

Latest winter travel and road information

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Dear Parishioners,

As you know, the county is currently in the grip of a severe weather event and County Council staff are working around the clock to keep Devon moving. Below you will find the latest update on the situation with our highways and the advice which is being given to the public.

The County Council are treating the primary road network in Devon to help keep Devon moving. All A roads and other major routes are currently being treated with salt during this winter weather period. With Met Office predictions that this weather is set to continue for the rest of the month, Devon County Council is aiming to continue to treat and keep open the **primary road network**, some 1,600 miles of roads – 20% of the roads in Devon.

There are 1,550 grit bins located throughout the county, which are being restocked regularly where they can be accessed. **These are available for residents to use to grit the public roads and pavements only and are not for private driveway use.**

Highway depots are now closed to the public and salt or grit is **not** available for public use from these highway depots. The public and Parish Councils should not visit depots.

Estate roads and non primary routes will **not** be treated. We **cannot** respond to reports of ice which are not on the primary road network.

If you must travel, be prepared. Make sure someone knows where you are going, wear warm clothes, take with you a fully charged mobile phone, a shovel, blanket, torch, de-icer and high visibility clothing.

For further highway and salting enquiries visit the DCC website which is updated throughout the day – www.devon.gov.uk – or call the **My Devon Customer Service Centre on 0845 155 1004.**