

Lynchmere Parish Council– Winter bulletin - Salt/grit information



Lynchmere's Grit/Salt bins

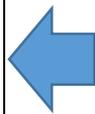
The salt/grit in these bins is for use on public footpaths and roads; NOT for private use. Please use it sensibly as per the WSCC guidelines below. If you notice that a bin needs re-filling please contact the Parish Council Clerk **Kate Bain; 01428 621234 / lynchmerepc4@gmail.com**

WSCC recommends a spread rate of approximately **20 grams of salt / grit per 1m²** when hand salting. Although salt / grit can be spread effectively with shovels, care is required to ensure over salting does not occur.



(copied from WSCC winter guidance):

20 grams is in fact a very small amount. You don't need a lot of salt to protect a footway. Use it sparingly. Over salting is damaging to the environment and a waste of a limited resource. You may not get your salt bin or bulk bags replaced if salt stocks are critical.



The white board in the photo is 1m² and has 20 grams of salt / grit spread across it. You will observe that you do not need a lot of salt to protect the footways. Spread it evenly and your salt will last longer and cover a greater area.

Road gritting/salting

C will salt main roads as per the criteria below: (copied from WSCC winter guidance):

1] Important bus routes i.e. daily-weekday with a service frequency of at least one bus per hour or more, in and between peak periods for schools and work.

2] Access road/s leading to large industrial establishments, as identified by the Highway Network Manager.

3] Access road/s leading to **large** educational establishments e.g. Colleges of Further Education or Secondary Schools, as identified by the Highway Network Manager.

4] Access road/s leading to Airports, Hospitals, Ambulance Stations, Fire Stations, Railway Roads.

5] Roads on which the Highway Network Manager considers (based on local knowledge and experience) that wintry conditions present a higher than normal risk to the road user for a road of that hierarchy and use.

Lynchmere Parish Council can authorise registered local contractors to salt/grit the smaller roads in the Parish. If the coverage is 50mm or more, WSCC will pay for this service; they issue an 'Alert/ Action Plan email' to initiate this. Any clearing without the issue of this email from WSCC must be paid for from Parish Council funds.

Useful contacts: In an emergency call 999 (from any phone) or 112 from a mobile. Police: 101 from a landline or mobile.

WSCC Highways: 01243 642105