

Severe weather bulletin – 18th October 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)	
Where we have gritted in the past few days	Friday, 11 October 2024		Friday	Friday, 11 October 2024		Friday, 11 October 2024	
	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, 12 October 2024		Saturo	Saturday, 12 October 2024		Saturday, 12 October 2024	
	AM	No action taken	AM	No action taken	AM	No action taken	
	PM	Selected priority routes treated	PM	Selected priority routes treated	PM	Selected priority routes treated	
	Sunday, 13 October 2024		Sunda	Sunday, 13 October 2024		Sunday, 13 October 2024	
	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, 14 October 2024		Mond	Monday, 14 October 2024		Monday, 14 October 2024	
	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, 15 October 2024		Tuesd	Tuesday, 15 October 2024		Tuesday, 15 October 2024	
	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, 16 October 2024		Wedn	Wednesday, 16 October 2024		Wednesday, 16 October 2024	
	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, 17 October 2024		Thurse	Thursday, 17 October 2024		Thursday, 17 October 2024	
	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	• October 2023 – 91.72 tonnes • October 2024 – 90.84 tonnes						
Lowest temp forecasted		Saturday, 12 October -1.0°C		Saturday, 12 October +0.5°C		Saturday, 12 October -1.1°C	
Latest forecast	1-10 Day Outlook: FRIDAY: Outbreaks of rain tomorrow afternoon. Windy. Cloudy and wet overnight with spells of heavy rain. RSTs well above zero. SATURDAY: Rain						
(RST-Road Surface Temperature)	turning more showery by the afternoon. Dry with clear spells for much of the night. However, rain moving in towards dawn. Increasingly breezy. RSTs well above zero. SUNDAY: A cloudy, wet day with outbreaks of heavy rain. Very windy. Clear spells and heavy showers overnight. Staying very windy for a time. RSTs well above zero. MONDAY: Sunny spells and showers. Increasingly breezy. Showers during the evening and overnight, with more persistent rain moving in towards dawn. RSTs well above zero. TUESDAY: Showery with the cloud amounts varying. RSTs are expected to remain well above zero. WEDNESDAY: Dry with clear intervals and variable cloud amount RSTs currently forecast to stay well above zero on both nights.						