

Duncton Winter Maintenance Plan 2018-19

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This plan will be implemented in the event of snowfall or severe ice.

West Sussex County Council (WSCC) have identified routes through the **Precautionary Salting Network** that WSCC will treat as required and is divided into Priority 1, 2 & 3 roads.

Priority 1. Primary Roads main A & B road network (as defined in the West Sussex Local Transport Plan), approaches to Hospitals, Ambulance and other Emergency Services. **We have no priority 1 roads in Duncton.**

Priority 2. Remainder of the A and B road network not treated as Priority 1. **This includes the A285 running through Duncton.**

Priority 3. All other roads that make up the Precautionary Salting Network that is not a Priority 1 or 2. **This includes Duncton Common Road which runs from Duncton to Graffham.**

Routes not identified on the Precautionary Network will not be treated. Further information and a map of the Precautionary Network can be found on the following web pages.

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/maintaining-roads-verges-and-pavements/winter-service/>

To help with the routes that are not gritted and are areas of concern, the Parish Council have positioned 6 grit bins in the Parish (see map for locations) and will ensure they are stocked with a salt/grit mix for residents to spread when required.

Although the Parish Council are supplying the bin and the salt/grit mix, we are not directing residents to spread the salt/grit, this will purely be down to the individual to act on their own initiative for the benefit of the Community.

When applied, the salt/grit mix forms a brine solution which freezes at a lower temperature than rainwater and grit helps provide traction when spread on top of compacted snow and ice. The mix can therefore be used as a precautionary measure and also on snow and ice.

Residents are encouraged to:

- Be aware of the routes that are not gritted and to take extra care
- Help themselves to salt/grit mix from the 6 bins
- Contact Duncton Parish Council if grit supplies are low and need replenishing

Routes not gritted	Location of salt/grit bin	Why area for concern
Burton Park Road	Junction of A285 and Burton Park Road	Busy junction
Road towards Graffham from the Duncton Straight	At rear of April Cottage at A285 and Graffham Rd junction	Busy junction
Driveway to Village Hall	Junction of A285 and Village Hall by end of 40 mph limit	Steep driveway with bends
Willet Close	A285 junction with Willet Close	High levels of traffic by car and on foot due to Duncton School. Elderly residents and young families
Beechwood Lane	A285 Junction with Beechwood Lane	Junction at the bottom of a steep hill and windy road
Folly Lane	Bottom of Duncton Hill and entrance to Folly Lane	Access from Folly Lane onto A285 is uphill.

Advice on hand salting



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

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.

The white board in the photo is one metre square and has 20 grams of salt / grit spread across which is roughly a handful.

