



Severe weather bulletin – Friday 19 March 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>	Thursday 18 March 2021		Thursday 18 March 2021		Thursday 18 March 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 17 March 2021		Wednesday 17 March 2021		Wednesday 17 March 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 16 March 2021		Tuesday 16 March 2021		Tuesday 16 March 2021	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken
	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken	PM	• Selected priority routes treated
	Monday 15 March 2021		Monday 15 March 2021		Monday 15 March 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
	Sunday 14 March 2021		Sunday 14 March 2021		Sunday 14 March 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 13 March 2021		Saturday 13 March 2021		Saturday 13 March 2021	
	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken	AM	• No action taken
	PM	• No action taken	PM	• No action taken	PM	• Selected priority routes treated
Friday 12 March 2021		Friday 12 March 2021		Friday 12 March 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	
<i>Countywide salt usage</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dec 2019 – 3,790.93 tonnes - Dec 2020 – 6,486.76 tonnes • January 2020 – 2,968.17 tonnes – January 2021 – 11,008.4 tonnes • February 2020 - 5844.92 tonnes – February 2021 - 3625.76 tonnes 					
<i>Lowest temp forecasted</i>	Friday 12 March 2021 0.2 °C	Friday 12 March 2021 0.8 °C	Friday 12 March 2021 0°C			
<i>Latest forecast</i>	<p>1-5 Day Outlook: Overcast with patchy light rain or drizzle at times on Friday and Saturday. A fair amount of cloud persisting into Sunday too, with a scattering of light showers around. Clearer skies developing overnight, although some fog patches possible. A fine day Monday with variable cloud. Patchy low cloud and fog perhaps building in overnight. RSTs generally holding above zero beneath sufficient cloud, but turning chilly where clearer skies prevail.</p> <p>6- 10 Day Outlook: Showers or longer spells of rain pushing in from the west at times. Temperatures fluctuating around normal, but still with the risk of the odd chilly night</p>					