero overnight. WEDNESDAY: Dry and chilly during the day, but cloud gradually thickening overnight, perhaps bringing some rain or sleet by Thursday morning. RSTs still look to fall marginal or below zero in places. THURSDAY: Variable cloud with wintry showers or longer spells of rain, sleet and - over higher roads - perhaps snow. RSTs likely to drop below zero on high routes. Windy at times. FRIDAY: Outbreaks of rain and/or showers; these wintry over higher routes with sleet. Some clearer breaks too, however. RSTs currently forecast to fall close to zero over higher routes. Windy at times.</p>					