



## Gritting bulletin – 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024

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)			
<b>Where we have gritted in the past few days</b>	<b>Friday, 13 December 2024</b>		<b>Friday, 13 December 2024</b>		<b>Friday, 13 December 2024</b>	
	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken
	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken	<b>PM</b>	• Selected priority routes treated
	<b>Saturday, 14 December 2024</b>		<b>Saturday, 14 December 2024</b>		<b>Saturday, 14 December 2024</b>	
	<b>AM</b>	• Selected priority routes treated	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken	<b>AM</b>	• Selected priority routes treated
	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken
	<b>Sunday, 15 December 2024</b>		<b>Sunday, 15 December 2024</b>		<b>Sunday, 15 December 2024</b>	
	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken
	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken
	<b>Monday, 16 December 2024</b>		<b>Monday, 16 December 2024</b>		<b>Monday, 16 December 2024</b>	
	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken
	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken
	<b>Tuesday, 17 December 2024</b>		<b>Tuesday, 17 December 2024</b>		<b>Tuesday, 17 December 2024</b>	
	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken
	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken
	<b>Wednesday, 18 December 2024</b>		<b>Wednesday, 18 December 2024</b>		<b>Wednesday, 18 December 2024</b>	
	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken
	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken	<b>PM</b>	• No action taken	<b>PM</b>	• Selected priority routes treated
<b>Thursday, 19 December 2024</b>		<b>Thursday, 19 December 2024</b>		<b>Thursday, 19 December 2024</b>		
<b>AM</b>	• Selected priority routes treated	<b>AM</b>	• No action taken	<b>AM</b>	• Selected priority routes treated	
<b>PM</b>	• Selected priority routes treated	<b>PM</b>	• Selected priority routes treated	<b>PM</b>	• Selected priority routes treated	
<b>Countywide salt usage</b>	• December 2023 – 1,918.26		• December 2024 – 451.18			
<b>Lowest temp forecasted</b>	Thursday, 19 December -1.1 °C		Thursday, 19 December +0.0 °C		Thursday, 19 December -1.3 °C	
<b>Latest forecast</b> <i>(RST–Road Surface Temperature)</i>	<b>1-10 Day Outlook:</b> <b>FRIDAY:</b> Outbreaks of heavy rain tomorrow afternoon. Breezy. Evening showers with more persistent rain during the latter part of the night. Staying breezy. RSTs above zero. <b>SATURDAY:</b> A cloudy, wet day with outbreaks of rain. Windy. Evening rain with heavy, wintry showers following during the latter part of the night. Very windy. RSTs expected to fall below zero over higher roads with the risk of ice and hoar frost. <b>SUNDAY:</b> Bright spells and wintry showers. Very windy. Light evening showers dying out to leave the second half of the night dry. Staying very windy for a time. RSTs expected to drop below zero with the risk of ice and hoar frost. <b>MONDAY:</b> A dry, bright day with sunny spells. A dry evening, but patchy rain or drizzle during the latter part of the night. RSTs possibly close to zero over high parts. <b>TUESDAY:</b> Mainly cloudy with showers or longer spells of rain. RSTs are expected to remain above zero. <b>WEDNESDAY &amp; THURSDAY:</b> Largely dry with clear spells and variable amounts of cloud. RSTs currently forecast to stay well above zero on both nights. <b>FRIDAY:</b> Potential rain for a while with largely cloudy skies. RSTs currently predicted to stay above zero.					